

MINISTRY OF GIVING

OFFERTORY

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 #66 "To God Be the Glory"

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE #146 "Glorify Thy Name"

**Father, we love you, we worship and adore you, glorify thy name in all the earth;
glorify thy name, glorify thy name, glorify thy name in all the earth**

*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 Bennett

Stockbridge Presbyterian Church

September 28, 2014

11:00 a.m.



*Make my joy complete: be of the same mind, having the
same love, being in full accord and of one mind. Do
nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility
regard others as better than yourselves.*

Philippians 2:2-3

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

Acolyte: Lorren Huggins

PRESENTATION OF THE WORD

Beadle: Cooper Keller

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 #134 "Sweet, Sweet Spirit"

**There's a sweet, sweet Spirit in this place,
and I know that it's the Spirit of the Lord; there are sweet expressions on each face, and I know they
feel the presence of the Lord. Sweet Holy Spirit, sweet heavenly dove, stay right here with us, filling
us with your love; and for these blessings we lift our hearts in praise; without a doubt we'll know that
we have been revived when we shall leave this place.**

*CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 117)

Liturgist: Carolyn Francis

Leader: Praise the Lord, all you nations! Extol him, all you peoples!

All: For great is his steadfast love toward us,

Leader: And the faithfulness of the Lord endures forever.

All: Hallelujah! Let us worship God!

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

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

**Gracious God, forgive us when we give in to foolish pride. Forgive us when we think our-
selves better than others, when we are selfish or condescending. Remind us of the humility you
showed in coming from glory to dwell among us, and empower us to follow in your steps. 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 gospel:

All: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! Amen.

*GLORIA PATRI

GLORIA

**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 #97 "Meekness and Majesty"

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Aaron Roberts

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

ANTHEM "Praise His Holy Name" Keith Hampton

Sanctuary Choir

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING Exodus 17:1-7

Page 61, Pew Bible

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING Philippians 2:1-13

Page 186, Pew Bible

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON "If It's Good Enough for God ..."

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.**