

## CELEBRATING THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

## PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

### 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.

## INVITATION TO THE TABLE

### THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

### COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

When passing the bread to your neighbor say, "The body of Christ, broken for you."

When passing the cup to your neighbor say, "The blood of Christ, shed for you."

We will hold each element until all are served and then partake together.

## PRAYER OF COMMITMENT

### BEARING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

\*HYMN OF SENDING #134 "Sweet, Sweet Spirit"

\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE #326 "Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness" (Chorus only)

**Spirit, Spirit of gentleness, blow through the wilderness calling and free;**

**Spirit, Spirit of restlessness, stir me from placidness, wind, wind on the sea.**

\*CLOSING VOLUNTARY "Come Holy Ghost, Creator Blest"

Johann Erasmus 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  
Dorothy Clark, Organist  
Tom Francis, Custodian Emeritus

Ward Gailey, Music Director  
Linda Hodges, Office Manager  
Nursery Attendants: Suzie Wharton & Elizabeth Wagner

# Stockbridge Presbyterian Church



## *Celebrating the Sacrament Of Communion*

*"Let anyone who is thirsty come to me,  
and let the one who believes in me drink.  
As the scripture has said, 'Out the believer's heart  
shall flow rivers of living water.'"*

*John 7:37b-38*

## 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 "Come, Holy Ghost, Lord God"

Friedrich Wilhelm Zachau

#### PRESENTATION OF THE WORD

Beadle: Jeffrey Cochran

**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 #332 "Let Every Christian Pray"

**Let every Christian pray, this day and every day, come, Holy Spirit, come!  
Was not the church we love commissioned from above? Come, Holy Spirit come!**

#### \*CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 104)

Liturgist: Jeffrey Cochran

Leader: Bless the Lord, O my soul! O Lord our God, you are very great.

**All: You are clothed with honor and majesty, wrapped in light as with a garment.**

Leader: How manifold are your works! In wisdom you have made them all.

**All: We will sing to the Lord as long as we live; we will sing praise to our God while we have being.**

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

#### \*HYMN OF PRAISE #35 "Morning Has Broken"

Arr. Cat Stevens

### CALL TO CONFESSION

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

**Gracious God, as on the first day of Pentecost, the coming of your Spirit brings change, power, and growth. Forgive us when we are fearful, when we resist you, when we close our hearts and minds to your voice. Help us to trust you, and to submit to the leading of your Spirit with joy and expectation. Please hear us now as we continue our confession in silence ...**

#### ASSURANCE OF PARDON (Colossians 1:13-14)

Leader: God has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. Friends, rejoice again in 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

#### CHILDREN'S SERMON

John Dunn

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

#### ANTHEM "Come Thou, Holy Spirit" Tschesnokof

Sanctuary Choir

#### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

#### FIRST READING John 7:37-39

Page 94, Pew Bible

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

#### SECOND READING Acts 2:1-21

Page 111, Pew Bible

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

#### SERMON "Thrive!"

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

#### OFFERTORY Variant on "Every Time I Feel the Spirit"

Dennis Janzer

#### \*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