

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTERTIDE

May 7, 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 “O Worship the King, with
Come, Now Is the Time to Worship” arranged by Carol Tornquist

Easter Paschal Chant:

Leader: Alleluia! Jesus Christ is risen!
People: **He is risen, indeed! Alleluia!**

*Easter Alleluia “Alleluia” 316
*Song of Praise “Now the Green Blade Rises” 311

*Call to Worship:

Leader: Trust in the Lord. Listen for God. Christ our Good Shepherd calls you by name.

People: **Let us follow the voice of our guiding God, and hold fast to God’s righteous way.**

Leader: Praise the Lord! Give thanks to God! For you belong to the body of Christ.

People: **Let us give thanks for salvation with generous hearts, and enjoy the fellowship of the family of God.**

Leader: Love the Lord! Draw near to God. For Jesus has offered himself up for you.

People: **Let us persevere in faith through this world of darkness, and know the glad freedom of the kingdom of God.**

Invocational Prayer

Song of Faith “The Lord My Shepherd Guards Me Well” 73

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 2:42-47

New Testament Epistle Reading 1 Peter 2:19-25

*Responsorial “Gloria Patri” page 734

Invitation to the Offering & Prayer of Dedication

Offertory: “Jesus Paid It All” arranged by Dick Bolks
Violinist, Carlos Cabezas

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

*Scripture and Prayer of Illumination John 10:1-10

Message: “False Prophets and Make-Believe Shepherds”
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: “Come, Dine With Me” *by Baertschi & Schram*
Choir and Carlos Cabezas on violin

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* **39**

***Closing Prayer**

***Spoken Benediction**

***Postlude “Alleluia! Sing to Jesus”** *arranged by Carol Tornquist*

**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

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