

OFFERTORY "Bless Thou the Gifts"

Douglas E. Wagner

*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 #496 "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms"

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE #747 "Go With Us, Lord"

**Go with us, Lord, and guide the way through this and every coming day,
That in your Spirit strong and true our lives may be our gift to you.**

*CLOSING VOLUNTARY "Trumpet Tune" (The Happy Trumpeter)

Gordon Young



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
Dorothy Clark, Organist
Tom Francis, Custodian Emeritus

Ward Gailey, Music Director
Linda Hodges, Office Manager
Nursery: Suzie Wharton

Stockbridge Presbyterian Church

*January 21, 2018
11:00 a.m.*



*God is faithful; by him you were called into the
fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.
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PREPARING FOR WORSHIP

(Please silence and refrain from using all electronic devices during this hour of worship.)

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

OPENING VOLUNTARY "I Trust, O Christ, in You Alone"

Johann Pachelbel

PRESENTATION OF THE WORD

Beadle: Judy Simmons

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 #71 "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"

Praise ye the Lord! O let all that is in me adore Him!

All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before Him!

Let the Amen sound from His people again: Gladly for ever adore Him!

*CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 62)

Liturgist: Carolyn Francis

Leader: For God alone our soul waits; our hope is from him.

All: God alone is our rock and our salvation; we shall not be shaken.

Leader: On God rests our deliverance and our honor;

All: Our mighty rock, our refuge is in God.

All: Hallelujah! Let us worship God!

*HYMN OF PRAISE #56 "Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above"

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Gracious God, forgive our childish attempts to do it all, to have it all, to control it all. Forgive us when we try to go it alone and end up frustrated and angry. Help us to remember that you are always with us, and you invite us to leave our cares with you. Please continue to hear us as we confess now in silence ...

ASSURANCE OF PARDON (from Psalm 103)

Leader: God does not deal with us according to our sins. As far as the east is from the west, so far he removes our transgressions from us. Friends, give thanks again for God's amazing grace:

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

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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 #405 "My Hope is Built on Nothing Less"

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Aaron Roberts

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

ANTHEM "My Faith Has Found a Resting Place" Mark Hill

Sanctuary Choir

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19

Page 511, Pew Bible

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING 1 Corinthians 1:3-9

Page 155, Pew Bible

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON "Enriched and Strengthened"

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.

MINISTRY OF GIVING