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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 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 #66 "To God Be the Glory"

*CHARGE AND BLESSING

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE #717 "Go Now in Peace"

*Go now in hope, and hopeful stay, though shadowed valleys hide your way;
Through good and evil, joy and pain, with God, in Spirit, you remain.*

*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, Musician
Linda Hodges, Office Manager
Tom Francis, Custodian
Nursery: Stephanie Phillips & Abigail Jenkins

Stockbridge Presbyterian Church

August 11, 2013

11:00 a.m.



*What to me is the multitude of your sacrifices? says the
Lord. ... Cease to do evil, learn to do good; seek justice,
rescue the oppressed, defend the orphan,
plead for the widow.
Isaiah 1:11, 16b-17*

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: Mitchell Stanley

PRESENTATION OF THE WORD

Beadle: John Abbott

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 #9 (verse 2) "Come, Let Us Praise the Lord"

Our God of matchless worth, our King beyond compare,

The deepest bounds of earth, the hills, are in his care.

He all decrees, who by his hand prepared the land and formed the seas.

*CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 50)

Liturgist: Lee Hart

Leader: The mighty one, God the Lord, speaks and summons the earth from the rising of its sun to the setting.

All: Out of Zion, the perfection of beauty, God shines forth

Leader: "Gather to me my faithful ones, who made a covenant with me by sacrifice!" says the Lord.

All: The heavens declare his righteousness, for God himself is judge.

All: Hallelujah! Let us worship God!

*HYMN OF PRAISE #21 "This Is My Father's World"

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Gracious God, forgive us when our hearts grow cold. Forgive us when we care more about appearances than we do about true worship, love, and service. Remind us to keep our minds and hearts focused on you, and fill us again with your Spirit. Please hear us now as we continue our confession in silence ...

ASSURANCE OF PARDON (Ephesians 1:7)

Leader: In Christ we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our sins, according to the riches of his grace that he lavished on us. Friends, rejoice again in God's amazing grace:

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 #529 "For All the Saints"

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Stephanie Dunn

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

ANTHEM "Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing" arr. Roland Martin

Sanctuary Choir

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING Isaiah 1:1, 10-20

Page 592, Pew Bible

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16

Page 211, Pew Bible

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON "Majoring in the Minors"

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 "I Will Arise and Go to Jesus" arr. Mark Hayes

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