

MINISTRY OF GIVING

OFFERTORY "My Heart is Filled with Thankfulness" by Getty & Townend, Arr. James Koerts Zachary Smith

*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 #349 "Seek Ye First"

*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

Zachary Smith



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 24, 2014

11:00 a.m.



*Jesus said to them, "But who do you say that I am?"
Simon Peter answered, "You are the Messiah,
the Son of the living God."
Matthew 16:15-16*

PREPARING FOR WORSHIP

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

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

OPENING VOLUNTARY

Acolyte: Breana Huggins

PRESENTATION OF THE WORD

Beadle: Judy Simmons

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 4) "Christ the Eternal Lord"

**Christ the unfading Light of everlasting day, our morning star in splendor bright,
the Life, the Truth, the Way; that light of truth you give to servants as to friends, your way to walk,
your life to live, till earth's brief journey ends.**

*CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 124)

Liturgist: Linda Roberts

Leader: If the Lord were not on our side, how would we live?

All: The Lord has protected us and kept us.

Leader: Our help is in the name of the Lord, who made heaven and earth!

All: Hallelujah! Let us worship God!

*OPENING HYMN #23 "All Creatures of Our God and King"

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Gracious God, we call you Savior, but we do not repent. We call you Lord, but we do not follow you. Forgive our pride and stubbornness. Cleanse us of any trace of self-righteousness, and strengthen us to leave the darkness and walk out into your light and grace. Please hear us now as we continue our confession in silence ...

ASSURANCE OF PARDON (Ephesians 1:7-8a)

Leader: In Christ we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace that he lavished on us. Friends, give thanks again for the great good news of the kingdom of God:

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 #598 "Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken"

BAPTISM OF AMARA LYNNE PASS

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Sue Scheer

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

ANTHEM "Awake My Heart" Jane Marshall

Sanctuary Choir

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING Psalm 124

Page 540, Pew Bible

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING Matthew 16:13-20

Page 17, Pew Bible

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON "The Two of You"

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.