

MINISTRY OF GIVING

OFFERTORY

Zachary Smith

*DOXOLOGY

OLD 100TH

**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.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE 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; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

BEARING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

*HYMN OF SENDING #508 "Lead On, O King Eternal"

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE #12 "Be Exalted, O God"

**Be exalted, O God, above the heavens; let thy glory be over all the earth.
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*CLOSING VOLUNTARY

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WELCOME VISITOR! We are delighted that you are here to share worship of our Lord Jesus this morning together with the rest of us. We want you to be well informed about the Christian faith and about the church so don't be afraid to ask. You may communicate with us in several ways. Ask a neighbor in your pew, fill out a blue first-time visitor card, add your name to the Ritual of Friendship pad and by all means do not hesitate to contact our pastor. May God bless you this morning and throughout the week.

Rev. Susan Bennett, Pastor
Stephanie Dunn, Youth Director
Ward Gailey, Music Director
Zachary Smith, Musician

Linda Hodges, Office Manager
Tom Francis, Custodian
Nursery: Stephanie Phillips & Megan Johnson

Stockbridge Presbyterian Church

January 18, 2015

11:00 a.m.



**ORDINATION & INSTALLATION OF
ELDER CLASS OF 2017**

*The next day Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He
found Philip and said to him, "Follow me."
John 1:43*

PREPARING FOR WORSHIP

(Please silence and refrain from using all electronic devices during this hour of worship.
Otherwise, Susan will turn into her evil twin and give you The Look.)

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

OPENING VOLUNTARY

Acolyte: Monica Andrea Coutin-Baxter

PRESENTATION OF THE WORD

Beadle: Annie Laura Kelly

Please use this time for silent meditation and preparation for worship. Prayer cards are in the pew rack in front of you for submission to church prayer list.

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

**Those who are able, please stand.*

*CONGREGATIONAL INTROIT #131 "Surely the Presence"

**Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place;
I can feel his mighty power and his grace. I can hear the brush of angels' wings,
I see glory on each face; surely the presence of the Lord is in this place.**

*CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 138)

Liturgist: Sue Scheer

Leader: We give you thanks, O Lord, and have come to sing your praise.

All: We bow down toward your holy temple.

Leader: We give thanks to your name for your steadfast love and faithfulness.

All: You have exalted your name and your Word above everything.

All: Hallelujah! Let us worship God!

*HYMN OF PRAISE #549 "I Love Your Kingdom, Lord"

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Gracious God, forgive us when we choose to suffer from selective hearing loss. Forgive us for the times we ignore your Word, for the times when we turn away from the moving of your Spirit in our hearts and lives. Help us to remember to stay open to you every moment, for you always come bringing not just challenge, but love and hope and grace. Please hear us now as we continue our confession in silence ...

ASSURANCE OF PARDON (Romans 8:1-2)

Leader: There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has set you free from the law of sin and of death. Friends, rejoice again in God's amazing grace:

All: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! Amen.

*GLORIA PATRI

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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, Amen.

PROCLAIMING AND ENACTING THE WORD

*HYMN OF CONSECRATION #581 "Called as Partners in Christ's Service"

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Sue Scheer

(Children will be dismissed to Children's Worship following the anthem.)

ANTHEM "I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light" Thomerson/Harlan
(Please join the choir on verse 3 of Hymn #248, when cued.)

Sanctuary Choir

INSTALLATION OF ELDERS, CLASS OF 2017

LAYING ON OF HANDS

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING 1 Samuel 3:1-20

Page 236, Pew Bible

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING John 1:43-51

Page 87, Pew Bible

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON "Natural and Supernatural"

Rev. Susan Bennett

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.