

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 #393 "Blest Be the Tie That Binds" (verses 1-3)

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE #393 "Blest Be the Tie That Binds" (verse 4)

**From sorrow, toil, and pain, and sin we shall be free;
And perfect love and friendship reign through all eternity.**

*POSTLUDE "Lord, Keep Us Steadfast"

German Lieder Wittenburg



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
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Stockbridge Presbyterian Church

November 3, 2019

11:00 a.m.

Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time



*Whatever your task, put yourselves into it,
as done for the Lord and not for your masters,
since you know that from the Lord you will receive
the inheritance as your reward;
you serve the Lord Christ.*

Colossians 3:23-24

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

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

*Those who are able, please stand.

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Liturgist: Aaron Roberts

One: We come to listen.

All: We come to share.

One: We come to hear God's word.

All: We come, to seek Christ's will.

One: We come, relying on grace.

All: We come, trusting the power of the Spirit at work among us.

One: We come to worship.

All: Let us worship God!

*HYMN OF PRAISE #502 "Be Thou My Vision"

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Thomas Merton

My Lord God, I have no idea where I am going. I do not see the road ahead of me. I cannot know for certain where it will end. Nor do I really know myself, and the fact that I think that I am following your will does not mean that I am actually doing so. But I believe that the desire to please you does in fact please you. And I hope I have that desire in all that I am doing. I hope that I will never do anything apart from that desire. And I know that if I do this you will lead me by the right road, though I may know nothing about it. Therefore will I trust you always, though I may seem to be lost and in the shadow of death. I will not fear, for you are ever with me, and you will never leave me to face my perils alone.

[silence]

Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON (Romans 5)

One: The proof of God's amazing love is this: while we were yet sinners, Christ came to save us!

All: We have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ! Thanks be to God!

*GLORIA PATRI

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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

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING Genesis 28:10-22

Page 24, Pew Bible

One: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING Deuteronomy 31:6

Page 480, Pew Bible

One: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM "Canon of Praise" Thomas Tallis

Sanctuary Choir

THIRD READING Romans 5:1-5

Page 145, Pew Bible

One: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

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 "Dundee You Are the Way"

The CL Psalms of David Alfred V. Fedak

*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.**

LISTENING SESSION