PENTECOST SUNDAY June 4, 2017

WE GATHER IN THE PRESENCE OF GOD

In Preparation for Worship - Pentecost. God promised not to abandon His people but send the Holy Spirit to dwell in our hearts forever (Jeremiah 31:31-34). Fifty days after the Resurrection, on Pentecost (the Jewish Festival of Weeks) the Holy Spirit came upon the Early Church to dwell permanently. Pentecost begins the long liturgical season of General Time (twenty-three weeks) when we focus on the spiritual and numerical growth of God's people.

Welcome, Announcements, and Greeting Time

Prelude "Where the Spirit of the Lord Is" arr. Fave Lopez

*Song of Praise "Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness" 326

*Call to Worship: God the Creator and Provider

Leader: O LORD, how manifold are your works! In wisdom, you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.

People: All your creations look to you to give them their food in due season; when you give to them, they gather it up; when you open your hand, they are filled with good things.

Leader: When you hide your face, they are dismayed; when you take away their breath, they die and return to their dust.

People: When you send forth your spirit, they are created; and you renew the face of the ground.

Leader: May the glory of the LORD endure forever; may the LORD rejoice in his works—who looks on the earth and it trembles, who touches the mountains and they smoke.

People: I will sing to the LORD as long as I live; I will sing praise to my God while I am still alive.

Leader: May my meditation be pleasing to him, for I rejoice in the LORD.

People: Bless the LORD, O my soul. Praise the LORD! Psalm 104:24, 27-34 (New Revised Standard Version) **Invocational Prayer**

Song of Faith "Holy Spirit, You Are Welcome Here"

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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

A Reading from the Early Church

Acts 2:1-21

A Reading from the Apostles

1 Corinthians 12:3b-13

*Responsorial

"Spirit of the Living God"

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Invitation to the Offering & Prayer of Dedication

Offertory

"We Will Glorify"

arr. by Fred Bock

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

*Scripture and Prayer of Illumination

John 7:37-39

Message: "The First Fruits of the Kingdom of Heaven" 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

"One Bread, One Body"

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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 "Spirit Song" 352

*Closing Prayer & *Spoken Benediction

*Postlude "Holy is the Lord – Stand Up and Bless the Lord"

Arr. Carol Tornquist

*Please stand if able

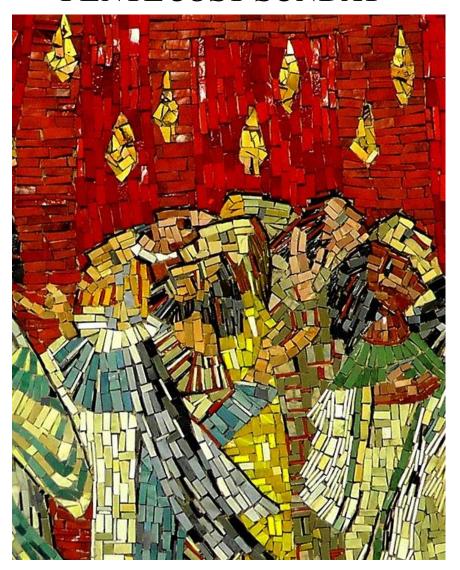
THE AGAPE FUND COLLECTION – West Side Baptist Church receives a benevolence offering for the poor and needy the first Sunday of each month after the Lord's Supper. These funds are generously shared with persons in the church and neighborhood who have financial need. Please see the Pastor or the Moderator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