



Second Sunday in Lent

March 1, 2015

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. Price
Son of My Soul

*CALL TO WORSHIP.....Charles Kelly

Leader: Hallelujah! I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart,
in the assembly of the upright, in the congregation.

PEOPLE: **GREAT ARE THE DEEDS OF THE LORD! THEY ARE STUDIED BY ALL WHO DELIGHT IN THEM.**

Leader: His work is full of majesty and splendor, and his righteousness endures forever.

PEOPLE: **HE MAKES HIS MARVELOUS WORKS TO BE REMEMBERED;
THE LORD IS GRACIOUS AND FULL OF COMPASSION.**

Leader: He gives food to those who fear him; he is ever mindful of his covenant.

PEOPLE: **HE HAS SHOWN HIS PEOPLE THE POWER OF HIS WORKS IN GIVING THEM THE
LANDS OF THE NATIONS.**

Leader: The works of his hands are faithfulness and justice; all his commandments are sure.

PEOPLE: **THEY STAND FAST FOR EVER AND EVER, BECAUSE THEY ARE DONE IN TRUTH AND EQUITY.**

Leader: He sent redemption to his people; he commanded his covenant forever;
holy and awesome is his Name.

UNISON: **THE FEAR OF THE LORD IS THE BEGINNING OF WISDOM; THOSE WHO ACT
ACCORDINGLY HAVE A GOOD UNDERSTANDING; HIS PRAISE ENDURES FOREVER.**

*WORSHIP HYMN.....CH. 552
Standing on the Promises

BRINGING IN THE LIGHT OF CHRIST

*INVOCATION AND LORD'S PRAYER

We come before You, O God, on this the day set aside to worship. We come in faith, seeking to know Your will. When You tell us of that which seems to us folly, help us to see Your truth. When we encounter the strength of Your covenant, help us to hold fast to Your grace. When we encounter You, O God, help us to know Your love and mercy. We come before You in faith, let us go forth from this time renewed. Help us present our whole selves to You. Help us to receive Your Love and Grace fully. For we offer ourselves and our prayers in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord, 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. 812*).....Mark 1:21-28

ANTHEM.....arr. Gaither
There's Something About That Name

SECOND READING (*pg. 930*).....1 Corinthians 8:1-13

MESSAGE.....The Rev. Uwe C. Scharf, Ph.D.
"Food Will Not Bring Us Close to God!"

SILENT MEDITATION

MORNING PRAYER

THE CHURCH COMES TOGETHER AT THE LORD'S TABLE

INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP

OFFERTORY.....arr. Schubert
Holy Is The Lord

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

O God who gives life, O God who brings us new life: we offer to You these gifts, recognizing that all of our victories are gifts from You. Take these offerings, we pray, and use them to glorify Your name from our doorsteps to the end of the earth. We approach You with thanksgiving for the many blessings of our lives, our families, our jobs, our church, our friends and a warm home for most of us. As we come out of a week in which we shared some food and shelter and hospitality of home with our homeless neighbors we ask that You continue to use our gifts as beginnings of new hopeful futures where there is currently loss and despair. We pray this in Your holy name, O God, and in the name of our Lord Jesus, the Christ. Amen.

*THE DOXOLOGY.....CH. 46
Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

COMMUNION INVITATION

COMMUNION HYMN.....CH. 621 (vs. 1 & 2)
Are Ye Able

PRAYER FOR THE BREAD.....Bob Nutting

PRAYER FOR THE CUP.....Leo Gibbs

DISTRIBUTION OF THE ELEMENTS.....arr. Tunney & Darnell
Seekers of Your Heart

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. 346**

Where He Leads Me

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.....arr. Steve and Vikki Cook**

Great Are You Lord

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

***PLEASE STAND AS YOU ARE ABLE**

DIACONATE SERVING TODAY

Jimmy Jarvis, Sharon Jenson, Emily Vinson, Charles Kelly



*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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