

January 15, 2012

THE CHURCH GATHERS TO WORSHIP GOD

CHIMING THE HOUR

CHILDRENS' MOMENT (Children ages 3 yrs-1st grade are invited to join Rev. Cyd on the steps.)

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDEarr. Ray			
Holy, Holy, Holy			
*RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIPBob Nutting			
Elder:	God is calling. Do you not hear? You are being called by name, for a purpose.		
PEOPLE:	GOD, YOU HAVE SEARCHED US AND KNOW US. YOU DISCERN OUR THOUGHTS FROM FAR AWAY.		
Elder:	Do not confuse the siren calls of the world for God's call. Do not confuse the values of this world for God's values.		
PEOPLE:	YOU KNOW, O GOD, WHEN WE SIT AND WHEN WE STAND. YOU KNOW WHEN WE LIE DOWN AND WHERE WE GO.		
Elder:	Your words and your deeds are known to God. You were known to God before you were born.		
UNISON:	YOUR KNOWLEDGE OF US IS MORE THAN WE CAN UNDERSTAND. YOUR THOUGHTS EMBRACE US AMID ALL YOU HAVE CREATED.		
*WORSHIP HYMNCH. 72			

To God Be the Glory

BRINGING IN THE LIGHT OF CHRIST

***INVOCATION AND LORD'S PRAYER**

We have come together, listening God, because you have spoken your word of summons and welcome. We are drawn irresistibly to the promise of your presence and by the persistence of your call. Speak to your servants here in ways we can understand. We want to hear the message you intend for us. We want to listen, not because someone else needs to have it told to them, but because we ourselves are needy sinners. Your expectations of us are high and holy. We tremble before you, eager for the heavens to be opened in our midst for our transformation. In celebration of the One who is the light of the world we pray this day, "Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil; for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever and ever." Amen.

*GLORIA PATRI CH. 35

THE CHURCH PROCLAIMS THE WORD OF GOD

FIRST READING (pg 955)			
Feed Me, Lord			
SECOND READING (pg 527) MESSAGE			
Jesus and a Man with Many Virtues			

SILENT MEDITATION

MORNING PRAYER

THE CHURCH COMES TOGETHER AT THE LORD'S TABLE

INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP

OFFERTORY......arr. Renfrow

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Mighty God, you have given us everything we have. You have granted us life. You have poured out abiding love on our behalf. You have made us rich. We share out of this awareness, and because we care about people who do not know you, people who have not shared your abundance, people who have defied your commandments, people who need your love. Bless our gifts to do the work you intend. Amen.

*THE DOXOLOGY	CH. 46			
COMMUNION INVITATION				
COMMUNION HYMN				
Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart				
PRAYER FOR THE BREAD	Bob Nutting			
PRAYER FOR THE CUP	David McCrickard			

DISTRIBUTION OF THE ELEMENTS......arr. Goldston

Amazing Grace

The Lord's Table is open for all people. Christ has set the table before us. It is by His invitation we are fed. You may eat the bread as it is passed and drink the cup at the conclusion of the Words of Institution

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE CHURCH GOES FORTH TO SERVE GOD IN MISSION

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

HYMN OF INVITATION CH. 464 (vs. 1,4,5) God of Grace and God of Glory

During the singing of the Hymn of Invitation, we invite anyone wishing to become a Christian or wishing to unite with this congregation, to please come forward.

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

*PLEASE STAND AS YOU ARE ABLE

DIACONATE SERVING TODAY

Charles Kelly, Betty McCrickard, Marla Terry, Kaitlyn McNelis



Thank you for worshipping at West Side Christian Church today. We hope you received a blessing this morning, and that you will experience God's presence in the week ahead. See you next Sunday!



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