

MINISTRY OF GIVING

OFFERTORY "My Country, 'Tis of Thee" Arr. Janet Linker

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 FOR 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 #134 "Sweet, Sweet Spirit"

**There's a sweet, sweet Spirit in this place, and I know that it's the Spirit of the Lord;
There are sweet expressions on each face, and I know they feel the presence of the Lord.
Sweet holy Spirit, sweet heavenly Dove, stay right here with us, filling us with your love; and for these
blessings we lift our hearts in praise; without a doubt we'll know that we have been revived when we
shall leave this place.**

*CLOSING VOLUNTARY

Zachary Smith



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

June 28, 2015
11:00 a.m.



PREPARING FOR WORSHIP

(Please silence and refrain from using all electronic devices during this hour of worship.)

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*SHARING OF 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: Arlene Lathrop

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 # 2 "O Worship the King" (verse 4)

Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail, in thee do we trust, nor find thee to fail; thy mercies how tender, how firm to the end, our Maker, Defender, Redeemer and Friend.

*CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 33)

Liturgist: Kaitlyn Clipper

Leader: Rejoice in the Lord; sing to him a new song!

All: For the Word of the Lord is upright, and all his work is done in faithfulness.

Leader: God loves righteousness and justice; the earth is full of the steadfast love of the Lord.

All: Our heart is glad in him, because we trust in his holy name.

All: Hallelujah! Let us worship God!

*HYMN OF PRAISE #728 "God of the Ages, Whose Almighty Hand"

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Gracious God, we confess our pride, and the apathy that causes us to take your gifts for granted. Forgive us when we are self-righteous, forgetting that without your mercy, we are nothing. Remind us that we live in freedom because of your favor and grace. Please continue to hear us as we confess now in silence ...

ASSURANCE OF PARDON (Romans 5:1-2a)

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 gospel:

All: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! Amen.

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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 #727 "America, the Beautiful"

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Stephanie Dunn

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

ANTHEM "Be Still and Know" with "Be Still, My Soul" Arr. Mark Hayes

Laura Richardson, soloist

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING 1 Samuel 17:37-49

Page 250, Pew Bible

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING Mark 4:35-41

Page 36, Pew Bible

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON "The Battle Is the Lord's"

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.