

An Order of Worship for the Lord's Day
Stone Presbyterian Church
A Welcoming and Affirming Congregation
June 5, 2011 ~ Ascension Sunday

We Gather to Celebrate the Ascension of Christ

PRELUDE *Rejoice, the Lord Is King* George Th. Miles

INTROIT & POURING BAPTISMAL WATER

CALL TO WORSHIP

...Our help is in the name of the Lord,
who made heaven and earth.

Let us worship God.



+HYMN #212 **RED HYMNAL** *The Lord Ascendeth Up on High* ASCENDIT DEUS

+PRAYER OF PRAISE (together)

Let us remain standing as we pray responsively with joy to Christ,
who is seated at the right hand of God, saying:

You are the king of glory!

You have raised the weakness of our flesh.

Heal us from our sins,
and restore to us the full dignity of life.

You are the king of glory!

May our faith lead us to God
as we follow the way that you have shown.

You are the king of glory!

You have promised to draw all people to yourself;
let no one of us be separate from your body.

You are the king of glory!

Grant that we may join with you in full plan of God's shalom
in which your humanity and ours is glorified.

You are the king of glory!

As true God from God, who will be our judge at the end,
lead us to contemplate and celebrate your tender mercies,

You are, indeed, the king of glory! Amen.

+HYMN #151 *Crown Him with Many Crowns*

WELCOME, JOYS, CONCERNS & INVITATIONS

+THE PEACE OF CHRIST

We listen for the Word of God

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

LESSONS FROM THE SCRIPTURES

Acts 1:1-11 *Jesus ascends into heaven.* SCOTT LEONARD
The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalms 47 *God has gone up with a shout.*
#194 *Peoples, Clap Your Hands!* GENEVAN 47

Ephesians 1:15-23 *Christ is ruler of the universe.*

ANTHEM

Amen

arr. Jack Schrader

Luke 24:44-53 *Jesus ascends into heaven.* LARRY REYNOLDS

SERMON

Narrative Parallax

We Gather at the Table of the Lord

+AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (together)

The Apostles' Creed (Tradition Version, p. 14 in *The Presbyterian Hymnal*)

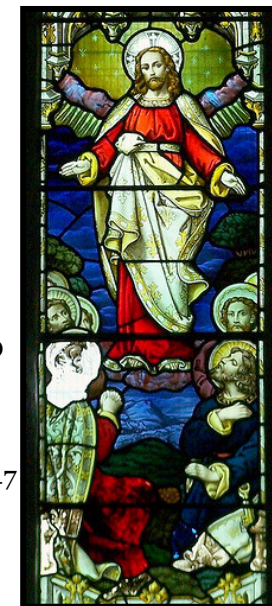
+HYMN *Every Time We Tell the Story* RUSTINGTON
(Please see announcements insert.)

OFFERTORY *O How Amiable* Ralph Vaughan Williams

+A DOXOLOGY LASST UNS ERFREUEN

**From all that dwell below the skies
Let the Creator's praise arise, alleluia!
Let our Redeemer's name be sung,
And praise the Spirit, ev'ry tongue!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

DIADEMATA



+THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

INVITATION

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING (Please see announcements insert.)

COMMUNION IN BREAD AND CUP

(Please come forward by the center aisle, take bread and dip it into cup, returning by the side aisle.)

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

We Go Out in the Joy of the Resurrection

+HYMN #155 *Rejoice, the Lord Is King* DARWALL'S 148th

+CHARGE, BENEDICTION & CHORAL RESPONSE

+POSTLUDE *Crown Him with Many Crowns* Martin Setchell

MORE ANNOUNCEMENTS:

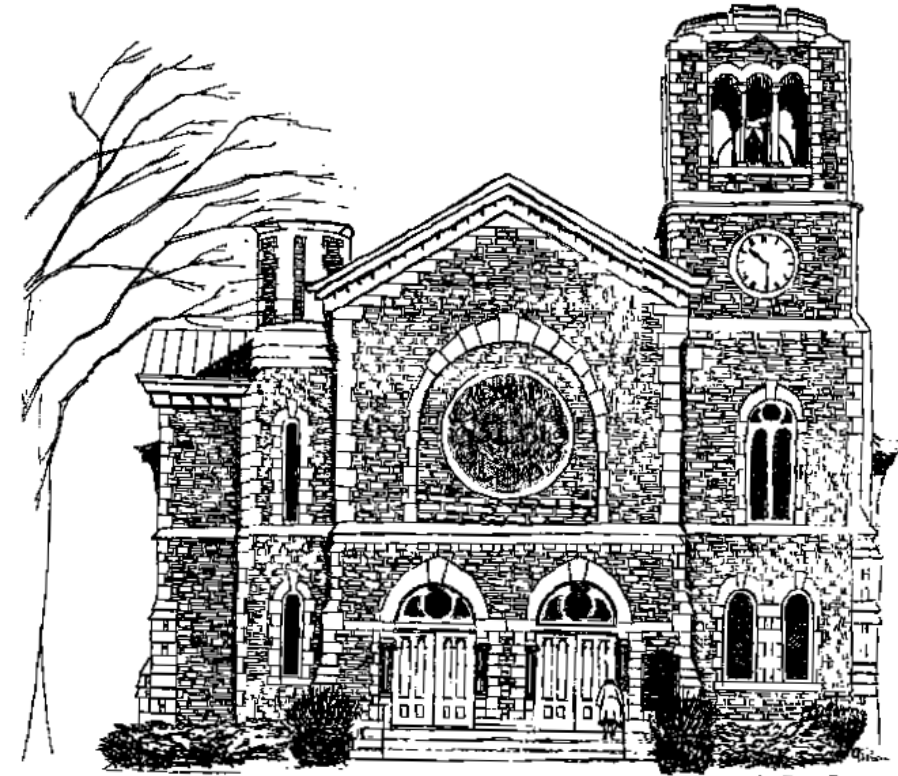
HOPE HOUSE WISH LIST: KITCHEN – Gravy Master/Kitchen Bouquet, cheddar cheese soup, fresh produce from your garden, leftovers from graduation parties, weddings, etc., snack and sandwich plastic bags, cold cuts. PERSONAL HYGIENE - deodorant, shampoo, conditioner, feminine hygiene products, lotions. Please leave items in the Norton Room, but if you have perishable food, please call Ceil Gilbert, 853-8289.

THE FARMER'S MARKET will take place on the Village Green every Thursday from June 9th to October 13th between 10 a.m. and 5 p.m. Along side our church's Fair Trade table, we will be selling pie slices, brownies, etc. to raise money for our Shoppers Stroll expenses. We will be looking for volunteers to bake and sell. We will also accept donations of craft items, plants, flowers, vegetables, etc. to sell.

If anyone is interested in participating in this fun-filled experience, please contact Ceil Gilbert (853-8289) or Bev Miller (853-2548).

STONE CHURCH WELCOMES YOU TO WORSHIP

June 5, 2011 ~ Ascension Sunday ~ 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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All the People, Ministers

THE CALENDAR THIS WEEK



Thursday:	10:00 a.m.-5 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Farmer's Market – Village Green Taizé service
Friday:		SSSF reception
Saturday:	9:30 a.m.-10 p.m.	SSSF
Next Sunday:	9:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m.	Choir rehearsal Worship

INTERESTED IN BEING A LITURGIST? If you would be willing to take a stint as liturgist or Power Point “clicker”? Please let Donna Goodfriend or Dennis know!

LITURGIST: Donna Goodfriend

STORYTELLERS: Scott Leonard & Larry Reynolds

USHERS: Ceil Gilbert & Sherry Robinson

Today (and the first Sunday of each month) is **LOOSE CHANGE (AND BILLS) SUNDAY** for the Deacons.



ONLY ONE WEEK until the Stone Soup Storytelling Festival! We need your help! So many volunteers are going to be needed in the run up to the event and on the day of the Festival. Please invite your friends and acquaintances and neighbors to mark their calendars. If you can help, please let Donna Goodfriend know. We also need everyone to pitch in with distributing the “pocket cards” and posters. Please, please help! We need all hands on deck!

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.

BUILDING STONES MISSION SHOP: You are invited to visit our Building Stones Mission Shop, located in the rear of the narthex, to see our wonderful selection of Fair Trade teas, coffees, chocolates, soups, and clothes which are all for sale.

PRAYER CHAIN: If you would like to add someone to our prayer list, please go to our website www.stonepres.org and click on “Prayer Request” or call the church office at 853-2933. Announcements (with the prayer list) are posted on-line each week. Please note that we will remove names after 6 weeks if we haven’t received an update or request to keep them on.

Lori Sherwood
Eleanor Palmer
Elaine Schmidt and Family
Those affected by turmoil
in the Middle East
Allen Solomon
Marius Thomassen
Barbara Stockbridge
Will
All those involved with the Stone
Soup Storytelling Festival
Stan Shinkle
Steve Zuchowski, Sr.

Members/Friends of the Week:
Chris & Kristen Carr, Lori Chamberlain
Nicolls Memorial Presbyterian Church,
Old Forge
Rosalie Lauber
Machold Family
Lisa Hyatt
Nancy Shaw
Wilma Lawson
Helen and Scott’s son, Jesse
Bil Lepp’s inlaws displaced by flooding
Ron Coughlin
Wilbur Family

THESE DAYS, a devotional booklet, is available in the back of the sanctuary. If you’d like to take one, they are free. (Of course, if you’d like to make a contribution to cover the cost, thanks!)

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Life 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.**

It is not only right, but our duty and our joy...

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



O ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, by heav'n and earth a -



like a - ored, Your glo - ry fills the un - i - verse!



Ho - san - na in the high - est heav'n! To you all praise be



ev - er giv'n! Ho - san - na in the high - est!

In the fullness of time you sent us your Son...

...as together we sing, proclaiming the story of our faith:



The Lord of life was cru - ci - fied, for us he suf - fered



and he died, but then was raise to life a - gain.



A - scend - ed af - ter for - ty days, in heav - en still he



Every Time We Tell the Story

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Dennis Dewey, 2008

C. Hubert Parry, 1897

