

Welcome to Worship on this 2nd Sunday in Lent. During the 40-day season Lent (not counting the Sundays) we walk toward the cross with Jesus. It is a season to slow down, to reflect, and to remember our mortality. Such reflection helps us prepare for the season of life and the hope of eternal life celebrated in the great 50 days of Easter

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, John Yonan, the Chancel Choir, and Ken Hockenberry.

Next Sunday is the 3rd in Lent. We will celebrate The Lord's Supper, and the scripture lessons are Exodus 20, 1-17 and I Corinthians 1:18-25.

You and yours are most welcome.

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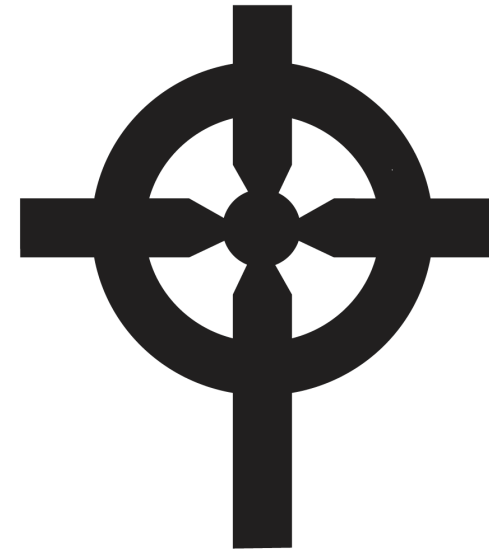
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The Community of
**Carter - Westminster United
Presbyterian Church**

*Gathered for Worship
During the Season of Lent - 2018*

Sunday Morning Worship - 10:45 AM



February 25, 2018
The Second Sunday in Lent

Gathering in God's Name

Gathering of the People

Prelude "Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart" DON HUSTAD

Greeting, Welcome, and Announcements

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

Call to Worship

The Lord is merciful and gracious,
slow to anger and abounding in love.

Jesus calls us to be his disciples.

We take up the cross to follow, come what may.

*Hymn (*See Insert*) “The God of Abraham Praise” LEONI

Call to Confession and Prayer of Confession

**God our Redeemer,
we confess that we are people of ashes and dust.
You call us to be a blessing in the world,
but we only seek our own benefit.
You call us to give our lives for others,
but we only seek to save ourselves.**

**Forgive us, God of grace.
Set our minds on divine things - the good news of the gospel
and the promise of new life in you; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.**

Kyrie Eleison - “Lord, Have Mercy” (*See screen*)

Words of Forgiveness

One: . . . Sisters and brothers, believe this good news:
All: In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

*Act of Praise # 526 (*Stanza 1*) “The Solid Rock” SOLID ROCK
**My hope is built on nothing less than Jesus’ blood and righteousness,
I dare not trust the sweetest frame, but wholly lean on Jesus’ name.
On Christ the solid rock I stand - all other ground is sinking sand.
All other ground is sinking sand.**

*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: Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16 (p. 13)
Holy wisdom, Holy word - **Thanks be to God**

Offering of Music “Surely He Hath Borne Our Grievs” G.F. HANDEL

Second Lesson: Mark 8:31-38 (p. 44)
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 (*See insert*) “Take Up Your Cross, the Savior Said” BOURBON

Sermon “Following the One Who Suffers”

Affirmation of Faith - The Apostles’ Creed (*On screen*)

Sharing of Joys and Concerns - Prayers of the People

Thanksgiving

Offering and Offertory “Ah, Holy Jesus” ARR. CRAIG COURTNEY

*Doxology # 815 “Praise God” OLD HUNDREDTH

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

Sending

*Hymn # 712 “Be Still, My Soul” FINLANDIA

Invitation to Discipleship

Charge, Benediction, and Meditation

Postlude “The God of Abraham Praise” GORDON YOUNG
(*You are invited to remain 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!*