

CELEBRATING THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

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.

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 #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

Andrea Emmel

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: Elizabeth Wagner & Suzie Wharton

Stockbridge Presbyterian Church

July 1, 2018

11:00 am



Jesus said, "For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life."

John 3:16

PREPARING FOR WORSHIP

*(Please silence and refrain from using all electronic devices during this hour of worship.
Otherwise, Susan will turn into her evil twin and give you The Look.)*

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

OPENING VOLUNTARY

Andrea Emmel

PRESENTATION OF THE WORD

Beadle: Kim Seal

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 #731 "My Country, 'Tis of Thee" (verse 4)

Our father's God, to thee, Author of liberty, to thee we sing;

Long may our land be bright with freedom's holy light;

Protect us by thy might, great God, Our King!

*CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 130)

Liturgist: Linda Roberts

Leader: Out of the depth we cry to you, O Lord.

All: Lord, hear our voice!

Leader: O Israel, hope in the Lord! For with the Lord there is steadfast love, and with him there is great power to redeem.

All: It is the Lord who will redeem Israel from all its iniquities.

All: Hallelujah! Let us worship God!

*HYMN OF PRAISE #727 "America the Beautiful"

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Gracious God, forgive us when our hearts grow hard, when we pass judgment instead of offering compassion. Forgive our need to feel superior to others, and for the times we criticize when understanding is called for. Help us, Lord, to know our hearts as they truly are, and to have mercy on others as you have mercy on us. Please continue to hear us as we confess now in silence ...

ASSURANCE OF PARDON (1 John 1:9)

Leader: If we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. Friends, give thanks again for the great good news of the kingdom of God:

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

*GLORIA PATRI

GLORIA

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

TBD

ANTHEM "Homeland" Holst, arr. Stroope

Sanctuary Choir

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

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING Micah 6:6-8

Page 816, Pew Bible

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING Ephesians 2:11-22

Page 181, Pew Bible

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON "Peace"

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

Andrea Emmel

*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