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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 #502 "Be Thou My Vision"

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE #67 "Come, We That Love the Lord" (verse 4)

**Then let our songs abound, and every tear be dry;
We're marching through Emmanuel's ground to fairer worlds on high.**

*POSTLUDE "Fanfare"

Dietrich Buxtehude



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: Suzie Wharton and Allie Dunn

Stockbridge Presbyterian Church

*August 19, 2018
11:00 a.m.*



*But the one who eats this bread will live forever.
John 6:58b*

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.

CHIMING THE TRINITY

PRELUDE "My Heart Rejoices"

David Paxton

PRESENTATION OF THE WORD

Beadle: Jeffrey Cochran

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 #67 "Come, We That Love the Lord" (verse 1)

**Come, we that love the Lord, and let our joys be known,
Join in a song with sweet accord, and thus surround the throne.**

*CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 111)

Liturgist: Jeffrey Cochran

Leader: The works of God's hands are faithful and just; all his precepts are trustworthy.

**All: They are established forever and ever, to be performed with faithfulness and
uprightness.**

Leader: He sent redemption to his people; he has commanded his covenant forever.

All: Holy and awesome is his name!

All: Hallelujah! Let us worship God!

*HYMN OF PRAISE #17 "Praise the Lord! O Heavens, Adore Him"

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Gracious God, you sent your Son to show us your love and grace, yet too often we are quick to anger, slow to forgive, and ready to hold a grudge. Forgive us for the times when we do not love as we should, when we are selfish and proud. Help us to humble ourselves before you, and others, that we may be vessels of your amazing grace. Please continue to hear us as we confess now in silence ...

ASSURANCE OF PARDON (1 John 1:9)

Leader: If we confess our sins, he 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 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

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Aaron Roberts

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

ANTHEM "O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing" Miller

Sanctuary Choir

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING 1 Kings 2:10-12; 3:3-14

Page 290, Pew Bible

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING John 6:51-59

Page 93, Pew Bible

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON "Making Sense of It All"

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 "I'm But a Stranger Here" (Heaven Is My Home)

arr. John A. Behnke