

OFFERTORY

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**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 #665 "Break Now the Bread of Life"

\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE #9 "Come, Let Us Praise the Lord" (verse 2)

**Our God of matchless worth, our King beyond compare, the deepest bounds of earth,  
the hills, are in his care. He all decrees, who by his hand prepared the land and formed the seas.**

\*CLOSING VOLUNTARY

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**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 Bennett

# *Stockbridge Presbyterian Church*

**August 9, 2015  
11:00 a.m.**



*"I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh."*

*John 6:51*

## 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

Acolyte: Lexie Buchan

### PRESENTATION OF THE WORD

Beadle: Ron Scheer

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 #40 "For the Beauty of the Earth" (verse 2)

**For the wonder of each hour of the day and of the night, hill and vale and tree and flower, sun and moon and stars of light, Lord of all to thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise.**

#### \*CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 130)

Liturgist: Terry Holmes

Leader: Church, hope in the Lord!

**All: For with the Lord there is steadfast love,**

Leader: And with him is great power to redeem.

**All: It is he who redeems us from all our iniquities.**

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

#### \*HYMN OF PRAISE #342 "Rejoice, the Lord Is King!"

### CALL TO CONFESSION

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

**Gracious God, forgive us when we criticize the speck in someone else's eye, but are blind to the log in our own eye. Forgive any self-righteousness or feelings of superiority we may have; they are inaccurate and sinful. Help us to offer to others the same grace you offer us. 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, give thanks again for 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 #257 "What Wondrous Love Is This"

#### CHILDREN'S SERMON

Stephanie Dunn

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

#### ANTHEM "Wondrous Love" American Folk Melody, arr. DeCou

Sanctuary Choir

### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

#### FIRST READING Ephesians 4:25-5:2

Page 183, Pew Bible

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

#### SECOND READING John 6:35, 41-51

Page 92, Pew Bible

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

#### SERMON "The Bread of Life"

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