

OFFERTORY "Orison" (A Prayer)

Douglas E. Wagner

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**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 #509 "Onward, Christian Soldiers"

\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE #317 "Crown Him with Many Crowns"

**Crown him the Lord of life, who triumphed o'er the grave,  
and rose victorious in the strife for those he came to save; his glories now we sing who died and rose  
on high, who died eternal life to bring, and lives that death may die.**

\*CLOSING VOLUNTARY "Benedictus" (Blessing)

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  
Stephanie Dunn, Youth Director  
Tom Francis, Custodian

Ward Gailey, Music Director  
Linda Hodges, Office Manager  
Nursery: Stephanie Phillips & Megan Bennett

# *Stockbridge Presbyterian Church*

**April 10, 2016  
11:00 a.m.**



*The Lord said to Ananias, "Go, for Saul is an instrument whom I have chosen to bring my name before Gentiles and kings and before the people of Israel; I myself will show him how much he must suffer for the sake of my name."  
Acts 9:15-16*

## 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 "Praise the Lord on High"

Acolyte: Elora Newsome

Rachel Sawyer

#### PRESENTATION OF THE WORD

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.

Beadle: John Dunn

### GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

\*Those who are able, please stand.

#### \*CONGREGATIONAL INTROIT #312 "Christ Is Alive"

**Christ is alive and comes to bring good news to this and every age;  
till earth and sky and ocean ring with joy, with justice, love, and praise.**

#### \*CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 30)

Leader: Sing praises to the Lord, O you his faithful ones,

**All: And give thanks to his holy name.**

Leader: You have clothed us with joy, so that we may praise you and not be silent.

**All: O Lord our God, we will give thanks to you forever.**

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

Liturgist: Jeffrey Cochran

#### \*HYMN OF PRAISE #31 "I Sing the Almighty Power of God"

### CALL TO CONFESSION

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

**Gracious God, forgive us when we are reluctant to speak your name. Forgive us when we are afraid to show your love to those around us, and just as afraid to show our love for you. Fill us with light and joy, so that those around us can see you more clearly. Please continue to hear us as we confess now in silence ...**

#### ASSURANCE OF PARDON (1 Timothy 1:15a)

Leader: The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. 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 #358 "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"

#### CHILDREN'S SERMON

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

Aaron Roberts

#### ANTHEM "Alleluia" Ed Harris

Sanctuary Choir

#### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

#### FIRST READING Psalm 30

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

Page 478, Pew Bible

#### SECOND READING Acts 9:1-20

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

Page 119, Pew Bible

#### SERMON "Radicalized"

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