

*\*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 # 607* "Happy the Home When God Is There"

*\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION*

*\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE* "God Be With You"

***God be with you till we meet again, by his counsels guide, uphold you,  
With his sheep securely fold you; God be with you till we meet again.***

*\*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.

Rev. Susan Bennett, Pastor  
David E. Dillard, Director of Music Ministries  
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# Stockbridge Presbyterian Church

**February 12, 2012  
11:00 a.m.**



***Weeping may linger for the night, but joy comes with the morning.***

***Psalm 30:5b***

## 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: Elle Roberts

### 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. 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 "Seek Ye First"

*Seek ye first the kingdom of god and its righteousness,  
And all these things shall be added unto you; Allelu, alleluia!  
Ask, and it shall be given unto you, seek and ye shall find,  
Knock, and the door shall be opened unto you; Allelu, alleluia!*

#### \*CALL TO WORSHIP from Psalm 30

Liturgist: Adam Dunn

Leader: We will extol you, O Lord, for you have drawn us up.

**All: Sing praises to the Lord, O you his faithful ones, and give thanks to his holy name.**

Leader: By your favor, O Lord, you have established us as a strong mountain.

**All: O Lord our God, we will give thanks to you forever.**

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

#### \*OPENING HYMN #138 "Holy God, We Praise Your Name"

### CALL TO CONFESSION

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Gracious God, we are too often fearful, not trusting you as we should. Forgive us for our self-absorption, our selfishness, when there are so many who need you and we do not respond. Fill us with your love and grace, until it overflows onto all whom we meet. Please continue to hear us as we confess now in silence ...

### ASSURANCE OF PARDON (Romans 8:1-2)

Leader: There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has set you free from the law of sin and of death. Friends, give thanks again for the great mercy of God:

**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 # 465 "Lord, Be Glorified"

#### CHILDREN'S SERMON

David E. Dillard

#### ANTHEM "Sing Joyful Praise!"

Sanctuary Choir

#### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

#### FIRST READING 2 Kings 5:1-14

Page 320, Pew Bible

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

#### SECOND READING Mark 1:40-45

Page 33, Pew Bible

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

#### SERMON "At Home Again"

Elder Cassandra Morrow

## 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