

OFFERTORY "Chanson" (Song)

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 #22 "Let All Things Now Living"

\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE #97 "Meekness and Majesty"

Meekness and Majesty, human and deity, in perfect harmony,  
the One who is God. Lord of eternity, dwells in humanity; kneels in humility and washes our feet.  
O what a mystery, meekness and majesty; bow down and worship, for this is your God.

\*CLOSING VOLUNTARY "Jesus, Jesus, Only Jesus"

Johann Kindermann



**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

February 28, 2016  
11:00 a.m.



*O Lord, you visit the earth and water it,  
you greatly enrich it; the river of God is full of  
water; you provide the people with grain, for so  
you have prepared it.*

*Psalm 65:9*

## 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 "Cathedral Fanfare"

Acolyte: Isabella Newsome

Gordon Young

#### PRESENTATION OF THE WORD

Beadle: Ron Scheer

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 #108 "There's Something About That Name"

**Jesus, Jesus, Jesus: there's just something about that name!**

**Master, Savior, Jesus, like the fragrance after the rain; Jesus, Jesus, Jesus, let all heaven and earth proclaim: Kings and kingdoms will all pass away, but there's something about that name!**

#### \*CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 65)

Liturgist: Noah Clipper

Leader: Praise is due to you, O God in Zion; O you who answer prayer.

**All: By awesome deeds you answer us with deliverance, O God of our salvation;**

Leader: You are the hope of all the ends of the earth and of the farthest seas. Happy are those whom you choose and bring near to live in your courts.

**All: We shall be satisfied with the goodness of your house, your holy temple.**

**All: Hallelujah! Let us worship God!**

#### \*HYMN OF PRAISE #67 "Come, We That Love the Lord"

### CALL TO CONFESSION

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

**Gracious God, if we feel isolated, it's because we have shut you out. If we feel lonely or unhappy, it's because we are ignoring you. When we are in sin, it's because we are choosing another path instead of the one you have marked for us. Forgive us, Lord. Remind us that whatever the conditions of our lives, you are there, bringing provision and comfort. Please continue to hear us as we confess now 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, give thanks for the great good news of the gospel:

**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 #23 "All Creatures of our God and King" (verses 1, 3, and 5)

#### CHILDREN'S SERMON

John Dunn

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

#### ANTHEM "Come to Me"

Sanctuary Choir

#### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

#### FIRST READING

1 Chronicles 29:20-22

Page 369, Pew Bible

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

#### SECOND READING

Psalm 65

Page 499, Pew Bible

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

#### SERMON "Thirsting and Starving in the Midst of Abundance"

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