

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 Sarah Murfey, liturgist; Assisting us in worship: 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.

*The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he
has anointed me to proclaim good news to the
poor. He has sent me to proclaim liberty to the
captives and recovering of sight to the blind, to
set at liberty those who are oppressed.*

Luke 4:18

January 26, 2025

3rd Sunday after Epiphany

Gathering in God's Name

Prelude Andante from Sonata No. 16 Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart
George Radosavljevic, piano

Greeting, Welcome, and Announcements

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

* Call to Worship

One: We praise you, God, for the diversity of your body.

All: By God’s Spirit, we are one.

One: From diverse backgrounds and diverse places,

All: by God’s Spirit, we are one.

One: From diverse cultures and diverse generations,

All: By God’s Spirit, we are one.

One: From diverse questions and diverse dreams,

All: by God’s Spirit, we are one.

One: We celebrate our diversity. We celebrate our unity.

* Hymn #375

“Jesus Shall Reign ”

DUKE STREET

Call to Confession and Prayer of Confession

Gracious God, we are far from the people you have called us to be. We are mired in self-centeredness, seeing things only in terms of how they relate to us and our happiness. Turn our hearts, bent as they are towards ourselves, out to the world around us. Make us more concerned with others, with their welfare and happiness, leaving our own concerns to you, O God. Forgive us for our many mistakes and make us anew 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.

(Without leaving your seat, share the peace with those around you)

Word Proclaimed

Prayer for Illumination

First Lesson: Luke 4:14-21 (p. 61)

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

Time with Young Disciples

Second Lesson: I Corinthians 12:12-31 (p. 174)

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

Message: “More gifted? Less gifted? Not in Christ Jesus!”

* Affirmation of Faith *(see insert)*

* Hymn *(see insert)* “God is Here”

ABBOT’S LEIGH

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

Thanksgiving

Time for Generosity

Offertory: Alleluia Mozart
The Chancel Choir

* Doxology # 815 “Praise God”

* Prayer of Thanksgiving and Dedication

We praise and thank you, Lord God, for the majesty of your work, the wisdom of your word, and the generosity of your grace. Let the gifts of our lives bear witness to your goodness and mercy, your faithfulness and justice, and your steadfast love for all. Amen.

Sending

* Hymn #56 “To God Be the Glory ”

TO GOD BE THE GLORY

Charge and Benediction

Postlude: Allegro from Sonata in D Major Mozart

Pat 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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