

OFFERTORY "Sing unto the Lord a New Song/I Will Sing of the Mercies" Arr. M. Hayes & Z. Smith 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 #59 "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE #355 (verse 2) "The Is a Day of New Beginnings"
*For by the life and death of Jesus,
love's mighty Spirit, now as then, can make for us a world
of difference, as faith and hope are born again.*

*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 our Christian faith and about our 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
Mary Thompson, Christian Ed Coordinator
Ward Gailey, Music Director

Zachary Smith, Musician
Linda Hodges, Office Manager
Tom Francis, Custodian
Nursery: Stephanie Phillips & Abigail Jenkins

Stockbridge Presbyterian Church

October 13, 2013

11:00 a.m.



*But seek the welfare of the city where I have sent you into
exile, and pray to the Lord on its behalf, for in its welfare
you will find your welfare.*

Jeremiah 29:7

PREPARING FOR WORSHIP

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

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

OPENING VOLUNTARY

Acolyte: Mitchell Stanley

PRESENTATION OF THE WORD

Beadle: Terry Holmes

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 #56 (verse 2) "Sing Praise to God"

What God's almighty power has made, in mercy he is keeping; by morning glow or evening shade his eye is never sleeping. And where he rules in kingly might, there all is just and all is right: to God all praise and glory!

*CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 66)

Liturgist: Cooper Keller

Leader: Make a joyful noise to God, all the earth; sing the glory of his name; give to him glorious praise.

All: Come and see what God has done; he is awesome in his deeds among mortals.

Leader: He turned the sea into dry land; there we rejoiced in him, who rules by his might forever.

All: Bless our God, O peoples, let the sound of his praise be heard!

All: Hallelujah! Let us worship God!

*HYMN OF PRAISE #96 "O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing"

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Gracious God, forgive us when we take you for granted. We expect you to be just where we left you, and we forget that you are God and we are not. Help us to look for you and find you everywhere; help us to enlarge our vision of who you are and what you want to do. Please continue to hear us as we confess now in silence ...

ASSURANCE OF PARDON (I Timothy 1:15)

Leader: The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. Friends, rejoice again in God's amazing grace:

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

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

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Sue Scheer

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

ANTHEM

"The Lord's Prayer" --Tom Council

Sanctuary Choir

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING Psalm 66:1-12

Page 499, Pew Bible

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING Jeremiah 29:1, 4-7

Page 687, Pew Bible

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON "Love Thy Neighbor"

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.