



An Order of Worship for the Lord's Day  
 Stone Presbyterian Church  
 A Welcoming and Affirming Congregation  
 May 7, 2017 ~ The Fourth Sunday of Easter



**We Gather to Greet the Risen Lord**

**PRELUDE**

*(Please listen quietly to the prelude as the community prepares for worship)*

**INTROIT & POURING BAPTISMAL WATER**

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

The Lord is risen! **He is risen indeed!**  
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+HYMN #119 "The Strife Is O'er"



VICTORY

+PRAYER OF PRAISE *(Please remain standing.)*

God of all power,  
 you called again from death our Lord Jesus Christ,  
 the great shepherd of the sheep,  
 and gave him life to defeat death and sin.  
 We praise you for this good news,  
 that the Good Shepherd still rescues the lost, heals the wounded,  
 and feeds our hungry hearts.  
 All praise be to you, Gracious God,  
 through your Son, our risen Lord Jesus Christ,  
 who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
 one God, now and forever and to ages of ages. Amen.

+HYMN #2251 "We Are Baptized in Christ Jesus" OUIMETTE

**+THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

**WELCOME**

**We Listen for the Word of God**

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

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

**LESSONS FROM THE SCRIPTURES**

*Acts 2:42-47 The new church grows through prayer and fellowship.*  
 The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

*1 Peter 2:19-25 To suffer for what is right is to be like Christ.*  
 The Word of the Lord./**Thanks be to God.**

**ANTHEM**

*John 10:1-10 Jesus is the good shepherd.*  
 The Word of the Lord./**Thanks be to God.**  
 TOLD BY ANNE DUNN



**CONVERSATION WITH CHILDREN**

**SERMON** *One Big Happy Family*

**We Respond in Faith with Thanksgiving**

+HYMN #172 "My Shepherd Will Supply My Need" RESIGNATION

**SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM**

+++ *Jacob Peter Massi* +++  
 Son of Peter and Emily Massi

**PRESENTATION**

**THE MEANING OF BAPTISM**

**QUESTIONS OF THE FAMILY AND CANDIDATE**

**QUESTIONS OF THE CONGREGATION**

**PROFESSION OF FAITH**

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYER OVER THE WATER  
NAMING OF THE CHILD OF THE COVENANT & THE BAPTISM  
PRAYER FOR GUIDANCE  
PRESENTATION

LIFE OF THE CHURCH, JOYS & CONCERNS

OFFERTORY

**We Recognize the Risen Lord at Table**

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

INVITATION

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**  
Lift up your hearts. **We lift them up to the Lord.**  
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

...Therefore with angels and with archangels and with all the company of heaven  
we laud and magnify your holy name,

SINGING #581

...declaring the story of our faith to the world, saying,

SINGING #582

THE LORD'S PRAYER (Traditional, *The Hymnal*, p. 16)

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE COMMUNION

*(Please partake of the bread together, the cup as you are served.)*

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

**We Go Out in the Joy of the Resurrection**

+HYMN #514 "Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ" LINSTEAD

+CHARGE & BENEDICTION +CHORAL RESPONSE +POSTLUDE



# STONE CHURCH WELCOMES YOU TO WORSHIP

May 7, 2017 ~ The Fourth Sunday of Easter ~ 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 meeting
Thursday:	10 a.m.-6:30 p.m.	Fair Trade Shoppe
Saturday:	10 a.m.-4 p.m.	Fair Trade Shoppe
Sunday:	9:15 a.m.	Choir Rehearsal
	10:30 a.m.	Worship with George Whitton
	11:30 a.m.	Lunch & Learning Program

**GREETERS & HOSTS:** Jim Gavett & Helen Leonard

**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 Kim Hillage Powell Thomas Bowman	<b>Members/Friends of the Week:</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> Presby. Church, Lowville 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, David and Edmund Jeremiah 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.

Today we celebrate **THE BAPTISM OF JACOB PETER MASSI**, son of Emily and Peter Massi.

**THE COUNTRY PANTRY** is now collecting for the kids’ packs which help supplement a family’s monthly food allotment when schools are closed for the summer. Items needed are 100% juice boxes, pudding cups, canned pasta, and fruit cups. We will collect these items May through August. Questions? See Judy LaGasse.

Stone Church’s “**LUNCH AND LEARNING SERIES**” continues next Sunday. This series, scheduled for after church in the Norton Room, is designed to treat members, friends and guests to a tasty lunch, pleasant company and an entertaining short program. On May 14, Kelli Corasanti from Studio 8 will be our guest speaker. Her program is titled “Healthy Living Begins in Your Heart.” Our final session will be on May 21 when Elizabeth Smith will talk about “The Least of These.” Please mark your calendars and plan to join us.

**FAIR TRADE SHOP:** SERRV is a part of creating peace in Israel by offering a marketing opportunity for an inspiring organization with a mission to build peace: Sindyanna of Galilee. Hadas Lahav, the founder and director of Sindyanna of Galilee states, “A group of Jewish and Arab activists-including myself - decided to build positive social and economic answers to discrimination within Israeli society and the region. We are working inside Israel for a Jewish-Arab collaboration.” You can support their peace building efforts by purchasing their products from our Fair Trade Shop. Our shop is open every Thursday from 10 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. and second Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. For more information, contact Lauralyn Kolb, [lkolb@hamilton.edu](mailto:lkolb@hamilton.edu), 315-725-1326, visit our website at [www.stonepres.org](http://www.stonepres.org) or like us on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/stonepres](http://www.facebook.com/stonepres).

**FESTIVAL OF SACRED SONG SLATED FOR TODAY:** All are invited to attend the Spring Festival of Song in the Welsh Tradition, sponsored by St. David’s Society of Utica. Known in Welsh as a **Gymanfa Ganu**, it will be held today at 3:00 p.m. at Ilion’s First Presbyterian Church located at 90 Morgan Street in Ilion. Leading the singing will be conductor Jay G. Williams III. He will be accompanied by Susan Bartholomew on the organ and Jeanne Jones on the piano. Special music will be provided on the organ by Dominic Fiacco. Following the singing, a “te bach” (afternoon tea) will be held in the social hall. All are welcome to attend.

**BLOOD DRIVE MAY 13:** There will be a blood drive May 13 from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the VFW, 40 Franklin Ave., Clinton. We are hoping that many of you will go and donate blood which is badly needed at this time of year. Our Church has been asked to provide the food for all the volunteer workers and to supply a cookie for each donor. A very special thanks to Hal Rance, Mary Chamberlain, Bev Miller & Donna Goodfriend for supplying pulled pork sandwiches, salad and pies for the volunteers and to Brooke for supplying her famous cookies to all the donors. Hope to see you there!!!!