



The Setauket Presbyterian Church

“As active disciples of Jesus Christ, we celebrate and share the love of God among ourselves and with others.”

THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD’S DAY

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 18, 2016

9:30 AM

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

We use this time to make the transition between “getting here” and “being here”.

Take these few minutes to find the still, deep places within you, where God’s Spirit dwells.

Relax the body; quiet the mind. Focus on breathing, feeling, being. Be mindful of your center—your reservoir of inner peace, strength, love. Be aware of being together in silence with others.

Feel the spirit of the community.

Prelude

Ringing of the Steeple Bell

Welcome and Announcements

Introit *God Welcomes All*

John L. Bell

* **Call to Worship** (Psalm 143:8)

Let me hear of your steadfast love in the morning,

for in you I put my trust.

Teach me the way I should go,

for to you I lift up my life.

* **Hymn 39** *Great is Thy Faithfulness*

FAITHFULNESS

PRAYER FOR RECONCILIATION

Great are you, O LORD, and greatly to be praised! We marvel at your wisdom and grace as we come together this day. When we do our work, you are there. When we are still, you are there. Everywhere we go, your loving heart goes with us and knows our thoughts and our actions. In trust that we are known and loved, we ask your forgiveness, and then your guidance in making wrongs right, in our lives and in your world. Help us to trust you, and lead us in your ways, for we seek to follow Jesus, to whom we are pledged and in whose strong name we pray...

(Silent Prayer)

Assurance of God’s Grace

...Friends, believe the good news of the Gospel:

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

* **Gloria** (sing once in unison, twice in a round)

from Taizé Hymnal

**^(a)Glory to God, glory to God, ^(b)glory to God in the highest;
glory to God, glory to God; alleluia, alleluia.**

WITH THE CHILDREN AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

(Children should proceed to their church school class.)

HEARING THE WORD

Sung Prayer for Illumination

Hymn 288 Spirit of the Living God

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me...melt me, mold me, fill me, use me...

First Reading Genesis 15:1-6

THE SERMON

The Rev. Mary B. Speers

* HYMN 838 *Standing on the Promises*

PROMISES

MINUTE FOR STEWARDSHIP

THANKING GOD THROUGH OUR OFFERINGS

Offertory Anthem

In All These You Welcomed Me

William Bradley Roberts

(Please sign the Friendship Roster found at the end of the pew,
noting the name of fellow worshippers when it is returned.)

* Doxology 606 (alt)

* Prayer of Dedication

O Giver of every lovely and perfect gift, we honor your goodness in these offerings, which we now dedicate to you. We pray that you accept and multiply them for the work of your church, and that you use our lives to bring peace on earth, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

* HYMN 30 *O God, in a Mysterious Way*

DUNDEE

* CHARGE TO THE CONGREGATION and BENECTION

CHORAL RESPONSE

Let Us Go Forth In Peace

Paul Vasile

POSTLUDE

please rise in body or in spirit; **unison prayers are in bold.*

Large print bulletins, Bibles, hymnals and listening devices are available; please ask a Deacon.

NEXT SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 25

9:00 Knitting at 9 in the Parlor

9:30 Worship Service with the Rev. Dr. Craig Malbon preaching; Childcare (ages 1 - 3);

9:45 Church School (Preschool through 6th Grade); Middle School Program (7th-8th Grade)

10:30 Soup Kitchen 20th Anniversary Celebration in the Fellowship Hall
