

A SERVICE OF PRAISE AND WORSHIP
19TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (YEAR C)
AUGUST 10, 2025

WE GATHER IN THE PRESENCE OF GOD

Preparing for Worship: Worship reminds us that faith is not wishful thinking—it is trusting the Truth-Teller (God) in the unseen promises of the Promise-Keeper. As Hebrews declares, “Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen” (Hebrews 11:1). As we gather today, let us open our hearts, quiet our minds, and lift our eyes to Jesus, who said, “***Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father’s good pleasure to give you the kingdom***” (Luke 12:32).

- Prelude

Janice Hedberg-Boyce, Church Accompanist
- Welcome and Greetings in Jesus’ Name

Rev. Dr. Ivan E. Greuter
- *Song (Stand)

Capital City Chorus
- Opening Prayer (Stand)

Rev. Dr. Ivan E. Greuter
- Song of Faith

Capital City Chorus

WE HEAR THE WORD OF THE LORD

Scripture Reader: Pat Carpenter

- The First Reading

Isaiah 1:1, 10-20
- The Second Reading

Hebrews 11:1-3,8-16
- Gospel Reader: Deacon Traci Brown
- *The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ (Stand)

Luke 12:32-40
- *Responsorial (Stand)

“This Little Light of Mine”
- *Greeting and Sharing Peace with Family and Neighbors (Stand)

The Children's Sermon (Children’s Church for Students Preschool–3rd Grade)

Announcements & Prayers – 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, the power, and the glory forever.

Presentation of Tithes, Gifts, and Donations – Worshipers are invited to give their tithes, gifts, and offerings to the Lord. Jesus said, “***Don’t store up treasures on earth! Moths and rust can destroy them, and thieves can break in and steal them. Instead, store up your treasures in heaven, where moths and rust cannot destroy them, and thieves cannot break in and steal them. Your heart will always be where your treasure is.***” (Matthew 6:19-21).

- Offertory Special #

“All Who Are Thirsty”

Worship Team
- A Prayer of Illumination & Message

The Reverend Doctor Ivan E. Greuter, Senior Minister

WE RESPOND TO THE HOLY SPIRIT IN FAITH AND SERVICE

***Closing Hymn (Stand) # 624** “Since Jesus Came into My Heart”
McDANIEL

***Spoken Benediction**

- Postlude

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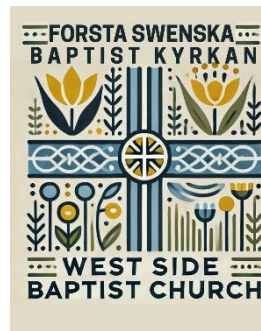
HOW TO BECOME A FULLY DEVOTED FOLLOWER OF JESUS

GOOD NEWS! God loves you and wants to rescue all people from the consequences of evil. The Bible teaches the way to become a fully devoted follower of Jesus Christ:

1. **ADMIT** – Admit to God you have done wrong things (sinned) that have hurt God and others. Apologize to God, turn away from harmful behavior, and start doing good things (See Romans 3:23; Romans 6:23; 1 John 1:9; Acts 3:19).
2. **BELIEVE JESUS CHRIST DIED FOR YOU AND GOD HAS RAISED HIM FROM THE DEAD** – Accept and trust that Jesus is God's one and only Son who died on the cross in your place and give God the credit for raising Jesus from the dead (See Romans 5:8; Acts 4:12; Acts 16:31a; John 3:16; 1 Peter 3:18; John 14:6).
3. **CONFESS JESUS CHRIST AS YOUR LORD** – Make a religious commitment to be a fully devoted follower of Jesus by trusting Him to be your Rescuer, Redeemer (Savior), and Ultimate Leader (Lord). (See Romans 10:9 and 10; Romans 10:13; Matthew 16:24; Luke 9:23)
4. **DEDICATE YOUR LIFE TO THE JESUS WAY** - Tell your family and friends about your new trust in Jesus Christ by coming to the front of the Sanctuary at the end of a worship service to publicly share your decision to be a follower of Jesus (Christian).

HOW TO JOIN THIS CHRISTIAN CHURCH - COME FORWARD – Any person professing faith in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior, and accepting the Baptist principles, practices, and the covenant of this church may join this Christian church. Persons interested in affiliating should speak with the Pastor or come forward at a congregation meeting. A person may join by Believer's Baptism, Letter of Transfer from a previous Christian church with prior baptism, or a Satisfactory Statement of Christian Faith.

OUR MISSION – We love God and We love People by sharing the Good News of God's forgiving, renewing love in Jesus Christ by word and deed to improve the lives of neighbors. West Side Baptist Church is an independent, autonomous Christian church partnering for mission support with like-minded people of faith in our City, County, State, Nation, and World.



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