Welcome to Worship on this 21st Sunday after Pentecost, and to our celebration of Reformation Sunday. Today we celebrate the 500th anniversary of the start of the Protestant Reformation, which began when Martin Luther posted the 95 Theses, on October 31, 1517.

If you are here today for the first or second time, we hope you feel welcome as a guest of this community of faith. 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! Please talk with our pastor, and learn more by visiting us at www.cwupc.org and www.pcusa.org and on Facebook: Carter-Westminster United Presbyterian Church.

Also assisting us in our worship today are Pat Radosavljevic, George Radosavljevic, Isaac Stevenson, The Chancel Choir, and Ken Hockenberry.

Next Sunday is the 22nd Sunday after Pentecost, and the scripture lessons are I Thessalonians 2:9-13 and Matthew 23:1-12. We will also celebrate Remembrance Sunday and All Saints' Day, as we remember those who have died in the past year. **You and yours** are most welcome.

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Gathered for Worship During the Sundays After Pentecost - 2017

Sunday Morning Worship - 10:45 AM



October 29, 2017

The Twenty First Sunday After Pentecost Reformation Sunday

Gathering in God's Name

Gathering of the People

Prelude "A Mighty Fortress"

ARR. JOEL RANEY

Greeting, Welcome, and Announcements

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

*Call to Worship

Give thanks to the Lord, for God is good.

God's steadfast love endures forever.

The Lord is our eternal dwelling place; from age to age, the Lord is our God.

*Hymn # 624 (GTG) "I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art" TOULON

Call to Confession and Prayer of Confession

Sovereign God,

we confess that we are not ready for your holy realm.

You offer us your law of love, but we disobey the simplest command. You offer us your gospel of grace, but we disregard this greatest gift.

Forgive us, O merciful God, so that we may return to your fold and rejoice in your presence; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Words of Forgiveness

One: . . . Sisters and brothers, believe this good news:

All: In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Alleluia! Amen!

*Act of Praise NETTLETON

Hear the good news of salvation, Jesus died to show God's love.

Such great kindness! Such great mercy!

Come to us from heaven above.

Jesus Christ, how much I love you! Jesus Christ, you save from sin! How I love you! Look upon me. Love me still and cleanse within.

*The Peace

One: ... The peace of Christ be with you. All: And also with you. (Please share the peace of Christ with one another.)

Word Proclaimed

Prayer for Illumination

First Lesson: Jeremiah 31:31-34 (p. 735)

Holy wisdom, Holy word - Thanks be to God

Offering of Music "Within These Walls"

PEPPER CHOPLIN

Second Lesson: Matthew 22: 34-46 (p. 25)

Holy wisdom, Holy word - Thanks be to God

Time with Young Disciples

(Children are invited to come to the chancel steps, and then go to child care.)

*Hymn # 275 "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God" EIN' FESTE BURG

Sermon "Reformed and Always Reforming"

Affirmation of Faith - The Apostles' Creed (On screen)

Sharing of Joys and Concerns - Prayers of the People

Thanksgiving

Offering and Offertory "Rejoice, the Lord is King" GORDON YOUNG

*Doxology # 815 "Praise God"

OLD HUNDREDTH

*Prayer of Thanksgiving and The Lord's Prayer (On Screen)

Sending

*Hymn # 305 "Come Sing, O Church, in Joy!"

DARWALL'S 148TH

*Invitation to Discipleship

*Charge and Benediction

Postlude "Entrata Festiva"

FLOR PEETERS

(You are invited to be seated for the Postlude.)

*Going Forth

(Please join one another for coffee hour downstairs - follow the crowd)

*Please rise in body and/or in spirit!