



Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

July 31, 2016

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.....Friedrich Filitz
Jesus, Stand Among Us

*CALL TO WORSHIP.....Jonathan Martell

Leader: Listen, all who are fleeing from the Holy One;
God is calling us; God has called us together.

PEOPLE: **O GIVE THANKS TO GOD, FOR GOD IS GOOD;
GOD'S STEADFAST LOVE ENDURES FOREVER.**

Leader: God is eager to put loving arms around us.
God is waiting to satisfy our hunger and thirst.

PEOPLE: **GOD FILLS THE HUNGER WITH GOOD THINGS.
OUR THIRSTING SOULS ARE FILLED TO OVERFLOWING.**

Leader: Set your minds on things that are above.
Put to death your earthly disobedience.

UNISON: **GOD LEADS US TO A NEW IDENTITY, TO NEW LIFE.
WE SEEK RENEWAL IN THE IMAGE OF OUR CREATOR.**

BRINGING IN THE LIGHT OF CHRIST.....Tommy Mills

*WORSHIP HYMN..... (see screen)
More Precious than Silver (Lynn DeShazo)

*INVOCATION AND LORD'S PRAYER

Loving God, in whose arms we have found our identity, come among us to direct our faltering steps in the way You would have us go. Teach us to walk with Christ through the distractions that beckon us in other directions. Turn our vain striving into meaningful service, our foolish greed to the fulfillment of sharing, our confusion to clarity of vision, that we might worship You truly this hour. We ask these things 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

MINUTE FOR MEMORIESSteve Gray

THE CHURCH PROCLAIMS THE WORD OF GOD

FIRST READING (pg. 957).....Colossians 3:1-11

ANTHEM.....Roy Hopp
Be Still, My Soul

SECOND READING (pg. 847).....Luke 12:13-21

MESSAGE.....Pastor Mark Poindexter

SILENT MEDITATION

MORNING PRAYER

THE CHURCH COMES TOGETHER AT THE LORD'S TABLE

INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP

OFFERTORY.....Kristian Stanfill
Always

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Help us, O God, to give enough of ourselves and our substance every day that we will not be tempted to embrace the idolatry of greed. We here dedicate not just our offerings but all we possess to causes far greater than our own security. Before all our attachments require "larger barns," help us to reflect on how they might better be used by others than stored by us. Thank you for the abundant opportunity to share. Amen.

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

COMMUNION INVITATION

COMMUNION HYMN.....CH. 197
Beneath the Cross of Jesus

PRAYER FOR THE BREAD.....Lois Pyles

PRAYER FOR THE CUP.....Steve Gray

DISTRIBUTION OF THE ELEMENTS.....Johnson, Ingram, Mabury
How Can It Be

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. 589**

Lord, I Want to be a Christian

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.....Shin Young Ahn**

God Made All People of the World

‡ Children Preschool – 2nd grade may attend Children, Worship & Wonder Game Sunday in LIVE BIG!

***PLEASE STAND AS YOU ARE ABLE**

DIACONATE SERVING TODAY

Mary Bond, Zach Lowman, Katie Mills, Nathan Loftis



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!

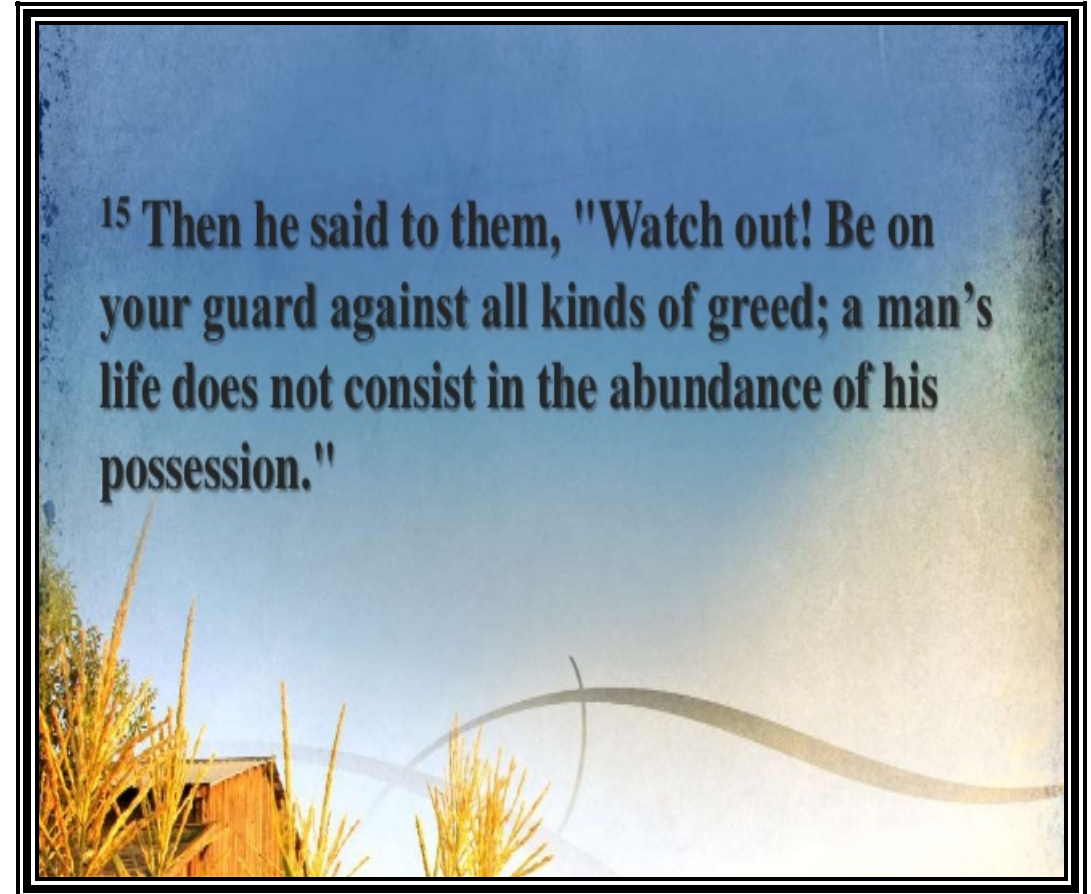


The Welcome Loaf

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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