

# Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost September 20, 2015

# THE CHURCH GATHERS TO WORSHIP GOD

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ANNOUNCEMENTS OF THE DAY					
<b>DMENT</b> (Children ages 3 yrs. – $2^{nd}$ grade are invited to gather on the steps of the altar.) #					
	Sondra Corbett				
SHIP	Dillon Sirmans				
Draw near to God, and God will draw near to you. Happy are those who find delight in God's law.					
GOD IS ALWAYS NEARER THAN OUR NEXT BREATH. WE GATHER TO BECOME MORE AWARE OF THAT PRESENCE.					
Knowledge of God is a delight to the righteous. They seek to grow in wisdom and understanding.					
THERE IS ALWAYS MORE TO DISCOVER THAN WE KNOW. GOD IS OUR TEACHER AND HELPER AND JUDGE.					
Put your trust in God as you prepare to serve. Learn to be peaceable, gentle, and merciful.					
WE SEEK TO DO GOOD AND NOT HARM ALL OUR DAYS. WE WOULD OPEN OUR HANDS TO THE POOR AND NEEDY.					
BRINGING IN THE LIGHT OF CHRIST					
*WORSHIP HYMN					
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#### \*INVOCATION AND LORD'S PRAYER

You watch over us, O God, and show us the way to prosper in life, not so much in things as in relationships that contribute to our wholeness and well-being. Thank You for meeting us here and helping us to deal with our selfish ambition, disorder, and conflicts. We submit ourselves to You for instruction. Help us to be honest with ourselves and with You, voicing our doubts as well as our faith, our hypocrisy along with all that is deeply genuine. Create in us a space for quiet listening and thoughtful meditation. 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.

Glory Be to the Father

# THE CHURCH PROCLAIMS THE WORD OF GOD

FIRST READING (pg. 982)	James 3:13-18
SPECIAL MUSIC	
SECOND READING (pg. 821)	Mark 9:30-37
GUEST SPEAKER	Kelly Davis
SILENT MEDITATION	
MORNING PRAYER	

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

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DFFERTORYLani Smith
Walking With The Master

#### PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP

We who have spent much on our own pleasures are pleased to share that others may obtain the necessities of body and spirit. Thank You, God, for this opportunity to support the ministry and mission of our congregation. May there be a harvest of righteousness among us, shown in the peaceful handling of disputes, in mutual love and support, and in courageous outreach to people near and far who need the help we can give. Bless each gift and giver. Amen.

*GIVE THANKSCH. 528
Give Thanks With a Crateful Heart

#### **COMMUNION INVITATION**

COMMUNION HYMN		CH. 419
	All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly	

PRAYER FOR THE BREAD	David McCrickard
PRAYER FOR THE CUP	Tony Peris

#### DISTRIBUTION OF THE ELEMENTS......Kirk Dearman Commune With Me

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. 477

#### Pass It On

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.....Nordman

The Voice of Praise

**†** Children Preschool – 2<sup>nd</sup> grade may attend Children, Worship & Wonder 3<sup>rd</sup> – 8th attend LIVE BIG!

\*PLEASE STAND AS YOU ARE ABLE

### **DIACONATE SERVING TODAY**

Zach Lowman, Wendy White, Megan Baines, Kim Powell



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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