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

Becoming the Beloved Community

Carter - Westminster United Presbyterian Church

Gathered for Worship

Sunday Morning Worship - 10:45 a.m.

November 17, 2024
26th Sunday after Pentecost

Gathering in God's Name

Prelude   Amazing Grace

Pat Radosavljevic, organ

Greeting, Welcome, and Announcements

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

* Call to Worship

> One: The Lord is gracious and merciful, abounding in steadfast love.
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> **All: We come seeking the Lord's mercy and grace.**
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> One: God's salvation is near for all who seek Him.
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> **All: Let us worship the One who welcomes all with open arms.**

* Hymn #343   Amazing Grace   AMAZING GRACE

Call to Confession and Prayer of Confession

> **Merciful God, we confess that we have strayed from your way. We have sought our own gain and turned away from those in need. We have failed to welcome the outcast and the sinner, forgetting your example of radical love. Forgive us, Lord, and help us to follow the path of righteousness, walking humbly with you. In Jesus' name, we pray. 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   VASILE

Passing of the Peace

> One: The peace of Christ be with you.
>
> **All: And also with you.**
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> *(Without leaving your seat, share the peace with those around you)*

Word Proclaimed

Prayer for Illumination

First Lessons: Habakkuk 1:1-4, 2:1-4 (p. 871—872)
> Psalm 119:137-144 (p. 570)
> *recited in unison, see insert*
> 2 Thessalonians 1:1-4, 11-12 (p. 205—206)

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

Time with Young Disciples

Gospel Lesson: Luke 19:1-10 (p. 82)

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

Message: "Salvation Comes to This House"

* Affirmation of Faith *(see insert)*

* Hymn #479   Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling   THOMPSON

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

Thanksgiving

Time for Generosity

Offertory   Lord, We Come Together Here
                              J. Paul Williams & David Lantz III
                              The Chancel Choir

* Doxology # 815 "Praise God"

* Prayer of Thanksgiving and Dedication

> **O God, maker and provider of all, you have blessed us with many gifts. Use us, and what we have gathered, to feed the world through your love; through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

Sending

* Hymn *(see insert)*   Lord, I Want to Be a Christian   I WANT TO BE A CHRISTIAN

Charge and Benediction

Postlude: This Little Light of Mine   arr. Joel Raney
                    George and Pat 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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