

**DOXOLOGY*

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him all creatures here below;
Alleluia, alleluia!*

*Praise Him above ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost;
O praise Him, O praise Him; Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!*

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

**CLOSING HYMN # 499 "He Leadeth Me"*

**CHARGE AND BENEDICTION*

**CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE "Go Forth for God"*

*Go forth for God, go to the world in peace; be of good courage, armed with heavenly grace,
In God's good Spirit daily to increase, till in the kingdom we see face to face.
Go forth for God, go to the world in peace.*

**CLOSING VOLUNTARY*

David E. Dillard



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.

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Stockbridge Presbyterian Church

**January 29, 2012
11:00 a.m.**



***Great are the works of the Lord, studied by all who delight in them.
Full of honor and majesty is his work, and his righteousness
endures forever.***

Psalm 111:2-3

PREPARING FOR WORSHIP

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

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

OPENING VOLUNTARY

Acolyte: Peyton Lewis

PRESENTATION OF THE WORD

Beadle: Carlton Smith

Please use this time for silent meditation and preparation for worship. Prayer cards are in the pew rack in front of you. Please place in the offering plate for inclusion in the morning prayers and addition to our church's prayer list.

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

**Those who are able, please stand.*

*CONGREGATIONAL INTROIT "This Is A Day of New Beginnings"

*This is a day of new beginnings, time to remember and move on,
Time to believe what love is bringing, laying to rest the pain that's gone.
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.*

*CALL TO WORSHIP from Psalm 111

Liturgist: Laura Richardson

Leader: Praise the Lord!

All: We will give thanks to the Lord with all our hearts, in the company of the upright, in the congregation.

Leader: Great are the works of the Lord, studied by all who delight in them.

All: The works of his hands are faithful and just; all his precepts are trustworthy.

All: Hallelujah! Let us worship God!

*OPENING HYMN # 84 "O God, Our Help in Ages Past"

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Gracious God, your goodness and grace surround us and fill us, and still, too often, we neglect to thank you, or we look away without noticing. Forgive our blindness, our indifference, our apathy, our complacency. Fill us afresh with your Spirit and help our hearts to see you clearly and give thanks for all you are and do. Please hear us now as we continue our confession in silence ...

ASSURANCE OF PARDON (Colossians 1:13)

Leader: God has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. Friends, rejoice again in God's great mercy and love:

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

*GLORIA PATRI

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 # 72 "Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

CHILDREN'S SERMON

David E. Dillard

ANTHEM "The Potter's Hand"

Sanctuary Choir

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING Isaiah 40:27-31

Page 628, Pew Bible

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING Philippians 3:4b-14

Page 187, Pew Bible

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON "Marching Off the Map"

Rev. Tom Tewell

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.

OFFERTORY