

LIFE CHANGING

The Call

January 18, 2026 | 10:00am

*The LORD is exalted, he dwells on high;
he filled Zion with justice and righteousness;
he will be the stability of your times.*

—Isaiah 30:5-6

Praise

Choral Invitation | *Lift Every Voice*, Choir

Welcome

Call to Worship

Across the barriers
that divide race from race:

ALL: Reconcile us, O Christ, by your cross.

Across the barriers
that divide rich from poor:

ALL: Reconcile us, O Christ, by your cross.

Across the barriers
that divide people of different cultures:

ALL: Reconcile us, O Christ, by your cross.

Across the barriers
that divide Christians:

ALL: Reconcile us, O Christ, by your cross.

Across the barriers
that divide men and women,
young and old:

ALL: Reconcile us, O Christ, by your cross.

Teach us to grow in unity with all God's children.
To the honor of your name: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
Amen

Way Maker

Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Sermon
"Tough Minded and Tender Hearted," Matthew 10:16

He's Done So Much for Me

Greeting

Witness

Scripture Reading | Isaiah 33:2-6

Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Sermon
"The Most Durable Power," 1 John 4:8, 16

Affirmation of Faith

We believe...

that God has revealed himself as the one who wishes to bring about justice and true peace among people;

that God calls the church to follow him in this, for God brings justice to the oppressed and gives bread to the hungry;

that God frees the prisoner and restores sight to the blind;

that God supports the downtrodden, protects the stranger, helps orphans and widows and blocks the path of the ungodly;

that the church must therefore stand by people in any form of suffering and need, which implies, among other things, that the church must witness against and strive against any form of injustice, so that justice may roll down like waters, and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream.

Prayer of Dedication

Offertory | Hymn #422 | *The Blood Will Never Lose Its Power*

Lament

Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Sermon
"Guidelines for a Constructive Church," Luke 4:18-19

Hymn #113 | *Lord, Have Mercy (For What We Have Done)*

Prayer of Lament

Supplication

Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Sermon
"But If Not," Daniel 3:16-18

Prayers

Vow to Praise

Hymn #555 | *Jesus Shall Reign*

Benediction

NEW HERE?

We're glad you're here! If you are visiting us, we'd love to connect with you. Fill out the Connect Card (in the pew rack) or scan this QR code. And stop by the Welcome Center for your gift bag!



WELCOME TO WEST SIDE - JANUARY 25

Interested in learning more about who we are and what we believe at West Side? Join Pastor Laurie in the library on Jan. 25, following each service, to find out more. Questions? Carlag@wspc.org.

WEST SIDE KIDS

8:30am | Kids are invited to the kid's table in the narthex during the sermon to work on an art or craft project.

10:00am | Kids (5th grade and under) are dismissed during the service to attend Sunday School.

Nursery | Available for kids ages 0-3.

WEST SIDE YOUTH

10:00am | Middle School Discipleship

No MS discipleship today

6:00pm | High School Youth Group

No HS Youth Group tonight

DAILY READINGS

The scripture references in parentheses are for the *Seeing Jesus Together* journals. You can pick up a copy of the year's readings at the Welcome Center, or scan the QR code.



Mon: 2 Samuel 7, Luke 13 (Luke 13:18-21)

Tues: 2 Samuel 8, Luke 14 (Luke 14:1-6)

Wed: 2 Samuel 9, Luke 15 (Luke 15:1-7)

Thurs: 2 Samuel 10, Luke 16 (Luke 16:10-13)

Fri: 2 Samuel 11, Luke 17 (Luke 17:11-19)

Sat: Psalm 56, (Psalm 56:12-13)

WANT TO PLAY HANDBELLS?

The West Side Ringers are looking for people to ring English Handbells. No experience is necessary as we are open to all skill levels. We meet on Wednesdays from 3:30-5:00pm. Our group currently plays at retirement communities as a service to seniors! If interested, email anjdroege@gmail.com.

COFFEE MORNING

Women's Coffee Morning | January 31 @ 8:30-10:00am

Men's Coffee Morning | February 21 @ 8:30-10:00am

ECCLESIASTES STUDY - BEGINS JANUARY 20

Join us for a look at Ecclesiastes as we discuss the book *Living Life Backward: How Ecclesiastes Teaches Us to Live in Light of the End*

by David Gibson (please purchase the book and read the first two chapters for Jan. 20). Gibson's reflections on Ecclesiastes provide interesting insights and will prompt lively discussion! Tuesdays, Jan. 20-Feb. 17 at 10am. Contact Susan Henn (hennsu@gmail.com) or Patricia Ramsey (ptramz@live.com) for further information.

ONLINE GIVING

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FINANCIAL UPDATE

January to-Date

January Income: \$52,800	Previous Year January Income: \$72,000	Goal*: \$88,000
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Fiscal Year-to-Date

Fiscal YTD: \$560,434	Previous July-January Income: \$583,000	Goal*: \$695,000
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*Goal: Income required to fund future ministry expenses without drawing on reserves.

PRAYER OF BELIEF

Lord Jesus Christ, I admit I am weaker and more sinful than I ever before believed, but, through you, I am more loved and accepted than I ever dared hope. I thank you for paying my debt, bearing my punishment and offering forgiveness. I turn from my sins and receive you as Savior. Amen. (If you are saying this prayer for the first time today, please let one of our pastors know.)