

OFFERTORY "Heaven Is My Home"

Arthur S. Sullivan, arr. Behnke

*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 #80 "He's Got the Whole World in His Hands"

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE (To the tune of "Edelweiss")

**May the Lord, mighty God, bless and keep you forever.
Grant you peace, perfect peace, courage in every endeavor.
Lift up your eyes and see God's face and God's grace forever.
May the Lord, mighty God, bless and keep you forever.**

*CLOSING VOLUNTARY "Rise Up, Ye Saints of God"

Michael Burkhardt



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
Glory Cumbow, Youth Director
Tom Francis, Custodian Emeritus

Ward Gailey, Music Director
Linda Hodges, Office Manager
Nursery: Stephanie Phillips & Breon Williams

Stockbridge Presbyterian Church

October 30, 2016
11:00 a.m.



*For there is still a vision for the appointed time;
it speaks of the end, and does not lie. If it seems to tarry,
wait for it; it will surely come, it will not delay.
Habakkuk 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

MINUTE FOR MISSION

Arlene Lathrop

*SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

NECROLOGY

Handbell Choir

OPENING VOLUNTARY "For All the Saints"

Acolyte: TBD

arr. Hal H. Hopson

PRESENTATION OF THE WORD

Beadle: Jason Howard

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 #87 "Come, Christians, Join to Sing"

**Come, lift your hearts on high, Alleluia! Amen! Let praises fill the sky; Alleluia! Amen!
Christ is our Guide and Friend; to us he'll condescend; his love shall never end: Alleluia! Amen!**

*CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 119)

Liturgist: Lee Hart

Leader: You are righteous, O Lord, and your judgments are right.

All: You have appointed your decrees in righteousness and in all faithfulness.

Leader: Your law is the truth; your commandments are our delight.

All: Your decrees are righteous forever!

All: Hallelujah! Let us worship God!

*HYMN OF PRAISE #529 "For All the Saints"

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

**Gracious God, we confess we are impatient. We confess also that we can be bossy and we
sometimes feel entitled. Forgive us, Lord. Teach us humility; teach us patience; teach us to trust in
you. Please hear us now as we continue our confession in silence ...**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON (Galatians 1:4)

Leader: The Lord Jesus Christ gave himself for our sins to set us free from the present evil age,
according to the will of our God and Father. Friends, give thanks again for God's
amazing grace:

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 #405 "My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less"

CHILDREN'S SERMON

John Dunn

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

ANTHEM "I'm Goin' Home on a Cloud" Spiritual

Sanctuary Choir

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING Psalm 119:137-144

Page 538, Pew Bible

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING Habakkuk 1:1-4; 2:1-4

Page 821, Pew Bible

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON "Hope From A Babylonian House Plant"

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