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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 #666 "Blest Are They"

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE #1 "God Is Here" (verse 4)

Lord of all, church and kingdom, in an age of change and doubt,
keep us faithful to the Gospel; help us work your purpose out.
Here, in this day's dedication, all we have to give, receive;
we, who cannot live without you, we adore you! We believe!

*POSTLUDE



A special thank you to Andrea Emmel, our guest pianist.

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 the Christian faith and about the 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. Betsy Turner, Interim Pastor
Dorothy Clark, Organist
Tom Francis, Custodian Emeritus

Ward Gailey, Music Director
Linda Hodges, Office Manager
Nursery: Suzie Wharton and Allie Dunn

Stockbridge Presbyterian Church

February 17, 2019

11:00 a.m.

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time



*"Then he looked up at his disciples and said:
blessed are you..."*

Luke 6:20

PREPARING FOR WORSHIP

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

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

CHIMING THE TRINITY

PRELUDE

PRESENTATION OF THE WORD

Beadle: Aaron Roberts

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 #1 "God Is Here!" (verse 1)

**God is here! As we your people meet to offer praise and prayer,
may we find in fuller measure what it is in Christ we share. Here, as in the world around us,
all our varied skills and arts wait the coming of the Spirit into open minds and hearts.**

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Liturgist: Aaron Roberts

One: Happy are those whose delight is in the law of the Lord.

All: **They are like trees planted by streams of water:**

One: they yield their fruit in its season, their leaves do not wither.

All: **The Lord watches over the way of the righteous.**

One: Come, blessed ones, let us worship God.

*HYMN OF PRAISE #68 "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Merciful God, your call to discipleship is demanding. You call us to reorder our lives by the kingdom you are bringing in Jesus Christ. Yet we still pass by the ones you especially notice: people who are poor, people who are hungry, people who weep. We have not stood with those who are hated, bullied, and excluded. Because we are comfortable with the way things are, we are complacent and even complicit with injustice and prejudice. Hear us now as we confess in silence the particular ways we need your grace...

[silence]

Forgive us, O God, and turn us back to your gospel and your blessed way of life. We pray this for our sake, and for the sake of your world, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON (from 1 Corinthians 15)

One: This is the good news: because Christ has been raised from the dead, sin and death do not have the final word.

All: **Baptized into Christ's death and resurrection, we are forgiven and set free to live for God and neighbor. Thanks be to God!**

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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

John Dunn

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

ANTHEM "Gift of Love" American Folk, arr. Paulus

Sanctuary Choir

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING Jeremiah 17:5-10

Page 676, Pew Bible

One: The Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

SECOND READING Luke 6:17-26

Page 60, Pew Bible

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON "Blessed"

Rev. Betsy Turner

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.

MINISTRY OF GIVING

OFFERTORY