

OFFERTORY "Prayer"

Ludwig van Beethoven

*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 #719 "Go, My Children, with My Blessing" (Verses 1, 2, and 4 only)

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE #87 "Come, Christians, Join to Sing"

**Come, lift your hearts on high, Alleluia! Amen! Let praises fill the sky; Alleluia! Amen!
Christ is our Guide and Friend; to us he'll condescend; his love shall never end: Alleluia! Amen!**

*CLOSING VOLUNTARY "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

John A. Behnke



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 Emeritus

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

Stockbridge Presbyterian Church

**June 12, 2016
11:00 a.m.**



*You desire truth in the inward being;
therefore teach me wisdom in my secret heart.
Psalm 51:6*

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 "On Christ the Solid Rock I Stand"

Adam Mason

Acolyte: Collin Roberts

PRESENTATION OF THE WORD

Beadle: Linda Roberts

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 #56 "Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above"

**What God's almighty power has made, in mercy he is keeping;
by morning glow or evening shade his eye is never sleeping. And where he rules in kingly might,
there all is just and all is right: to God all praise and glory!**

*CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 61)

Liturgist: Linda Roberts

Leader: Hear our cry, O God; listen to our prayer. From the ends of the earth we call to you.

All: Lead us to the Rock that is higher than we are, for you are our refuge.

Leader: Let us abide in your tent forever, find refuge under the shelter of your wings.

All: We will always sing praises to your name.

All: Hallelujah! Let us worship God!

*HYMN OF PRAISE #68 "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Gracious God, we confess that we are too critical of others. We confess that we often judge quickly and without mercy. We confess our own self-righteousness, and our baseless, inaccurate feelings of superiority. Forgive us, Lord. Through your Spirit, please help us to love more and judge less. 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 #385 "Search Me, O God"

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Stephanie Dunn

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

ANTHEM "The Unseen Hand" A.J. Sims/arr. Ward Gailey

Sanctuary Choir

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING 1 Kings 21:1-16

Page 313, Pew Bible

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING Psalm 51:1-8

Page 492, Pew Bible

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON "Is There Still a Dog In There?"

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