



Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

August 28, 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.....Tim Hughes
Here I Am to Worship

*CALL TO WORSHIP.....Alex Everett

Leader: Sing to God, our strength; cry out to God, our helper.
Rejoice, and do not fear to appear before our God.

PEOPLE: **IT IS GOD WHO LED OUR ANCESTORS THROUGH HARD TIMES.
IT IS GOD WHO LEADS US THROUGH DIFFICULT DAYS.**

Leader: God will not leave us or forsake us.
God welcomes us to the banquet of life.

PEOPLE: **GOD FILLS OUR MOUTHS WITH GOOD THINGS.
GOD OFFERS US FOUNTAINS OF LIVING WATER.**

Leader: Listen now to the voice of God and submit to God's will.
Hear the Word of God and turn away from worthless things.

UNISON: **WE WILL DELIGHT IN THE COMMANDMENTS OF OUR GOD.
WE WILL SHARE EAGERLY IN THE WORK GOD GIVES US TO DO.**

BRINGING IN THE LIGHT OF CHRIST.....Sean Coe

*WORSHIP HYMN..... (see screen)
Make Me A Servant (Kelly Willard)

*INVOCATION AND LORD'S PRAYER

Gracious God, our helper, we seek the assurance of Your presence in this time of worship. We have come to listen and to receive Your counsel. Melt our stubborn hearts to remove the barriers that keep us from seeing Your glory and doing Your will. Challenge all that is worthless and unprofitable in our lives that we may become worthy imitators of Jesus Christ. 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

THE CHURCH PROCLAIMS THE WORD OF GOD

FIRST READING (pg. 849).....Luke 14:1, 7-14

SOLO – Alex Everett.....Chris Tomlin
Enough

SECOND READING (pg. 979).....Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16

MESSAGE.....Pastor Mark Poindexter

SILENT MEDITATION

MORNING PRAYER

THE CHURCH COMES TOGETHER AT THE LORD'S TABLE

INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP

OFFERTORY.....Paul Baloche
Above All

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

In joyous thanksgiving for the banquet of life, we invite those who live in poverty to share our wealth. We give up some of our luxuries for the sake of brothers and sisters who lack food, shelter, or medical care. We reach out to help, expecting no reward but the satisfaction of sharing what You have so richly entrusted to us. We dedicate our time and abilities along with these fruits of our labor. Amen.

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

COMMUNION INVITATION

COMMUNION HYMN.....CH. 614 (vs. 1, 2, 3)
I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me

PRAYER FOR THE BREAD.....Tom Larson

PRAYER FOR THE CUP.....Cheryl Jarvis

DISTRIBUTION OF THE ELEMENTS.....William Gaither
I Will Serve Thee

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. 461**

Lord, Whose Love Through Humble Service

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.....William Bradbury**

Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us

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

***PLEASE STAND AS YOU ARE ABLE**

DIACONATE SERVING TODAY

Mary Cornwell, Jimmy Jarvis, Emily Vinson, DeMarea Colson



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.



West Side is a Global Ministries Church



West Side Christian Church

(Disciples of Christ)

535 Cherokee Road
Portsmouth, VA 23701
757- 488-0514

Website: www.westsidccdoc.org
Email: westside@westsidccdoc.org

Mark E. Poindexter, Pastor
Kristen Schafer, Music Director
Zach Lowman, Youth Director