

OFFERTORY

Zachary Smith

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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 #466 "Take My Life and Let It Be"

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE #108 "There's Something About That Name"

Jesus, Jesus, Jesus: there's just something about that name!

**Master, Savior, Jesus, like the fragrance after the rain; Jesus, Jesus, Jesus, let all heaven and earth
proclaim: Kings and kingdoms will all pass away, but there's something about that name!**

*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 Johnson

Stockbridge Presbyterian Church

August 17, 2014

11:00 a.m.



*Then Jesus answered her, "Woman, great is your faith!
Let it be done for you as you wish."
And her daughter was healed instantly.
Matthew 15:28*

PREPARING FOR WORSHIP

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

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

MINUTE FOR MISSION

Jim Beisner

*SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

OPENING VOLUNTARY

Acolyte: Syndey Holloway

PRESENTATION OF THE WORD

Beadle: John Dunn

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 #335 (verse 3) "Christ the Eternal Lord"

**Christ the redeeming Son who shares our human birth,
and by his death salvation won for every child of earth; inspire our hearts, we pray, to tell your love
abroad, that all may honor Christ today and follow him as Lord.**

*CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 133)

Liturgist: Sue Scheer

Leader: How very good and pleasant it is when kindred dwell together in unity!

All: It is like precious oil on the head;

Leader: It is like the dew of Hermon, which falls on the mountains of Zion.

All: For there the Lord ordained his blessing: life forevermore!

All: Hallelujah! Let us worship God!

*HYMN OF PRAISE #71 "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Gracious God, when we are filled with foolish pride, please forgive us. When we consider ourselves better than others, please forgive us. Forgive us when we criticize and judge, forgetting that we are all your children, and all nothing more than sinners in need of a Savior. Please hear us as we continue our confession in silence ...

ASSURANCE OF PARDON (1 Timothy 1:15a)

Leader: The saying is sure and worthy of all acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. 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 #11 "Stand Up and Bless the Lord"

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Aaron Roberts

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

ANTHEM "Who Will Be a Witness?" arr. Donald Moore

Sanctuary Choir

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING Psalm 133

Page 543, Pew Bible

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING Matthew 15:10-28

Page 16, Pew Bible

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON "Spirit, Mercy, and Faith"

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