

Becoming the Beloved Community

Carter - Westminster United Presbyterian Church

Gathering of the People - Worshipping safely at home

January 10, 2020

First Sunday after Epiphany/
Baptism of the Lord

Gathering in God's Name

Greeting/Welcome/Announcements

PRELUDE

"La Cinquantaine"

Gabriel-Marie

Thomas Yang, violin and George Radosavljevic, piano

CALL TO WORSHIP (Psalm 29:2-4)

Ascribe to the Lord the glory due God's name,

worship the Lord in holy splendor.

The voice of the Lord is over the waters;

the God of glory thunders, the Lord, over mighty waters.

The voice of the Lord is powerful,

the voice of the Lord is full of majesty.

OPENING HYMN

"Baptized in Water"

GTG # 465

Time of Spiritual Centering: Confession and Forgiveness

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

Merciful God, in baptism you promise forgiveness and new life, making us part of the body of Christ. We confess that we remain preoccupied with ourselves, separated from sisters and brothers in Christ. We cling to destructive habits, hold grudges, and show reluctance to welcome one another; we allow the past to hold us hostage. In your loving kindness, have mercy on us, and free us from sin. Remind us of the promises you make in baptism so that we may rise to new life, and live together in grace. Amen.

WORDS OF FORGIVENESS

Word Proclaimed

SCRIPTURE LESSON Mark 1:4-11

SERMON "Remember Who You Are"

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

TIME FOR GENEROSITY

OFFERTORY "Wash, O God, Ye Sons and Daughters" BEACH SPRING
Emily Crisp, soloist

PRAYER OF DEDICATION (in unison)

Gracious God: Guide the use and distribution of this offering. Through it, may the life changing good news that we are children of God transform others' lives through Christ. And may the love and reconciliation known in Christ help reshape our world. We ask it in his name. Amen.

Sending

CLOSING HYMN "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing" GTG # 475

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE "March" Beethoven

Going Forth / Staying Home and Staying Safe

Assisting in Worship:

Emily Crisp, soloist; Thomas Yang, violin; George Radosavljevic, piano;
Pat Radosavljevic, Music Director; Annette Serritella, liturgist;
and Bridge Pastor William J. Ingersoll.