

# SOUPER BOWL OF CARING SUNDAY FEBRUARY 5, 2017

## WE GATHER IN THE PRESENCE OF GOD

**Preparing for Worship** – Surrounded by forces that defy your will, we flee to you, O Giver of life. For you have sent Jesus to fulfill what we could not and would not do. Alleluia! Alleluia!

### Welcome, Announcements, and Greeting Time

The Prelude            “Here I Am, Lord”            by Dan Schutte

\*Opening Song “O, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing”    96

### \*A Call to Worship

No eye has seen, no ear has heard, what the Lord has prepared for those who love God –

**Blessings in abundance, love lavishly poured upon us, gifts of grace, acts of mercy, forgiveness and justice.**

Who has known the mind of the Lord, so as to instruct God? For the Lord is not subject to the limits of human wisdom.

**Fill us, O Spirit Divine, and create in us a clean heart, O God. Grant each of us the mind of Christ.**

The Spirit searches everything, even the depths of God. Therefore, illumine us, O Light of Heaven!

**Restore to us the joy of your salvation, and sustain in us a willing spirit that we may be salt and light in the world.**

### \*Invocational Prayer

\*Song of Faith            “Shout to the Lord”            Worship Team

## THE SERVICE OF THE WORD OF THE LORD

Old Testament Reading            Isaiah 58:1-12

The Psalter            *Blessings of the Righteous*

Praise the Lord! Happy are those who fear the Lord, who greatly delight in God's commandments.

**Their descendants will be mighty in the land; the generation of the upright will be blessed.**

Wealth and riches are in their houses, and their righteousness endures forever.

**They rise in the darkness as a light for the upright; they are gracious, merciful, and righteous.**

It is well with those who deal generously and lend, who conduct their affairs with justice.

**For the righteous will never be moved; they will be remembered forever.**

They are not afraid of evil tidings; their hearts are firm, secure in the Lord.

**Their hearts are steady, they will not be afraid; in the end they will look in triumph on their foes.**

They have distributed freely, they have given to the poor; their righteousness endures forever; their horn is exalted in honor.

Praise the Lord!            Psalm 112:1-9 (NRSV)

\*The Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ            Matthew 5:13-20

\*Responsorial            “Gloria Patri”            734

**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.

### Invitation to the Offering

**Prayer of Dedication – Holy One, in Christ you have not given us the spirit of the world, but your Holy Spirit, that we may understand the gifts you have bestowed on us. Grant us now such understanding, that as you bless and direct our use of**

these gifts, we might delight in the glory of your grace at work in our midst, in Jesus Christ's name we pray. Amen.

Offertory "Feed Me, Lord" by Patrick Liebergen

Children's Message (Children dismissed to Junior Church)

\*Scripture and Prayer of Illumination 1 Corinthians 2:1-16

Message: "Spiritual Things for Spiritual People"  
The Reverend Doctor Ivan E. Greuter, Senior Minister

### 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 bread and cup. Please hold each gift until everyone is served, then we will feast together.

†Servers Prepare for the Table of the Lord

Communion Song "In Christ Alone" Worship Team

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" stanzas 1 & 4

\*Closing Prayer & Spoken Benediction

\*Postlude "To God be the Glory" arranged by Fred Bock

\*Please stand if able



**"Trust in the LORD  
with all your heart  
and lean not on your  
own understanding;  
in all your ways  
acknowledge him,  
and he will make  
your paths straight."**

**Proverbs 3:5-6, NIV**

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