

Welcome to Worship on this 1st Sunday after Epiphany, The Baptism of the Lord. We hope this worship service this morning is a blessing in your life.

Today we remember the baptism of Jesus, and have the opportunity to reaffirm and renew our own baptism. Remember, always, you are a beloved child of God.

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.

Assisting us in worship today are Pat and George Radosavljevic, Afua Akompong, the Chancel Choir, and Ken Hockenberry.

Next Sunday is the 2nd Sunday after Epiphany, and the scripture lessons are I Corinthians 6:12-20 and John 1:43-51.

You and yours are most welcome.

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**Carter - Westminster United
Presbyterian Church**

*Gathered for Worship
During the Sundays after Epiphany - 2018*

Sunday Morning Worship - 10:45 AM



January 7, 2018
Baptism of the Lord
The First Sunday after Epiphany

Gathering in God's Name

Gathering of the People

Prelude "The Cuckoo"

LOUIS-CLAUDE DAQUIN

Greeting, Welcome, and Announcements

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

*Call to Worship

Sing to the Lord a new song;
sing to the Lord, all the earth.

The heavens opened, the Spirit descended,
and a voice sounded: This is my Beloved Child.

*Hymn # 290 “As With Gladness Men of Old” DIX

Call to Confession and Prayer of Confession

God our Creator, we confess that we are broken, sinful creatures.
You made us in your own image, but we tarnish your good name.
You call us your beloved children, but we take your favor for granted.

Forgive us, God of grace.
Pour out your mercy upon us so that we may live in a way
that is pleasing to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Words of Forgiveness

One: . . . In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!
All: Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Amen!

*Act of Praise (See Screen) “Glory to God” GLORY TO GOD
Glory to God, who goodness shines on me.
And to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me.
And to the Spirit, whose love has set me free.
As it was in the beginning, is now, and every shall be. Amen.

*The Peace

One: ... The peace of Christ be with you. All: And also with you.
(Please share the peace of Christ with one another, then join in our re-
gathering song - on the screen - from the hymn “Jesus, Light of Joy”)

Word Proclaimed

Prayer for Illumination

First Lesson: Mark 1:4-11 (p. 34-35)
Holy wisdom, Holy word - Thanks be to God

Offering of Music “Jesus, Name above All Names” ARR. BILL WOLAVER

Second Lesson: Acts 19:1-7 (p. 139)
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 # 571 “Trust and Obey” TRUST AND OBEY

Sermon “We Are Baptized Into ...”

The Reaffirmation of Baptism (See insert)

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Thanksgiving

Offering and Offertory “Praise the Lord! Ye Heavens, Adore Him” B. HARLAN

*Doxology # 815 “Praise God” OLD HUNDREDTH

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

Sending

*Hymn # 680 “All The Way My Savior Leads Me” ALL THE WAY

*Invitation to Discipleship

*Charge and Benediction

Postlude “Foundation” BONNIE BARRETT
(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!