

Living Mosaics 23rd Sunday after Pentecost November 17, 2019 11:15 a.m.

Gathering Songs #411 "God Is Here Today" #405 "Praise God for This Holy Ground"

Welcome and Living Our Faith

Call to Worship

Become aware of God's presence in your life and God's desire for mercy.
We will seek to know the ways of truth and hope.
What must we do to experience a meaningful life?
We must love God with our heart, mind and soul and our neighbors as ourselves.

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Song #401	"Here in This Place"

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Mighty God, you create in us a love for freedom and justice. When we neglect people's rights and restrict freedoms, we fail. When we turn away our neighbors who are in need, we oppose your commands to promote justice and to love others as we love ourselves. Forgive us for pride that will not acknowledge wrongdoing and any attempt to justify or ignore injustice. Forgive us for our divisions and remind us that each person is a child of yours.

Song # 423 "Create in Me a Clean Heart, O God"

Assurance of God's Forgiveness Passing the Peace Micah 6:1-8 Jen Barrington, Lay Reader Scripture Lesson **Greg Jones** Message "Goodness Is Stronger than Evil" Song #750 Offering Please sign the blue friendship notebook and pass it to the person next to you. Prayers of the People Lord's Prayer "From the Nets of Our Labor" Song #751 Sending "We Will Walk with God" Song #742

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

We are thankful for your presence and participation this morning. Westminster has two worship options each Sunday. Our other Sunday morning worship service is 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. At 10:10 a.m. we offer classes for all ages.

Following worship, feel free to make a bouquet to brighten someone's day. Today's flowers are given to the glory of God by the Westminster Choir in honor of Paul Fleckenstein, with gratitude for his many years of glorifying God through music.

Please remember in your prayers John Carson and Helen Kelley.

Children are welcome. Yellow worship bags for children are located the chapel entrance.

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Prophetic Spirituality - 2019 Fall Sermon Series

Do the Scriptures reveal wisdom for not merely *surviving* life in the 21st century, but for sculpting a better world? It is essential for people of faith to spend time alone with God in prayer, to reflect on Scripture, and to attempt to discern the whispers of God deep in our soul. However, our interior life is immature if it does not propel us to work for the common good. We can resist the moral deterioration of today and throw ourselves into nudging the world toward God's vision by committing ourselves to following the path of Jesus and the prophets.

As followers of Jesus, we focus the bulk of our attention on his teachings and ministry. However, we stunt our faith if we have scant knowledge of the prophets who came before him, because Jesus stands on the shoulders of the Jewish prophets.

This fall, Dr. Jones is preaching a sermon series entitled "Prophetic Spirituality." To say that our faith is prophetic is to say that we are actively engaged in resisting evil, righting wrongs, and spreading love. To say that our faith is spiritual is to say that it is grounded in worship, prayer, and reflection on God's message. Prophetic Spirituality intertwines interior work with outward action so that we can go deeper with God and live the life God calls us to live.

September 8	Introduction to Series	"Prophetic Spirituality"
September 15	Moses	"Let My People Go"
September 22	Amos	"Let Justice Roll Down Like Waters"
October 13	Jeremiah	"This is the Temple of the Lord - If you Act Justly with One Another"
October 20	Hosea	"Following Other Gods"
November 10	Isaiah	"Injustice Corrupts Worship"
November 17	Micah	"Do Justice, Love Kindness, Walk Humbly"
December 1	Ionah	

Pastors: Gregory Knox Jones Sudie Niesen Thompson Pianist: Paul Fleckenstein Song Leader: Brenton Mattox Digital Artist: Bob Cox





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