

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; Angela De Venuto, soprano; AJ Wester, alto; Leo Radosavljevic, bass and George Radosavljevic, piano; Pat Radosavljevic, Music Director; and Pastor Stuart Barnes Jamieson.

**The Session, Deacons, Trustees, Officers, and Staff of
Carter - Westminster United Presbyterian Church**

Session Ruling Elders: Georgette Joseph, John Yonan, Elizabeth Brown, David Americus, and Peter Ellyn.

Deacons: Phyllis Boba, Irene Ellyn, Neena Ishu, Helen Oshona, Hilda Karam, and Shirley Rustemeyer.

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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 25, 2024

2nd Sunday in Lent

Gathering in God's Name

Prelude

Reverie
George Radosavljevic, piano

Claude Debussy

Greeting, Welcome, and Announcements

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

* Call to Worship (based on Mark 8:31-38)

One: Let us not be ashamed of our Savior. Let us sing and praise our God out loud.

All: In the midst of the crowd, we will praise you. In our community, we will bear witness to our faith.

One: Let us set our minds on divine things.

All: Let us take up our cross and follow Christ.

* Hymn #23 “The God of Abraham Praise” LEONI

* Call to Confession and Prayer of Confession

Savior God, the public spectacle of the cross calls us to account. We hesitate and hedge when opportunities arise to speak of you. We are shy in faith and not bold to proclaim. Your story saves, yet we keep it to ourselves. Forgive our reticence of faith. Forgive the ways we fail to serve as public witnesses. Help us be your candlelight, held high to set the world aglow. Amen.

Time of Silence for Personal Reflection

Assurance of Pardon

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: Mark 8:31-38 (p. 44)

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

Time with Young Disciples

Second Lesson: Psalm 22:23-31 (p. 501)

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

Message “Lament-raise and Praise-ment”

Affirmation of Faith (see insert)

* Hymn #598 “Wherever He Leads I’ll Go” FALLS CREEK

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

Thanksgiving

Time for Generosity

Offertory Lamb of God John Carter
The Chancel Choir

* Doxology # 815 “Praise God”

* Prayer of Thanksgiving and Dedication

God of grace, you provide for us in amazing ways. May our offerings provide for others and be used to further Christ’s ministry and mission. Amen.

Sending

* Hymn (see insert) “Will You Come and Follow me”

Charge and Benediction

Postlude: Jesu, Priceless Treasure J.S. Bach
Pat Radosavljevic, organ
(You are asked to remain seated for the Postlude)

Annual Congregational Meeting

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

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