

Becoming the Beloved Community

Carter - Westminster United Presbyterian Church

Gathered for Worship

Sunday Morning Worship - 10:45 AM



April 16, 2023

Second Sunday of Easter

Gathering in God's Name

Prelude

Flute Solo
Karin Ursin, flute and George Radosavljevic, piano

Greeting, Welcome, and Announcements

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

Call to Worship (Based on John 20:19-31)

One: Christ is risen! He greets us with a word of peace.

All: We welcome the risen Christ! We worship and adore him!

One: Christ is risen! Locked doors and doubting hearts cannot keep him away.

All: We welcome the risen Christ! We worship and adore him!

One: Christ is risen! He comes to bless us with the gift of the Holy Spirit.

All: We welcome the risen Christ! We worship and adore him!

* Hymn # 45 "Crown Him with Many Crowns"

DIADEMATA

Call to Confession and Prayer of Confession

Savior God, forgive our doubts and disbelief. You show up in our lives, yet we fail to notice you and demand more proof. We expect more when you have already given us enough. Forgive our lack of faith. Forgive our lack of gratitude. Redeem us. Restore us. Resurrect us for life in Christ. Amen.

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:

* 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: I Peter 1:3-9 (p. 232)

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

Time With Young Disciples

The Sacrament of Baptism *(see insert)*

Second Lesson: John 20:19-31 (p. 115)

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

Message "On Beyond Doubt"

Sharing of Joys and Concerns - Prayers of the People

Thanksgiving

Time for Generosity

Offertory "Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love" Arr. Steven Strite
The Chancel Choir
Karin Ursin, flute and George Radosavljevic, piano

* Doxology # 815 "Praise God" OLD HUNDREDTH

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Dedication

Risen and redeeming God, you have given us more than we could ever give you in return. You are gracious and generous in your love. Accept these offerings as signs of our gratitude and bless our work on Christ's behalf. May we love as Christ loved. May we serve as Christ served. Call us forth into your world, guided by Christ's spirit. Amen.

Sending

* Hymn # 21 "O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing" AZMON

Charge and Benediction

Postlude My Redeemer Lives Hillsong
Hannah Mason, vocalist; Michael Americus, drums and David Americus,
guitar
(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 Elizabeth Brown, David Americus, guitar; Michael Americus, drums; Hannah Mason, vocalist; Karin Ursin, flute; Angela DeVenuto, soprano; Lindsay Mecher, alto; Leo Radosavljevic, bass and George Radosavljevic, piano; the Chancel Choir; Pat Radosavljevic, Music Director; and Pastor Stuart Barnes Jamieson.

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