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 Peter Ellyin, liturgist; Deb Stevenson, oboe; 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.

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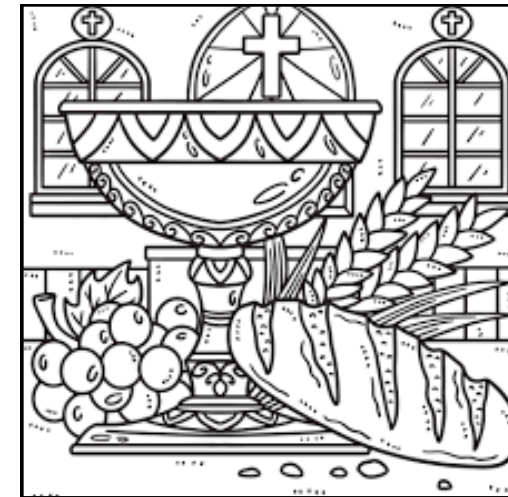
Staff and Church Leaders:
The Rev. Stuart Barnes Jamieson, Pastor
Clerk of Session - Georgette Joseph
Music Director and Organist - Pat Radosavljevic
Church Administrator - Anna Torgerson
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Becoming the Beloved Community

Carter - Westminster United Presbyterian Church

Gathered for Worship

Sunday Morning Worship - 10:45 a.m.

April 6, 2025

5th Sunday in Lent

Communion Sunday

Gathering in God's Name

Prelude   Largo e mesto from Sonata in D Major   Ludwig Van Beethoven
George Radosavljevic, piano

Greeting, Welcome, and Announcements

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

* Call to Worship (Psalm 126)

One: When the Lord restored the fortunes of Zion,
All: we were like those who dreamed.
One: Our mouths were filled with laughter,
All: our tongues with songs of joy.
One: It was said among the nations,
All: The Lord has done great things for them.
One: The Lord has done great things for us,
All: and we are filled with joy.

* Hymn #210   "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"   LOBE DEN HERREN

Call to Confession and Prayer of Confession

Eternal God, as enemies circle and fear grows large, the distance between us feels like absence and we come to believe you are hidden and concealed. Forgive our doubt. Forgive our lack of spiritual seeking. Forgive us when we make our faith all about what you might do for us rather than how we might serve you and work at right relationship with you. Amen.

Time of Silence for Personal Reflection

Words of Forgiveness
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: Psalm 126 (p. 572—573)

One: The Word of the Lord. **All: Thanks be to God**
Time with Young Disciples

Second Lesson: Luke 13:31-35 (p. 77)

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

Message: "From Wilderness to Glory: Jesus in the City"

* Affirmation of Faith *(The Apostle's Creed—See Insert)*

* Hymn *(See insert)*   "Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life"   GERMANY

Sharing of Joys and Concerns - Prayers of the People

Thanksgiving

Time for Generosity

Offertory   At the Cross   arr. Joel Raney
Chancel Choir with Deb Stevenson, oboe

Doxology # 815   Praise God   OLD HUNDREDTH

Sacrament of The Lord's Supper *(See insert)*

Prayer after Communion *(See insert)*

Sending

* Hymn #328   "In the Cross of Christ I Glory"   RATHBUN

Charge and Benediction

Postlude   Gabriel's Oboe   Ennio Morriccone
Deb Stevenson, oboe and George Radosavljevic, piano

(You are asked to remain seated for the Postlude)

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