

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 Jim Nadder; Elizabeth Brown, organ; Rika Seko, violin; Savanna Cardenas, timpani; Dr. Mitch Warren, trumpet; Angela DeVenuto, soprano; Jacqueline Piccolino, soprano; Lindsay Mecher, alto; Brian Rasmussen, tenor; Lisa Dagher, tenor; James Schubert, tenor; Leo Radosavljevic, bass; Rafa Porto, bass and George Radosavljevic, piano; Pat Radosavljevic - Music Director; and Pastor Stuart Barnes Jamieson.

**The Session, Deacons, Trustees, Officers, and Staff of
Carter - Westminster United Presbyterian Church**

Session Ruling Elders: Georgette Joseph, Carolyn Kapteyn, Najeba Badal, John Yonan, Elizabeth Brown, David Americus, Peter Ellyin, and Doris Nadder.

Deacons: Phyllis Boba, Irene Ellyin, Neena Ishu, Helen Oshona, Hilda Karam, and Shirley Rustemeyer.

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The Rev. Stuart Barnes Jamieson, Pastor
Clerk of Session - Georgette Joseph
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Becoming the Beloved Community

**Carter - Westminster United
Presbyterian Church**

Gathered for Worship

Sunday Morning Worship - 10:45 a.m.



April 9, 2023

Easter Day / The Resurrection of the Lord

Gathering in God's Name

Prelude "Lift High the Cross" Arr. Richard A. Nichols
The Chancel Choir; Elizabeth Brown, organ;
Dr. Mitch Warren, trumpet and Savanna Cardenas, timpani

Greeting, Welcome, and Announcements

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

* Call to Worship

One: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

All: Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

One: God has answered us!

All: God has come to earth to become our salvation!

One: This is the day the Lord has made:

All: let us rejoice and be glad! Alleluia!

* Hymn # 367 “Christ the Lord is Risen Today”

EASTER HYMN

Call to Confession and Prayer of Confession

Resurrected Christ, there is nothing we can do to deserve the grace you give us. There is no way we can earn your love, there is no way we can be worthy of your forgiveness. And yet you shower these mercies on us. You, who have taken away the sting of death, meet us where we are, in our doubt and fear, in our regrets and shame, in our delight and awe. Meet us here in this place, and call us once again to trust in you.

Time of Silence for Personal Reflection

Words of Forgiveness

One: ...Believe the good news.

All: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

Response: Halle, Halle, Hallelujah!

* Passing of the Peace

Word Proclaimed

Prayer for Illumination

First Lesson: Matthew 28:1-10 (p. 33-34)

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

Time with Young Disciples

Second Lesson: Psalm 118: 1-18, 29 (p. 565-566)

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

Message: “A Victorious Entry: Second Chance”

* Affirmation of Faith (*Book of Common Worship*)

This is the good news which we have received, in which we stand, and by which we are saved, if we hold it fast: that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day, and that he appeared first to the women, then to Peter, and to the Twelve, and then to many faithful witnesses. We believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the living God. Jesus Christ is the first and the last, the beginning and the end; he is our Lord and our God. Amen.

* Hymn # 365 “Alleluia! Alleluia!”

HYMN TO JOY

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

Thanksgiving

Time for Generosity

Offertory “Hallelujah” (from The Mount of Olives) Ludwig van Beethoven
The Chancel Choir; Rika Seko, violin; George Radosavljevic, piano
and Savanna Cardenas, timpani

* Doxology # 815 “Praise God”

OLD HUNDREDDTH

* Prayer of Thanksgiving and Dedication

God of the empty tomb, your grace astounds us, your generosity fills us to overflowing. Accept these offerings as signs of our gratitude and bless our work on Christ’s behalf. May we love as Christ loved. May we serve as Christ served. Call us forth into your world, guided by Christ’s spirit. Amen.

Sending

* Hymn # 368 “He Lives”

ACKLEY

Charge and Benediction

* Postlude: Hymn # 39 “Hallelujah” (from Messiah)

Handel

(You are invited to stand during the singing of the Hallelujah from Messiah. The chorus can be found as #39 in our red hymnals if you want to sing along.)

*Going Forth

**Please rise in body and/or in Spirit*