

# SEVENTH SUNDAY OF GENERAL TIME JUNE 24, 2018

## WE GATHER IN THE PRESENCE OF GOD

†**Centering Ourselves for Worship:** Lord of the elements, as you calmed the wind and sea, still us with your Holy Spirit, bear us through our baptismal waters, and set us safely ashore on a sure and certain faith.

**Gathering Music and Prelude**                      “It Took a Miracle”  
Jan Mauck, Church Pianist

**Welcome, Announcements, and Greeting**                      Brice Smith

\***Opening Song**    “Lift Every Voice and Sing”                      72

### \***Call to Worship**†

Those who seek the Lord will not be forsaken.

**The cry of the afflicted will not go unheard.**

Those who forget God are caught in their own nets.

**The nations sink in the pits they dig for others.**

Those in need will not be forgotten.

**The Lord will be our stronghold and stay.**

Lift up your people in their time of need, O God!

**Then we shall rejoice and sing your praise!**

### \***Invocational Prayer**

**Song of Faith**                      “What a Mighty God We Serve”

**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.

**Special Music**                      “How Great Thou Art”                      Wyatt Eickman  
Tenor Saxophone

## WE HEAR THE WORD OF THE LORD

**A Reading from the Old Testament**                      1 Samuel 17:1-49

**A Reading from the Psalter**                      Psalm 9:9-20

**A Reading from the New Testament**                      2 Corinthians 6:1-13

\***A Reading from the Gospel**                      Mark 4:35-41

\***Responsorial**                      “When Peace Like a River” (Stz. 2-4)                      428

**Mission Moment**                      One Great Hour of Sharing Offering

**Invitation & Dedication of Our Tithes, Gifts, and Offerings**

**Offertory Prayer:** We offer you these gifts, O God, with open hands and open hearts. May no restrictions in our affections limit your power to impart the grace of giving, the life of loving, or the benefits of your Spirit brings. In the name of Jesus. Amen.

**Offertory Music**                      Janet Nyfeler, Choir Director and Organist

**Children’s Message**    (2<sup>nd</sup> Grade and younger to Junior Church)

**Message:**                      “Why are You So Afraid?”  
The Reverend Doctor Ivan E. Greuter, Senior Minister

## WE RESPOND IN FAITH AND SERVICE

\***Invitation to Christian Faith and Discipleship** – 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**                      “Through It All”                      452

\***Spoken Benediction**

\***Postlude**                      Janet Nyfeler, Organist  
\*Please stand if able

†Slemmons, Timothy Matthew, *When Heaven Stands Open: Liturgical Elements for Reformed Worship, Year B* (Eugene, OR: Cascade Books, 2013). Used with Permission. All rights reserved.

**GENERAL TIME** – Trinity Sunday (May 27, 2018) begins the long liturgical season of General Time. Worshipers focus on the spiritual and numerical growth of God's people during the twenty-three weeks after Pentecost Sunday. The Season of General Time ends on Christ the King Sunday (November 25, 2018).

**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.

**WORSHIP LEADERS:**

**Acolytes (June)** – Lonna Hersh and Nathen Poe

**Acolytes (July)** – Sage Poe and Jessa Greuter

**Audio/Visual** – Mark Calloway Jr., Tom Mansfield, and Bruno Sprengs

**Communion Servers (July)** – Marianne Spano, Dave Martin, John Swain, and Fran Seymour-Hunter.

**Evangelism Counselor (June)** – Mark Calloway

**Greeters (June)** –

**Scripture Reader** – Jan Mauck

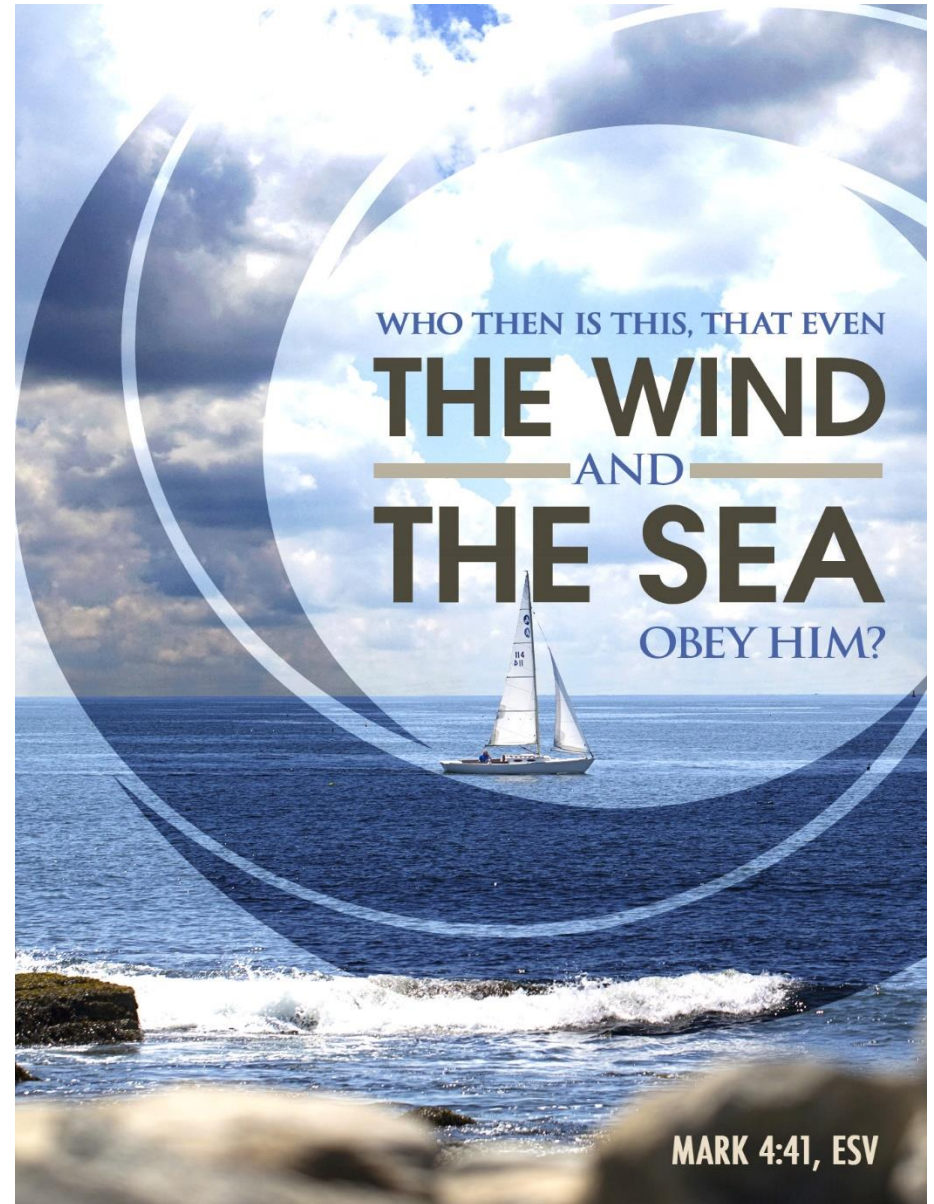
**Ushers (June)** – Mark Calloway, Chuck Cozad, Steve May, and Bruno Sprengs. John Swain (Head Usher)

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