

CELEBRATING THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

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.

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.

SERVING OF BREAD AND CUP "Benedicamus Domino"

S. Scheidt

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

BEARING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

*HYMN OF SENDING #123 "Fairest Lord Jesus"

Traditional, arr. James Gilbert

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE #250 "Throughout These Lenten Days and Nights" (verse 1)

William Havergal

Throughout these Lenten days and nights we turn to walk the inward way,

Where, meeting Christ, our guide and light, we live in hope till Easter Day.

*POSTLUDE "Rustic Holiday"

Paul Koepke



Thanks to Tim Fitzgerald, -Clarinet, Lisa Hammett-Flute, John Hinkle-Bass Clarinet, Arlene Lathrop-Oboe, and Bill Mengel-French Horn for providing our music this morning.

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 Attendants: Suzie Wharton and Allie Dunn

Stockbridge Presbyterian Church

April 7, 2019

11:00 a.m.

Fifth Sunday In Lent

Celebrating the Sacrament of Communion



*"I am about to do a new thing; now it springs forth,
do you not perceive it? I will make a way in the
wilderness and rivers in the desert."*

Isaiah 43:19

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 "Andante"

CPE Bach

PRESENTATION OF THE WORD

Beadle: Laura Richardson

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 #704 "We Meet As Friends At Table" (verse 1)

Hal Hopson

**We meet as friends at table, to listen, and be heard,
united by the Spirit, attentive to the Word. Through prayer and conversation we tune our varied views
to Christ, whose love has made us the bearers of good news.**

*CALL TO WORSHIP (from Isaiah 43 and John 12)

Liturgist: Laura Richardson

One: Come, gather at the table with our Lord

All: **for beside our God there is no other savior.**

One: Come, kneel humbly at his feet

All: **for the Lord, the Holy One, is Creator and King.**

One: Come, fill this place with a fragrant offering of praise

All: **for you are my witnesses, says the Lord.**

One: Come and worship God!

*HYMN OF PRAISE #706 "I Come With Joy"

Southern Harmony, arr. James Gilbert

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Purifying God, we grow comfortable with the way things are in our lives, in the church, in the world. We do not always welcome the new life you offer in Christ, for you overturn our notions of power and protocol. Sure of our own righteousness, we are critical of others. Wanting to control our assets, we hoard the gifts you give us. Forgive us, we pray, for seeking our gain at the expense of others. Hear us now as we confess in silence the particular ways we need your grace.

~silence~

God, do a new thing with us. Help us bend our lives toward your own life of self-giving and sacrifice. Fill us, our homes and churches, and the whole world, with the abundant love of Christ until all are made new. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: God is not content simply to return or restore us to the way we have been. Instead, God seeks to give the gift of resurrection – a new and abundant life.

All: **Confident in God's generosity, I declare to you in the name of Jesus Christ that we are a forgiven and transformed people. Thanks be to God.**

*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

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Aaron Roberts

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

ANTHEM "Allegro Molto" (Divertimento No.14, K270)

W. A. Mozart

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING Isaiah 43:11-25

Page 632, Pew Bible

One: The Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

SECOND READING John 12:1-8

Page 100, Pew Bible

One: The Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON "Hallowed be thy name"

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 Pastorale Op. 14-No. 1

Gabriel Pierne

*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. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE