



The Fourth Sunday of Pentecost

Freedom Sunday
July 6, 2014

THE CHURCH GATHERS TO WORSHIP GOD

CHIMING THE HOUR

WORDS OF WELCOME

CHILDREN'S MOMENT (*Children ages 3 yrs – 2nd grade are invited to gather on the steps of the altar.*) †

ANNOUNCEMENTS OF THE DAY

PRELUDE.....Helzerman Houser
Morning Has Broken

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: I love this land. Its people, towns and scenery, for good and ill, are part of me.
They are gifts of the goodness of God.

PEOPLE: FOR THE NATURAL BEAUTY OF THIS LAND, FOR ITS BEAUTY AND GREAT RESOURCES; FOR THE TORCH OF LIBERTY THAT DRAWS PEOPLE FROM EVERY NATION, WE GIVE GOD OUR THANKS TODAY.

Leader: I give this land the life that Christ gives me, serving the Spirit of God with stranger,
friend or enemy.

**PEOPLE: ALL THE NATIONS OF THE WORLD BELONG TO GOD.
WE CELEBRATE TODAY OUR LIFE IN THIS NATION.**

**UNISON: MAY GOD'S LIVING WORD HELP US FINISH AMERICA'S GOOD WORK.
MAY WE LIVE AND DWELL WITH INSIGHT AND INTEGRITY.
MAY OUR WORSHIP TODAY BE TO THE GLORY OF OUR LIVING LORD!**

***WORSHIP HYMN**CH. 276
We Gather Together

***BRINGING IN THE LIGHT OF CHRIST**.....Alex Everett

*INVOCATION AND LORD'S PRAYER

On this day of celebration, O God, we lift up our hearts in gratitude for the gift of being Americans. We rejoice with all those who share in the great dream of freedom and dignity for all. With flags and feasting, with family and friends, we give thanks for the opportunities we have to fulfill our many God-given gifts. As we deny all prejudice a place in our hearts, may we also declare our intention to work for the time when all people, regardless of race, religion, or sex, will be granted equal dignity and worth. Come, O gracious God, who led Your children Israel from slavery, and keep us free from all that might hold us in bondage. Bless our country, Lord. Receive us as we praise You, the One in whom we place our trust. In the name of the One whose Spirit gives us life and freedom, Christ our Lord, 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 the power, and the glory forever and ever."* Amen.

***GLORIA PATRI**.....CH. 35
Glory Be to the Father

THE CHURCH PROCLAIMS THE WORD OF GOD

FIRST READING (pg 444).....Psalm 37:27-31

DUET *Frances Wells and David McCrickard*.....arr. Bradbury
The Solid Rock

SECOND READING (pg 922)Romans 27-31

SERMON.....Rev. Cyd Cowgill
Healing the Mind

SILENT MEDITATION

MORNING PRAYER

THE CHURCH COMES TOGETHER AT THE LORD'S TABLE

INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP

OFFERTORY.....arr. Kahl
My Country, 'Tis of Thee

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

God of abundance, in a world that declares and orchestrates a "scarcity of resources," give us a voice to declare that, because of Your limitless grace – there is enough for all. May this act of offering proclaim that truth. May our freedom be to live into Your reality of "enough". In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

***THE DOXOLOGY**.....CH. 528
Give Thanks

COMMUNION INVITATION

COMMUNION HYMN.....CH. 419 vs. 1 & 3)
All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly

PRAYER FOR THE BREAD.....Diane Loftis

PRAYER FOR THE CUP.....Tony Peris

DISTRIBUTION OF THE ELEMENTS.....arr. Berry
His Eye Is On the Sparrow

*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. 439**

God, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing

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**

TAKING THE LIGHT OF CHRIST INTO THE WORLD

***POSTLUDE**

‡ *Children Preschool – 2nd grade may attend Children, Worship & Wonder
Youth remain in church*

***PLEASE STAND AS YOU ARE ABLE**

DIACONATE SERVING TODAY

Carey Ward, Dudley DeStefano, Debra Trevino, Pam Gibbs



*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!*



The Welcome Loaf

We offer a homemade loaf of bread to first time visitors as an expression of our appreciation for your presence. Please greet Rev. Cyd at the door following worship to receive your loaf.



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