

THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST JUNE 14, 2026 | ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING

WE GATHER IN THE PRESENCE OF GOD

**All those able, please stand*

Prelude **Janice Hedberg-Boyce, Church Accompanist**

Welcome and Greetings in Jesus' Name

*Opening Song **"Amazing Love"** **Worship Team**

*Call to Worship

One: God invites us to be a people of generosity, remembering the words the Lord Jesus himself said: 'It is more blessed to give than to receive.' (Acts 20:35)

All: Jesus said: "Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.' This is the first and greatest commandment" (Matt. 22:37-38).

One: God invites us to remember our blessings, for God will supply every need of ours according to his riches in glory in Christ Jesus (Phil 4:19).

All: Jesus said the second commandment is like the first: 'Love your neighbor as yourself'" (Matt. 22:39).

One: God invites us to build a legacy of love by caring for others.

All: Jesus said, "I was naked, and you clothed me; I was sick, and you visited me; I was in prison, and you came to me."

One: God invites us to be a people of action, for "the righteous will answer him, saying, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you drink? And when did we see you a stranger and welcome you, or naked and clothe you? And when did we see you sick or in prison and visit you?'" (Matt. 37-39).

All: And the King will answer them, 'Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brothers, you did it to me '" (Matt. 40).

*Opening Prayer

Song of Faith # 5 **"How Great Is Our God"** *HOW GREAT IS OUR GOD*

WE HEAR THE WORD OF THE LORD

Scripture Reader: Laurie Dewey

The First Reading **Genesis 18:1-15 (21:1-7)**

The Second Reading **Romans 5:1-8**

Gospel Reader: Deacon Janelle Hood

*The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ (Stand) **Matthew 9:35-10:8 (9-23)**

*Responsorial (Stand) # **"Children Go Where I Send Thee"**

*Greeting our Family and Neighbors (Stand)

The Children's Sermon **(No Children's Church – Summer Recess)**

Announcements, Prayers of the People and The Lord's 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, the power, and the glory forever.

Presentation of Tithes, Gifts, and Donations – The Apostle Paul wrote, "Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver." (2 Corinthians 16:2). Let us give to God out of the riches of our hearts and lives.

Offertory

A Prayer of Illumination & Message

The Reverend Doctor Ivan E. Greuter, Senior Minister

WE RESPOND TO THE HOLY SPIRIT IN FAITH AND SERVICE

Invitation to Faith and

*Hymn (Stand) # **"Will You Come and Follow Me"**

*Spoken Benediction

Postlude **Janice Hedberg-Boyce, Church Accompanist**

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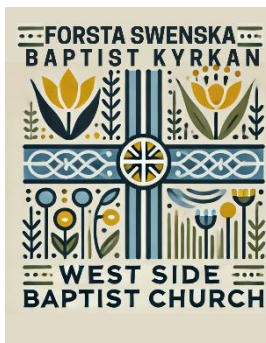
HOW TO BECOME A FULLY DEVOTED FOLLOWER OF JESUS

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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