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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 FOR 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 #499 "He Leadeth Me"

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE "Sweet, Sweet Spirit"

There's a sweet, sweet Spirit in this place, and I know that it's the Spirit of the Lord;
There are sweet expressions on each face, and I know they feel the presence of the Lord.
Sweet Holy Spirit, sweet heavenly Dove, stay right here with us, filling us with your love;
And for these blessings we lift our hearts in praise;

Without a doubt we'll know that we have been revived when we shall leave this place.

*CLOSING VOLUNTARY Zachary Smith

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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 Levena Hemmle, Office Manager Tom Francis, Custodian Nursery: Stephanie Phillips & Abigail Jenkins

Stockbridge Presbyterian Church

April 21, 2013 11:00 a.m.



Jesus said, "My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand."

John 10:27-28

PREPARING FOR WORSHIP

Please silence and refrain from using all electronic devices.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

Acolyte: Elle Roberts OPFNING VOLUNTARY

PRESENTATION OF THE WORD

Beadle: Darin Clipper 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 #492 "Spirit of the Living God"

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me; Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me. Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me. Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

*CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 23)

Liturgist: Carol Abbott

Leader: The Lord is our Shepherd; we shall not want. He leads us beside still waters;

He restores our soul. All:

Leader: Surely goodness and mercy shall follow us all the days of our lives,

And we shall dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

Hallelujah! Let us worship God! All:

*HYMN OF PRAISE #9 "Come. Let Us Praise the Lord"

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Gracious God, some days, in our hearts, we are goats. We resist, we rebel, we are cranky and headstrong. Forgive us, Lord. Remind us that as our Shepherd, you love us, care for us, and lead us. Help us to receive your grace with grateful hearts, and to follow you as your obedient flock. Please hear us now and we continue our confession in silence ...

ASSURANCE OF PARDON (from Romans 5:1-2)

Leader: Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have received access to this grace in which we stand. Friends,

rejoice again in God's amazing grace:

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! Amen.

*GLORIA PATRI **GLORIA**

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 #440 "Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us"

CHILDREN'S MOMENTS

Wendy Wells

(Children will return to their seats and remain in the sanctuary for the service today.)

ANTHEM "I'm Going Home on a Cloud" Spiritual

Sanctuary Choir

Greg Lathrop, Harmonica

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING John 10:22-30

Page 98, Pew Bible

Leader: The Word of the Lord. People: Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING Psalm 23

Page 474, Pew Bible

Leader: The Word of the Lord. People: Thanks be to God.

ALL MUSIC SUNDAY

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.