**Westworth United Church**

1750 Grosvenor Avenue, Winnipeg, Manitoba

on Treaty One Territory in the heart of the Métis Nation

November 12, 2023

24th Sunday after Pentecost

All Saints Sunday

**We Gather to Worship**

**Welcome**

**Introit** *All that hath Life and Breath Praise Ye the Lord* Rene Clausen

**Candle Lighting** *Shall We Gather at the River* arr. Mark Hayes

**Call to worship** (based on Psalm 34: 1-3)

We will praise God in every moment,

And through every situation.

**Through our words and action,**

**Our lives will pay tribute to God.**

Whenever the poor and humble hear of God’s greatness,

They will celebrate, too!

**Come and lift up God’s name with us,**

**Let’s praise God’s name together.**

**Opening Prayer**

**Hymn** MV 12 *Come Touch Our Hearts*

**Prayer Seeking Reconciliation**

Beloved, we are God’s children, God’s treasured ones, now,

In this moment in time and space but what we will be in the future, in the fullness of time has not yet been revealed.

What we do know is this:

We will continue our trying to be like Jesus, and the saints that surround us. For our prayer this morning we consider how Jesus was revealed in the world, and pray that we might be reflections of his ways. Let’s pray

Jesus embodied the unconditional love of God…

We pray, **may we be reflections of Jesus.**

Jesus fed those who were hungry…

We pray, **may we be reflections of Jesus.**

Jesus drew near to those living on the margins and excluded…

We pray, **may we be reflections of Jesus.**

Jesus brought healing and wholeness to those in need…

We pray, **may we be reflections of Jesus.**

Jesus hungered and thirsted for righteousness…

We pray, **may we be reflections of Jesus.**

We know that we can be dull reflections of the ministry and love of Jesus at times. Forgive us when we fall short, hear us as we yearn to be the hands and feet of Christ in the world, and offer us a guiding hand when we veer off the path.

**Silent Reflection**

**Words of Affirmation**

**The Peace of Christ and Interlude**

May the peace of Christ be with you.

**And also with you**

*Interlude* Keveren

**Sharing the Story**

**Candle Lighting for the Westworth Saints Who have Died**

2020-2023

Donna Aitchinson Judy Antony Harlaine Armstrong

Cathy Barnsley Ellen Benson Elaine Boris

Janet Bowles Merle Brown Fred Chernoff Roy Christie Bill Corkum Gerald Davis Gail Dobbin Jean Doern Wynne Edwards Jeff Fawkes Catharine Ferguson Brian Gwyer Helena Haberman Donna Henderson Edward Hintze Nadia Marmach Florence Kemkaran Joyce McCallum Margaret McPherson Merle McTaggart Laurelle Murdoch Peter Nunoda Tim Oldham James Pigden Kay Powell Meredith Rae Robert Rae

Doreen Stephenson Gordon Toombs Marion Windatt Garry Willems

**Hymn** VU 494 *Those Hearts That We Have Treasured*

**We Hear the Word**

**Scripture Reading: Revelation 7: 9-17**

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Gospel Reading: Matthew 5: 1-12**

This is the Gospel of Christ.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Anthem**  *Sine Nomine* Vaughan Williams, arr. Rosenberg

**Sermon**

**We Respond to the Word**

**Hymn** VU 896 *Blest Are They*

**Offering**

**Offertory** MV 191 *What Can I Do?*

**Offertory Prayer**

**Prayers of the People & The Lord’s Prayer** (VU921)

**Hymn** VU 705 *For All the Saints*

**Benediction**

**Sung Response** VU 974 *Amen*

**Postlude** *Nimrod* Elgar, arr. Grainger

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