

BEARING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

HYMN OF DISCIPLESHIP #4

"Bless His Holy Name"

Andrae Crouch

*BENEDICTION

POSTILUDE

* Stand in body and or spirit

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Goodness & Groceries - Wednesdays at 5pm in Fellowship Hall.
- Choir Rehearsal - Wednesdays at 7:00 pm
- Women's Bible Study on Thursday mornings at 10:00 am in the conference room.
- Let's Talk on Thursday, November 11 at 7:30 pm, via zoom.
- Youth Group - Sunday, November 21 at 12:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall for games, study, laughter and FUN!
- The Wired World Sunday School - with Aaron Roberts - 9:15 am in the Fellowship Hall and zoom.
- Through the Bible - Sunday School Class with Jeffrey Cochran - 9:15 am in the parlor.
- Children's Sunday School - 9:15 am in choir room with Ward and Lin Gailey.
- The Fuzzy Tree for donations to the Thornwell Home for Children will be in the Narthex starting next Sunday, November 7 through the November 28. Items requested are socks, gloves, hats, scarfs and PJs. There will also be envelopes on the tree for monetary donations.

Prayer List:

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

Friends & Family: Amelia, Mona Cash, Emileigh Cawthon, Dorothy Clark, Elaine Clem, Ken Fitch, Ron Keene, Mike Kitchens, Nikki McGee, Laura Seal, Jeff Smith, Rachel Towns, Annette Johnson Wickus

COAT CLOSET NEEDS:

Men's T-shirts (Medium to XXL) , Men's Socks

JOSEPH'S PANTRY NEEDS:

Potatoes, canned; Beans, not green; Peas; Soup

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Andrea Emmel, Interim Pianist
October Head Elder: Aaron Roberts
Usher: Aaron Roberts

Stockbridge Presbyterian Church

October 31, 2021
11:00 a.m.

Twenty-third Sunday of Pentecost



***"Let your light shine before others,
so that they may see your good works and give
glory to your Father in heaven."
Matthew 5:16***

PREPARING FOR WORSHIP

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

PRELUDE

CHIMING THE TRINITY

CALL TO WORSHIP #595 "They'll Know We are Christians"

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Linda Roberts

HYMN OF PRAISE "To God Be the Glory" Crosby/Doane
Greg Lathrop

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Leader: Lord Jesus, you taught us that in Your kingdom, "Blessed are the poor in spirit" — but we have been rich in pride.

People: "Blessed are those who mourn" — but we have not known much sorrow for our sin.

Leader: "Blessed are the meek" — but we are rebellious by nature.

People: "Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness" — but we have great desire for evil and little longing for Your true goodness.

Leader: "Blessed are the merciful" — but we are harsh and impatient.

People: "Blessed are the pure in heart" —but we have impure hearts.

Leader: "Blessed are the peacemakers" — but we have not sought reconciliation.

People: "Blessed are those who are persecuted because of righteousness" but our lives do not challenge the world. "

Leader: Blessed are you when people insult you, persecute you and falsely say all kinds of evil against you because of me" — but we have hardly made it known that we are yours.

**All: Lord, have mercy on us and forgive us all of our sins. Renew us and lead us by your Holy Spirit so that we may seek first your kingdom and Your righteousness and walk joyfully in the way of Your blessing.
Amen**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: The good news in Christ is that when we face ourselves and God with the awareness of our need, we are given grace to grow, and courage to continue the journey. Friends, believe the good news of the gospel.

People: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

GLORIA PATRI

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 MESSAGE Aaron Roberts

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING Matthew 5:2-16
Leader: The Word of the Lord.
All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON "Blessed Are Those... Who Witness" Rev. Kristy Ray

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

HYMN OF RESPONSE #666 "Blessed Are They"

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH 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.

MOMENT FOR STEWARDSHIP Linda Hodges

BLESSING OF TITHES, GIFTS, AND OFFERINGS

ANTHEM "Whispering Hope" S. Winner
Terry Holmes

DOXOLOGY

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.