

**Welcome to Worship** on this 18th 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](http://www.cwupc.org) and [www.pcusa.org](http://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 19th Sunday after Pentecost, and the scripture lessons are and James 4:1-10.

**You and yours** are most welcome.

**The Session, Deacons, Trustees, and Staff of  
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**Session Ruling Elders:** (2018) Kenneth Jacobs, Carolyn Kapteyn, Doris Nadder, John Serritella, Sam Bakou; (2019) Lisa Novel; (2020) Barbara Boba, Georgette Joseph

**Deacons:** (2018) Phyllis Boba, Irene Ellyin, Rita Witzgall;  
(2019) Neena Ishu, Helen Oshona.

**Trustees:** (2018) Julia Dooman, Rodney Esmael; (2019) Donald Rustemeyer;  
(2020) Hugh McBride, Mac McClendon, Robert Rustemeyer.

**Staff and Church Leaders:**

Pastor - Ken Hockenberry  
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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**



**wisdom 2.0**

**September 23, 2018**

The Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

**Gathering in God's Name**

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Gathering of the People

Prelude "Sonata in C Major - Allegro" 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 last are first in the realm of God;  
**the least are welcomed in Jesus' name.**

\*Hymn # 788 "Now Thank We All Our God" NUN DANKET

## Call to Confession and Prayer of Confession

**Merciful God, we confess that we have not followed your way.  
We sow the seeds of conflict, while you seek the harvest of peace.  
We argue about who is greatest, while you welcome the last and least.**

**Forgive us, God of grace.  
Draw near to us this day with the wisdom of your Word,  
and teach us how to serve you; 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

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### Prayer for Illumination

First Lesson: Proverbs 8:1-11 (p. 590-591)  
The Word of the Lord - **Thanks be to God**

Offering of Music "Devotion" arr. John Ness Beck

Second Lesson: James 3:13-18 (p. 230)  
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*) "O Word of God Incarnate" MUNICH

Sermon "Still More Good and Perfect Gifts - from James"

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

Sharing of Joys and Concerns - Prayers of the People

## Thanksgiving

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Offering

Offertory "Alleluia, Praise His Name" Ruth Elaine Schram

\*Doxology # 815 "Praise God" OLD HUNDREDTH

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

## Sending

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\*Hymn (*See insert*) "We Wait the Peaceful Kingdom" MERLE'S TUNE

\*Invitation to Discipleship

\*Charge and Benediction

Postlude "Voluntary" Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart  
*(You are invited to remain seated for the Postlude.)*

\*Going Forth  
*(Please come to coffee hour downstairs - follow the crowd)*

*\*Please rise in body and/or in spirit!*