

# WELCOME TO WEST SIDE

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Tenth Sunday after Pentecost • August 18, 2019

## 8:15 AM CHAPEL WORSHIP

## We Prepare for God's Word

PRELUDE Prelude and Fugue in A minor, BWV 559 Johann Sebastian Bach

#### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### \*CALL TO WORSHIP AND OPENING PRAYER

God is moving in the world,

with flames of justice and waters of mercy.

Christ is calling in the world,

with whispers of love and cries of compassion.

Let us worship the One who creates the world and lend our voices to the Spirit's song.

Let us pray:

God of strength and courage,

in Jesus Christ You set us free from sin and death, calling us to the risk of faith and service.

Grant us grace to follow Him who gave Himself for others, that, by our service, we may find the life He came to bring. Amen.

\*HYMN 482

Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty

LOBE DEN HERREN

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O God, You are nearby and You are far off, in our every moment, and in the highest heaven.

*The prayer continues.* 

\* The congregation may stand.

Forgive us when we would rather not remember You in the everyday moments of our lives: when choosing You would mean putting our neighbors' needs first; when following You would challenge our comfortable assumptions; when listening to You would change the life we have grown to love.

Forgive us, God of mercy, and love us into Your reign of true peace.

#### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

\*PASSING OF THE PEACE

### We Listen for God's Word

SCRIPTURE Jeremiah 23:23-29

Luke 12:49-56

\*HYMN 389 O Jesus, I Have Promised NYLAND

SERMON Fire, Hammers and Swords Rev. Marc Oehler

## We Respond to God's Word

\*RESPONSE OF FAITH Matthew 10:24, 38-39

Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth;
I have not come to bring peace, but a sword...
Whoever does not take up the cross and follow Me is not worthy of Me.
Those who find their life will lose it,
and those who lose their life for My sake will find it.

#### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE and THE LORD'S PRAYER

#### **OFFERING**

\*HYMN 531 Not for Tongues of Heaven's Angels BRIDEGROOM

\*COMMUNION

\*CHARGE AND BLESSING

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## 9:00 AM CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP

#### \*CALL TO WORSHIP AND OPENING SONGS

### Thrive, Holy Holy, Oceans

Children leave to join their Sunday School small groups after the first song.

#### **BIDDING PRAYER**

SCRIPTURE Jeremiah 23:23-29

Luke 12:49-56

SERMON Fire, Hammers and Swords Rev. Marc Oehler

\*COMMUNION AND OFFERING

\*CLOSING SONG Build My Life

\*ANNOUNCEMENTS

\*BLESSING AND PASSING OF THE PEACE

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## **SUNDAY SMALL GROUPS**

8:00 am - Little Lambs Nursery - Room 202

9:00 am & 10:15 am - Summer Sunday School - Rooms 206 and 306

9:00 am - Faith and Life - Conference Room

**9:45 am** - Centering Prayer - West Side Room

11:30 am - Sermon Talk Back - Pulsifer Chapel

## 10:15 AM TRADITIONAL WORSHIP - BAPTISM SUNDAY

## We Prepare for God's Word

**PRELUDE** 

Prelude and Fugue in G Major, Op. 37

Felix Mendelssohn

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Amen.

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Silent prayer

<sup>\*</sup> The congregation may stand.

KYRIE Lord have mercy. Christ have mercy. Lord have mercy.

#### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

#### \*GLORIA PATRI

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning is now, and ever shall be; world without end. Amen.

\*PASSING OF THE PEACE Children leave to join their Sunday School small groups.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### CHOIR SCHOOL COMMISSIONING

## We Listen for God's Word

SCRIPTURE Jeremiah 23:23-29 Jim Horton

Luke 12:49-56

SERMON Fire, Hammers and Swords Rev. Marc Oehler

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#### **SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM**

Rev. Liz Junod

• Chase Martin Ralph Hinrichs, son of Cheryl and David Hinrichs

#### \*COMMITMENT OF THE CONGREGATION

We, the members of West Side Presbyterian Church, promise to guide and nurture Chase, by word and deed, with love and prayer, encouraging him to know and follow Christ as a beloved member of God's family.

Child of blessing, child of promise, baptized with the Spirit's sign, with this water God has sealed you unto love and grace divine.

Child of God, your loving Parent, learn to listen for God's call.

Grow to laugh and sing and worship, trust and love God more than all.

#### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE and THE LORD'S PRAYER

#### **OFFERING**

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

The LORD Is a Mighty God

Felix Mendelssohn

The LORD is a mighty God and a mighty ruler over all false idols.
-Psalm 95:3

#### \*DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise Christ, all people here below; praise Holy Spirit evermore; praise Triune God whom we adore. Amen.

#### PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING

## We Respond to God's Call

\*HYMN 531 Not for Tongues of Heaven's Angels BRIDEGROOM

\*CHARGE AND BLESSING

POSTLUDE Allegro Maestoso, Op. 65, No. 2 Felix Mendelssohn

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## WHAT'S HAPPENING

#### **URGENT: Volunteers Needed for Habitat Build Next Weekend**

We need **14 volunteers** to help build Habitat for Humanity homes in Paterson in partnership with First Presbyterian Church of Ridgewood and First Presbyterian Church of Elmira, N.Y.—7 volunteers for **August 23** and 7 for **August 24**. We'll meet in the West Side parking lot at 7:30 am and return by 4:15 pm. <u>Please reach out to Donna Flagg at First Pres Ridgewood</u> (flaggbda@gmail.com or 201-818-6881) by Tuesday to sign up.

### We Surpassed Our Goal!

Thanks to your support, we've collected backpacks and school supplies for **more than 110 families** at Oasis in Paterson! A big thank you to everyone who shopped or wrote a check, to Summer Choir School for their generous donation and to Marion Strauch for spending many, many hours at Staples and Five Below.

Mark Your Calendar for Homecoming Sunday—September 8 Join us for the kickoff of the new program year on September 8! There will be ONE SERVICE at 10:15 am followed by a party on the plaza—family-friendly food, ice cream sundaes, face painting, a bounce house and more. It's a perfect time to catch up with old friends, make some new ones and find out what's happening at West Side this fall.

### High School Choir is Moving to a New Time

Starting **September 8**, High School Choir is moving to **6:00 pm on Sundays** so that youth in grades 9-12 can enjoy an hour of singing before getting together at High School BARN at 7:00 pm. Singing in the choir is a great way for teens to connect, grow and serve at West Side. It also boosts confidence and self esteem, improves critical thinking skills and lets youth be part of an "inclusive" team. (No one sits on the bench in choir!) No experience is necessary, and we can work around extracurricular schedules. On the fence? Need more info? Reach out to Deborah Holden-Holloway (dholden-holloway@westside.org).



### **Kids Club Starts September 12**

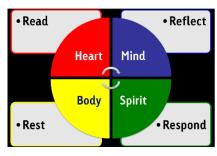
Kids in grades K-8 will soon have a midweek opportunity to deepen their faith and relationships with their church friends through singing, games, a shared meal and more. Drop off your children at **4:30 pm on Thursdays** for Choir and Kids Club/Middle School BARN followed by a pizza dinner. Pick up a schedule in the Narthex and block out the time in your calendar for this exciting new program. Questions? Reach out to Pastor Penny (phogan@westside.org).

### **Tuesdays with Marc Returns**

Are you an early riser? Come to the Chapel on **Tuesdays at 7:30** am, beginning **September 10**, to explore Richard Rohr's latest book, *The Universal Christ: How a Forgotten Reality Can Change Everything We See, Hope For, and Believe.* Drawing on scripture, history and spiritual practice, Rohr presents a transformative view of Jesus Christ as a portrait of God's constant, unfolding work in the world. Pick up a book after worship next week (\$15).

#### **Circles of Trust**

We call our *Lectio Divina* Bible groups "Circles of Trust." *Lectio Divina*, which means divine reading, helps us to listen to the text of the Bible with the 'ear of the heart.' It includes moments of reading, reflecting on, responding to and resting in the Word of God, with the aim of deepening our relationship with God and with one another. If you would like to participate in a Circles of Trust group this



year, please come to an orientation on September 22 at 11:15 am in the Conference Room.

### IS THIS YOUR FIRST TIME VISITING?

Welcome! We're so glad you're here. We look forward to helping you connect with others, grow more deeply in your faith and enrich your own life by serving others. Wherever you are on life's journey, there's a place for you at West Side.

Please stop by the visitor table located just inside the front doors, fill out a Let's Connect card and pick up a visitor bag. And please stay after worship to enjoy coffee/tea and refreshments in the Narthex and meet our members and ministers:

Rev. Marc Oehler, pastor, moehler@westside.org

Rev. Penny Hogan, associate pastor, phogan@westside.org

Rev. Liz Junod, pastoral associate, ljunod@westside.org

Deborah Holden-Holloway, minister of music, dholden-holloway@westside.org

Erik Eickhoff, associate minister of music, eeickhoff@westside.org

Eric Hufschmid, contemporary music leader, ehufschmid@westside.org

To learn more about our faith community, and to see a complete staff directory, please visit westside.org.



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