

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Wednesday Fellowship via zoom - August 25 at 7:30 pm.
- Women's Bible Study on Thursday, August 26 at 10:00 am in the conference room, we have started a new study - "From Daughters to Disciples"
- Sunday School, August 29 at 9:15 am in the Fellowship Hall and zoom.
- Worship Service, Sunday, August 29 at 11:00 am in the Fellowship Hall.
- Let's Talk on Thursday, September 2 at 7:30 pm, via zoom.

Prayer List:

Members: Michael Bennett, Joel Bryant, Jean Bunker, Peggy Chase, Bettye Cochran, Carolyn Francis, Jason & Phyllis Howard, Sandra & Dan Martin, Sara Moseley, Gene Park, Stephanie Phillips Ayoola, Sue Rodgers, Jane Rutledge, Joan Scott, Kim Seal, Mark Stanley, Pat Stanley, Anne Watson

Congratulations to Aaron and Jennifer Dunn, and Big sister Lily! They welcomed their baby boy (and little brother) into the world on August 5th, Oliver James Dunn. And also, to the proud grandparents John and Stephanie Dunn.

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Stockbridge Presbyterian Church

August 22, 2021
11:00 a.m.

Thirteenth Sunday of Pentecost



***My brothers and sisters,
what good is it if people say they have faith but do nothing
to show it? ... In the same way, faith is dead when it
doesn't result in faithful activity.
James 2:14, 17***

PREPARING FOR WORSHIP

(Please silence all electronic devices during this hour of worship.)

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Jim Beisner

Leader: Who may abide in the presence of God?

People: Who may live on God's holy mountain?

Leader: All those who walk blamelessly and do what is right.

People: All those who speak truth from their heart.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of favor, we have not been true to you. You have chosen the poor in the world, but we have dishonored them. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We have favored the rich and despised the poor. We have dismissed the needy with empty words. Soften our hearts and make straight our ways. Heal our unbelief and turn us back to you.

(prayer of silent personal confession).

Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

GLORIA PATRI

Ward Gailey

PROCLAIMING AND ENACTING THE WORD

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SCRIPTURE

James 2:1-17

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

"Loving Your Neighbor as Yourself"

Rev. Kristy Ray

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

HYMN OF RESPONSE

"O Lord, May All We Say and Do"

Tallis/Gillette

O Lord, may all we say and do, Reflect the faith we have in you;
For faith is meant to change the way, We live our lives from day to day.

God, may we open wide the door. And welcome people who are poor;
And may we share with them our bread, For faith without good works is dead.

Just as a spark can start a fire, Our words can damage or inspire;
We pray for wisdom from above. To speak and act in gentle love.

May we not covet earthly things, Or seek the riches this world brings;
May we not boast of all our plans, For, Lord, our lives are in your hands.

O Lord, possessions rust away, But your love fills us every day;
Through prayer and service in your name, May we live out the faith we claim.

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH Heidelberg Catechism

Leader: What is true faith?

People: True faith is not only a sure knowledge by which I hold as true all that God has revealed to us in Scripture; it is also a wholehearted true, which the Holy Spirit creates in me by the gospel, that God has freely granted, not only to others but to me also, forgiveness of sins, eternal righteousness, and salvation. These are gifts of sheer grace, granted solely by Christ's merit.

BLESSING OF TITHES, GIFTS, AND OFFERINGS

ANTHEM

"Yonder Come Day"

Georgia Sea Island Spiritual

Sandra Martin, Lin Gailey, Lee Hart, Arlene Lathrop, Greg Lathrop, Jacob Ingram

DOXOLOGY

Spoken

**Praise God from Whom all blessings flow. Praise God all creatures here below,
Praise God above ye heavenly hosts. Creator, Christ, 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 DISCIPLESHIP

"The Gift of Love"

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

* Stand in body and or spirit