



Fourth Sunday in Lent

PRAISE & WORSHIP SUNDAY

March 30, 2014

THE COMMUNITY GATHERS TO SERVE 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

JOHN 9:1-7.....Ben Cowgill

*CALL TO WORSHIP.....Millicent Wise

Unison: **Once we lived in darkness, but now the light of God has shone upon us.
May our eyes and hearts open this hour to receive God's light of salvation.
Thanks be to God who gives us the light!**

*PRAISE SONGS	<i>Gather Us In</i>	CH. 284 (vs. 1 & 4)
	<i>Sanctuary</i>	CP. 49
	<i>Surely the Presence of the Lord</i>	CH. 263
	<i>On Eagles Wings</i>	CH. 77

BRINGING IN THE LIGHT OF CHRIST.....Abbie Kilburn

*INVOCATION AND LORD'S PRAYER

O Source of Light, God of great mercy and love, we come to You this day seeking restoration of our sight. Clear away our blindness and give us a new vision of all that we can accomplish in Your name. Pour Your light upon us, Lord. Transform us by Your mercy. In the name of the Light of the world, 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 PATRI.....arr. Myers
Glory, Glory

THE COMMUNITY PROCLAIMS THE WORD OF GOD

JOHN 9:8-17 (pg 871)

ANTHEM.....arr. Althouse
We Are A Church

JOHN 9:18-41 (pg 872)

SERMON.....Rev. Cyd Cowgill
The Shadow of Blindness

CHORAL RESPONSE.....Taize'
Our Eyes are Turned to the Lord

PRAYER SCRIPTURE (pg 951).....Ephesians 5:8-9

SILENT MEDITATION AND PRAYER

PRAYER RESPONSE: *If we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us of all unrighteousness. Thanks be to God.*

THE COMMUNITY COMES TOGETHER AT THE LORD'S TABLE

INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP

OFFERTORY.....arr. Tornquist
Be Thou My Vision

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Receive our offering today, Lord God. Give us such sight that we may see the many ways of serving You by helping others. Help us bring light to others who dwell in darkness. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

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

COMMUNION MEDITATION

COMMUNION HYMN.....CH. 408
Come, Share the Lord

*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.....Ben Cowgill

PRAYER FOR THE CUP.....Bob Nutting

DISTRIBUTION OF THE ELEMENTS.....arr. Bands Elwell
You Are My All in All

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE COMMUNITY GOES FORTH TO SERVE GOD IN MISSION

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

***HYMN OF INVITATION**.....CH. 546

Amazing Grace!

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 – 2nd grade may attend Children Worship & Wonder Game Sunday for all LIVE BIG! youth

DIACONATE SERVING TODAY

Cecil Dillon, Donna Nutting, Rick Lahy, Pam Gibbs



*Thank you for worshipping at West Side Christian Church today.
We hope you have 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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