

Becoming the Beloved Community

Carter - Westminster United Presbyterian Church

Gathered for Worship

Sunday Morning Worship - 10:45 AM



May 9, 2021

Sixth Sunday of Easter

Gathering in God's Name

Prelude "Piano Trio in G major" 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 124:8; Psalm 103:13; Isaiah 66:13)

(Please whisper)

Our help is in the name of the Lord,
who made heaven and earth.

As a father has compassion for his children,
so the Lord has compassion for those who revere God.

As a mother comforts her child,
so I will comfort you, says the Lord.

Opening Hymn "For the Beauty of the Earth"

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Call to Confession and Prayer of Confession

(Please whisper)

Most gracious God: we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you and our neighbors in thought, word, and deed; by what we have done and by what we have left undone. Forgive us for the ingratitude that plagues our lives; that takes for granted the sacrifices made on our behalf by our loved ones; that twists us at times to treat least lovingly those who love us most. Renew and restore our relationships within our families through Christ our Lord. 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: Psalm 78:1-4

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

Scripture Acclamation

Second Lesson: 1 Corinthians 4:1-7

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

Sermon “Stewards of Christian Nurture”

Affirmation of Faith - The Apostles’ Creed
(Please whisper)

Sharing of Joys and Concerns - Prayers of the People

Thanksgiving

Time for Generosity

Offertory “Holy, Holy, Holy” arranged by Leo Radosavljevic

Prayer of Thanksgiving and The Lord’s Prayer
(Please whisper)

Accept this offering, we pray, O God, as a sign that we praise you not only with our lips, but with our whole lives. Use these gifts and our lives, we ask, to nurture others in the faith. We make this prayer in the name of the one in whom we have faith, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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Closing Hymn “Now Thank We All Our God” NUN DANKET ALLE GOTT

Charge and Benediction

Postlude “Piano Trio IV op. 11” Ludwig van 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.

Assisting us in worship today are Annette Serritella, Emily Crisp, Lindsay Mecher, Leo Radosavljevic, Thomas Yang, Jill Kaeding, George Radosavljevic, Pat Radosavljevic, Music Director and Bridge Pastor William J. Ingersoll

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