

NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST OCTOBER 15, 2017

WE GATHER IN THE PRESENCE OF GOD

Gathering Music	Jan Mauck
Welcome and Greeting Time	Brice Smith
Prelude "Jesus Loves Me! This I Know"	Matthew McConell
*Opening Song "Gather Us In"	649
*Invocational Prayer	
Song of Faith "Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart"	113

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	Exodus 32:1-14
A Reading from the Apostles	Philippians 4:1-9
*Responsorial "It's Me, It's Me, O Lord"	
World Mission Offering	<i>Abolishing Global Slavery (11 min)</i>
Invitation to the Offering & Prayer of Dedication	
Offertory "Marching to Zion"	Lani Smith
Children's Message	(2 nd Grade and younger to Junior Church)
*Scripture and Prayer of Illumination	Isaiah 6:1-8 Matthew 9:35-38

Message: "Available for God"
Special Guest: The Rev. Mang Sonna, Executive Director
Bethel Neighborhood Center, Kansas City

RESPONDING 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 "Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life" 591

*Spoken Benediction

*Postlude "One Lord, One Faith, One Birth" Douglas Wagner

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

CHILDRENS ACTIVITY BAGS AND BULLETINS – We are glad to have children in worship! Activity bags filled with coloring pages, crayons, and other items are available for preschool and elementary-aged children near the sanctuary door. Enjoy the bags and children's bulletins; take your artwork home. Place the bags on the front pew after the worship service so we can restock them.

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.



Mang Sonna was born and raised in a Baptist pastor's family in Manipur, North East India. He accepted Christ as his personal Lord and Savior at the age of 12, and he felt called to full time ministry at the age of 19. He is married to Nem Sonna and they have two beautiful children. Their daughter Mawi Sonna is a junior in Kansas State University in Manhattan, KS and their son Suan

Sonna is a senior at Sumner Academy in Kansas City, KS. Mang graduated with a Master of Divinity from Central Baptist Theological Seminary in May 2004 and began to work at Bethel Neighborhood Center as a part-time program staff in September of that year. He was ordained jointly by Bethel Center Baptist Church and Judson Baptist Church on February 8, 2009. He became the Executive Director of Bethel Center since May 1, 2009 and he is very passionate about the work they do there because the center welcomes and accepts everyone as they are and offers hope to all no matter who they are, or where they come from.

God has given him the opportunity to use his native language and other languages he knows, his secular and biblical education, all his skills, and creativity in the Bethel ministry. God is using him to be the voice for the voiceless to offer hope and help to those who need them the most. He believes that God made each human being equal, with a special purpose, and loves everyone the same. He is investing his life in the Bethel ministry because it emits the love of Christ and offers hope to the hopeless and empowers those who are powerless to become what God wants them to be.

Under his leadership, Bethel started a capital campaign with a goal of \$2 million dollars and they will be starting construction soon. Mang oversees Bethel programs and services, makes and executes plans, travels to speak at churches and visit donors, advocates, and interprets for refugees. The lives that are transformed and the new hope people find because of the Bethel ministry excites him the most.



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