

# WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



*As our Mission: "We invite everyone to celebrate and reflect God's love, encouraging one another to grow in relationship with God and service to others."*

## Epiphany Sunday & Communion

Sunday, January 1st, 2017  
10:30 a.m.

**In the name of the Lord Jesus Christ,  
we welcome you today.**

May you experience the love of God  
and the warmth of his people.  
Please sign our Welcome Book at the back of the  
Sanctuary and stay for refreshments and  
conversation in the Lower Hall.

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✚ means please stand if you are able

### We Gather In God's Name

Organ Prelude (time for prayer and reflection)

✚ Bible & Choir Entry

Welcome

Choir Introit: High O'er the Hills, Haldor Lillenas

Call to Worship

L: Come, come to me, says God.

**P: To you we come, O God, in worship, in dedication  
and in thanksgiving.**

L: Come, come to me, says God.

**P: We offer ourselves, O God; we offer what we hold as  
precious, for your blessing.**

L: Come, come to me, says God, for I want to bless your  
lives.

**P: And so, we come, to offer you ourselves in worship.  
Show us yourself, O Holy One.**

✚ Hymn 146 Angels from the realms of glory

Prayer of Adoration

Time for all God's Children

Prayer of Confession

**You ask us to trust you, Faithful One, but we hold back, we  
doubt and we turn away.**

**You ask us to share your love, One who is love, but we  
hoard your smiles, store away your gifts, hide and keep to  
ourselves your kind regard. Rather than share you, we keep  
you to ourselves.**

**You ask us to place our hope in you, Rock and Redeemer,  
but we hope in ourselves instead.**

**Forgive us, renew us, draw us back again, to you.**

Assurance of Pardon

Sharing in the Life of the Congregation – Announcements

## We Listen for Christ's Word

Solo: The Birthday of a King, W. H. Neidlinger  
Soloist: Ernie Dance

Scripture Reading:  
Luke 2:21-38 (p. 51 New Testament)

✝ Hymn 173 We three kings

Sermon: Seeing God at Work

## Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Invitation to the Table  
The Offering

Communion Hymn 534 All who hunger gather gladly

The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

L: The Lord be with you.

**P: And also with you.**

L: Lift up your hearts.

**P: We lift them up to the Lord.**

L: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**P: It is right to give thanks and praise.**

L: ... "gladly join our voices to the song of the Church on earth and in heaven."

**P: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory, hosanna in the highest. Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord, hosanna in the highest.**

Breaking the Bread and Lifting the Cup

Communion of the People

(Note: One cup contains white grape juice; the other, red sacramental wine)

Prayer after Communion

L: Gracious God - we give thanks to you for bread and for wine and for all that you touch and bless. Grant that we might always appreciate the mystery of your presence in the simple and ordinary things of life.

**P: As we have shared the body and blood of Christ Jesus - so help us to share the good news that he came to bring to all people.**

✝ Hymn 134 Lord, you were rich

Benediction – Go Now in Peace

Postlude

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### **Come to the Table – Intinction with Common Cup**

You are invited to come forward up the centre aisle to the table to receive it by intinction with a Common Cup. When you come forward, you may choose to dip a portion of your bread into the cup of white grape juice before eating it. Please continue to your side aisle as you return to your seat. If you would like to partake in communion but need assistance, please wait till the end and the servers will come to you. This morning's servers are members of the Christian Education team.



Narrative Lectionary Readings  
for Sunday, Jan 8, 2017 – "Jesus' Baptism"  
Luke 3:1-22 (Psalm 51:6-17 or 51:13).

This Week	
<b>THURSDAY, Jan 5th</b>	
7:15 PM	Choir, Sanctuary
<b>SUNDAY, Jan 8th</b>	
10:30 AM	<b>Worship, Sanctuary</b>

What's happening next week?	
<b>Tuesday, Jan 10th</b>	Breakfast at Carlingwood, 8:30 AM
	CE Meeting, Double Classroom, 7:00 PM
	Finance & Maintenance Meeting, Parlour, 7:30 PM
<b>Thursday, Jan 12th</b>	Pastoral Care Team Meeting, 1:30 PM, Parlour
	Choir, Sanctuary, 7:15 PM
<b>Saturday, Jan 14th</b>	Women's Bible Study, Parlour, 9:30 AM
<b>Sunday, Jan 15th</b>	<b>Worship, 10:30 AM, Sanctuary</b>

**The Ottawa Pastoral Care Training Program Basic Course** will be held Mon, Mar 13th-May 15th, 2017. It will be held from 1-3:30 pm or 7-9:30 pm at St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, Woodroffe Ave. There will be an advanced class (4 sessions) offered in the fall. The advanced class is only offered every couple of years so keep it in mind. If you are interested or have questions contact me. Brochures will be available in the new year. Marina, Pastoral Care Coordinator

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**Sun, Jan. 8, 2017** – is the deadline date for submissions to the Annual Report. Please send your reports to Kathy Milburn [admin@mywestminster.ca](mailto:admin@mywestminster.ca) or drop them off in the church office.

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**January 1: Food vouchers for refugees**

With partners at Canadian Foodgrains Bank, PWS&D is providing food vouchers to Syrian refugees so they can purchase groceries at local stores and save money for rent. For people like Mousa, this assistance has been an answer to prayer. During the uncertainty of war, knowing he can provide a warm dinner for his daughter is a source of comfort and strength.



**A New Year's Prayer**

Lord, You make all things new  
 You bring hope alive in our hearts  
 And cause our Spirits to be born again.

Thank you for this new year  
 For all the potential it holds.  
 Come and kindle in us  
 A mighty flame  
 So that in our time, many will see the wonders of God  
 And live forever to praise Your glorious name.

Amen

(A modern prayer for the New Year from [www.lords-prayer-words.com](http://www.lords-prayer-words.com))