

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; Susan Saylor, flute, 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 Ellyin.

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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.



March 3, 2024

3rd Sunday in Lent

Communion Sunday

Gathering in God's Name

Prelude New Britain (Amazing Grace) Arr. John Purifoy
Susan Saylor, flute and George Radosavljevic, piano

Greeting, Welcome, and Announcements

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

* Call to Worship
One: We are here with a vision of what can be as God calls us to worship.
All: **We have journeyed this far, and we pause in gratitude.**
One: Our endurance builds a spirit of understanding and, even in our weariness, joyful praise.
All: **Hear our thanks as our hearts dance and voices sing.**

* Hymn #435 God of Grace, and God of Glory CWM RHONDDA

Call to Confession and Prayer of Confession
God of righteousness, we confess that have not kept your commandments. We bow down before idols, declaring our allegiance to other powers and principalities. We take your name in vain, using it to justify our own prejudices and opinions. We do not make adequate time to rest and remember your goodness, nor to revel in the delight of family and friends. We look the other way in the face of violence and oppression. Our dishonesty and greed get the better of us. Yet you gave us commandments not for condemnation, but so that we might live in justice and joy. Purify us by your righteousness and enfold us in your grace. Sanctify our intentions and actions, that our lives may begin to reflect your Beloved Community.

Time of Silence for Personal Reflection

Words of Forgiveness

One: ...Believe the good news.
All: **In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.**

Response: #813 Glory Be to the Father GREATOREX

* 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 Corinthians 1:18-25 (p. 166)
One: The Word of the Lord. All: **Thanks be to God.**

Time with Young Disciples
Second Lesson: John 2:13-22 (p. 239)
One: The Word of the Lord. All: **Thanks be to God.**
Message: "The Folly of Wisdom. The Wisdom of Folly"

Affirmation of Faith *(The Apostle's Creed—See insert)*
* Hymn #328 In the Cross of Christ I Glory RATHBUN
Sharing of Joys and Concerns - Prayers of the People

Thanksgiving

Time for Generosity
Offertory Celtic Communion arr. Mark Hayes
 Susan Saylor, flute and The Chancel Choir
Doxology # 815 Praise God OLD HUNDREDTH
Sacrament of The Lord's Supper *(See insert)*
Prayer after Communion *(See insert)*

Sending

* Hymn #403 Christ is Made the Sure Foundation REGENT SQUARE
Charge and Benediction
Postlude Menuet Georg Philipp Telemann
 Susan Saylor, flute and George Radosavljevic, piano
 (You are asked to remain seated for the Postlude)
* Going Forth **Please rise in body and/or in Spirit*

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