



# Sixth Sunday after Epiphany

February 16, 2014

## THE COMMUNITY GATHERS TO SERVE GOD

### CHIMING THE HOUR

### WORDS OF WELCOME

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

### ANNOUNCEMENTS OF THE DAY

PRELUDE .....arr. Goldston  
*A Mighty Fortress Is Our God*

\*CALL TO WORSHIP .....Millicent Wise

Leader: It is midwinter. Christmas is behind us and the daffodils are ahead of us.

People: **IT IS COLD. THE DAYS ARE STILL TOO SHORT AND THE DIRTY SNOW IS DREARY.**

Leader: But in God's time, this is the season of love.  
Love incarnate, Jesus Christ himself, is present with us today.

People : **THAT IS GOOD NEWS! MAY LACE HEARTS, CANDY AND FLOWERS BECOME KNOWLEDGE OF LOVE IN OUR MIDST.**

UNISON: **MAY WE EMBRACE THE LOVE THAT IS GOD'S. MAY OUR WORSHIP TODAY INSPIRE US TO BE HIS LOVE AND SHARE HIS LOVE. LET US WORSHIP OUR LIVING GOD!**

\*WORSHIP HYMN .....CH. 2 (vs. 1, 3, 4)  
*Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee*

BRINGING IN THE LIGHT OF CHRIST .....Grant Gonsalves

### \*INVOCATION AND LORD'S PRAYER

We thank You, Lord God, for calling us to be Your people. In response, Lord, we seek to base our lives on the love of Jesus Christ. Through Him, may we be passionate and patient. May we be faithful and forgiving. May we be a sign of His presence on this earth. Teach us, Lord, how to love. In the name of the One who calls us and sends us, Christ our Lord, we pray this day, 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 and 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 .....CH. 35  
*Glory Be to the Father*

## THE COMMUNITY PROCLAIMS THE WORD OF GOD

FIRST READING (pg. 957).....Colossians 3:12-14

HYMN *Love Lifted Me* arr. Smith  
Congregational Refrain *Love lifted me! Love lifted me! When nothing else could help, Love lifted me.*

SECOND READING (pg. 803).....Matthew 22:34-40

SERMON.....Rev. Cyd Cowgill  
*Social Cues*

### SILENT MEDITATION

### MORNING PRAYER

## THE COMMUNITY COMES TOGETHER AT THE LORD'S TABLE

MINUTE FOR MISSIONS.....Frances Wells

OFFERTORY .....arr. Goldston  
*I've Got Peace like a River*

### PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Holy One, whose heart abounds with gifts, receive this offering as a sign of our intention to live surrounded by Your mercy, inspired by Your Spirit, open to the joy of Your presence, hospitable to one another, and generous toward Your world. Amen.

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

### COMMUNION MEDITATION

COMMUNION HYMN .....CH. 248 (vs. 1, 3)  
*Come, Holy Spirit, Heavenly Dove*

*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.*

PRAYER FOR THE BREAD.....Diane Loftis

PRAYER FOR THE CUP.....Fred Fritts

DISTRIBUTION OF THE ELEMENTS.....arr. East Wells  
*O, How I Love Jesus*

### WORDS OF INSTITUTION

**THE COMMUNITY GOES FORTH TO SERVE GOD IN MISSION**

**INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP**

**HYMN OF INVITATION.....CH. 688 (vs. 1, 3, 4)**

*When, In Awe of God's Creation*

*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**

**\*PLEASE STAND AS YOU ARE ABLE**

‡ *Children Preschool – 2<sup>nd</sup> grade may attend Children, Worship & Wonder*

*Grades 3 – 6 attend Live Big!*

*Grades 7 & 8 remain in church*

**DIACONATE SERVING TODAY**

Fran Gray, Dudley DeStefano, Cecil Dillon, Bubba Jenson



*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 loaf of homemade 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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