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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 #531 "Rejoice in God's Saints"

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE #576 "Make Me a Servant"

Make me a servant, humble and meek, Lord, let me lift up those who are weak;
and may the prayer of my heart always be:
make me a servant, make me a servant, make me a servant today.

*POSTLUDE "With God's Hand in Mine"

J. Fred Coots



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
Linda Hodges, Office Manager

Ward Gailey, Music Director
Gena Ridgeway, Organist/Pianist
Nursery: Suzie Wharton and Allie Dunn

Stockbridge Presbyterian Church

August 18, 2019

11:00 a.m.

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time



*"Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great
a cloud of witnesses..."*

Hebrews 12:1

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 "Amazing Grace"

Traditional Sacred

PRESENTATION OF THE WORD

Beadle: Jeffrey Cochran

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 #706 "I Come With Joy" (verse 1)

**I come with joy, a child of God, forgiven, loved and free,
the life of Jesus to recall, in love laid down for me, in love, laid down for me.**

*CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 90:1-2)

Liturgist: Jeffrey Cochran

One: Lord, you have been our dwelling place in every generation:

All: **before the mountains were brought forth,**

One: or even you had formed the earth and the world,

All: **from everlasting to everlasting, you are God!**

One: Let every generation praise the Lord!

*HYMN OF PRAISE #138 "Holy God, We Praise Your Name"

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

God of life, you come to us as a consuming fire, and the loving one who has consecrated us before all time. You promise us a kingdom that cannot be shaken and call us to serve you with praise and thanksgiving. But we forget. We yield to fear. We trust in the tangible rewards of this world, and neglect your promises. We confess that we are a divided people; we foster separations and widen rifts in our families, our communities, and in the world. Hear us now as we confess in silence the particular ways we need your grace...

~silence~

Living God, open us to your healing. Free us from all that distances us from your presence. Give us your grace and inspire us to serve you with courage, through Jesus Christ, who came to save. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: Hear this good news: God rejoices in our longing for wholeness, and promises forgiveness and the sustenance we need to amend our lives,

All: **We give thanks that we have been known and forgiven, set free to live the resurrected life of faith.**

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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

Monica Coutin-Baxter

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

ANTHEM "My Faith Has Found a Resting Place"

Mark Hill

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING Psalm 90

Page 517, Pew Bible

One: The Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

SECOND READING Hebrews 11:29-12:2

Page 212, Pew Bible

One: The Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON "Walking in the Cloud"

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 "Standing in the Need of Prayer"

Traditional