

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 Helen Robles; Hannah Mason, soloist; Angela De Venuto, soprano; AJ Wester, alto; Leo Radosavljevic, bass; and George Radosavljevic, piano ; Pat Radosavljevic - Music Director; and Pastor Stuart Barnes Jamieson.

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Carter - Westminster United Presbyterian Church**

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The Rev. Stuart Barnes Jamieson, Pastor
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Becoming the Beloved Community

**Carter - Westminster United
Presbyterian Church**

Gathered for Worship

Sunday Morning Worship - 10:45 a.m.



February 4, 2024

**5th Sunday after Epiphany
Communion Sunday**

Gathering in God's Name

Prelude Great is Thy Faithfulness arr. Joel Raney
Pat and George Radosavljevic, piano

Greeting, Welcome, and Announcements

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

* Call to Worship

One: God gathers us together in this place.

All: Let us sing praise to the Lord.

One: God heals the brokenhearted and binds up our wounds.

All: Let us sing praise to the Lord.

One: God lifts the downtrodden and casts out wickedness.

All: Let us sing praise to the Lord.

One: We sing to God with thanksgiving.

All: Let us worship God!

* Hymn #684

Precious Lord, Take My Hand

PRECIOUS LORD

Call to Confession and Prayer of Confession

Gracious God, it's tempting to give up and give in, to hide from the injustices of the world, to protect ourselves and our own, to turn off the evening news full of bad news. Forgive our sins of escape, of ignoring, of turning our backs on those in need. Forgive our sins of apathy when you call us to action. Renew us, Holy God, by your grace. Strengthen us to follow Christ's call. Amen.

Time of Silence for Personal Reflection

Words of Forgiveness

One: ...Believe the good news.

All: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

Response: **Glory to God**

* 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 40: 28-31 (p. 668)

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

Time with Young Disciples

Second Lesson: Mark 1:35-39 (p. 35)

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

Message:

"Time to Leave Home"

Affirmation of Faith *(The Apostle's Creed)*

* Hymn *(see insert)* You Who Dwell in the Shelter of the Lord ON EAGLE'S WINGS

Sharing of Joys and Concerns - Prayers of the People

Thanksgiving

Time for Generosity

Offertory

Grace
The Chancel Choir

Mark Hayes

Doxology # 815

Praise God

OLD HUNDREDTH

Sacrament of The Lord's Supper *(See insert)*

Prayer after Communion (In unison)

God, who gave us your son as savior and example, we thank you. Thank you for these symbols that remind us that Jesus gave his life so we could live with you. Thank you for your unfailing and infinite love that it shows. Fill us now with that love that we may carry the Good News of that love into our world. In the name of Jesus, our Christ, AMEN

Sending

* Hymn *(see insert)*

Arise, Your Light is Come

FESTAL SONG

Charge and Benediction

Postlude

Holy Forever
Hannah Mason, soloist
arr. Grant Wall
Sung in memory of her grandmother Helen Mason

(You are asked to remain seated for the Postlude)

* Going Forth

**Please rise in body and/or in Spirit*

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