

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

- No Goodness & Groceries this week (school's out). We will resume Wednesday, September 29 at 5pm in Fellowship Hall.
- Wednesday Night Fellowship at 7:30 pm, via zoom.
- Women's Bible Study on Thursday mornings at 10:00 am in the conference room.
- "Let's Talk" on Thursday, September 30 at 7:30 pm, via zoom.
- The Wired World Sunday School - 9:15 am in the Fellowship Hall and zoom.
- Children's Sunday School 9:15 am in choir room with Ward and Lin Gailey.
- Sunday, October 3 - Congregational Meeting for the purpose of electing the Nominating committee, following our Worship Service.
- Beginning Sunday, October 17 - Adult Sunday School Class with Jeffrey Cochran will resume at 9:15 am in the parlor.

### Prayer List:

Members: Carol Abbott, 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, Joan Scott, Kim Seal, Mark Stanley, Pat Stanley, Anne Watson.

Friends & Family: Grace, Mona Cash, Emileigh Cawthon, Dorothy Clark, Elaine Clem, Ken Fitch, Nikki McGee, Family & Friends of Liz Rieckmann, Penny Rose, Laura Seal, Jeff Smith, Annette Johnson Wickus

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Rev. Kristy Ray, Pastor  
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Ward Gailey, Music Director  
Andrea Emmel, Pianist  
September Head Elder: Terry Holmes  
Ushers: Arlene & Greg Lathrop

# Stockbridge Presbyterian Church

September 19, 2021

11:00 a.m.

Seventeenth Sunday of Pentecost



***"This whole time I've been praying  
out of my great worry and trouble!"  
1 Samuel 1:16***

## PREPARING FOR WORSHIP

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

\*CALL TO WORSHIP Jim Beisner  
Leader: Here in this space, we wear our hearts on our sleeves.  
**People: There is no use in filters or walls. This space is an authentic space.**  
Leader: This space is a brave space.  
**People: For when it comes to God, we are always invited to bring our full selves into the room.**  
Leader: So come into this space with your hurt and your joy, your prayers and your dreams.  
**People: All of God's children are welcome here.**  
Leader: Let us worship Holy God.

HYMN OF PRAISE #649 "Here in this Place" (verses 1,4)

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Incarnate God  
For the times we've hurt you. Forgive us  
For the times we've hurt others. Forgive us  
For the times we've hurt ourselves. Forgive us  
For we are made in your image and it is very good.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Family of faith, in the journey to love and care for one another, we are bound to make mistakes. Fortunately for us, we worship a God who showed us how to love, and who extends grace to us when we fail to do so for others. So hear and believe the good news of the gospel:  
**People: We are seen. We are heard. We are loved. We are forgiven. Thanks be to God for this endless grace. Amen.**

GLORIA PATRI

## PROCLAIMING AND ENACTING THE WORD

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SCRIPTURE READING 1 Samuel 1:1-18  
Leader: The Word of the Lord.  
**All: Thanks be to God.**

SERMON "I've Been Meaning to Ask...Where Does It Hurt?" Rev. Kristy Ray

## RESPONDING TO THE WORD

HYMN OF RESPONSE #419 "My Faith Looks Up to Thee" Ward Gailey

\*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 MISSIONS

BLESSING OF TITHES, GIFTS, AND OFFERINGS

ANTHEM "Come Sunday" Duke Ellington

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.**

## BEARING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

HYMN OF DISCIPLESHIP "Go Now in Peace" Sleeth  
Go now in peace, go now in peace.  
May the love of God surround you  
Everywhere, everywhere you may go.

\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

Family of faith, as you leave this place, may God grant you the curiosity to counter assumptions, the vulnerability to befriend, the bravery to speak your truth, the wisdom to listen, the strength to ask for help, the resiliency to chose love, even when it's hard, and the awareness of the Holy Spirit always beside you. In the name of the Great Connector—Love itself, go in peace.

\* Stand in body and or spirit