

**AN ORDER OF WORSHIP FOR THE LORD'S DAY**  
**February 21, 2010 – The First Sunday in Lent**

**We Join Jesus in the Wilderness**

**PRELUDE** *Forty Days and Forty Nights*  
Alec Wyton, Charles Callahan

**CHORAL INTROIT**  
**& POURING THE BAPTISMAL WATER**

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

... Our help is in the name of the Lord,  
who made heaven and earth.  
**Let us worship God.**



**+HYMN** *Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days* REPTON  
(+Those who are able may stand. Please see announcements insert for this hymn.)

**WELCOME, JOYS, CONCERNS AND INVITATIONS OF THE CHURCH**

**THE LENTEN WALK**

You are invited to come down the right side aisle, leaving your scroll plea in the desert,  
and then to pass by the communion table to receive your Lenten discipline.

**CONFESSION OF SIN** (in silence, then together)

**God of mercy, you sent Jesus Christ to seek and save the lost.**  
**We confess that we have strayed from you**  
**and turned aside from your way.**  
**We are misled by pride,**  
**for we see ourselves pure when we are stained,**  
**and great when we are small.**  
**We have failed in love, neglected justice, and ignored your truth.**  
**Have mercy, O God, and forgive our sin.**  
**Return us to paths of righteousness**  
**through Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.**

**+KYRIE #573** *Lord, Have Mercy*

**THE PROMISE OF FORGIVENESS**

Friends, in these words we hear the promise and the assurance of the good news:  
that in Jesus Christ we are forgiven.  
**Thanks be to God!**

**+A DOXOLOGY #578** *Glory Be to the Father* OLD SCOTTISH CHANT

**+THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.  
**And also with you.**

**We Listen for the Word of God**

**PRAYER FOR UNDERSTANDING**

(You are invited to say the concluding "amen" aloud.)

**LESSONS FROM THE SCRIPTURES**

***Deuteronomy 26:1-11 – an ancient creed of Israel***  
The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM**

***Psalms 91***

G. Roberts Kolb

***Romans 10:8b-13 – We confess with our lips and believe in our hearts.***  
The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

**ANTHEM**

***My God, My Portion***

James Hopkins

***Luke 4:1-13 – the temptation of Jesus in the wilderness***  
The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

**SERMON**

***Back to Basics***



## *We Respond in Faith*

### +AFFIRMING OUR FAITH

By grace through faith we believe that salvation is the work of the Spirit of Christ in our lives. This work is nurtured and strengthened by the ministry of the Word and sacraments and prayer. Through faith we respond to the truth and authority of the Word of God with changed lives. We stand in awe of God's judgment, and we embrace God's promises for this life and for the life to come. We accept Christ, receive Christ, and rely upon Christ alone to set us right with God, and to give us abundant new life in the covenant of grace. Our faith is a journey which passes over high peaks and through deep valleys. Though our way be threatened and though we become lost, Christ will prevail, and we shall be found. Amen.

Adapted from XIV.1-3, *The Westminster Confession of Faith* (1647)

+HYMN #2105      *Jesus, Tempted in the Desert*      EBENEZER

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER  
"debts/debtors"      (Traditional, *Hymnal*, p. 16)

OFFERTORY      *Forty Days and Forty Nights*      J. G. Walther

## *We Go Out to Serve*

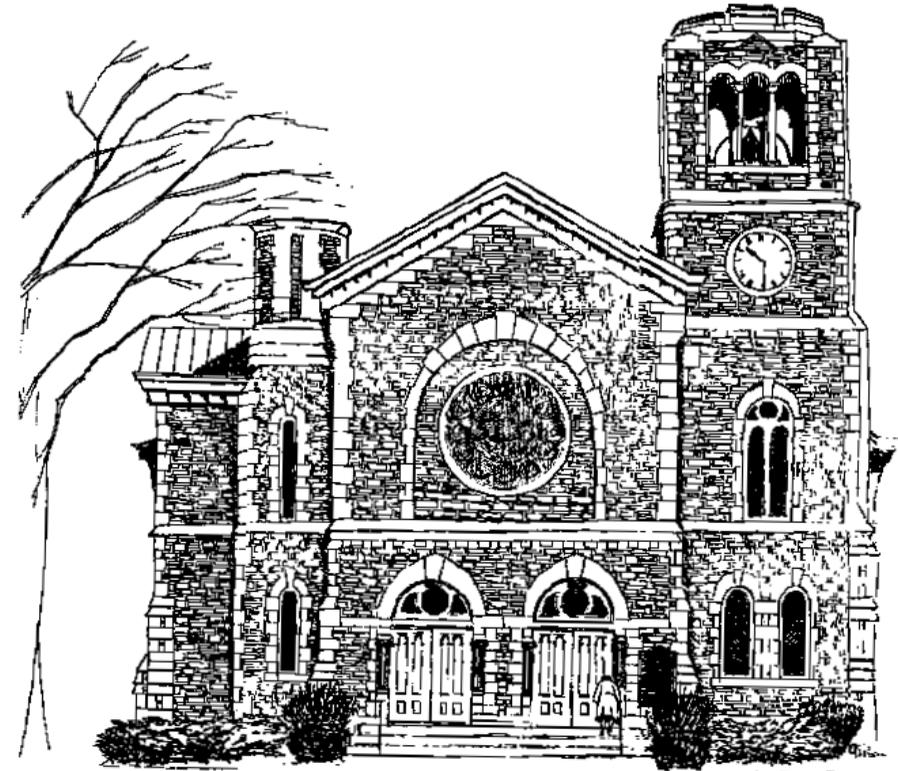
+HYMN #80      *Jesus Walked This Lonesome Valley*      LONESOME VALLEY

+CHARGE, BENEDICTION AND CHORAL RESPONSE

+POSTLUDE

## STONE CHURCH WELCOMES YOU TO WORSHIP

February 21, 2010 ~ The First Sunday in Lent ~ 10:30 a.m.



*The purpose of Stone Church is to be an inviting, spiritual community of Christ, engaging in worship that inspires and challenges us to learn and grow as we reach out in caring and service, trusting in the love of God.*

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## THE CALENDAR THIS WEEK

Today:	8:00 a.m.	“Not for Church Leaders Only” breakfast
	11:30 a.m.	Deacons meet
	2:00 p.m.	<i>Soup at Schools</i> concert
Monday:	3:00 p.m.	Hope House
	7:00 p.m.	Storytellers meet
Next Sunday:	9:00 a.m.	Choir rehearsal
	10:30 a.m.	Worship – Stone
	12:00 noon	Storytellers – Westminster Church

**THIS MORNING’S USHERS** – Dianne & Alan Tuttle

**THIS MORNING’S HOST** – Ewa Lawrence

**CHOCOLATE SALE:** We would like to thank everyone who baked, worked, bought or helped out in any way with the Chocolate Lovers Sale on Saturday, February 13. We realized a profit of \$358.00. We enjoyed our interaction with the folks who were participating in the “Sweetheart Stroll.” The Mission Interpretation & Stewardship Committee

**SINGING OUR FAITH:** This year’s Lenten study opportunity is led by our Director of Music, G. Roberts Kolb, and the Pastor as we take a closer look at the hymns of our faith—where they come from, who wrote them, why they “work” both as lyrics and musical setting, what they say about God and the life of discipleship. This “singing study” will provide us with good fellowship and enriching learning as we sing (or just listen) together. The remaining two sessions begin with a potluck supper at 6:00 with program starting at about 6:45 on Thursdays, March 4 & 18.

### UPDATE ON THE WE WISH YOU WELL AT THE VEZULWAZI PRIMARY

**SCHOOL IN SOUTH AFRICA:** We have raised another \$1250 for the Vezulwazi water well project and will be sending this to *Soup at Schools in South Africa*. When added to the \$2000 we sent a year ago, this will be used for an elevated storage tank and pipes which will link the bore hole well to the school. When completed, our well will provide an integrated supply of water and electricity to the school. This project now has the attention of the South African Education Department, and the expectation is that it will be a prototype for other schools, not just in South Africa, but throughout the continent. In addition, we have learned that *Soup at Schools in South Africa* will now be *Soup at Schools in Africa*. **Join us today at 2:00 p.m. for the next concert to benefit this project.**

**WELCOME** to the worship of God at Stone Presbyterian Church, a congregation of the Presbyterian Church (USA) in the Presbytery of Utica. Please make use of the pew cards to indicate any prayer concerns, pastoral needs or suggestions for improvement.

**THE COUNTRY PANTRY NEEDS:** The Pantry food bank is requesting donations of shampoo, toothpaste, bar soap, and dish detergent. Other items are most welcome too! Please leave items in the basket in the narthex.

**WWW.STONEPRES.ORG:** If you have pictures or features you’d like to include in the Stone Church website, contact Ceil Gilbert at 853-8289 or at [ceilgilbert@yahoo.com](mailto:ceilgilbert@yahoo.com).

**EARLY PLEDGES WANTED:** Cash flow seems to be a problem for the Church more in the winter months (January through April) than summer months. Session is asking folks to consider giving more of their pledge upfront, if possible. We will, of course, keep good track of what you have paid towards your pledge.

**EMERGENCY RELIEF KITS NEEDED:** Members and friends of Stone Presbyterian Church are spearheading a community wide effort to assemble emergency relief kits which they will send to the Church World Service to be disseminated to Haiti as soon as it is feasible to do so. Monetary donations to help purchase supplies or defray cost of mailings would be most welcome. Checks may be made out to Stone Presbyterian Church and notated on check “for CWS Relief Kits.”

**Note: Completed kits have been mailed, but new kits are still welcome! Following is a list of needed items (per kit) as requested by Church World Service:**

- One hand towel measuring approximately 16 x 28” (no fingertip or bath towels)
- One washcloth
- One wide-tooth comb
- One nail clipper (no metal files or emery boards)
- One bar of soap (bath size in wrapper)
- One toothbrush (in original packaging)



Six band-aids

One gallon plastic bag with a zipper closure

Please do not add toothpaste to the hygiene kit. Toothpaste that has an extended expiration date will be added to hygiene kit shipments just prior to shipment.

**NAME TAGS:** If yours is missing or your name is wrong, please let an usher know, and we will supply you with a temporary tag until a replacement is made. If you're visiting, an usher will be glad to make you a name tag.

**A REST ROOM** (wheelchair accessible) is located off the narthex to your left as you enter the church. A diaper-changing table is there for your convenience. More restrooms may be found downstairs in the hall that parallels Williams St.

**THE QUIET ROOM** is located off the narthex to your right as you enter the church. If you need to leave worship for any reason, you are welcome to use the Quiet Room where you may go to be apart but still take part in worship.

**PRAYER CHAIN:** If you would like to add someone to our prayer list or would like to receive the prayer list for daily prayer, please contact the church office, 853-2933, or Sarah Rosenstein at 859-1037 or [sprosens@hamilton.edu](mailto:sprosens@hamilton.edu). Please note that we will remove names after 6 weeks if we haven't received an update or request to keep them on.

Gil Adams & Family  
Kaytryn Bentley and Family  
Dortha and Bill Glaser  
Carrigan and Katrina  
Lori Sherwood  
Doris Locke  
Ann and Dave Smallen  
Fay Brandis and Family  
Peter Forrester  
Brenda  
Rosalie Lauber  
Marilyn Wood

Members/Friends of the Week:  
Laura Hughes, Amanda Andrews  
Eleanor Palmer  
Elaine Schmidt and Family  
Allen Solomon  
Colleen Britcher and Family  
Myra Kazanjian  
First Presbyterian Church,  
Cooperstown  
Keith Dewey & Dennis' brothers and  
sisters & extended family  
The people of Haiti  
Sue Bishop