**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 Anna Maria Virga; Elizabeth Brown, organ; Lindsay Mecher, Mezzo Soprano; and Pastor Stuart Barnes Jamieson.

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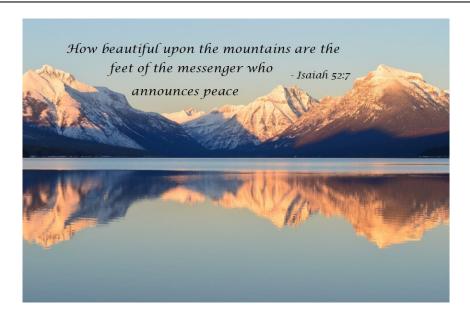
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# Carter - Westminster United Presbyterian Church

Gathered for Worship
Sunday Morning Worship - 10:45 a.m.



August 13, 2023

The Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

## Gathering in God's Name

Prelude on Rhosymedre Ralph Vaughan Williams

Greeting, Welcome, and Announcements

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

\* Call to Worship

One: O give thanks to the Lord!

All: O give thanks to the Lord!

One: Remember all the things God has done!

All: We glory in God's holy name!

One: Seek the Lord, our strength and refuge:

All: We come to be in God's presence.

\* Hymn (see insert)

How Firm A Foundation

**FOUNDATION** 

Call to Confession and Prayer of Confession (Based on Psalm 69:1-3; Matthew 14; Hebrews 12:1-2)

Save us, O God, for the waters have come up to our necks. We sink in deep mire, where there is no foothold; we have come into deep waters, and the floods sweep over us. We are weary; our throats are parched. Our eyes grow dim with waiting for our God. Gracious God, forgive us for taking our eyes off Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of our faith. When the storms of life swirl around us, we forget your unfailing goodness and power to save us. When we hear Jesus say, "Come," we make excuses about why it is too hard to follow him, especially when the way seems dangerous and challenging. Forgive our sins, Lord, and help us to step out in faith. Be merciful to us when we cry out, "We believe; help our unbelief!" In Jesus' name we pray.

Time of Silence for Personal Reflection

Assurance of Pardon

One: ...Believe the good news.

All: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

Response: Halle, Hallelujah!

\* 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 52:7-10 (p. 683)

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

Time with Young Disciples

Second Lesson: Romans 10:14-21 (p. 160)

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

Message: "How Beautiful the Feet..."

Affirmation of Faith (see insert)

\* Hymn #400 Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken AUSTRIAN HYMN

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

### **Thanksgiving**

Time for Generosity

Offertory How Beautiful Twila Paris, arr. Lloyd Larson

Lindsay Mecher, Mezzo Soprano

\* Doxology # 815 "Praise God"

\* Prayer of Thanksgiving and Dedication

Lord Jesus, you call us to follow you in faith and promise to provide us everything we need for ministry in your name. Bless these gifts we bring, that we may use them faithfully to share the good news of your love and mercy. In your holy name we pray. Amen.

#### Sending

\* Hymn #443

O Zion, Haste

TIDINGS

**OLD HUNDREDTH** 

Charge and Benediction

Postlude: Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

arr. Don Hustad

(You are asked to remain seated for the Postlude)

\* Going Forth

\*Please rise in body and/or in Spirit

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