

MINISTRY OF GIVING

OFFERTORY "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

Paul Manz

*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 #414 "I Know That My Redeemer Lives!" (verses 1 & 5 only)

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE #717 "Go Now in Peace" (verse 3)

**Go now in faith, through time and chance, until we join the wedding dance
as partners of the Three in One, where all is ended and begun.**

*CLOSING VOLUNTARY "Fantasia in C Major"

J.S. Bach



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
Glory Cumbow, Youth Director
Tom Francis, Custodian Emeritus

Ward Gailey, Music Director
Linda Hodges, Office Manager
Nursery: Stephanie Phillips and Breon Williams

Stockbridge Presbyterian Church

**July 24, 2016
11:00 a.m.**



*So let us not grow weary of doing what is right, for
we will reap at harvest time, if we do not give up.
Galatians 6:9*

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 "Processional in E Flat Major"

David N. Johnson

Acolyte: Elora Newsome

PRESENTATION OF THE WORD

Beadle: Greg 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 #11 "Stand Up and Bless the Lord" (verse 3)

**God is our strength and song, and his salvation ours;
then be his love in Christ proclaimed with all our ransomed powers.**

*CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 77)

Liturgist: Greg Lathrop

Leader: Let us hear what God the Lord will speak. For he will speak peace to his people,

All: To his faithful, to those who turn to him in their hearts.

Leader: Surely his salvation is at hand for those who fear him, that his glory may dwell in our land.

All: Faithfulness will spring up from the ground, and righteousness will look down from the sky.

All: Hallelujah! Let us worship God!

*HYMN OF PRAISE #35 "Morning Has Broken"

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Gracious God, forgive us when we are too comfortable, when we are self-satisfied and self-absorbed, when we turn away from your commandments to love and to give. In your life, death, and resurrection, you have shown us sacrificial love. Help us, through your Spirit, to show that same love to others. Please hear us now as we continue our confession in silence ...

ASSURANCE OF PARDON (Romans 3:23-24)

Leader: All have sinned and fall short of the glory of God; we are now justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus. Friends, give thanks again for the great good news of the gospel:

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 #614 "Let There Be Peace on Earth"

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Stephanie Dunn

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

ANTHEM "The Lord Has a Child" by William Schuman Text by Langston Hughes

Jeffrey Cochran, tenor

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING Psalm 37:1-7

Page 483, Pew Bible

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

SPECIAL MUSIC

SECOND READING Galatians 6:1-10

Page 180, Pew Bible

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON "Steps 4 & 5"

Carly Keller

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.