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, 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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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.

ON EARTH AS IT IS IN HEAVEN

July 27, 2025
7th Sunday after Pentecost

Gathering in God's Name

Prelude — Romanze — Carl Nielsen
Deb Stevenson, oboe

Lighting of the Christ Candle

Greeting, Welcome, and Announcements

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

* Call to Worship

One: Steadfast love and faithfulness will meet;
God's glory will dwell in our land.

All: Let us hear what God will speak!

One: Righteousness and peace will kiss each other;
faithfulness will spring up from the ground.

All: Let us hear what God will speak!

One: God will speak peace to God's people,
to those who turn to God in their hearts.

All: Let us hear what God will speak!

*Hymn #38 "Ye Servants of God" HANOVER

Call to Confession and Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, we pray the Lord's Prayer each week, even daily, but we do not always walk the walk. We pray that your kingdom will come and your will be done, but we are reluctant to do the work of justice and mercy that characterize your kingdom. We ask for our daily bread and then hoard as much as we can. We ask you to forgive us as we have forgiven others, but we are quick to anger and slow to forgive. Loving God, have mercy on us and forgive us our sin. Help us to seek your will for our lives and walk in the way of Jesus Christ; in whose 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: Halle, Halle, Hallelujah!

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 11:1-4 (p. 72)

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

Thoughts from Kate and Pastor Stuart

Second Lesson: Psalms 85 and 138 (P. 543—544; 575)

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

Message: "… On Earth as It Is in Heaven…"

* Affirmation of Faith (from The Confession of 1967)

In Jesus Christ, God was reconciling the world to himself. We confess that Jesus Christ is God with us, the eternal Son of the Father, who became human and lived among us to fulfill the work of reconciliation. We believe that the risen Christ is present in the church by the power of the Holy Spirit to continue and complete his mission. This work of God, the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, is the foundation of all we say about God, ourselves, and the world.

* Hymn #713 "Seek Ye First" LAFFERTY

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

Thanksgiving

Time for Generosity

Offertory: Andante Amabile, from Sonata in a minor Telemann
Deb Stevenson, oboe

* Doxology # 815 "Praise God"

* Prayer of Thanksgiving and Dedication

Gracious God, we know that every good and perfect gift comes from you. With glad and generous hearts, we give back what rightfully belongs to you. With open hearts and willing hands, may we joyfully use your gifts to share the good news of Jesus Christ, your indescribable gift to this world. Amen.

Sending

* Hymn #56 "To God Be the Glory" TO GOD BE THE GLORY

Charge and Benediction

Postlude: Allegro, from Sonata in C Major Loeillet
Deb Stevenson, oboe

* Going Forth

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

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