

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTERTIDE
April 24, 2016

“You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and mind and with all your soul and with all your strength – with your entire being” Deuteronomy 6:5 (Amplified Version)

WE GATHER IN THE PRESENCE OF GOD

Welcome, Announcements, and Greeting Time

Prelude “In Deep Humility I Pray” Lani Smith

Call to Worship: *The Whole Creation Praises the Lord*

Leader: Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord from the heavens;
Praise Him in the heights!

People: Praise Him, all His angels; Praise Him, all His hosts of angel armies!

Leader: Praise Him, sun and moon: Praise Him, all stars of light!

People: Praise Him, highest heavens, and the waters above the heavens!

Leader: Let them praise the name of the Lord, For He commanded and they were created.

People: He has also established them forever and ever; He has made a decree which shall not pass away.

Psalm 148:1-6 Amplified Version (AV)

***Praise “All Creatures of our God” Hymn 23**
“Come, Now is Time to Worship”

Invocation Prayer

THE SERVICE OF THE WORD OF THE LORD

Song of Faith “God of Wonders”

Reading from the Acts of the Apostles 11:1-18

New Testament Epistle Reading

Revelation 21:1-6

Responsorial

“Spirit Song”

Hymn 352

Community and Congregational Prayer – 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. Forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power and glory, forever.

Offertory Prayer & Offering Our Tithes and Gifts to God

Offertory “Come My Soul”

Terry Osman

Children’s Message (Children dismissed to Junior Church)

Youth Choir Special “How Can It Be” by Lauren Daigle

***Scripture and Prayer of Illumination: John 13:31-35**

Message: “A New Commandment: Love Each Other”
The Reverend Doctor Ivan E. Greuter, Senior Minister

BEING SENT IN FAITH & SERVICE

***Alter Call of Invitation to Faith and Fellowship** – If the Spirit of God is moving you to receive God’s forgiving love in Jesus, calling you to be baptized, or encouraging you to join this Christian Church, please come to Jesus during this song.

***Song “They’ll Know We Are Christians” Hymn 595**

***Closing Prayer**

***Spoken Benediction**

***Postlude “To God All Praise and Glory” Roger Wilson**

EASTERTIDE (also called the Easter Season as well as Easter Time) or Paschaltide (also called the Paschal Season as well as Paschal Time) is a festal season in the church's liturgical year that focuses on celebrating the Resurrection of Jesus Christ. The seasonal color is *white* to reflect purity and hope in the Resurrection.

WELCOME TO WORSHIP – I am so happy you choose to worship with us this morning at West Side Baptist Church. We are a loving small church – we're more than a church, we're family. If you would like to learn more a personal relationship with Jesus Christ, need personal prayer, want to know more about our staff and programs, or want to request a pastoral visit, please speak with me after the worship service!

Pastor Ivan

Church Staff & Leaders

Senior Minister Dr. Ivan E. Greuter
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**“Forgive your
brother or sister
from your heart.”**

MATTHEW 18:35, NRSV

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