

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY GENERAL TIME AUGUST 19, 2018

WE GATHER IN THE PRESENCE OF GOD

Centering Ourselves for Worship: God of wisdom, you see all that we do not see, you know all that we do not know. Give us understanding and wisdom to discern good from evil, courage from fear, your righteous will from every temptation, that we may praise you by being more like you.

Gathering and Prelude Capital City Men's Chorus

Welcome, Announcements, and Greeting Time Brice Smith

***Opening Song "I'll Praise My Maker While I've Breath" 79**

***Call to Worship:**

Praise the Lord! Give thanks to God with all your heart.

In the company of the righteous, we praise the Lord!

God has redeemed his people. Holy and awesome is your name, O Lord of Hosts.

In the company of the righteous, we praise the Lord!

God is full of grace and mercy! All are fed who fear the Lord!

In the company of the righteous, we shall praise God forevermore!

Timothy Matthew Slemmons, *When Heaven Stands Open: Liturgical Elements for Reformed Worship: Year B* (Eugene, OR: Cascade Books), 2013.

***Invocational Prayer**

Song of Faith "Fairest Lord Jesus" 123

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 1 Kings 2:10-12; 3:3-14

A Reading from the Psalter Psalm 111

A Reading from the New Testament Ephesians 5:15-20

***A Reading from the Gospel** John 6:51-58

***Responsorial** "Give Thanks" 359

Moment for Missions American Baptist Women's Ministries

Invitation & Dedication of Our Tithes, Gifts, and Offerings

Offertory "Peace is Flowing Like a River and Make Me a Channel of Your Peace"
arr by Janet Vogt

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

Message "You Can't Take Jesus À la Carte"
The Reverend Doctor Ivan E. Greuter, Senior Minister

RESPONDING TO THE LORD 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** "Now Thank We All Our God" 14

***Spoken Benediction**

***Postlude** "Lord of All Hopefulness" *arr by Janet Vogt*
Janet Nyfeler, Choir Director and Organist

*Please stand if able

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).

WORSHIP LEADERS:

Acolytes (August) – Pat Carpenter and David Greuter

Communion Servers (September) – Pat Carpenter, Amy Cripe, Don Johnson, and Jim Lagerberg.

Scripture Reader – Jan Mauck

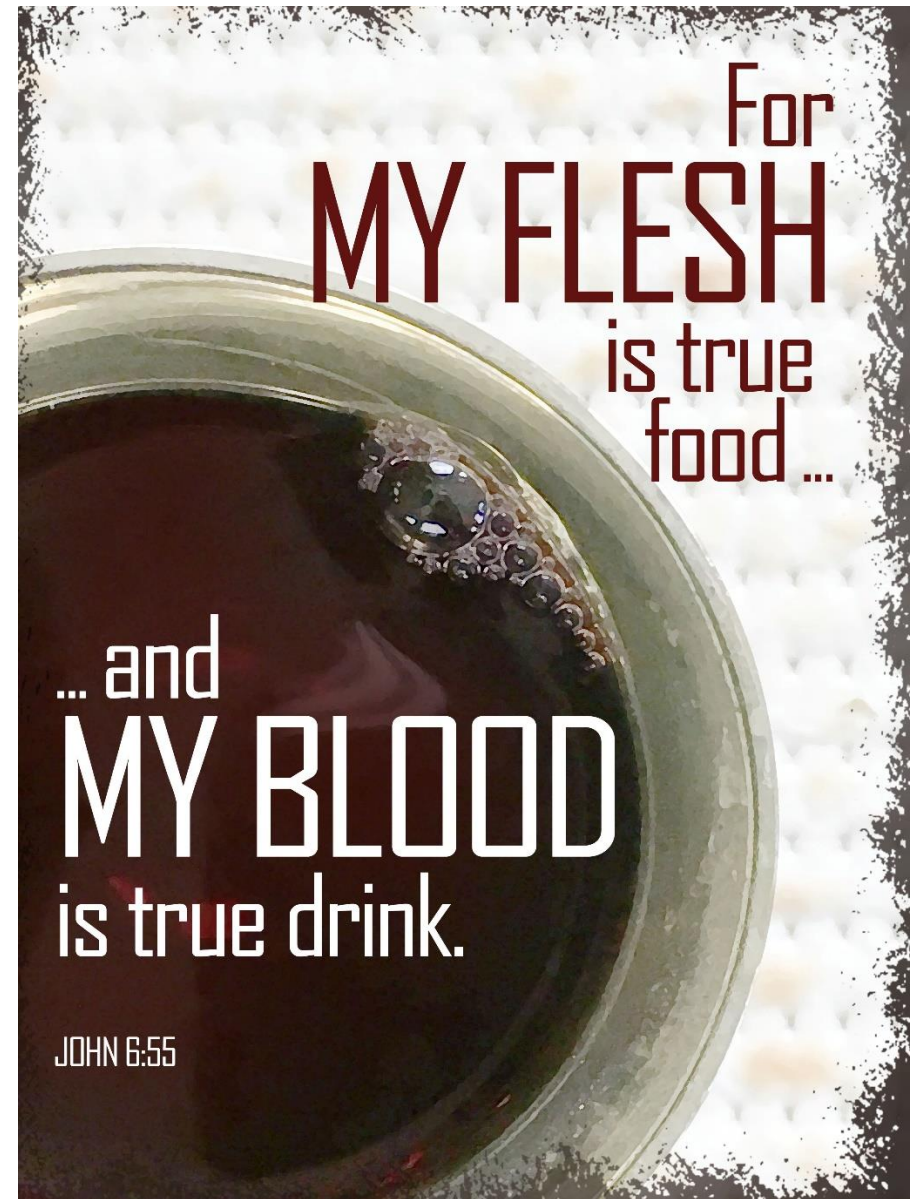
Ushers (August) – Clarence Payne, Bill Merrifield, John Swain, and Don Johnson

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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