



Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost

October 18, 2015

THE CHURCH GATHERS TO WORSHIP GOD

CHIMING THE HOUR

WORDS OF WELCOME

ANNOUNCEMENTS OF THE DAY

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

PRELUDE

*CALL TO WORSHIP.....Alex Everett

Leader: Let your minds ponder the manifold works of God.
Let your spirits soar amid the wonders of creation.

PEOPLE: **THERE IS PULSATING LIFE ALL AROUND US.
THE EARTH IS FULL OF GOD'S CREATURES.**

Leader: Sun and rain proclaim God's infinite imagination.
Moon and stars sing the glory of the Eternal One.

PEOPLE: **IT IS GOD WHO SHARES WITH US WISDOM AND UNDERSTANDING.
WE DEPEND ON GOD FOR THE GIFT OF LIFE.**

Leader: We gather to worship and praise the God of all people.
We come to learn from the God we only dimly perceive.

UNISON: **WE REACH OUT FOR ANSWERS TO OUR QUESTIONS.
WE LONG TO FIND MEANING AND PURPOSE FOR OUR DAYS.**

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

*WORSHIP HYMN.....CH. 93
Praise Him! Praise Him!

*INVOCATION AND LORD'S PRAYER

Source of all things, how can we approach glory so vast that all space and time is surrounded by You? We cannot comprehend the marvels of the earth. How shall we honor Your majesty? You are so unknowable, yet evidence of Your work is on every hand. The mystery of life in all its many forms, the discoveries we are allowed to make, the sweep of knowledge entrusted to our use, the amazing recourses of this planet—all speak of a God who cares, who honors us, who provides for our salvation. Let this time of meeting honor You and equip us to do Your will. We ask these in the name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, who taught us 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, and 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.973)*.....Hebrews 5:1-10

ANTHEM

SECOND READING *(pg. 823)*.....Mark 10:35-45

MESSAGE.....Rev. Mark E. Poindexter

SILENT MEDITATION

MORNING PRAYER

THE CHURCH COMES TOGETHER AT THE LORD'S TABLE

INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP

OFFERTORY

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

We give with joy, loving God, in thanks for all You have allowed us to experience. By Your love, we have survived, learned, and grown. We dedicate these gifts that more people may be brought to the feet of Jesus, who is the eternal source of salvation. Equip us to be an inviting, caring community in which all Your wayward people find a genuine welcome and are lifted up to new understanding and joy. Amen.

*GIVE THANKS.....CH. 528
Give Thanks With a Grateful Heart

COMMUNION INVITATION

COMMUNION HYMN.....CH. 403
In Remembrance of Me

PRAYER FOR THE BREAD.....Tony Peris

PRAYER FOR THE CUP.....Mary Redmon

DISTRIBUTION OF THE ELEMENTS

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. 609**

Take My Life

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
Grades 3rd-8th attend LIVE BIG!

***PLEASE STAND AS YOU ARE ABLE**

DIACONATE SERVING TODAY

Rosemary Lahy, Kim Powell, Mary Peris, Emily Vinson



*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. We look forward to seeing 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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