

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 #350 "The Summons" (Will you come and follow me?)

*CHARGE AND BLESSING

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE #14 "Now Thank We All Our God" (verse 3)

**All praise and thanks to God the Father now be given,
The son, and him who reigns with them in highest heaven.**

The one eternal God whom earth and heaven adore; for thus it was, is now, and shall be evermore.

*POSTLUDE "Prayer Prefect"

James Whitcomb Riley



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 Attendants: Suzie Wharton and Allie Dunn

Stockbridge Presbyterian Church

November 10, 2019

11:00 a.m.

Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Celebrating the Sacrament of Communion



"This man welcomes sinners and eats with them."

Luke 15:2

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 "Rejoice with a Song"

Edward Broughton

PRESENTATION OF THE WORD

Beadle: Aaron Roberts

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 "Now Thank We All Our God" (verse 1)

**Now thank we all our God with heart and hands and voices, who wondrous things has done,
in whom his world rejoices; who, from our mother's arms, has blessed us on our way
with countless gifts of love, and still is ours today.**

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Liturgist: Aaron Roberts

One: Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth; break forth into joyous song and sing praises.

All: **With trumpets and the sound of the horn make a joyful noise before the King, the Lord.**

One: Let the floods clap their hands; let the hills sing together for joy.

All: **Let us worship God.**

*HYMN OF PRAISE #642 "Earth and All Stars"

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

God of love, we admit we fall short of what you call us to be. You look upon each person as a beloved child, yet we tend to look down on those we deem lowly or unworthy. You welcome the outcast and eat with sinners, but we put up barriers, refusing to sit down with those we dislike, distrust, or disagree with. You stop for conversation and sharing, but we are often too busy or self-absorbed to see our neighbors and spend time with them. Hear us now as we confess in silence the particular ways we need your grace...

~silence~

Lord, in your mercy, forgive us. Heal us, O Lord, lest we destroy ourselves and the planet. We need your healing presence among us, so that your good intentions for all of creation might be fulfilled at last. Through Jesus Christ we pray. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: Our God is a God of love, who delights in mercy. Hear and believe and share this good news: we are forgiven!

All: **We are welcomed. We are loved. 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 "I Will Arise" arr. Shaw/Parker

Sanctuary Choir

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING Psalm 98:1-9

Page 521, Pew Bible

One: The Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

SECOND READING Luke 19:1-10

Page 77, Pew Bible

One: The Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON "A Wee Little Man"

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 "A Quiet Place"

John M. Rasley

*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

CELEBRATING THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

INVITATION TO THE TABLE