

MINISTRY OF GIVING

OFFERTORY "Tribute to America" Arr. Mark Hayes

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 #730 "Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory"

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE #614 "Let There Be Peace on Earth"

Let there be peace on earth, and let it begin with me;

**let there be peace on earth, the peace that was meant to be. With God our creator, children all are we.
Let us walk with each other in perfect harmony. Let peace begin with me; let this be the moment now.**

**With every step I take, let this be my solemn vow: to take each moment and live each moment in
peace eternally. Let there be peace on earth, and let it begin with me.**

*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

May 25, 2014

11:00 a.m.



Memorial Day

*Remember Those Who
Gave Their Lives*

*Whenever Moses held up his hand, Israel prevailed; and
whenever he lowered his hand, Amalek prevailed.*

Exodus 17:11

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

Acolyte: Elle Roberts

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 #355 (verse 4) "This Is a Day of New Beginnings"

Christ is alive, and goes before us to show and share what love can do.

This is a day of new beginnings; our God is making all things new.

*CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 66)

Liturgist: Cindy Strong

Leader: Come and see what God has done! He is awesome in his deeds among mortals.

All: We rejoice in him, who rules by his might forever; his eyes keep watch on the nations.

Leader: Bless our God, O peoples, who has not let our foot slip.

All: Blessed be God, because he has not rejected our prayer, or removed his steadfast love from us.

All: Hallelujah! Let us worship God!

*OPENING HYMN #84 (verses 1-3 only) "O God, Our Help in Ages Past"

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Gracious God, forgive us when we forget that it is you who is in control, and not us. Forgive us every time we think we know better, and we hinder you from doing your work. Help us to humble ourselves and to trust you, knowing that your love and wisdom are perfect. Please continue to hear us as we confess now in silence ...

ASSURANCE OF PARDON (Romans 5:1)

Leader: Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand. Friends, give thanks again for the great good news of the kingdom of God:

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 #569 "God of Grace and God of Glory"

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Sue Scheer

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

ANTHEM America, Our Heritage/This Is My Country Steele/Jacobs

Sanctuary Choir

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING Psalm 33:8-22

Page 480, Pew Bible

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING Exodus 17:8-13

Page 61, Pew Bible

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON "We Couldn't Do It Without You"

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.