

OFFERTORY "We Bring the Sacrifice of Praise" 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 #358 "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE #355 (verse 4) "The Is a Day of New Beginnings"

**Christ is alive, and goes before us to show and share what love can do.
This is a day of new beginnings; our God is making all things new.**

*CLOSING VOLUNTARY

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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 27, 2013

11:00 a.m.



*I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I
have kept the faith.
2 Timothy 4:7*

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: Elle Roberts

PRESENTATION OF THE WORD

Beadle: Sherry McGee

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 4) "Sing Praise to God"

Let all who name Christ's holy name give God the praise and glory.

Let all who know his power proclaim aloud the wondrous story. Cast every idol from its throne; the Lord is God, and he alone: to God all praise and glory!

*CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 65)

Liturgist: Carol Abbott

Leader: Praise is due to you, O God!

All: Happy are those whom you choose and bring near to live in your courts.

Leader: We shall be satisfied with the goodness of your house, your holy temple.

All: Hallelujah! Let us worship God!

*HYMN OF PRAISE #502 "Be Thou My Vision"

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Gracious God, forgive us when we fall into pride. And forgive us when we can see nothing good about ourselves at all. Help us to look at ourselves with sober judgment, acknowledging our sin, but rejoicing in your love and grace. Please continue to hear us as we confess now 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.

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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 #569 "God of Grace and God of Glory"

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Aaron Roberts

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

ANTHEM

"Shout to the Lord" Arr. Mark Hayes

Sanctuary Choir

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18

Page 201, Pew Bible

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING Luke 18:9-14

Page 76, Pew Bible

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON "Is it Ever Really All About Me?"

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.