

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

CELEBRATING THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

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.

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

When passing the bread to your neighbor say, "The body of Christ, broken for you."

When passing the cup to your neighbor say, "The blood of Christ, shed for you."

We will hold each element until all are served and then partake together.

PRAYER OF COMMITMENT

**BEARING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD**

\*HYMN OF SENDING #730 "Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory"

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

\*CHARGE AND BLESSING

\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE #12 "Be Exalted, O God"

**Be exalted, O God, above the heavens; let thy glory be over all the earth.**

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\*CLOSING VOLUNTARY Postlude on "National Hymn"

arr. Harold DeCou

**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 Attendants: Suzie Wharton & Breon Williams

# Stockbridge Presbyterian

## Church

November 6, 2016

11:00 am



## Celebrating the Sacrament Of Communion

## 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

Jim Beisner

### \*SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

### OPENING VOLUNTARY Meditation on "America"

Acolyte: TBD

Eleanor Whitsett

### PRESENTATION OF THE WORD

Beadle: Jim Beisner

**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"

**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 145)

Liturgist: Jim Beisner

Leader: We extol you, our God and King, and bless your name forever and ever.

**All: Every day we bless you, and praise your name forever and ever.**

Leader: You are great, Lord, and greatly to be praised; your greatness is unsearchable.

**All: All your works shall give thanks to you, O Lord, and all your faithful shall bless you.**

**All: Hallelujah! Let us worship God!**

### \*HYMN OF PRAISE #727 "America, the Beautiful"

### CALL TO CONFESSION

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

**Gracious God, forgive us when we forget the things that are most important. Forgive us when we leave you to chase distractions and busyness. Help us to remember always that it is only your love and mercy that make it possible for us to live and thrive. Please continue to hear us as we confess now in silence ...**

### ASSURANCE OF PARDON (Romans 3:23-24)

Leader: All have sinned and fall short of the glory of God; we are now justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus. 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

### CHILDREN'S SERMON

Aaron Roberts

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

### ANTHEM "Armed Services Medley"

Congregation and Choir

### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

### FIRST READING Psalm 98

Page 521, Pew Bible

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

### SECOND READING Haggai 1:15b-2:9

Page 827, Pew Bible

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

### SERMON "Our To-Do List"

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 "Chorale Prelude on Psalm 23"

Douglas E. Wagner

### \*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.**