

Thin Places newsletter plans 20th anniversary ecumenical worship service

Thin Places, an ecumenical newsletter of Westminster Presbyterian Church of Minneapolis with a particular interest in the contemplative spiritual journey, is planning a special gathering to celebrate its 20th anniversary and give thanks for the richness of the contemplative community that has grown in the Twin Cities area and across the land.

The service will be held on Wednesday, Oct. 3, at 6 p.m. at Westminster Presbyterian Church. Worship Leaders will include Abbot John Klassen, St. John's Abbey; Dean Paul Lebens-Englund, St. Mark's Cathedral; the Rev. Judy Zabel, Hennepin Avenue Methodist; the Rev. Dr. Jeff Japinga, Presbytery of the Twin Cities Area; the Rev. Dr. Curtiss DeYoung, Minnesota Council of Churches; the Rev. Dr. Alika Galloway, Liberty Church; and more.

The phrase, “thin places,” is an early Celtic Christian metaphor for those times or places when the boundary between the sacred and the everyday feels “thin,” when God’s presence is more strongly felt.

Thin Places has attracted more than 3,000 readers — ranging from Mennonites and Quakers to Episcopalians and Catholics. Thin Places is available free of charge via mail or email. If you would like to receive future issues, you can [email Thin Places](#) and let them know whether you prefer the email or postal mail version.

On the third Saturday of each month, Thin Places also offers Quiet Worship, a contemplative service of sung prayers, Scripture, and silence.

The anniversary service will be held in Westminster’s new Open Doors Open Futures Building with its ample free on-site parking (enter off Alice Rainville Place, between Marquette and Nicollet Mall). A reception will follow. Everyone is invited.