

27TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME | PROPER 22
WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY | OCTOBER 4, 2026

WE GATHER IN THE PRESENCE OF GOD

**All those able, please stand*

Preparing for Worship: God’s love is steadfast, even when God’s people fail to bear the fruit of faithfulness. As we come to the Lord’s Table, we remember that Christ, the rejected stone, has become the cornerstone—and in Him we receive grace, forgiveness, and a new calling to bear fruit for God’s Kingdom.

Prelude Janice Hedberg-Boyce, Church Accompanist

Welcome and Greetings in Jesus’ Name

***Opening Hymn # 643** “Eternal Father, Strong to Save” MELITA

***Opening Prayer (Stand)**

Song of Faith # 388 “Make Us One ” DENNIS

WE HEAR THE WORD OF THE LORD

Scripture Reader: Lois Beames

The First Reading Exodus 20:1-4, 7-9, 12-20

The Second Reading Philippians 3:4b-14

Gospel Reader: Deacon Janelle Hood

***The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ** Matthew 21:33-46

***Responsorial # 511** “The Solid Rock” SOLID ROCK

***Greeting our Family and Neighbors (Stand)**

The Children's Sermon (No Children’s Church on Communion Sundays)

Announcements and Prayers of the People

Presentation of Tithes, Gifts, and Offerings – In the parable of the vineyard, Jesus reminds us that all we have is entrusted to us by God—and God calls us

to bear good fruit. As we come to the Lord’s Table, let our tithes, gifts, and offerings be a grateful response to God’s grace, helping share Christ’s love and cultivate God’s Kingdom in our community and world.

Offertory and *Doxology # 668 (Stand)

A Prayer of Illumination & Message “Fruit For Life”
The Reverend Traci Ulbright Brown, Chaplain

WE FEAST AT THE TABLE OF THE LORD

Invitation to the Table of the Lord[†] - World Communion Sunday: Today we join Christians around the world at the Lord’s Table, celebrating our unity in Jesus Christ. Though we come from different nations, cultures, and traditions, we are one body in Christ, sharing one faith, one bread, and one cup. (Servers Prepare)

***Communion Song # 404** “Behold The Lamb”

Words of Institution 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.

Holy Communion: The Lord’s Supper

Breaking of Bread *The Body of Christ; The Bread of Heaven*
Passing of the Cup *The Blood of Christ; The Cup of Salvation*

WE RESPOND TO THE HOLY SPIRIT IN FAITH AND 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 be a follower of Jesus in the waters of baptism or encouraging you to join this Christian Church, please come forward during this song.

***Hymn (Stand) # 389** “Blest Be the Tie” DENNIS

***Spoken Benediction**

Postlude Janice Hedberg-Boyce, Church Accompanist

COMMUNION OFFICIANTS

The Rev. Traci Ulbright Brown

COMMUNION SERVERS

Betty and Mark Arnold
Alice and Clarence Payne
Brice and Colleen Smith

DEACONS

Sonia Roling
Jessamine Greuter
Janelle Hood

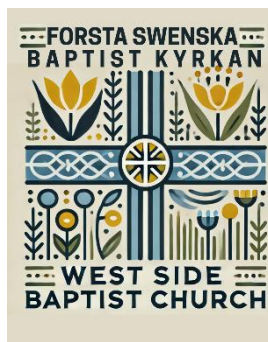
OPEN COMMUNION | THE LORD'S SUPPER – *All people who love God with an undying love are welcome to feast at the Lord's Table!* We practice **open communion**, which means all baptized followers of Jesus are welcome to share in the Lord's Supper. You do not need to be a member of this church or denomination to partake of this memorial meal. Our Ordained Ministers, Deacons, and Communion Servers will prepare and serve the Lord's Supper. After the prayers and words of invitation and consecration, the Bread and then the Cups will be distributed to worshippers.

We ask everyone to hold each element until everyone is served, then we will feast as one community.

- ▶ **Gluten-Free Wafers** are also available upon request.
- ▶ **Non-Alcoholic Grape Juice:** To stand in solidarity with those who may be struggling, we use non-alcoholic grape juice for communion.
- ▶ **Home and Hospital Delivery** is Available upon Request by Calling the Church Office. ***Sign Up to be a communion minister*** to take the Lord's Supper to our homebound and hospitalized families. See Bulletin Board.

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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