

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTERTIDE APRIL 30, 2017

WE GATHER IN THE PRESENCE OF GOD

In Preparation for Worship – *Eastertide*: Christians celebrate the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead every Sunday; each a mini-Easter. The six Sundays after Easter (“Eastertide”) are special weeks focused on Jesus Christ appearing to the Apostles prior to the Ascension. Eastertide ends on the day of Pentecost.

Welcome, Announcements, and Greeting Time

Prelude “Jesus Paid It All” by Mark Hayes & Marvin Gaspard

Easter Paschal Chant:

Leader: Jesus Christ is risen!

People: He is risen, indeed!

***Song of Praise** “I Will Call Upon the Lord” 653

***Call to Worship:** *Psalm 116:1-4, 12-14*

Leader: I love the Lord, for God heard my voice; the Lord heard my cry for mercy.

People: Because God turned his ear to me, I will call on him as long as I live.

Leader: The cords of death entangled me, the anguish of the grave came over me; I was overcome by distress and sorrow.

People: Then I called on the name of the Lord: “Lord, save me!”

Leader: What shall I return to the Lord for all his goodness to me?

People: I will lift up the cup of salvation and call on the name of the Lord. I will fulfill my vows to the Lord in the presence of all his people.

***Easter Alleluia** “Sing to Jesus” 320

*Invocational Prayer

Songs of Faith “Thine Is the Glory” 310

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 Acts 2:14, 36-41

New Testament Epistle Reading 1 Peter 1:17-23

***Responsorial** “Lord, You Are More Precious” WT

Invitation to the Offering & Prayer of Dedication

Offertory “My Heart Is Filled with Thankfulness” Choir

Children’s Message (2nd Grade and younger to Junior Church)

***Scripture and Prayer of Illumination** Luke 24:13-35

Message: “The Emmaus Road Evangelists”
The Reverend Doctor Ivan E. Greuter, Senior Minister

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** “Open My Eyes” 480

***Closing Prayer & Spoken Benediction**

*Postlude

“Celebration”

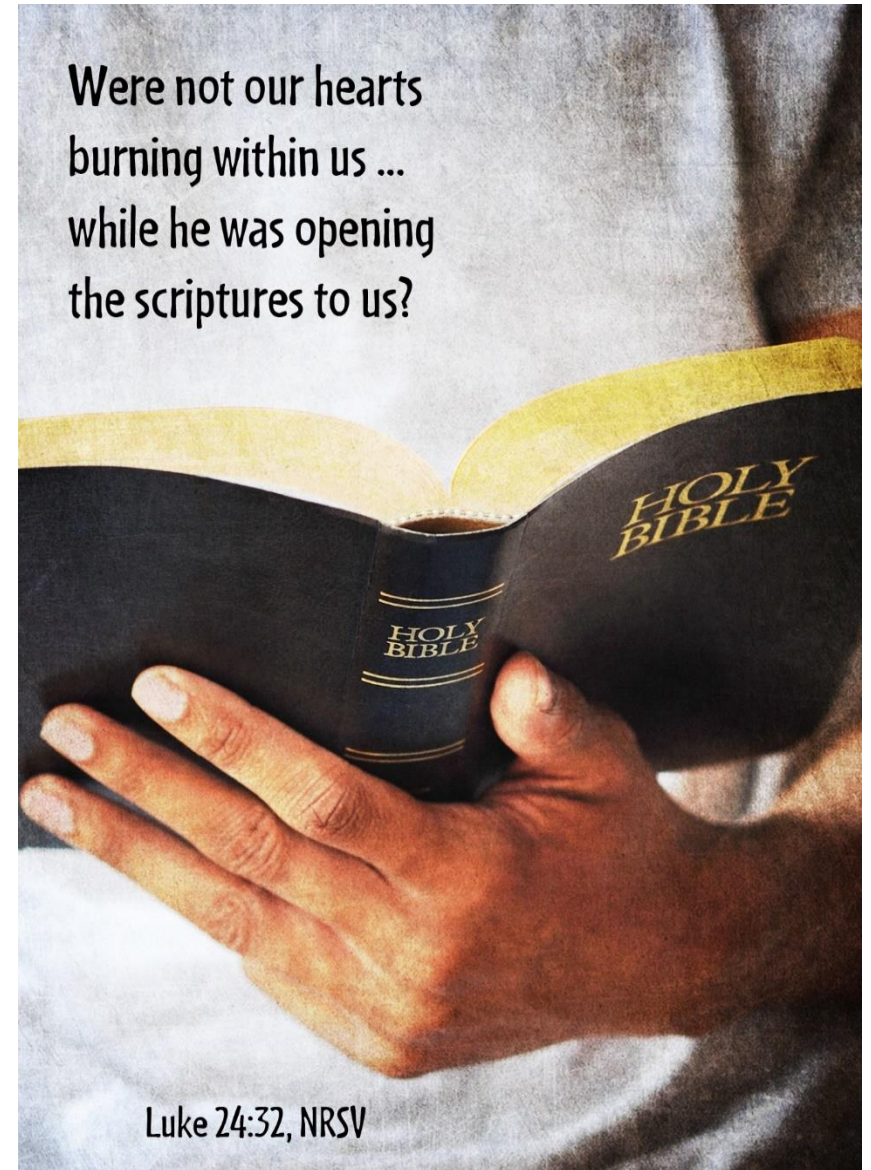
by David Lasky

*Please stand if able

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

Turn my
HEART
toward
YOUR
statutes.
Psalm
119:36,
NIV

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