SUNDAY WORSHIP JANUARY 27, 2019

WE GATHER IN THE PRESENCE OF GOD

Preparing for Worship – O Divine Spirit, bring us your good news and fulfill it, for we are weak and humble in spirit. O, Sinless Sovereign, release us from captivity, for we are trapped under sin and suffering. O Light of God Eternal banish our blindness and help us see, for we seek your freedom and holy favor.

Gathering Music & Prelude "Come, Holy Spirit"

Jan Mauck, Church Pianist

Welcome, Announcements, & Greeting Time Brice Smith

*Hymn 1 "God Is Here" Abbot's Leigh

*Call to Worship God's Glory in Creation and the Law

The law of the Lord is perfect, reviving the soul;

The decrees of the Lord are sure, making wise the simple;

The precepts of the Lord are right, rejoicing the heart;

The commandment of the Lord is clear, enlightening the eyes;

The fear of the Lord is pure, enduring forever;

The ordinances of the Lord are true and righteous altogether.

More to be desired are they than gold, even much fine gold; Sweeter also than honey, and drippings of the honeycomb. Let the words of our mouths and the meditation of our hearts be acceptable to you, O Lord, our rock and our redeemer.

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*Invocational Prayer

Songs of Faith 30 "All Things Bright & Beautiful" Royal Oak

The Prayers of God's People – 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

Old Testament Reading Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10

Apostolic Reading 1 Corinthians 12:12-31a

*Gospel Reading Luke 4:14-21

*Responsorial 66 "To God Be the Glory" Fanny J. Crosby

Invitation to Give and Prayer of Dedication

Choir Special "Walk, While You Have the Light"

by Hank Beebe

Janet Nyfeler, Choir Director and Accompanist

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

Prayer and Message: "The Joy of the Lord is My Strength"

The Reverend Doctor Ivan E. Greuter, Senior Minister

RESPONDING TO THE HOLY SPIRIT IN FAITH & SERVICE

*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.

*Hymn 592 "Lord, You Give the Great Commission."

*Spoken Benediction

*Postlude "Holy is the Lord with Stand Up and Bless the Lord" arranged by Carol Tornquist

Janet Nyfeler, Church Accompanist and Choir Director *Please stand if able

BELIEVER'S BAPTISM – The American Baptist churches practice "believer's baptism" which is the immersion of any person in water - regardless of age - who receives Jesus Christ as his/her personal Savior and publicly professes faith before the congregation. The Council schedules baptisms on most Sunday mornings throughout the year usually after the candidate completes an introductory class. Come to the front of the sanctuary during the Invitation to Faith and Fellowship if you would like to be baptized or speak privately with Pastor Ivan.

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" which means the Table of the Lord is open to all baptized Christians regardless of affiliation. In solidarity with our brothers and sisters, we use only non-alcoholic grape juice. Please hold each element until everyone is served, then we will feast together.

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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This day is holy.

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Nehemiah 8:9