



The Twenty-Second Sunday of Pentecost

THE CHURCH GATHERS TO WORSHIP GOD

CHIMING THE HOUR

WORDS OF WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

PRELUDE.....arr. Schultz
Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

*CALL TO WORSHIP.....Jonathan Martell

Leader: Give ear, O people, to my teaching; incline your ears to the words of my mouth.

PEOPLE: WE WILL TELL TO THE COMING GENERATION
THE GLORIOUS DEEDS OF THE LORD.

Leader: The LORD established a decree in Jacob and appointed a law in Israel,

PEOPLE: WE WILL HEED THE COMMAND TO TEACH THIS TO OUR CHILDREN,
SO THAT THEY SHALL SET THEIR HOPE IN GOD.

Leader: Do not forget the works of God, but keep God's commandments,

UNISON: AND WE SHALL CELEBRATE THE WONDERS GOD HAS DONE.

*WORSHIP HYMN.....CH. 16
Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

*BRINGING IN THE LIGHT OF CHRIST.....Abbi Kilburn

*INVOCATION AND LORD'S PRAYER

Almighty and loving God, You brought us and our spiritual ancestors up from the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery, out of bondage, and did great signs in them and in our sight. You protected us all along the way that we went, and among all the peoples through whom we passed. Therefore, we will serve You, for You are God. We come this day to remember and to give thanks. Enjoy our worship now, we pray. Come and lead us out of bondage again—liberate us, invigorate us, renew us. Let Your Spirit guide us and let us look towards Your son, who lived and died for us and who taught us, his disciples how to pray, saying, "*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 960*).....1Thessalonians 4:13-18

ANTHEM.....arr. Moore
A Round of Thanks

SECOND READING (*pg 806*).....Matthew 25:1-13

MESSAGE.....The Rev. Uwe C. Scharf, Ph.D
The Wise and Foolish Bridesmaids

SILENT MEDITATION

MORNING PRAYER

THE CHURCH COMES TOGETHER AT THE LORD'S TABLE

MINUTE FOR MISSIONS

OFFERTORY.....arr. Roth Roubos
All Creatures of Our God and King

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

We set our hope in You, God of all ages, and seek to serve You through our offerings and our efforts to encourage and equip one another for ministry. Help us decide daily to live according to Your will, preparing ourselves for the opportunities and challenges You give us. May Your rule shape our lives in ways that introduce many to the joys of eternity in the midst of time. Amen.

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

COMMUNION INVITATION

COMMUNION HYMN.....CH. 417
We Place upon Your Table, Lord

PRAYER FOR THE BREAD.....Steve Gray

PRAYER FOR THE CUP.....Carrie Kelly

DISTRIBUTION OF THE ELEMENTS.....arr. Wolfe
Surely the Presence

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. 344**

I Have Decided to Follow Jesus

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 attend LIVE BIG!*

***PLEASE STAND AS YOU ARE ABLE**

DIACONATE SERVING TODAY

Fran Gray, Debra Trevino, Donna Nutting, Carey Ward



*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 see a greeter at the door following worship to receive your loaf.



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