

**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](http://www.cwupc.org) and on Facebook: Carter-Westminster United Presbyterian Church.

**Assisting us in worship today** are Helen Robles, liturgist; Handbell players- Elizabeth Brown, George Radosavljevic, Kathy Flore and Peter Ellyin; along with vocalists 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, Don Rustemeyer, Helen Robles.

**Deacons:** Phyllis Boba, Irene Ellyin, Helen Oshona, Hilda Karam, and Shirley Rustemeyer, Sarah Murfey.

**Trustees:** Jim Nadder, Hugh McBride, Mac McClendon, and Robert Rustemeyer.

**Staff and Church Leaders:**

The Rev. Stuart Barnes Jamieson, Pastor  
Clerk of Session - Georgette Joseph  
Music Director and Organist - Pat Radosavljevic  
Church Administrator - Anna Torgerson  
Church Treasurer - John Yonan

*Becoming the Beloved Community*

**Carter - Westminster United  
Presbyterian Church**

*Gathered for Worship*

*Sunday Morning Worship - 10:45 a.m.*

*From Wilderness  
to Glory*



**March 30, 2025  
4th Sunday in Lent**

**Gathering in God's Name**

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Prelude

Prelude in C Minor

J.S. Bach

Pat Radosavljevic, organ

Greeting, Welcome, and Announcements

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

\* Call to Worship (inspired by Psalm 32)

One: In times of trouble, in days of fear,

**All: Steadfast love surrounds those who trust in the Lord.**

One: When we are lost and lonely, not sure of our place,

**All: Steadfast love surrounds those who trust in the Lord.**

One: When we are hard-hearted and cynical,

**All: Steadfast love surrounds those who trust in the Lord.**

One: When we struggle to believe God's promise of redemption,

**All: Steadfast love surrounds those who trust in the Lord.**

One: Together we look to God to teach us the way we should go.

**All: Steadfast love surrounds us, as together we place our trust in the Lord.**

\*Hymn #90

“Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee”

HYMN TO JOY

Call to Confession and Prayer of Confession

**Holy God, we confess that we keep silent when we should speak.**

**We see iniquity and the injustices of the world, yet are content not to call them out. We withhold kind words, yet are quick to speak in judgment. Forgive us, O God. Direct the way we should go and help us to use our voices to spread your grace and truth. Amen.**

Time of Silence for Personal Reflection

Assurance of Pardon

One: ...Believe the good news.

**All: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.**

Response: Gloria Patri

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

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Prayer for Illumination

First Lesson: Psalm 32 (p. 506–507)

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

Time with Young Disciples

Second Lesson: Mark 2:23- 3:6 (p. 36–37)

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

Message: “From Wilderness to Glory: Jesus Among Enemies”

\* Affirmation of Faith *(see insert)*

\* Hymn *(see insert)*

“Come, Labor On”

ORA LABORA

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

## Thanksgiving

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Time for Generosity

Offertory:

Behold the Lamb or God  
The Chancel Choir

John A. Behnke

\* Doxology # 815 “Praise God”

\* Prayer of Thanksgiving and Dedication

**Lord of all, we give you thanks for your unfailing love. All that we have and all that we are is a gift from you, and we return it to you now with thanks and praise. Take and bless what we offer here today, that it may be used to feed the hungry, welcome the stranger, liberate the oppressed, care for the suffering, and share the good news of your redeeming love with the world. In Christ's name we pray, Amen.**

## Sending

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\* Hymn #169

“Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart”

GIVE THANKS

Charge and Benediction

Postlude:

The Lord is My Shepherd  
The CW Handbell Choir

arr. Anna Laura Page

*(You are asked to remain seated for the Postlude)*

\* Going Forth

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

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