

BEARING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

HYMN OF DISCIPLESHIP #512

"We Shall Overcome"

*BENEDICTION

*POSTILUDE

* Stand in body and or spirit

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Stockbridge Presbyterian Church

January 16, 2022
11:00 a.m.

Second Sunday after Epiphany



***For this is the reason the gospel was proclaimed
even to the dead, so that, though they had been
judged in the flesh as everyone is judged,
they might live in the spirit as God does.***

1 Peter 4:6

PREPARING FOR WORSHIP

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

PRELUDE

CHIMING THE TRINITY

CALL TO WORSHIP

Jim Beisner

Leader: How precious is the steadfast love of God.
People: All people may take refuge in the shadow of God's embrace.
Leader: Christ is the fountain of life.
People: In Christ we behold the light of God.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

HYMN OF PRAISE #729

"Lift Every Voice and Sing"

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of justice, we confess that in the pursuit of our own dreams and desires, we have not always been civil, not always humane, not always right. Guided by your Spirit, what we would like to do is change the world – make it a little simpler for people to feed, clothe, and shelter themselves as You intended them to do. Help us to be your witnesses, by fighting for better conditions, by crying out unceasingly for the rights of the workers, the poor, of the destitute – the rights of the worthy and the unworthy poor, so that we can, with your help, change the world. Enlarge our hearts to love each other, to love our neighbor, and to love our enemy as our friend.
(Time for Silent Personal Confession)
Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Christ suffered for sins, once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God.
People: Through the mercy of Christ, God remembers us but not your faults or our sins.
All: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God. Amen.

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

Paul Szeto

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Leader:

All:

Isaiah 53:9-10

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Leader:

All:

1 Peter 3:18-20, 4:6

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

"He descended into hell.
The third day he rose again from the dead."

Rev. Kristy Ray

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

HYMN OF RESPONSE #177

"Jesus, Name Above All Names"

*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.

BLESSING OF TITHES, GIFTS, AND OFFERINGS

ANTHEM

"Wade in the Water/Go Down Moses"
Sanctuary Choir

Spiritual

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.