Matthew 22: 34-46



Love God
Love Others

STOCKBRIDGE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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PREPARE YOUR HEARTS AND MINDS FOR WORSHIP

PLEASE SILENCE ALL ELECTRONIC DEVICES DURING WORSHIP

SETTING OUR HEARTS FOR WORSHIP

PRELUDE Just As I Am **Bradbury**

CHIMING

CALL TO WORSHIP **James Mobley**

One: Lord, you have been our dwelling place throughout all generations.

Many: In you, we come home–to rest, to wrestle, to love, to be loved. We dwell in you.

One: Before the mountains were born, before you delivered the whole world, from everlasting past to everlasting future, you are God.

Many: In you, we are home–we dream, we flourish, we fade, we rejoice. We dwell in you.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PASSING THE PEACE

HYMN OF PRAISE #349 Seek Ye First

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

We are so easily confused by what the world tells us, Watching God, that we forget the stories of faith we heard as children. We are so fearful of tomorrow, we are not aware of your Spirit with us today. We are so busy wondering, 'what if?' or 'suppose?' we cannot hear the promises you whisper to us. Gracious God, have mercy on us. You know our hearts so well—touch them with your grace. You see our deepest fears—heal them with your peace. You hear our secret longings—speak to them of your hope. This we pray in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. *(time of silent personal confession)***. Amen.**

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S GRACE

One: The One who searches our broken hearts has found the way to mend them and make us new people. The good news is that everything God has done in Christ is for us, that we might be made whole.

Many: With kindness, and justice, God makes us new people. We will sing our thanks through all eternity. Great is God, and greatly to be praised! 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

TIME WITH YOUNGER CHURCH — **Stephanie Phillips-Ayoola**

GOSPEL — Matthew 22: 34-46

SERMON — Greatest Love — **Rev. Kristy Ray**

†**HYMN OF RESPONSE** — #391 Will You Let Me Be Your Servant

† **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.

OFFERING OUR GIFTS

ANTHEM — #576 Make Me a Servant

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

***DOXOLOGY**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise God, all creatures here below
Praise God above, ye heavenly host
Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & 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 — #712 Sent Forth By God's Blessing

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE — Be Thou My Vision — **Irish Tune**

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT SPC

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY
Thurs @ 10am

ZOOM THEOLOGY
Wednesday Nights 7pm
We will meet for an hour to discuss topics about how we think about God and the world around us.

Trunk or Treat – October 27th starting at 6pm. We are in need of candy, people to decorate trunks, support for our cub scouts and community.

NOMINATIONS FOR ELDER– Please prayerfully nominate elders for our work in the church

Brunch Sunday – November 15th

SUNDAY MORNINGS

FELLOWSHIP 9AM IN FELLOWSHIP HALL

SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:20
WIRED WORD WITH AARON ROBERTS
STUDY OF CURRENT EVENTS
(IN PERSON AND ONLINE)

FOR ONLINE GIVING, NEWSLETTER, ZOOM THEOLOGY LINK

PRAYER LIST:
Members: Joyce Andrews, Joel Bryant, Edna Fisher, Carolyn Francis, Lee Hart, Faith Heffernan, Jason & Phyllis Howard Bob Johnson, Thelma Newsome, Stephanie Phillips-Ayoola, Sue Rogers & Family, Jane Rutledge, Sally Smith, Sandra Martin, Cathy & Joe Wegner, Collette Shedd, Emma Thompson, Joanne Donaldson, Shannon Huggins, Doug Scott, Randy Berndt, Cynthia Weekes, James Mobley.

Friends & Family: David Ayoola, Larry Clark, Kendall Phillips, Mark Stanley, Loan & Jack Szeto, Junior White, Melissa Gilbert (Stephanie's sister), Diane Ray, Joshua Beck, Ammon Grant Martin (Sandra Martin's grandson) , June Moloney, Tom Smith, Vickie Loignon, Billie Anne, Marla Grizzel, Jim Ray, Christopher Graves, Sharon Kite, Izzy Pate, Donny Warr, Manny/Heather Gonzalez, Mac Cox, John Hugus, Mary Alice Bartlett (Stephanie's mom), Robbie Jones, Cade Grady, Lynne Bailey, Wharton sisters, Tony Romagnoli.

Bereavement: Henry Farmer (6/2026), Charles Dunn (6/28/26), Judy Simmons (9/2026), Twila Wharton (9/27/26)

Military: Chauncey Dixon (Army) , La'Kayla Helms (Navy)

WE WOULD LOVE YOU TO BECOME PART OF THE STOCKBRIDGE CHURCH FAMILY, IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN BECOMING A MEMBER, PLEASE SPEAK WITH PASTOR KRISTY.

REV. KRISTY RAY, PASTOR
OCTOBER HEAD ELDER: PAUL SZETO
CHURCH ADMINISTRATOR: KELLI AUTREY

MINISTERS: EVERYONE
ANDREA EMMEL, MUSIC DIRECTOR