



The Westminster Abbey Church

To Connect People To Jesus Christ And To Each Other.

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Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

I wish that I could tell you all that happened at Annual Conference, but the fact is that this letter needs to be submitted almost 2 months early for publication. I am sure it was a blessing and that it was a worshipful experience. I wish I could tell you more and I will in our worship service announcements. The same is true of our Lakeside experience with the youth.

What I can do at this point is to encourage you to get excited for our July event and the largest event of the year for The Westminster Abbey Church. You probably guessed it by now, it is Music In The Park. I am always amazed at how much of an impact this event has on our church and our community. I have always wondered how much more of an impact it could have if we used it as the evangelism tool that it was created to be. It is, no doubt, a lot of work and a lot of planning to put on such an impressive show that brings the glory of God to so many people. I also know that many of you work very hard to help everything come together.

Still, what do you think would happen if you made it your mission to invite 10 individuals or families to come and worship with us in the morning and enjoy the local and professional talent in the afternoon? I think we would see a greater number of people who get to experience the God we love and it may set them on the road to salvation and eternal life in Christ. That is exactly why we do what we do at MIP.

This year we are presenting Caleb & John, a contemporary Christian pop music duo, composed of Caleb Crino and John Secker as our featured performers. If you listen to Christian radio, you will have undoubtedly heard them singing songs like "Hallelujah Feeling" or "Somebody Like Me". Often we think Contemporary Christian music caters to a younger crowd that likes loud music, but I think Caleb & John have a little something for everyone.

Less known but no less talented are The Foster Triplets—Malaika, Mahari, and Mikaili; three remarkable young women who minister through their gift of harmonious singing. Originally from Jamaica, their voices blend in a beautiful way as they glorify God.

Craig Tornquist is a comedian who will lead our morning worship; it'll be funny to see how that works out (pun intended). GloryWay is going to join us this year as is Amanda Rule; I think there is going to be something for everyone and God will be glorified. Big tent, Cold drinks, Great food and Awesome singing. Invite your friends, neighbors, co-workers and family. Let's make this the evangelism event that it should be!

Grace and Peace,
Pastor Dave

What one generation tolerates, the next generation will embrace." — John Wesley