Becoming the Beloved Community

Carter - Westminster United Presbyterian Church

Gathered for Worship
Sunday Morning Worship - 10:45 AM



May 16, 2021

Seventh Sunday of Easter

Gathering in God's Name

Prelude "Reflections on the Water"

Claude Debussy

Greeting, Welcome, and Announcements

(All congregational responses and unison readings to be whispered)

One: The Lord be with you. All: And also with you.

Call to Worship (Psalm 86:8-13a)

(Please whisper)

There is none like you among the gods, O Lord, nor are there any works like yours.

All the nations you have made shall come and bow down before you, O Lord, and shall glorify your name.

For you are great and do wondrous things; you alone are God.

Teach us your way, O LORD, that we may walk in your truth; give us an undivided heart to revere your name.

We give thanks to you, O Lord our God, with our whole heart, and we will glorify your name forever.

For great is your steadfast love toward us. Therefore, we worship you.

Opening Hymn "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!" CORONATION

Call to Confession and Prayer of Confession (Please whisper)

Merciful God, in Jesus Christ you promise forgiveness and new life, naming us as your children, part of the body of Christ. We confess that too often we do not live in light of this name, becoming 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 Christ so that we may rise to new life and live together in grace. Amen.

Words of Forgiveness

...Friends, believe the good news of the gospel. In Jesus Christ. we are forgiven!

Lighting of the Candle of Peace

One: ... The peace of Christ be with you. All: And also with you.

Word Proclaimed

Time with Young Disciples

Prayer for Illumination

First Lesson: Genesis 12:1-3; 17:1-5

One: The Word of the Lord. All: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

Second Lesson: Luke 13:10-17

One: The Word of the Lord. All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon "What's in a Name?"

Installation of Officers and Commissioning of the Pastor Nominating Committee (see insert)

Sharing of Joys and Concerns - Prayers of the People

Thanksgiving

Time for Generosity

Offertory "There's Something About that Name"

Bill Gaither

Prayer of Thanksgiving and The Lord's Prayer

(Please whisper)

Loving God, we rejoice that you know each of us by name. Inspired by the assurance of your love, and giving thanks for the gifts you offer us, we pray that this offering, as well as our lives, may further your peace and justice on earth. We pray in the name of him whose love and good news we seek to spread, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Sending

Closing Hymn "At the Name of Jesus"

KING's WESTON

Charge and Benediction

Postlude "Symphony No. 1 in C major, 1st movement" Bed

Beethoven

(You are invited to remain seated for the Postlude.)

*Going Forth

*Please rise in body and/or in Spirit

Welcome to Worship at Carter-Westminster United Presbyterian Church.

Faith in Jesus Christ is the mark of a Christian and a disciple of Christ, and is therefore the only requirement for membership in this Church. Please prayerfully consider joining this family of faith - talk with our Pastor, and learn more by visiting us at www.cwupc.org and on Facebook: Carter-Westminster United Presbyterian Church.

Special music on Mother's Day was given in memory of Kay Samuels from Stacey and David Ross. Assisting us in worship today are Anita Bakou, Emily Crisp, Lindsay Mecher, Leo Radosavljevic, George Radosavljevic, Pat Radosavljevic, Music Director and Bridge Pastor William J. Ingersoll Today is Pastor Bill's last Sunday at C-W. We are grateful for his time with us and we wish him and his family every blessing. Pastor Bill will always be a friend to Carter-Westminster.

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