

Becoming the Beloved Community

Carter - Westminster United Presbyterian Church

Gathering of the People - Worshipping safely at home

January 17, 2020

Second Sunday after Epiphany

Gathering in God's Name

Greeting/Welcome/Announcements

PRELUDE

"Come and See"

Spiritual arr. J. Denton

CALL TO WORSHIP (Revelation 15:3-4)

Great and amazing are your deeds, Almighty God!

Just and true are your ways, Ruler of the nations.

Lord, who will not be in awe and glorify your name?

For you alone are holy. All nations will come and worship you!

OPENING HYMN

"O Beautiful for Spacious Skies"

GTG # 338

Time of Spiritual Centering: Confession and Forgiveness

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

Gracious God: you led our forebearers to this land, and, out of conflict, created in us a love of peace and liberty. At times we have failed you by restricting freedom for others. Forgive divisions caused by prejudice or greed. Forgive pride that will not admit wrong or that justifies injustice. Have mercy, God, on the heart of this land. Make us compassionate, fair, and helpful to each other. Raise up in us a right patriotism, that sees and seeks this nation's good; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

WORDS OF FORGIVENESS

Word Proclaimed

SCRIPTURE LESSON: John 1:35-39a, 43-46

SERMON: "Come and See"

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

TIME FOR GENEROSITY

OFFERTORY "Be Thou My Vision" Traditional

PRAYER OF DEDICATION (in unison)

Generous God, we bring you our hearts, our service, our time and our money, and ask that you accept our gifts, using them to spread the good news of your gospel, justice, and love. Amen.

Sending

CLOSING HYMN "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah" RHONDDA

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE "God Bless America" Irving Berlin

Going Forth / Staying Home and Staying Safe

Assisting in Worship:

Emily Crisp, Lindsay Mecher, Leo Radosavljevic; Thomas Yang, violin; George Radosavljevic, piano; Pat Radosavljevic, Music Director; and Bridge Pastor William J. Ingersoll.