

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 #614 "Let There Be Peace on Earth"

Additional verse (written by Betsy Turner)

Let us make peace on earth, beginning right here, right now.

Let us make peace on earth, with actions and not just vows.

Our God wants shalom in our neighborhood,
so sends us out to love neighbors and to seek the good.

Let us make peace right here, in this place, outside these doors.

Let us make peace on earth, by serving right where we are.

The peace of the whole world begins in our city – it happens close to home.

Let us make peace on earth, and live into God's shalom.

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE #704 "We Meet As Friends At Table" (verse 4)

Fulfilled, and glad to follow wherever Christ may lead, we journey from the table to love a world in need
with patience, truth and kindness, that justice may increase
and all may sit at table in freedom, joy, and peace.

*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, Accompanist
Nursery: Suzie Wharton and Allie Dunn

Stockbridge Presbyterian Church

October 13, 2019

11:00 a.m.

Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time



*"Seek the shalom of the community, for it is in its
shalom that you will find your shalom."*

Jeremiah 29:7

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 "How Great Thou Art"

Carl Boberg

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

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

Liturgist: Terry Holmes

One: Peace be upon us.

All: Peace be within us.

One: Peace poured out on us.

All: Peace flowing through us.

One: Peace in this city.

All: Peace for all people.

One: Peace in this place and in this hour.

All: Peace everywhere and always.

One: Let us worship the God of peace.

*HYMN OF PRAISE #78 "God of the Ages, History's Maker"

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Great God of peace, we confess our sin and brokenness before you and one another. We do not always follow your way of peace. We seek revenge when someone hurts us. We get angry when someone criticizes us. We put down the people who don't live up to our expectations. We are quick to try to solve our problems with violence. We simply have not done enough to live in and work for your peace. Hear us now as we confess in silence the particular ways we need your grace...

~silence~

O God, forgive us and show us the way of love, forgiveness, and peace. We pray in the name of Jesus Christ, the Prince of Peace. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON (Lamentations 3:22-23)

One: The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases. God's mercies never come to an end
–they are new every morning!

All: Great is God's faithfulness!

*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 "Trust in Jesus" Mark Hayes

Sanctuary Choir

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING Psalm 46

Page 489, Pew Bible

One: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING Jeremiah 29:1-14

Page 687, Pew Bible

One: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON "The Welfare of Your City"

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.

INVITATION TO THE MINISTRY OF GIVING

OFFERTORY "Blessed Assurance"

Traditional Sacred

*DOXOLOGY

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