

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION SUNDAY AUGUST 20, 2017

WE GATHER IN THE PRESENCE OF GOD

Gathering Music *Capital City Men's Chorus* Ted Inman, Dir.

Welcome, Announcements, and Greeting Time

Prelude *Capital City Men's Chorus* Ted Inman, Dir.

Christian Education Recognition Alice Payne

*Call to Worship *The Blessedness of Unity*

How very good and pleasant it is when kindred live together in unity and peace!

It is like the precious oil on the head, running down upon the beard, on the beard of Aaron, running down over the collar of his robes.

It is like the dew of Hermon, which falls on the mountains of Zion.

For there the Lord ordained his blessing, life forevermore.

Psalm 133 New Revised Standard Version (NRSV)

*Song of Praise "Blessed Be Your Name"

*Invocational Prayer

Song of Faith "My Faith Looks up to Thee" 419

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.

WE HEAR THE WORD OF THE LORD

A Reading from the Old Testament **Genesis 45:1-15**

A Reading from the Apostles **Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32**

*Responsorial "Great Is Thy Faithfulness" 72

Invitation to the Offering & Prayer of Dedication

Offertory Special "Pie Jesu" John Rutter Webber
Mary Laura Barnett, soprano

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

*Scripture and Prayer of Illumination **Matthew 15:10-28**

Message: "Tossing Crumbs from the Master's Table"
The Reverend Doctor Ivan E. Greuter, Senior Minister

WE RESPOND TO THE HOLY SPIRIT 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 "In Christ Alone"

*Spoken Benediction

*Postlude **Deo Gracias** Edward Broughton

*Please stand if able

SPECIAL OFFERING FOR ABWM PROJECT

– American Baptist Women are seeking to raise \$31,500 this year to help the Baptist University of Congo (UNIBAC) support core faculty and visiting professors, improve teaching facilities, expand library resources and support the program for wives of pastoral candidates. It is anticipated that, by 2018, this project will help UNIBAC to prepare 15 pastors each year with skills relevant to the needs of ministry in rural parishes, and to graduate's of 60 students each year who will staff



Congolese Baptist schools, serve in the agricultural industry in the region or contribute to rural development projects. ABWM is a Christ-centered ministry with a commitment to encourage and empower women and girls to serve God. **Envelopes are available in the pews or make your gift "ABWM Project."**

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, Church Office, or the Moderator to complete an Application for Assistance.

THE LORD'S SUPPER – West Side Baptist Church celebrates the Lord's Supper (Holy Communion) on the first Sunday of each month. We practice "open communion." This means we recognize the Table of the Lord does not belong to any church but solely to Jesus Christ. Therefore, any baptized Christian is welcome to receive the bread and the cup in this Christian church.



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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