

**Welcome to Worship** on this First Sunday after Christmas Day, and the 6th Day of Christmas. Christmas is the shortest season of the Christian Year - only 12 days long, just like the song. We hope this time of Christmas worship is a blessing to you and yours.

**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, Jim Nadder, the Chancel Choir, and Ken Hockenberry.

**Next Sunday** is the Day of Epiphany, January 6, 2019. The scripture lessons are Isaiah 60:106, Ephesians 3:1-12, and Matthew 2:1-12. **You and yours** are most welcome.

**The Session, Deacons, Trustees, and Staff of  
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**Deacons:** (2018) Phyllis Boba, Irene Ellyin, Rita Witzgall;  
(2019) Neena Ishu, Helen Oshona.

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Pastor - Ken Hockenberry  
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*The Community of*

**Carter - Westminster United  
Presbyterian Church**

*Gathered for Worship*

*During the Christmas Season - 2018*

*Sunday Morning Worship - 10:45 AM*

**December 30, 2018**

The First Sunday after Christmas Day

**Gathering in God's Name**

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Gathering of the People

Prelude "What Child is This" arr. Rosemary Barrett Byers

Greeting, Welcome, and Announcements

One: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

\*Call to Worship

We are brought together by the call of God,  
the One who has loved us from the beginning.

We are bound together by the presence of the Spirit,  
the One who has challenged us to love more deeply.

We worship together in the name of Christ,  
the One who was Love made flesh.

\*Hymn (*See insert*) “While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks” CHRISTMAS

Call to Confession and Prayer of Confession

Holy God, we have seen the Christ child in the manger,  
and we know that you are a light to all people.

Forgive us when our lives  
are not shaped by the Christmas story,  
when our hearts  
are not open to the leading of your spirit,  
when our hands  
are not open to help a neighbor in need.

Speak your good news to us once more,  
forgive us, and bring us peace. Amen.

Words of Forgiveness

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

\*Act of Praise (*On Screen*) “Good Christian Friends, Rejoice” IN DULCI JUBILO

Good Christian friends, rejoice - with heart, and soul, and voice;  
Now ye hear of endless bliss - Jesus Christ was born for this!  
He has opened heaven’s door, and we are blest forevermore.  
Christ was born for this! Christ was born for this!

\*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: I Samuel 2:18-20 (p. 246)  
Holy Wisdom, Holy Word - Thanks be to God

Offering of Music “Tiny Child” Carol Murray

Second Lesson: Luke 2:41-52 (p. 59)

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*) “On Christmas Night All Christians Sing” SUSSEX CAROL

Sermon “Life Interrupted”

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

Sharing of Joys and Concerns - Prayers of the People

## Thanksgiving

Offering

Offertory “Sheep May Safely Graze” J.S. Bach/arr. E. Power Biggs

\*Doxology # 815 “Praise God” OLD HUNDREDTH

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

## Sending

\*Hymn # 275 “Sing We Now of Christmas” FRENCH CAROL

\*Invitation to Discipleship

\*Charge and Benediction

Postlude “Angels We Have Heard on High”  
(*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!*