

Becoming the Beloved Community

Carter - Westminster United Presbyterian Church

Gathered for Worship

Sunday Morning Worship - 10:45 AM



January 2, 2022
Communion Sunday

Gathering in God's Name

Prelude

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 *(Please whisper)*

Come, you who are burdened.

Come worship God, who sets us free.

Come, you who are weary.

Come follow the Spirit, who gives us strength.

Come, you who are seeking.

Come listen to Christ, who teaches us the way.

* Hymn "Arise, Your Light Is Come" *(See insert)*

Call to Confession and Prayer of Confession

Eternal God, wondrous star, light no darkness can overcome, drive out the sin in our hearts.

Forgive us for turning from your way, for denying your truth, for resisting the life you would have us live. Refresh us and restore us.

Focus us on the brilliant light of Jesus Christ that we may see him more clearly and follow him more nearly, this day and every day.

Words of Forgiveness

One: ...Believe the good news.

All: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

Response: Glory to God

* Passing of the Peace

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

(Without leaving your seat, share the peace with those around you)

Word Proclaimed

Prayer for Illumination

First Lesson: Matthew 2:1-12 (p. xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx)

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

Time With Young Disciples

Second Lesson: Matthew 2:1-12 (p. xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx)
One: The Word of the Lord. All: Thanks be to God.

Message "The Men of the Christmas Story"

* Affirmation of Faith - The Apostles' Creed *(Please whisper)*

Sharing of Joys and Concerns - Prayers of the People - **The Lord's Prayer**

Thanksgiving

Time for Generosity

Offertory

* Doxology # 815 "Praise God" OLD HUNDREDTH

Sacrament Of The Lord's Supper *(See insert)*

Sending

* Hymn # 288 "We Three Kings" KINGS OF ORIENT

Charge and Benediction

Postlude

(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, located at 4950 W. Pratt Avenue in Skokie, Illinois.

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 and on Facebook: Carter-Westminster United Presbyterian Church.

Assisting us in worship today are Sam Mirza, George Radosavljevic, Pat Radosavljevic - Music Director, and Pastor Stuart Barnes Jamieson.

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