

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 "Have Thine Own Way, Lord"

George C Stebbins

*DOXOLOGY

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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 #405 "The Solid Rock"

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE #559 "Here I am, Lord" (refrain)

Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?
I have heard you calling in the night.
I will go, Lord, if you lead me.
I will hold your people in my heart.

*POSTLUDE "God Will Take Care of You"

Walter S. Martin

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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

November 17, 2019

11:00 a.m.

Celebrating 110 years of faithful ministry



*"Lord, you have been our dwelling place
in all generations - from everlasting to
everlasting, you are God!"*

Psalm 90:1-2

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 "His Eye is on the Sparrow"

Charles H. Gabriel

PRESENTATION OF THE WORD

Beadle: Paul Szeto

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 #84 "O God, Our Help in Ages Past" (verses 1 & 2)

**O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come,
our shelter from the stormy blast, and our eternal home.**

Under the shadow of your throne your saints have dwelt secure;

Sufficient is your arm alone, and our defense is sure.

*CALL TO WORSHIP (Psalm 90, selected verses, The Message)

Liturgist: Paul Szeto

One: God, it seems you have been our home forever.

All: long before the mountains were born,

One: long before you brought earth itself to birth,

All: from "once upon a time" to "kingdom come," you are God.

One: Surprise us with your love at daybreak,

All: then we'll skip and dance all the day long.

One: Let the loveliness of our Lord, our God, rest upon us, as we worship together!

*HYMN OF PRAISE #544 "The Church's One Foundation"

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (adapted from a Litany of the Names of the Church, used in the June 1978 dedication of this sanctuary)

One: O God, you have called us out of the world and chosen us to be a witness to nations.

All: Give us the Holy Spirit to show us the way, the truth, and the life of our Savior, Jesus Christ. Forgive silence and stubbornness. Help us to be your chosen people.

One: You have appointed us priests, O God, to pray for all people and declare your mercy.

All: Give us the Holy Spirit that, sacrificing ourselves for neighbors in love, they may be drawn to you, and to each other. Forgive hypocrisy and lazy prayers. Help us to be your royal priesthood.

One: You have baptized us into one family of faith, and named us your children, and siblings of Christ.

All: Give us the Holy Spirit to live in peace and serve each other gladly. Forgive pride and divisions. Help us to be your household.

One: You have built us up, O God, into a temple for worship.

All: Give us the Holy Spirit to know there is no other foundation for us than Jesus Christ, rock and redeemer. Forgive weakness and lack of reverence. Help us to be a temple for your Spirit.

One: You have welcomed us as citizens in your kingdom, O God, and asked us to represent that kingdom in this world.

All: Give us the Holy Spirit to act your laws, speak your language, and to show in our lives the courtesy and love of your realm. Forgive injustice and going along with the ways of this broken world. Help us to be an outpost of heaven.

One: You have joined us in one body, to live for our Lord in the world.

All: Give us the Holy Spirit that, working together without envy or pride, we may serve our Lord and head in unity. Forgive slack faith and separate ways. Help us to be the body of Christ, and in all we do to be your useful servants. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: By God's grace, we are the church: called, adopted, built up, blessed, and joined to Jesus Christ.

All: We are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a household of God, a temple for the Spirit, an outpost of heaven, the body of Christ. We give thanks to God, and trust his Holy Spirit. Amen.

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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

Paul Szeto

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

ANTHEM "Blow Ye the Trumpet, Blow!" arr. Ward Gailey

Sanctuary Choir

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING Isaiah 65:17-25

Page 654, Pew Bible

One: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING Luke 4:16-21

Page 57, Pew Bible

One: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON "Catching a Glimpse of God's Kingdom"

Rev. Betsy Turner