

*Becoming the Beloved Community*

## **Carter - Westminster United Presbyterian Church**

*Gathered for Worship*

*Sunday Morning Worship - 10:45 AM*



**May 2, 2021**

**Fifth Sunday of Easter**

### **Gathering in God's Name**

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Prelude "Mazurka in C Major"

Frederic Chopin

**Greeting, Welcome, and Announcements**

*(All congregational responses and unison readings to be whispered)*

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

**Call to Worship** (Psalm 95:6-7; John 10:27 )

*(Please whisper)*

Let us worship God, to whom we have been reconciled through Christ.

**We are new creations; the old is gone, the new has come!**

Let us worship God as Christ's ambassadors.

**Thanks be to God! We are reconciled, redeemed, renewed!**

**Opening Hymn** "The God of Abraham Praise"

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**Call to Confession and Prayer of Confession**

*(Please whisper)*

Merciful God, you have made us citizens of heaven, but we confess that we have set our minds on earthly things. We have let our desire for security restrain our commitment to serve the poor. We have let our fear of danger curb your call to love our enemies. We have let our love of things dull our generosity to the needy. By the power of the Holy Spirit conform us more to the way of Christ, that we may be the body of Christ for the world. Amen.

**Words of Forgiveness**

*(Please whisper)*

...Friends, believe the good news of the gospel.

**In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!**

**Lighting of the Candle of Peace**

One: ... The peace of Christ be with you. All: And also with you.

### **Word Proclaimed**

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**Time with Young Disciples**

**Prayer for Illumination**

**First Lesson:** Genesis 18:1-15

One: The Word of the Lord. - All: Thanks be to God.

Scripture Acclamation “Alleluia”

Second Lesson: 1 Corinthians 1:18-31

One: The Word of the Lord. All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon “This Is Foolishness!”

Affirmation of Faith - The Apostles’ Creed

*(Please whisper)*

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

## Thanksgiving

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Time for Generosity

Offertory “My Jesus, I Love Thee” arr. Mark Hayes  
Pat and George Radosavljevic, piano

Prayer of Dedication

*(Please whisper)*

Sacrament Of The Lord's Supper *(Please see insert)*

## Sending

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Hymn “O For a World” AZMON

Charge and Benediction

Postlude “Toccata” Douglas Wagner  
*(You are asked to remain seated for the Postlude.)*

\*Going Forth

\*Please rise in body and/or in Spirit

**Welcome to Worship** at Carter-Westminster United Presbyterian Church.

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 - talk with our Pastor, and learn more by visiting us at [www.cwupc.org](http://www.cwupc.org) and on Facebook: Carter-Westminster United Presbyterian Church.

**Assisting us in worship today** are James Nadder; Emily Crisp, soprano; Lindsay Mecher, Mezzo Soprano; Leo Radosavljevic, Bass Baritone; George Radosavljevic, piano; Pat Radosavljevic, Music Director and Bridge Pastor William J. Ingersoll

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