

Becoming the Beloved Community

Carter - Westminster United Presbyterian Church

Gathered for Worship

Sunday Morning Worship - 10:45 AM



January 1, 2023

First Sunday of Christmas

Gathering in God's Name

Prelude *A Medley of Hymns* Mrs. Hyun Joo Kim, piano

Greeting, Welcome, and Announcements

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

* Call to Worship

One: Praise God! With the angels and hosts, we praise!

All: With the sun and moon, we praise!

One: With the fire and hail, we praise!

All: With the frost and snow, we praise!

One: With the mountains and valleys, we praise!

All: With the skies and the seas, we praise! Praise God!

* Hymn # 270 "Joy to the World" (*in Korean and English*)

ANTIOCH

Call to Confession and Prayer of Confession

Ever-present God, you became our Savior in all our distress.

**In all the ways we hurt, and all the ways we hurt others,
in all the ways we feel neglected and all the ways we neglect others,
in all the ways we cry out and all the ways we cause others to cry,
you are with us, comforting us and holding us to account. In your
love, redeem us once again. Lift us up and grant us your mercy,
as you have throughout the generations.**

Time of Silence for Personal Reflection

Words of Forgiveness

One: ...Believe the good news of the Gospel.

All: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

Response: Hymn # 278 "Angels We Have Heard on High" (*last verse only*) GLORIA

* Passing of the Peace

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

(Without leaving your seat, share the peace with those around you)

Word Proclaimed

Prayer for Illumination

First Lesson: Isaiah 63:7-9 (p. 693)

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

Time With Young Disciples

Second Lesson: Matthew 2:13-23 (p. 2)

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

Message "Beginning in Grace"

Affirmation of Faith *(From The Confession of 1967)*

The one sufficient revelation of God is Jesus Christ, the Word of God incarnate, to whom the Holy Spirit bears unique and authoritative witness through the Holy Scriptures, which are received and obeyed as the word of God written.

* Hymn # 277 "Hark, The Herald Angels Sing" *(in Korean and English)* MENDELSSOHN

Sharing of Joys and Concerns - Prayers of the People - The Lord's Prayer

The Lord's Prayer *(Sung in Korean)*

Thanksgiving

Time for Generosity

Offertory "O Thou That Tellest" from *Messiah* George Frideric Handel
Lisa Dagher, mezzo soprano

* Doxology # 815 "Praise God" OLD HUNDREDTH

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Dedication

Sending

* Hymn # 139 "Great Is Thy Faithfulness" *(in Korean and English)* FAITHFULNESS

Charge and Benediction

Postlude "He is Born" Arr. Elliott Carter
(You are asked 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, located at 4950 W. Pratt Avenue in Skokie, Illinois.

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 Mrs. Hyun Joo Kim, piano; Lisa Dagher, mezzo soprano; George Radosavljevic, piano; Pat Radosavljevic, Music Director; the Reverend Charlie Bang, and the Reverend Stuart Barnes Jamieson.

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