GATHERED WORSHIP SERVICE
for the
Glory of God
and the
Renewal of His People

June 4, 2017

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To all who are spiritually weary and seek rest; to all who mourn and long for comfort;
to all who struggle and desire victory; to all who sin and need a Savior;
to all who are strangers and want fellowship;
to all who hunger and thirst after righteousness;
and to all who will come, this church opens wide her doors
and offers welcome in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

SOUTHSIDE COMMUNITY CHURCH

Glorifying God…

Embracing Scripture…

Loving Corpus Christi…

GATHERING SONG

He Is Exalted

Words and Music: Twila Paris

He is exalted
The King is exalted on high
I will praise Him
He is exalted forever exalted
And I will praise His name

He is the Lord forever His truth shall reign
Heaven and earth rejoice in His holy name
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WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

(See the inside of the back page)

Information Cards*. Please take a moment to fill out the information card in your bulletin, providing any information to enable us to better serve you. When you finish, place your card in offering tray as it passes or on your seat after the service.*

PREPARATION for WORSHIP

Matthew 6:31-33

Therefore do not be anxious, saying, 'What shall we eat?' or 'What shall we drink?' or 'What shall we wear?' For the Gentiles seek after all these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them all. But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be added to you.

WORSHIPING GOD'S GREATNESS

*(*Indicates where congregation is invited to stand, as able)*

***CALL to WORSHIP**

Psalm 95:1-3

Minister:	*Oh come, let us sing to the LORD;*
Congregation:	**Let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!**
Minister:	*Let us come into His presence with thanksgiving;*
Congregation:	**Let us make a joyful noise to Him with songs of praise!**
Minister:	*For the LORD is a great God,*
Congregation:	**And a great King above all gods!**

*<u>**SONG of ADORATION**</u>

Holy Holy Holy (Hymn #100)

Words and Music: John Bacchus Dykes and Reginald Heber

Holy holy holy
Lord God Almighty
Early in the morning
Our song shall rise to Thee
Holy holy holy
Merciful and mighty
God in three persons
Blessed Trinity

Holy holy holy
All the saints adore Thee
Casting down their golden crowns
Around the glassy sea
Cherubim and seraphim
Falling down before Thee
Who wert and art
And evermore shalt be

Holy holy holy
Though the darkness hide Thee
Though the eye of sinful man
Thy glory may not see
Only Thou art holy
There is none beside Thee
Perfect in power
In love and purity

Holy holy holy
Lord God Almighty
All Thy works shall praise Thy name
In earth and sky and sea
Holy holy holy
Merciful and mighty
God in three persons
Blessed Trinity

***PRAYER of INVOCATION and 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.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil:
For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

ACKNOWLEDGING GOD'S GRACE

***CONFESSION of FAITH**

Scots Confession

We confess and acknowledge one God alone,
to whom alone we must cleave,
whom alone we must serve,
whom only we must worship,
and in whom alone we put our trust.

Who is eternal, infinite, immeasurable,
incomprehensible, omnipotent, invisible;
one in substance
and yet distinct in three persons,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost.

By whom we confess and believe
all things in heaven and earth,
visible and invisible
to have been created,
to be retained in their being,
and to be ruled and guided
by his inscrutable providence
for such end as his eternal wisdom, goodness,
and justice have appointed,
and to the manifestation of his own glory.

CONFESSION of SIN

Please, pray the following in unison

Eternal God,
in whom we live and move and have our being,
whose face is hidden from us by our sins,
and whose mercy we forget in the blindness of our hearts:
cleanse us from all our offenses,
and deliver us from proud thoughts and vain desires,
that with reverent and humble hearts we may draw near to you,
confessing our faults, confiding in your grace,
and finding in you our refuge and strength;
through Jesus Christ your Son. Amen.

ASSURANCE of PARDON for BELIEVERS

Psalm 103:8-15

The LORD is merciful and gracious,
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.
He will not always chide,
nor will he keep his anger forever.
He does not deal with us according to our sins,
nor repay us according to our iniquities.
For as high as the heavens are above the earth,
so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him;
as far as the east is from the west,
so far does he remove our transgressions from us.
As a father shows compassion to his children,
so the LORD shows compassion to those who fear him.

SONG of RENEWAL

Thy Mercy My God

Words: John Stocker Music: Sandra McCracken

Thy mercy, my God, is the theme of my song,
The joy of my heart and the boast of my tongue;
Thy free grace alone, from the first to the last,
Hath won my affections, and bound my soul fast.

Without Thy sweet mercy I could not live here;
Sin would reduce me to utter despair;
But, through Thy free goodness, my spirits revive,
And He that first made me still keeps me alive.

Thy mercy is more than a match for my heart,
Which wonders to feel its own hardness depart;
Dissolved by Thy goodness, I fall to the ground,
And weep for the praise of the mercy I've found.

Great Father of mercies, Thy goodness I own,
And the covenant love of Thy crucified Son;
All praise to the Spirit, whose whisper divine
Seals mercy, and pardon, and righteousness mine.

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PRAYER of COMMITTAL for our OFFERINGS

Giving Month-to-Date:	$ 15,191.00	Giving Fiscal Year-to-Date:	$ 51,889.00
Goal Month-to-Date	$ 23,612.00	Goal Fiscal Year-to-Date	$ 53,127.00

GIVING of OFFERINGS

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OLD TESTAMENT READING

Psalm 91

PRAYER for GOD'S PEOPLE and HIS WORLD

Please contact Tammy at the church office for prayer needs and updates.

<u>*SONG of COMMITMENT</u>

Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken (Hymn #345)

Words: John Newton Music: Franz Joseph Haydn

Glorious things of thee are spoken, Zion city of our God;
He whose word cannot be broken formed thee for his own abode;
On the rock of ages founded, what can shake Thy sure repose?
With salvations walls surrounded, thou may'st smile at all thy foes

See, the streams of living waters, springing from eternal love,
Well supply thy sons and daughters, and all fear of want remove;
Who can faint while such a river ever flows their thirst t' assuage?
Grace which, like the Lord the giver never fails from age to age

Round each habitation hovering, see the cloud and fire appear
For a glory and a covering, showing that the Lord is near.
Thus deriving from their banner light by night and shade by day;
Safe they feed upon the manna which he gives them when they pray.

Savior, if of Zion's city I through grace a member am,
Let the world deride or pity, I will glory in thy name.
Fading is the worldling's pleasure, all his boasted pomp and show;
Solid joys and lasting treasure, none but Zion's children know.

EMBRACING GOD'S WORD

***READING and PREACHING of GOD'S WORD**

1 Peter 2:4-12

***SONG of RESPONSE**

On Christ the Solid Rock

Words and Music: Edward Mote and William R. Bradbury

My hope is built on nothing less
Than Jesus' blood and righteousness;
I dare not trust the sweetest frame
But wholly lean on Jesus' name.

On Christ the solid Rock, I stand;
All other ground is sinking sand,
All other ground is sinking sand.

When darkness seems to hide His face
I rest on His unchanging grace;
In every high and stormy gale,
My anchor holds within the veil

On Christ the solid Rock, I stand;
All other ground is sinking sand,
All other ground is sinking sand.

When He shall come with trumpet sound
Oh, may I then in Him be found.
Dressed in His righteousness alone,
Faultless to stand before the throne.

On Christ the solid Rock, I stand;
All other ground is sinking sand,
All other ground is sinking sand.

CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

Minister: *Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.*

Congregation: **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

Words of Christ's Institution

Minister: *Christ, our Passover lamb has been sacrificed for us.*
Let us proclaim the mystery of faith.

Congregation: **Christ has died. Christ is risen.**
Christ will come again.

Minister: *The gifts of God are for the people of God.*

All are invited to the table whether or not you are partaking of the elements. There are prayers on the back of the bulletin to assist you in praying, particularly if the Christian faith is new or unknown to you.

Feel free to bring children forward even if they are not partaking of the elements. Elders are available to pray with you.

If you are physically unable to come forward but wish to partake, servers will bring the elements to you.

Serving of the Elements

(wine is in the outer ring of the trays; juice in the inner)

***SONG of CELEBRATION**

Doxology

Words: Thomas Ken Music: Louis Bourgeois

Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise Him all creatures here below
Praise Him above ye heavenly host
Praise Father Son and Holy Ghost
Amen

***BENEDICTION**

2 Corinthians 13:14

Congregation: **(Loudly) Alleluia! Amen!**

***GREETING**

***POSTLUDE**

We praise the Lord for our accompanists this morning
– vocalists and instrumentalists and audio and video technicians.

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Dominican Republic Mission Team

The 2017 team is about to leave for the Dominican Republic. Anne-Marie Gavlas, Robert Bailey, and Scotty Bailey will be there from June 5-12.

They will be joining friends from Decatur Presbyterian Church (Alabama) who will be working with Silvia and Samuel Martinez. Silvia is a medical doctor in El Cacique, a small community that formed around a garbage dump sear Santo Domingo. She not only takes care of the physical needs in the community, but she also started a Christian school, feeding programs, and Vacation Bible School.

This year's trip will be similar to what we did last summer. Anne-Marie will once again be translating the Teachers Conference for Silvia's school. That was an amazing success. Samuel will lead the construction project, which will be a house for the pastor of the church associated with the ministry in El Cacique. In past years the teams have built a hospital, the school building, and installed water purification systems.

In addition to helping with the construction, feeding programs, and Vacation Bible School, the team will be traveling to a poor community near the Haiti border to build latrines on Saturday June 10. Please pray for good weather that day, as the latrines provide much safety to the girls in the community. Also, please pray for fruit and safety throughout the trip.

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR SUNDAY JUNE 4

June 4 – Officer Elections. Jimmy Stroud, Ludie Austin, and Mark Pavlick have been nominated for the office of Deacon.

Lunch Bunch. All are invited to lunch bunch at Catfish Charlie's located at 5830 Mc Ardle Drive following worship service.

Annual Men's Chorus. Rehearsals will be held after worship June 4th and June 11th.

June 11 – Barnabas Mercy Fund Offering. The Barnabas Mercy Fund Offering is used to help with needs among our congregation's members and acquaintances. Envelopes designated for Barnabas gifts will be placed inside your bulletin.

June 11 – Fellowship Luncheon. Everyone is invited to stay after Worship Service for our monthly covered dish meal. Families are asked to bring a main dish and a side or dessert.

June 13 – Women's Ministry Team meeting 9:30 am at Southside.

June 20 – Women's Noon Fellowship. All women in the church are invited to join them. Just bring a sandwich (or something) for your lunch. We're meeting at the church during the summer months and child care will be provided They're studying Charles F. Stanley's book "Relying on the Holy Spirit"; sixth chapter. Contact Jeanie Cotten for more information.

Prayer for Those Searching for Truth

Lord Jesus, You claim to be the way, the truth, and the life. Grant that I might be undaunted by the cost of following You as I consider the reasons for doing so. If what You claim is true, please guide me, teach me, and show me the reality of who You are. – *Amen.*

Prayer of Belief

Heavenly Father, I admit that I am more sinful than I ever before believed, but, through Your Son Jesus, I can be more loved and accepted than I ever dared hope. I thank You that He lived the life I should have lived, and paid the debt and punishment I deserved. Receive me now for His sake. I turn from my sins and receive Jesus to be my Lord and Savior. – *Amen.*

Prayer for Those Struggling with Sin

Lord Jesus, help me to look to You as the fulfillment of all my needs, and to turn from every false satisfaction to feed on You, the true and living bread. Enable me to lay aside the sin that clings so closely, and run with perseverance the race set before me, looking to You, the pioneer and perfecter of my faith. – *Amen.*

Prayer of Commitment

Lord Jesus, You have called us to follow You in a life of committed discipleship in Your church. Grant that I may take the necessary steps to be one with Your people, and live in the fullness of Your Spirit. – *Amen*