

*Therefore, since we are surrounded
by so great a cloud of witnesses, let
us also lay aside every weight, and
sin which clings so closely, and let us
run with endurance
the race that is set before us.*

HEBREWS 12:1



**March 11, 2018 11:15 a.m.
4th Sunday in Lent**

Gathering Song #452 “Open the Eyes of My Heart”

Welcome and Living Our Faith

Passing the Peace

Call to Worship

We are here as God’s people gathered for worship.

We have come to praise God and seek God’s strength for our lives.

Let us celebrate the gift of life that God has given us.

Let us affirm the love and hope of people who follow Jesus Christ.

Song #670 “From the Rising of the Sun”

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

**God of strength and inspiration,
we confess our weaknesses to ourselves and to you.
Our faith is fragile in the face of crisis.
Our joy dissolves when times are difficult.
Our hope collapses when we are threatened or injured.
Strengthen us to endure the afflictions we encounter in life,
and give us courage to remain steadfast in the face of adversity.
We pray in the name of Christ,
who remained faithful to the end. Amen.**

Assurance of God’s Forgiveness

Song #582 “Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me”

Scripture Lesson

Hebrews 12:1-3

Sophia Malatesta, Lay Reader

Response

Holy Wisdom, Holy Word.

Thanks be to God.

Message

“Passing the Torch”

Jim Moseley

Song #730

“I Sing a Song of the Saints of God”

Offering

Please sign the blue friendship notebook and pass it to the person next to you.

Prayers of the People

The Lord’s Prayer

Song #740

“Lead Me, Guide Me”

Sending

Song #741

“Guide My Feet”

*Following worship, please join us in the Meeting Room
for coffee, tea, and fellowship.*

Come to the Cross: A Lenten Journey

The center of the Easter story is the cross. Throughout these forty days, the cross in Rodney Chapel will become a visual prayer, representing our lament, our longing, and our hope.

We are thankful for your presence and participation this morning. Westminster has two worship options each Sunday. Our other Sunday morning worship service is held at 9:00 a.m., and includes a choir, organ music and a brief Children's Message. Both services include prayers, singing, scripture and sermon.

Please remember in your prayers Peggy Cartmell, Frank Pickering, Eric Ruoss, Ed Wat and Mary Young.

Children are welcome in worship. You will find yellow worship bags for all children at the chapel entrance.

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Pastors: Gregory Knox Jones and
Sudie Niesen Thompson (on maternity leave)
Pianist: Paul Fleckenstein
Song Leader: Elizabeth Holmes
Digital Artist: Bob Cox

