

GATHERED WORSHIP SERVICE

for the
**Glory of God
and the**

Renewal of His People

August 29, 2010

The Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

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(If the temperature of the building is too cool, please avail yourself of shawls in the lobby near our water fountain)

*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 exists as a *community*  
*redeemed* by and *dependent* upon *God's grace*,  
that we might be  
engaged in and renewed by the *worship* of the triune God,  
*matured* by His truth as evidenced by *love*,  
and engaged in His *mission of renewal* to *His world*.

## REFLECTION and PREPARATION

Everything's supposed to be different than what it is here.

*Simon in Grand Canyon*

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The webbing together of God, humans, and all creation in justice, fulfillment, and delight is what the Hebrew prophets call *shalom*. We call it **peace**, but it means far more than mere peace of mind or cease-fire between enemies.

In the Bible, *shalom* means universal flourishing, wholeness, and delight – a rich state of affairs in which natural seeds are satisfied and natural gifts fruitfully employed, a state of affairs that inspires joyful wonder as its Creator and Savior opens doors and welcomes the creatures in whom he delights.

*Shalom*, in other words, is the way things ought to be.

*Cornelius Plantinga, Not the Way It's Supposed to Be, A Breviary of Sin*

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**Peace** I leave with you; my **peace** I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid.

*Jesus to His disciples, John 14:27*

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**BLESSED ARE THE POOR IN SPIRIT...THEIRS IS THE KINGDOM**

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

**\*CALL to WORSHIP**

*from Colossians 1*

*Minister: Give thanks to the Father,  
who has qualified us to share in the inheritance of the saints.*

**People: He rescued us from the domain of darkness,  
and transferred us to the kingdom of His beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.**

*Minister: He is the image of the invisible God,  
the firstborn of all creation.*

**People: For by Him all things were created,  
Women: both in the heavens and on earth,  
Children: visible and invisible,  
Men: whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities  
All: All things have been created through Him and for Him.**

*Minister: He is before all things,  
and in Him all things hold together.  
He is also the head of the body, the church;*

**People: And He is the beginning,  
the firstborn from the dead,  
so that He Himself  
will come to have first place in everything.**

*Minister: My mouth will speak the praise of the LORD,*

**People: and let all flesh bless his holy name forever and ever.**

**\*SONGS of ADORATION**

**Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise**

Words: Walter Chalmers Smith, 1867

Music: Traditional Welsh Melody

Immortal, invisible, God only wise,  
In light inaccessible hid from our eyes,  
Most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,  
Almighty, victorious, Thy great name we praise.

Unresting, unchanging and silent as light,  
Nor wanting, nor wasting, Thou rulest in might;  
Thy justice like mountains high soaring above  
Thy clouds which are fountains of goodness and love.

Great Father of glory, pure Father of light,  
Thine angels adore Thee, all veiling their sight;  
All praise we would render; O help us to see  
'Tis only the splendor of light hideth Thee!

## Salvation Belongs to Our God

Words and Music: Adrian Howard and Pat Turner

Salvation belongs to our God,  
Who sits upon the throne,  
And unto the Lamb;  
Praise and glory, wisdom and thanks,  
Honor and power and strength.

*Chorus:*

*Be to our God forever and ever;  
Be to our God forever and ever,  
Be to our God forever and ever, Amen!*

And we the redeemed shall be strong  
In purpose and unity,  
Declaring aloud;  
Praise and glory, wisdom and thanks,  
Honor and power and strength.

*Chorus*

Praise and glory, wisdom and thanks,  
Honor and power and strength.

*Chorus Twice*

**\*PRAYER of ADORATION**

**\*AFFIRMATION of FAITH**

*from The Heidelberg Catechism*

*Minister:*        *Why is he called "Christ," meaning "anointed"?*

**People:**        **Because he has been ordained by God the Father,  
and has been anointed with the Holy Spirit  
to be -**

**Men:**            **our chief prophet and teacher  
who perfectly reveals to us the secret counsel and will of of God for our deliverance;**

**Women:**        **our only high priest  
who has set us free by the one sacrifice of his body,  
and who continually pleads our cause with the Father;**

**All:**             **and our eternal king  
who governs us by His Word and Spirit,  
and who guards us and keeps us  
in the freedom he has won for us.**

*Matthew 21:5 (Zechariah 9:9); 28:18-20; Luke 3:21-22; 4:14-19 (Isaiah 61:1); John 1:18; 10:28; 15:15; Acts 3:22 (Deuteronomy 18:15); Romans 8:34;  
Hebrews 1:9 (Psalm 45:7); Hebrews 7:17 (Psalm 110:4); Hebrews 9:12,24; 10:11-14; Revelation 12:10-11*

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## BLESSED ARE THOSE WHO MOURN...

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### \*CONFESSION of SIN

*from Ephesians 5*

...walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

But sexual immorality and all impurity or covetousness must not even be named among you, as is proper among saints. Let there be no filthiness nor foolish talk nor crude joking, which are out of place, but instead let there be thanksgiving. For you may be sure of this, that everyone who is sexually immoral or impure, or who is covetous (that is, an idolater), has no inheritance in the kingdom of Christ and God.

*(please pray the following in unison)*

**People:**           **Holy Lord, we are guilty**  
                          **of pride,**  
                          **of unbelief,**  
                          **not seeking you first in our daily lives.**  
**Our guilt presents our conscience with a long list of accusations,**  
                          **but they shall not stand!**  
**For we lay them all now on Christ,**  
                          **our sacrifice and advocate.**  
  
**Lord, subdue our weakness and selfishness.**  
**Let us not be mastered by them,**  
                          **but allow the peace of Christ to rule over us.**  
  
**We praise you and thank you for your wisdom and infinite love.**  
  
**Deliver us**  
                          **from every evil habit,**  
                          **from everything that dims the brightness of your grace in us,**  
                          **from everything that prevents us**  
                          **from taking our deepest delight in you.**  
  
**Amen.**

*(please pray silently, confessing your sin;  
the music team will lead us forward.)*

**How Firm a Foundation**

Words: Rippon's Selection of Hymns, 1787  
Music: Traditional American Melody

How firm a foundation, you saints of the Lord,  
Is laid for your faith in His excellent Word!  
What more can He say than to you He has said,  
To you who for refuge to Jesus have fled?

Fear not, I am with you; O be not dismayed;  
For I am your God, and will still give you aid;  
I'll strengthen you, help you, and cause you to stand,  
Upheld by My righteous, omnipotent hand.

When through the deep waters I call you to go,  
The rivers of sorrow shall not overflow;  
For I will be with you, your troubles to bless,  
And sanctify to you your deepest distress.

When through fiery trails your pathway shall lie,  
My grace, all-sufficient, shall be your supply;  
The flame shall not hurt you; I only design  
Your dross to consume and your gold to refine.

The soul that on Jesus hath leaned for repose,  
I will not, I will not desert to his foes;  
That soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake,  
I'll never, no never, no never forsake.

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...FOR THEY SHALL BE COMFORTED

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**Help My Unbelief**

Words: John Newton, 1725-1807 Chorus by Clint Wells Music: Clint Wells, 2005

I know the Lord is nigh,  
And would but cannot pray,  
For Satan meets me when I try,  
And frights my soul away.  
And frights my soul away.

I would but can't repent,  
Though I endeavor oft;  
This stony heart can ne'er relent  
Till Jesus makes it soft,  
Till Jesus makes it soft.

*Chorus:*

*Help my unbelief.*

*Help my unbelief.*

*Help my unbelief.*

*My help must come from Thee.*

I would but cannot love,  
Though wooed by love divine;  
No arguments have power to move  
A soul as base as mine.  
A soul as base as mine.

I would but cannot rest,  
In God's most holy will;  
I know what He appoints is best,  
And murmur at it still.  
I murmur at it still.

*Chorus Twice*

**\*WORDS of ASSURANCE**

*from Colossians 1*

May you be strengthened with all power, according to his glorious might, for all endurance and patience with joy, giving thanks to the Father, who has qualified you to share in the inheritance of the saints in light. He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

*Minister: The peace of Christ be with you all.*

**People: And also with you.**

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## BLESSED ARE THE MEEK... THEY SHALL INHERIT THE EARTH

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### \*SONG of CELEBRATION

#### **Prepare Ye The Way**

Words and Music: John Michael Talbot, 1977

The Word of the Lord came one evening  
Concerning His bride's great sin.  
He sent down His Word to renew her  
To prepare for the Bridegroom again.

The word said repent  
From seeking vain glories  
Thru the gifts in the Lord's name you give.  
Repent - of all the first stones cast to kill  
While your own self-righteousness lives.

#### *Chorus*

*Prepare ye the way for the Lord.  
Prepare ye the way for the kingdom.  
Prepare ye the way,  
Prepare ye the way, for the Lord.*

The Word said repent  
And turn from your strivings.  
Repent - and turn from your hatred.  
Repent - of the doctrines of men that divide  
And tear like the wedding gown ripped.

Walk in His love  
Like newborn children  
Walk in His love,  
Let the wedding gown mend.  
Walk in His love,  
With humility come with pure hearts  
And cast all your cares to the Lord.

#### *Chorus*

The Word of the Lord came one evening  
Concerning His bride's great sin.  
He assured me we will be forgiven  
And then let the marriage begin.

#### *Chorus Twice*

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**BLESSED ARE THOSE WHO HUNGER AND THIRST  
FOR RIGHTEOUSNESS...THEY SHALL BE SATISFIED**

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*Fellowship Books.* During this time, please take a moment to fill out the information on the attendance pads located underneath the seat on the inner aisles, providing any information to enable us to better serve you. When you finish, please pass the pads down the row so everyone has the opportunity to do so.

**PRAYER for GOD'S PEOPLE and HIS WORLD**

**GIVING of OFFERINGS**

*Childrens' Worship.* We welcome children in our entire worship service. However, if you feel a child would benefit more from a setting specifically designed for 4-8 years of age, you are welcome to escort them to Children's Worship down the west hallway of our building after our time of offering.

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**BLESSED ARE THE MERCIFUL, PURE IN HEART,  
PEACEMAKERS, PERSECUTED....**

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**READING of GOD'S WORD**

*Colossians 3:1-17 and John1*

*Christ is Your Life*

<sup>1</sup> If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. <sup>2</sup> Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth. <sup>3</sup>For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. <sup>4</sup>When Christ who is your life appears, then you also will appear with him in glory.

<sup>5</sup> Put to death therefore what is earthly in you: sexual immorality, impurity, passion, evil desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry. <sup>6</sup> On account of these the wrath of God is coming. <sup>7</sup> In these you too once walked, when you were living in them. <sup>8</sup>But now you must put them all away: anger, wrath, malice, slander, and obscene talk from your mouth. <sup>9</sup> Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have put off the old self with its practices <sup>10</sup>and have put on the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge after the image of its creator. <sup>11</sup> Here there is not Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave, free; but Christ is all, and in all.

<sup>12</sup> Put on then, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, compassionate hearts, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience, <sup>13</sup> bearing with one another and, if one has a complaint against another, forgiving each other; as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. <sup>14</sup>And above all these put on love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. <sup>15</sup>And **let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body. And be thankful.** <sup>16</sup>**Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom, singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, with thankfulness in your hearts to God.** <sup>17</sup>And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

*Christ, the Word*

<sup>1</sup> In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. <sup>2</sup>He was in the beginning with God. <sup>3</sup> All things were made through him, and without him was not any thing made that was made. <sup>4</sup> In him was life, and the life was the light of men. <sup>5</sup> The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it... <sup>14</sup>And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we have seen his glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth.

**HOMILY**

*Sin still Dwells in our Hearts, but... There is a Stronger and Invincible Roommate  
- "Let the Word of Christ Dwell in You Richly"*

from the series based in *Colossians*,

*- In All Things, Christ is Supreme -*

\*SONG of RESPONSE

**Be Thou My Vision**

Words: Ancient Irish Poem, ca. 8<sup>th</sup> century

Tr. By Mary E. Byrne, 1905

Music: Traditional Irish Melody, Arr. By David Evans, 1927

Be Thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;  
Naught be all else to me save that Thou art;  
Thou my best thought by day or by night,  
Waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light.

Be Thou my wisdom, and Thou my true word;  
I ever with Thee and Thou with me, Lord;  
Thou my great Father, I Thy true son;  
Thou in me dwelling, and I with Thee one.

Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise,  
Thou mine inheritance, now and always:  
Thou and Thou only, first in my heart,  
High King of heaven, my treasure Thou art.

High King of heaven, my victory won,  
May I reach heaven's joys, O bright heav'n's Sun!  
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,  
Still be my Vision, O Ruler of all.  
Still be my Vision, O Ruler of all.

**\*BENEDICTION**

*from 2 Corinthians 13:11*

Minister: *Finally, brothers, rejoice. Aim for restoration, comfort one another, agree with one another, live in peace; and the God of love and peace will be with you.*

People: **Amen!**

**\*POSTLUDE**

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

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## Sunday, August 29 - Saturday, September 4, 2010

### Reading Through The Bible

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| Sunday    | Ezekiel 13-15 |
| Monday    | Ezekiel 16-17 |
| Tuesday   | Ezekiel 18-19 |
| Wednesday | Ezekiel 20-21 |
| Thursday  | Ezekiel 22-23 |
| Friday    | Ezekiel 24-27 |
| Saturday  | Ezekiel 28-31 |

*Dear Southside Family:*

*This is to tell you how much we appreciate your outpouring of love to us by your cards, food, hugs, and attendance at Bill's funeral celebration. It is the loving support and outward acts of mercy that our body becomes united in love. Our family felt very much encouraged throughout the last few weeks. We see the love of Christ throughout our congregation.*

*Love, Don and Wendy / Jeanie and Johnny*

### Today's Opportunities to Connect

**Fellowship Luncheon.** The congregation is invited to stay after worship today for food and fellowship. If you are visiting or forgot to bring a dish, please stay anyway. God always provides enough!

### Needs/Announcements

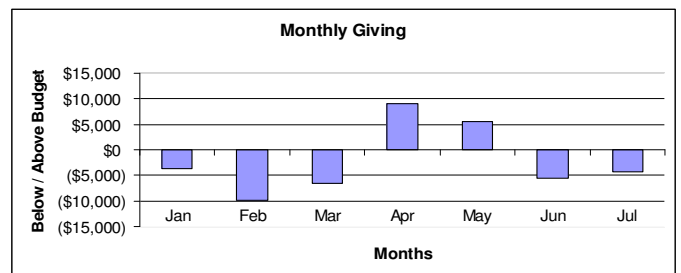
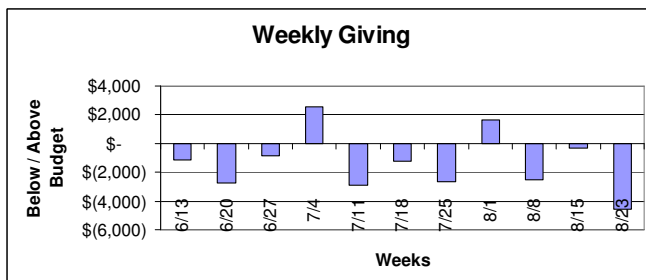
**Great opportunity for fun and fellowship!** This fall our church is participating in the Corpus Christi Church bowling league and we invite as many people as possible to join us. The league is set to start on September 18th and will occur on Saturdays at 2:00 P.M. If interested, see Jared Hood or call him at 774-6150. Registration sheets are also located in the church narthex with further details. Sign up today and we can start planning some friendly competition.

**The Nomination process for the servant offices of elder and deacon closes today.** Please avail yourself of the information and forms located in our lobby with full explanation of the offices and process.

**CE Classes will not meet September 5<sup>th</sup>.** New fall classes will begin the following week of September 12th.

**Sept 6th.** The Church office will be closed in observance of the Labor Day Holiday. The Elder on Call will be Neal Nelson.

### Financial Update



*Giving Month-to-Date: \$223,177.00*  
*Budget Month-to-Date: \$27,936.00*

*Giving Year-to-Date: \$221,316.00*  
*Budget Year-to-Date: \$251,453.00*

**(Please see ongoing opportunities on the back)**

## **\*\*Continuing Bible Study and Opportunities for Service with Groups**

### **Sunday Christian Education Classes - 9:15 - 10:15**

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| <b>Ages 2 - 3</b>                                   | <i>A Sure Foundation</i>                                        |
| <b>Ages 4 - 6</b>                                   | <i>Show Me Jesus</i>                                            |
| <b>Ages 7 - 11</b>                                  | <i>ABC's of God</i>                                             |
| <b>Youth 6<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> Grade</b> | <i>Lessons in our Worship Series from Colossians</i>            |
| <b>Adults</b>                                       | <i>Jesus &amp; Money: A Guide for Times of Financial Crisis</i> |

### **Sunday Morning Worship Service 10:30 am**

4-8 Years, Children's Worship (children dismissed prior to Homily)  
Staffed nursery for newborns - 3 years for Education Hour and Worship Service

### **Weekly Meetings**

#### **Tuesday Morning @ Town & Country Café**

**6:30 am Men's Study** Self study of Ephesians.

**7:00 am Women's Breakfast**

Contact Bill and Jean Newberry at 537-0549 or 537-9681 or Gordon and Linda Landreth at 992-3046 for more information.

#### **Youth Evening of Study and Fellowship. 4:30 – 8:30pm. – Wednesdays**

**On break until after Labor Day.**

Study "Christ and the Ten Commandments", eat, play, and serve. Start at SCC campus.

### **Monthly Meetings**

#### **Women's Book Club**

Contact Jeanie Cotten @ 991-6478 or jcotten@stx.rr.com

The book club will meet at Jeanie Cotten's, 8206 Seashore Drive, on Tuesday September 14, 7:00 p.m. to review the book, To Kill a Mockingbird. If you have read it recently or way in your past you are welcome to attend to discuss it with us.

#### **Tuesday Women's Noon Fellowship**

Contact Andy Beaver @ 442-2721

#### **Thursday Downtown Bible Study**

Contact Ben Wheeler 992-4977 or benwheeler@stx.rr.com

Noon. 401 N. Shoreline – First Floor. 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of each month.

A Study in Matthew.

### **Mercy and Service Opportunities**

#### **Mission 911 "The Center Peace"**

Contact Shawna Cogar @ 993-1882 or chicfurniture@sbcglobal.net

Nutrition, Reading and Fun. 4<sup>th</sup> Saturdays at 10:00 am. For more details please contact Shawna.

#### **Elder on Call**

Johnny Cotten  
Rob Sigler

Aug 29 – Sept 4  
Sept 12 – 18

Neal Nelson  
Ed Arvin

Sept 5 – 11  
Sept 19 – 25

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