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 Helen Robles, liturgist; George Radosavljevic, piano; Pat Radosavljevic, Music Director; and Pastor Stuart Barnes Jamieson.

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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.



August 31, 2025
12th Sunday after Pentecost

Gathering in God's Name

Prelude — Berceuse — Louis Vierne
Pat Radosavljevic, organ

Lighting of the Christ Candle

Greeting, Welcome, and Announcements

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

* Call to Worship

One: Gathered to worship God,

All: we are all right where we belong.

One: Called to this celebration of worship by God's Spirit,

All: we approach God with joy in our hearts.

One: Nourished by the love of Jesus, God's Son,

All: we gladly feast at this banquet of grace.

*Hymn #667 "Lord, Speak to Me" CANONBURY L.M.

Call to Confession and Prayer of Confession

Holy God, we compare ourselves with others, wondering if we are better than them. We judge one another, trying to justify ourselves. We seek to establish our superiority by assuming positions of honor. Forgive us, we pray. Free us to see ourselves truthfully and to love one another with humble, gracious spirits. 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: Proverbs 25:6-7 (P. 607)

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

Second Lesson: Luke 14:1,7-14 (p. 77)

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

Message: "On Humility"

* Affirmation of Faith *(see insert)*

* Hymn *(see insert)* "Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love" CHEREPONI

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

Thanksgiving

Time for Generosity

Offertory: Sonata No. 20 Allegro ma non troppo - Ludwig van Beethoven
George Radosavljevic, piano

* Doxology # 815 "Praise God"

* Prayer of Thanksgiving and Dedication

Gracious God, we offer to you these gifts, both as signs of our gratitude and as instruments of your reign. Use these gifts, and us, that your way of love and peace, transformation and hope might flourish in this place. Amen.

Sending

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

Charge and Benediction

Postlude: Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing - arr. Joel Raney
Pat and George Radosavljevic, piano

* Going Forth

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

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