

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

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.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

When passing the bread to your neighbor say, "The body of Christ, broken for you."

When passing the cup to your neighbor say, "The blood of Christ, shed for you."

We will hold each element until all are served and then partake together.

PRAYER OF COMMITMENT

BEARING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

**HYMN OF SENDING #552 "We All Are One in Mission"*

**CHARGE AND BENEDICTION*

**CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE #614 "Let There Be Peace on Earth"*

Let there be peace on earth, and let it begin with me;

Let there be peace on earth, the peace that was meant to be.

With God our creator, children all are we.

Let us walk with each other in perfect harmony.

Let peace begin with me; let this be the moment now.

With every step I take, let this be my solemn vow;

To take each moment and live each moment in peace eternally.

Let there be peace on earth, and let it begin with me.

**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, Accompanist

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

Stockbridge Presbyterian Church

May 12, 2013

11:00 am



Celebrating the Sacrament Of Communion

Jesus said to his disciples, "I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me."

John 17:23

PREPARING FOR WORSHIP

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

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*SHARING OF THE PEACE OF CHRIST

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

OPENING VOLUNTARY

Acolyte: Collin Roberts

PRESENTATION OF THE WORD

Beadle: Judy Simmons

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.*

*OPENING INTROIT "Meekness and Majesty"

*Meekness and majesty, human and deity, in perfect harmony, the One who is God.
Lord of eternity, dwells in humanity; kneels in humility and washes our feet.*

*CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 97)

Liturgist: Jason Howard

Leader: The Lord is king! Let the earth rejoice!

All: **The heavens proclaim his righteousness; and all the peoples behold his glory.**

Leader: For you, O Lord, are most high over all the earth.

All: **Rejoice in the Lord, and give thanks to his holy name!**

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

*HYMN OF PRAISE #59 "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison) Gracious God, forgive our pride. Forgive us when we value ourselves over others, when we insist on having our own way. Help us to humble ourselves before you and one another, and put your way, and your will, first in all things. Please hear us now as we continue our confession in silence ...

ASSURANCE OF PARDON (Ephesians 2:8)

Leader: For by grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God. Friends, rejoice again in the great good news of the gospel:

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

*GLORIA PATRI

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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

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Sue Scheer

ANTHEM "Mother's Day" by Christopher Hart

Sanctuary Choir

Zachary Smith, Director; Linda Roberts, Accompanist

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

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING Revelation 22:12-14

Page 245, Pew Bible

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

SECOND READING John 17:20-26

Page 105, Pew Bible

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON "The Potato Crop"

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.

OFFERTORY

*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;*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

CELEBRATING THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.