

MINISTRY OF GIVING

OFFERTORY "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

Paul Manz

*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 #72 "Great is Thy Faithfulness"

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE #393 "Blest Be the Tie That Binds" (verse 1)

**Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love;
the fellowship of kindred minds is like to that above.**

*CLOSING VOLUNTARY "A Mighty Fortress is Our God"

Johann Gottfried Walther



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
Dorothy Clark, Organist

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

Stockbridge Presbyterian Church

**January 31, 2016
11:00 a.m.**



All Music Sunday

*Praise the Lord! How good it is to
sing praises to our God; for he is gracious, and a
song of praise is fitting.
Psalm 147:1*

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 "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"

Paul Manz

Acolyte: Aubrey & Miranda Morrow

PRESENTATION OF THE WORD

Beadle: Laura Richardson

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 #40 "For the Beauty of the Earth" (verse 5)

**For thyself, best gift divine, to our race so freely given; for that great, great love of thine,
peace on earth and joy in heaven. Lord of all, to thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise.**

*CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 147)

Liturgist: Linda Roberts

Leader: Praise the Lord! How good it is to sing praises to our God;

All: For he is gracious, and a song of praise is fitting.

Leader: Great is our Lord, and abundant in power.

All: Sing to the Lord with thanksgiving!

All: Hallelujah! Let us worship God!

*HYMN OF PRAISE #507 "A Mighty Fortress"

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Gracious God, forgive us when we ignore you and give in to distractions. Forgive us when we accept your provision and blessing without remembering to thank you. Through your Spirit, help each of us to open our lives and our hearts to you more fully every day. Please hear us now as we continue our confession in silence ...

ASSURANCE OF PARDON (Ephesians 1:7-8a)

Leader: In Christ we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace that he lavished on us. Friends, give thanks again for the great good news of the gospel:

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 #426 "Blessed Assurance"

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Tami Pass

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

ANTHEM "Blow Ye the Trumpet, Blow! arr.Gailey

Sanctuary Choir

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING Psalm 147

Page 549, Pew Bible

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING Philippians 4:4-7

Page 187, Pew Bible

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

THE WORD PROCLAIM ED IN MUSIC

SPECIAL MUSIC "She" by Gram Parsons

Jonathan Gailey

HYMNS BY REQUEST

SPECIAL MUSIC "Ain't Nothing Wrong with Jesus"

Jonathan Gailey

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.