

COVENANT RENEWAL SERVICE JANUARY 1, 2017

WE GATHER IN THE PRESENCE OF GOD

Welcome, Announcements, and Greeting Time

The Prelude “Be Still and Know” Richard Williamson

*Opening Song “O Sing a Song of Bethlehem” 242

*A Call to Worship “Praise the Lord”

Praise the Lord. Praise the Lord from the heavens; praise him in the heights above.

Praise him, all his angels; praise him, all his heavenly hosts.

Praise him, sun and moon; praise him, all you shining stars. Praise him, you highest heavens and you waters above the skies.

Let them praise the name of the Lord, for at his command they were created, and he established them for ever and ever - he issued a decree that will never pass away.

Praise the Lord from the earth, you great sea creatures and all ocean depths, lightning and hail, snow and clouds, stormy winds that do his bidding, you mountains and all hills, fruit trees and all cedars, wild animals and all cattle, small creatures and flying birds,

Kings of the earth and all nations, you princes and all rulers on earth, young men and women, old men and children.

Let them praise the name of the Lord, for his name alone is exalted; his splendor is above the earth and the heavens.

And he has raised up for his people a horn, the praise of all his faithful servants, of Israel, the people close to his heart. *Praise the Lord.* Psalm 148:1-14 (NRSV)

*Invocational Prayer

*Song of Faith “Mighty to Save” Worship Team
“How Majestic Is Your Name” 42

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. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power and glory, forever.

THE SERVICE OF THE WORD OF THE LORD

Old Testament Reading Isaiah 63:7-9

New Testament Epistle Reading Hebrews 2:10-18

*Responsorial “Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken” 598

Invitation to the Offering & Prayer of Dedication

Offertory “Andante” arranged by Carson Cooman

Children’s Message (Children dismissed to Junior Church)

*Scripture and Prayer of Illumination Jeremiah 31:31-34

Message: “Christians: A New Covenant People”
The Reverend Doctor Ivan E. Greuter, Senior Minister

Reciting the Church Covenant

THE SERVICE OF THE TABLE OF THE LORD

Invitation to the Lord’s Table – West Side Baptist Church practices *open communion*. This memorial meal is offered to all persons who profess faith in Jesus Christ and have been baptized. You do not need to be a member of this church to partake of the

elements. Please hold each element until everyone is served, then we will feast together.

†Servers Prepare for the Table of the Lord

Communion Song: "We Believe" Youth Choir

The Lord's Supper – Breaking of Bread & Passing of the Cup

The Collection for the Saints and the Needy Agape Fund

RESPONDING IN FAITH & SERVICE

*Altar 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 follow Christ in the waters of baptism, or encouraging you to join this Christian Church, please come forward during this song.

*Song "Blest Be the Tie that Binds" (Stz 1 & 4) 393

*Closing Prayer & Spoken Benediction

*Postlude "Come, Christians, Join to Sing" by Mary McDonald

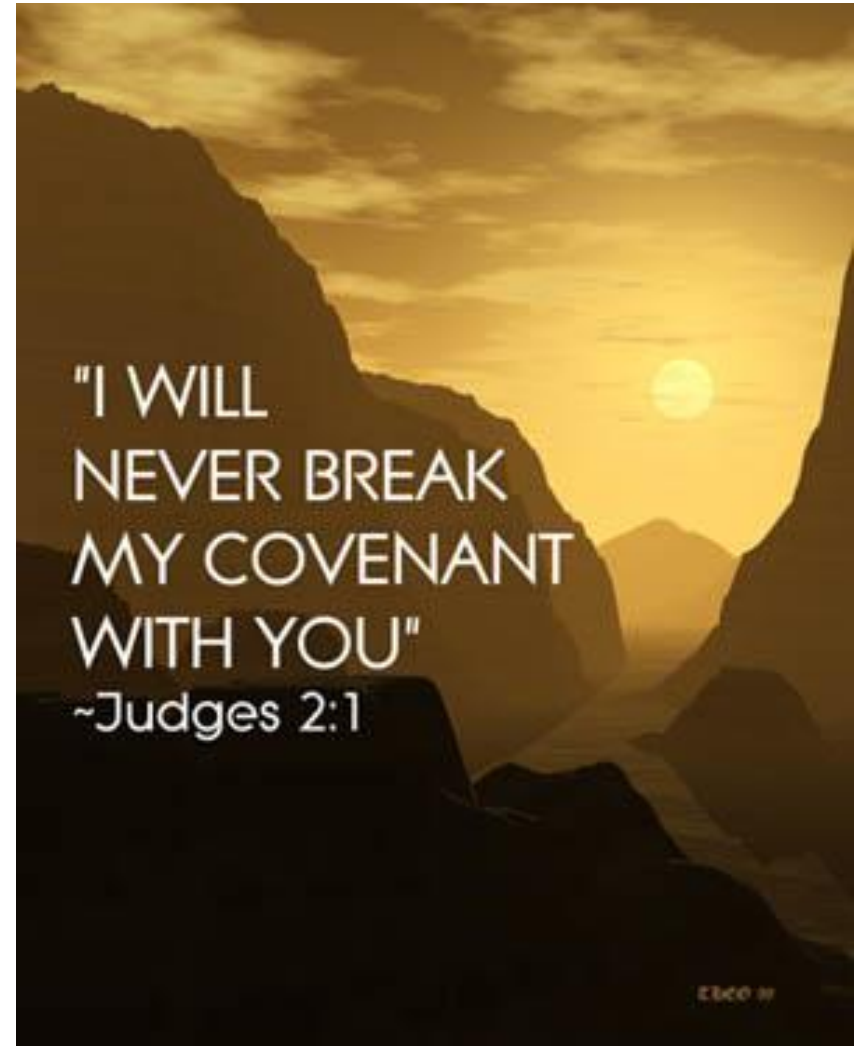
THE COLLECTION FOR THE AGAPE FUND – West Side Baptist Church receives a benevolence collection for the poor and needy the first Sunday of each month after the Lord's Supper. These funds are generously shared with persons in the neighborhood and church who have financial need. Please see the Pastor or Moderator to apply for assistance.



MISSION: The vision of West Side Baptist Church shall be that we commit ourselves to continual personal growth, reaching out to win and nurture others in the love of Jesus Christ

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NEW YEAR'S COVENANT RENEWAL SUNDAY



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