

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

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 #470 "In Christ There Is No East or West"

*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.

*POSTLUDE

Thank you to Michael Kingsbury 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
Tom Francis, Custodian Emeritus

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

Stockbridge Presbyterian Church

July 7, 2019

11:00 a.m.

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Celebrating the Sacrament of Communion



"Wash and be cleansed... go in peace."

2 Kings 5:10, 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

PRESENTATION OF THE WORD

Beadle: Terry Holmes

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 #134 "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.**

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Liturgist: Terry Holmes

One: God's mercy is deeper than we can imagine.

All: **God's love is stronger than we can comprehend.**

One: God's power is more mighty,

All: **God's presence more endless,**

One: God's truth more holy than any words can express.

All: **Thanks be to God for the boundless gift of grace.**

One: Let us worship God.

*HYMN OF PRAISE #74 "Eternal Father, Strong to Save"

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

God who makes us clean and whole, you have called us to bear one another's burdens, and in that way to fulfill the law of Christ. Still, O Lord, we are bound to selfishness, hardly noticing the cries of our neighbors. You have called us to lean on you alone, and in that way to bear witness to your love. Still, O Lord, we wish for self-reliance, struggling against the weight of our own expectations. Forgive us, Holy One, and free us from our sins. Hear us now as we confess in silence the particular ways we need your grace...

~silence~

Healing God, wash us clean and make us whole once again. Move us from what we are into what you intend us to be, from brokenness to wholeness. And grant us your grace – enough for today, and enough to share with the world. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: Hear and believe this good news: God's anger is just for a moment, but God's favor lasts for a lifetime. Weeping may linger for the night, but joy comes in the morning.

All: **By the grace and mercy of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. 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

Monica Coutin-Baxter

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

ANTHEM "Blessed Is the Nation" Wilson

Sanctuary Choir

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING Psalm 30

Page 478, Pew Bible

One: The Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

SECOND READING 2 Kings 5:1-14

Page 320, Pew Bible

One: The Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON "Go in Peace"

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

*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