

Welcome to Worship on this 15th Sunday after Pentecost. Also known as Ordinary Time, in these weeks we are in between the two major holy seasons of the Christian Year. The readings for each Sunday are from the Revised Common Lectionary, and we are currently in Year B.

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 Radosavljevic, George Radosavljevic, Jim Nadder, and Ken Hockenberry.

Next Sunday is the 16th Sunday after Pentecost, and the scripture lessons are Proverbs 22:1-2, 8-9, 22-23, and James 2:1-17.

You and yours are most welcome.

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The Community of

**Carter - Westminster United
Presbyterian Church**

*Gathered for Worship
During the Season after Pentecost*

Sunday Morning Worship - 10:45 AM



September 2, 2018

The Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Gathering in God's Name

Gathering of the People

Prelude "Come, Christians, Join to Sing" arr. Don Hustad

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.

Every generous act is a gift from God
who gives birth to us through the word.

*Hymn # 128 "I Sing the Mighty Power of God" ELLACOMBE

Call to Confession and Prayer of Confession

**Merciful God, we confess that we have not followed your way.
You lavish your love upon us, yet we let our hearts grow cold.
You wash us clean in your mercy, yet we defile ourselves in sin.**

**Forgive us, God of grace.
Give us a new religion: to love you and one another
even as you have loved us; 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. Amen**

* Act of Praise (*On Screen*) "Halle, Halle, Halle-lujah!" HALLE HALLE
**Halle, Halle, Halle -lujah! Halle, Halle, Halle -lujah!
Halle, Halle, Halle -lujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!**

*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: Song of Solomon 2:8-13 (p. 623)
The Word of the Lord - **Thanks be to God**

Offering of Music "Hymn Stories"

Second Lesson: James 1:17-27 (p. 229)
The Word of the Lord - **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*) "All Things Bright and Beautiful" ROYAL OAK

Sermon "Some Good and Perfect Gifts - from James"

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

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Thanksgiving

Offering

Offertory "Sweet Hour of Prayer" arr. Martha Mier

*Doxology # 815 "Praise God" OLD HUNDREDTH

Celebration of The Lord's Supper (*See insert*)

Sending

*Hymn (*See insert*) *Please sing stanzas 1 - 4, and 6* HENDON
"Take My Life"

*Invitation to Discipleship

*Charge and Benediction

Postlude "To God Be the Glory" arr. Don Hustad
(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!*