

Welcome to Worship on this Christ the King / Reign of Christ Sunday. This is the last Sunday of the Christian liturgical year, and this newer church holy day is intended to show the larger reign and glory of Jesus Christ. Think of that part in Handel's Messiah, when the choir sings the "Hallelujah" Chorus: Jesus Christ is "King of Kings, and Lord of Lords, and He shall reign for ever and ever!"

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 worship today are Pat and George Radosavljevic, Anita Bakou, the Chancel Choir, and Ken Hockenberry,

Next Sunday is the First Sunday of Advent, and the after Pentecost, and the scripture lessons are Isaiah 64:109 and Mark 13:24-37. **You and yours** are most welcome.

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The Community of

**Carter - Westminster United
Presbyterian Church**

*Gathered for Worship
During the Sundays After Pentecost - 2017*

Sunday Morning Worship - 10:45 AM



November 26, 2017

Christ the King / Reign of Christ Sunday

Gathering in God's Name

Gathering of the People

Prelude "Sonata in G Major," 1st movement LUDWIG VAN BEETHOVEN

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 God; we are God's people.
We are the sheep of God's pasture.

*Hymn # 45 "Crown Him with Many Crowns" DIADEMATA

Call to Confession and Prayer of Confession

Sovereign God,
we confess that we are not ready for your holy realm.
You guide us toward right paths,
but we refuse to follow where you lead.
You love and feed and care for us,
but we fail to love and serve others.

Forgive us, one more time, most merciful God,
so that we may return to your fold
and rejoice in your presence;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
the Lamb upon the throne. 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 # 813 "Gloria Patri" GREATOREX

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen. Amen.

***The Peace**

One: ... The peace of Christ be with you. All: **And also with you.**
(Please share the peace of Christ, then sing our re-gathering song.)

Word Proclaimed

Prayer for Illumination

First Lesson: Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24 (p. 803-804)
Holy wisdom, Holy word - **Thanks be to God**

Offering of Music "Coronation" CRAIG COURTNEY

Second Lesson: Matthew 25:31-46 (p. 29)
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 # 794 "Let All Things Now Living" ASH GROVE

Sermon "An Act of Assistance"

Affirmation of Faith - *from The Confession of Belhar (See insert)*

Sharing of Joys and Concerns - Prayers of the People

Thanksgiving

Offering and Offertory "Thanks Be to Thee" GEORGE FREDERIC HANDEL

*Doxology # 815 "Praise God" OLD HUNDREDTH

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

Sending

*Hymn *(See Insert)* "At the Name of Jesus" KING'S WESTON

*Invitation to Discipleship

*Charge and Benediction

Postlude "The Heavens Are Telling the Glory of God" BEETHOVEN
(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!*