



An Order of Worship for the Lord's Day  
 Stone Presbyterian Church  
 A Welcoming and Affirming Congregation  
 March 12, 2017 ~ 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Lent



*We Join Jesus in the Wilderness*

**PRELUDE** "Leoni" Richard Proulx  
*(Please listen quietly to the prelude as the community prepares for worship)*

**CHORAL INTROIT** "Timor et tremor" Francis Poulenc  
*(as the baptismal water is poured)*

**CALL TO WORSHIP**  
 ...For the Lord is good; his steadfast love endures forever.  
**Let us worship God.**

**+HYMN #488** "The God of Abraham Praise" LEONI  
*(+Those who are able may stand.)*

**WELCOME**

**THE LENTEN WALK** "Gott der Vater, wohn uns bei" Arnold von Bruck  
 You are invited to come down the right side aisle, put a heart on the globe in the desert, and pass by the communion table to receive your Lenten discipline.

**CONFESSION OF SIN**  
 ...This we confess.  
**Lord, have mercy.**  
**Christ, have mercy.**  
**Lord, have mercy.**

**ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS**

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

**+THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

**CHORAL RESPONSE** "O nata lux" Morten Lauridsen

*We Listen for the Word of God*

**CONVERSATION WITH CHILDREN**

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**  
 (You are invited to say the "amen" aloud.)

**THE WORD FROM THE SCRIPTURES**

**Genesis 12:1-4a** *The call of Abram*  
 TOLD BY ANNE DUNN  
 The Word of the Lord./Thanks be to God

**Psalm 137** "Super flumina Babylonis"  
 Luca Marenzio

**Romans 4:1-5, 13-17** *God's promise realized through faith*  
 The Word of the Lord./Thanks be to God. TOLD BY ELIZABETH SMITH

**John 3:1-17** *Jesus and Nicodemus*  
 The Word of the Lord./Thanks be to God.



*We Respond in Faith with Thanksgiving*

**+HYMN #87** "The Glory of These Forty Days" to O WALY WALY

**+AFFIRMING OUR FAITH** *The Nicene Creed (Ecumenical)* *The Hymnal, p. 15*

**LIFE OF THE CHURCH, JOYS & CONCERNS**

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER** (Traditional, p. 16)

**CHORAL RESPONSE** "O Padre nostro" Guiseppe Verdi

**OFFERTORY** "By the Waters of Babylon" Edwin Fissinger

**+A DOXOLOGY #592** "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

**+PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

*We Continue on the Lenten Journey*

+HYMN #79

“Kind Maker of the World”

to GERMANY

+CHARGE & BENEDICTION

CHORAL RESPONSE

“Deep River”

arr. Clausen

(congregation seated)

“Mary Wore Three Links of Chain”

arr. Kolb

+POSTLUDE



*Hamilton College Choir at Stone Church March 10, 2013*

**STONE CHURCH WELCOMES YOU TO WORSHIP**

**March 12, 2017 ~ The 2nd 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.*

**All the People, Ministers**

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**WELCOME** to the worship of God at Stone Presbyterian Church, a congregation of the Presbyterian Church (USA) in the Presbytery of Utica.

### THE CALENDAR

Monday:	7 p.m.	Session
Wednesday:	8:30 a.m.	Clinton Area Ministerium – Lutheran Home
	6 p.m.	Lenten Series – St. James
Thursday:	10 a.m.-6:30 p.m.	Fair Trade Shoppe
Sunday:	10:30 a.m.	Worship with Scott Leonard

**GREETERS & HOSTS:** Mary Chamberlain

**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 go to our website [www.stonepres.org](http://www.stonepres.org) and click on “Prayer Request” or call the church office at 853-2933.

Ewa Lawrence Doris Locke Judy Raney Moore family Lynn Joann Florence Morgan Esther Kanipe Carolyn Barnum Debra LaFont Emily Massi and family Elizabeth Willson Ashley Harris Thomas Bowman	<b>Members/Friends of the Week:</b> 1st Presby. Church, Holland Patent Danuta and Boleslaw (Ewa’s parents) Carole Grove Chris Woods and his family Family of Kelly Connors-Sugarman Susanne Max (Emily Hughes’ sister) Shirley & JoAnn Tolbert Family & friends of Carol Gilley Robert Simon Willis Monie Katrina and David and baby due in March Jennifer and Jeff and baby Daniel Jacob due July 4
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**HOPE HOUSE WISH LIST:** This month’s wish list includes the following: Milk money, coffee, sugar, hot chocolate, salad dressing, deodorant. Milk money: One of their most frequent purchases is something essential in most households: milk. It is something that is not often donated and it is the best way to meet the Food Bank’s nutritional standards. Hope House uses anywhere from 28-40 gallons of milk each week! Any donation that you designate for milk will help them to meet these needs. Please leave items in the narthex. Questions? Contact Ceil Gilbert.

### CLINTON AREA MINISTERIUM LENTEN SERIES

Wednesdays at 6:00 p.m. at St. James

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| Mar 8  | The Rev. Janet Griffiths and Patsy Glista, AIM | Session 1 “Discovering the Rebel Jesus”   |
| Mar 15 | The Rev. Jeff Hale                             | Session 2 "Revolutionary Lifestyle”   |
| Mar 22 | Scott Leonard, CLP                             | Session 3 “The Most Important Question You Will Ever Have to Answer”<br><br>(Stone supplies the soup and bread this week) |
| Mar 29 | The Rev. Fr. John Croghan                      | Session 4 “Seeing Jesus Today”  |
| Apr 5  | Karen Anderson and the Rev. Jeff McArn         | Session 5 “The Way of the Cross” and Session 6 “Resurrection”   |

We welcome **THE HAMILTON COLLEGE CHOIR** this morning.

**THE COUNTRY PANTRY** would appreciate donations of pineapple, apple sauce, sweet potatoes, boxed potatoes, and vegetables. Please leave items in the back of the sanctuary. Please note that loose change collected in worship on third Sundays is sent to the Country Pantry. Questions? See Judy LaGasse.

**WINTER IS NOT OVER YET!** Come in and check out our nice warm, comfortable organically grown cotton socks and organic wool socks. Yes, we have a wide variety of Maggie’s socks (made in the United States) which will keep your feet warm for the remainder of the winter season. We also have leggings, camisoles, skirts, tops and much more. Our products are fair trade items from around the world. Purchasing fair trade items ensures artisans and small farmers fair wages and healthy working conditions, providing dignity, sustainable development, and hope to marginalized people. Our **Fair Trade Shop** at **Stone Presbyterian Church**, 8 S. Park Row, Clinton is open every Thursday from 10 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. and second Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The entrance to our shop is on Williams Street. For further information, contact Lauralyn Kolb, [lkolb@hamilton.edu](mailto:lkolb@hamilton.edu), 315-725-1326