

AN ORDER OF WORSHIP FOR THE LORD'S DAY
June 13, 2010 ~ Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary

We Gather in Prayer and Praise

PRELUDE *Beautiful Savior* Yury Arbatsky

INTROIT & POURING OF 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 #478 *Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven* LAUDA ANIMA

WELCOME, JOYS, CONCERNS & INVITATIONS OF THE CHURCH

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (together)

We know that we have sinned and fallen short of your glory.
You invite us to a life of joy in serving you,
but do not accept your hospitality with gratitude.
We measure success by the number of times we get our own way.
We measure happiness by the amount and cost of our possessions.
We measure our integrity by the number of people who speak well of us.
You call us to be hospitable to a world in need,
but we are focused on our own needs,
preoccupied with our own desires,
and too anxious to be generous and sharing.
Forgive us our sin, we pray.
Renew us and accept us as changed people.
Make us more and more into the likeness of Jesus Christ
for we ask it in his name. Amen.



GOOD NEWS OF FORGIVENESS

+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 "amen" aloud.)

LESSONS FROM THE SCRIPTURES



1 Kings 21:1-21a *Elijah condemns the king's abuse of power.*
The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Psalms 5:1-8 *Trust in God for deliverance from enemies.*

Hal H. Hopson



Give ear to all my words; give ear, O Lord. _____

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Galatians 2:15-21 *Our justification before God comes through faith.*

ANTHEM *How Excellent Thy Name* Howard Hanson

Luke 7:36-49 *A forgiven woman shows Jesus her love.*

SERMON *Taking and Giving*

We Respond in Faith with Thanksgiving

+AFFIRMATION OF FAITH – Excerpted from “The Confession of 1967”

New life in Christ takes shape in his community of faith, the church, in which we know that God loves and accepts us in spite of who we are. Therefore we can accept ourselves and love others, knowing that we have no other ground on which to stand than the grace of God. This new life does not release us from conflict with unbelief, pride, lust and fear. We still must struggle with disheartening difficulties and problems. Nevertheless, as we mature in love and faithfulness in our life with Christ, we live in freedom and good cheer, bearing witness on good days and evil days, confident that our new life is pleasing to God and helpful to others.

+HYMN #345 *Dear Lord, Creator Good and Kind* REST

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD’S PRAYER (p. 16)
(Traditional Version, “debts” & “debtors”)

OFFERTORY *Slane* Quentin Thomas

+ A DOXOLOGY *From All That Dwell below the Skies* LASST UNS ERFREUEN

From all that dwell below the skies,
Let the Creator’s praise arise—Alleluia! Alleluia!
Let the Redeemer’s name be sung,
And praise the Spirit every tongue,
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

+HYMN #339 *Be Thou My Vision* SLANE

+CHARGE, BENEDICTION & CHORAL RESPONSE

POSTLUDE

STONE CHURCH WELCOMES YOU TO WORSHIP

June 13, 2010 ~ Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary ~ 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.



A WELCOMING AND AFFIRMING CONGREGATION

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**Dennis Dewey, Pastor
G. Roberts Kolb, Director of Music
Gerald G. Platz, Pastor Emeritus
Peggy Weldon, Office Administrator
Cros Harvey, Sexton**

THE CALENDAR THIS WEEK

Today:	11:30 a.m.	Deacons meet
	4:00 p.m.	Worship and Sacraments Course
Monday:	7:00 p.m.	Session meets
Thursday:	8:30 a.m.	Clinton Area Ministerium meets – Lutheran Home
	6:00 p.m.	Worship and Sacraments Course
Saturday:	10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.	Strawberry Fest
Next Sunday:	9:00 a.m.	Choir rehearses
	10:30 a.m.	Worship – Stone

LITURGIST: Mary Ann Stiefvater

THIS MORNING'S HOSTS: Rose & Doug Lockwood

THIS MORNING'S USHERS: Dianne & Alan Tuttle

THIS MORNING'S STORYTELLER: Katrina Schell

The Mission, Fundraising and Stewardship Committee will be holding a **STRAWBERRY FEST** on Saturday, June 19th from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. There will be strawberry shortcakes served and all kinds of goodies made from strawberries will be available for purchase. We would appreciate donations of baked items and strawberries and volunteers to work on that day. We will welcome any strawberry craft items also. Sign-up sheets will be available. For more information, please contact Judy LaGasse (725-2217) or Ceil Gilbert (853-8289).

HOPE HOUSE is in need of the following items: 4" pans, coffee, juices, sugar, and hygiene items, especially deodorant, shampoo, and lotion.

THE COUNTRY PANTRY NEEDS: The Pantry food bank is requesting donations of crackers, granola or cereal bars, canned spaghetti or ravioli, canned fruit, and shampoo. We also hope to add some small summer toys for the children. These include playing cards, jump ropes, bubbles, crayons, activity books, and sidewalk chalk. Please leave items in the basket in the narthex.



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 narthex, to see our wonderful selection of Fair Trade teas, coffees, chocolates, soups, and clothes which are all for sale.

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.

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 at 853-2933 or stonepres@verizon.net or Sarah Rosenstein at 859-1037 or 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 and Family
Kaytryn Bentley and Family
Dortha and Bill Glaser
Carrigan and Katrina
Lori Sherwood
Doris Locke
Fay Brandis and Family
Peter Forrester
Brenda
Rosalie Lauber
Marilyn Wood
Lori Chamberlain and Family
Peter Bishop, Sue Bishop's son
Bill Henry
Eric Wentworth

Members/Friends of the Week:
Cecilia Hwangpo, Sangin Park
Eleanor Palmer
Elaine Schmidt and Family
Allen Solomon
Colleen Britcher and Family
Kurt Whittemore
The Lay Academy of the Presbytery
of Utica
Keith Dewey and Dennis' brothers
and sisters and extended family
The people of China
Sue Bishop
Ginny Francis and Family
Lester Bretch
Fred Windecker



PRAYERS NEEDED: Fred Windecker has a long road to recovery ahead following recent surgery. He can be reached at his daughter's address: c/o Becky Belonga, 280 McCann St., St. Ignace, MI 49781.

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.

SHOPPERS STROLL MEETING: There will be an important meeting on Saturday, June 19th at 1:00 p.m. concerning the Shoppers Stroll. All are welcome to attend.

CIRCLE OF JOY: First Presbyterian Church, 1605 Genesee Street in Utica is pleased to invite you to "Circle of Joy," a worship service especially for people with challenges and disabilities from all denominations, on Monday evening, June 14. Please gather from 6:15 – 6:30 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. Enter the church from the parking lot – look for the balloons which will mark the entrance which is wheelchair accessible. Worship begins at 6:30 p.m., and will be followed by simple refreshments. All are welcome. Call the church, 732-5111, for more information. This gathering is being coordinated by Rev. Mary Lynn Gras, pastor of First Presbyterian in Utica; Betty Abel-Jellencich, of Hope House, an elder at First Presbyterian Church; and Kay Blancovich, Service Coordinator for CNYDSO and an elder at First.

FROM THE CHARGE TO THE PASTOR given by the Rev. Rachel Hackenberg at the installation of the Rev. Elsie Armstrong Rhodes at First Presbyterian Church, Cooperstown last Sunday:

Finally, Elsie (and it's not really "finally" at all because you have so many gifts for ministry...but there's a reception coming, so I thought that I should stick to mentioning three gifts), you are gifted in storytelling. You have the spiritual depth and love of words to tell stories about our biblical and religious traditions in such a way that they come alive and apply to our lives; to tell stories about a congregation in such a way that congregants have bold new visions of what it means to be church and to love neighbors; and to invite people to discover and own their own stories and to understand God at work in their life stories.

Storytelling is a pastor's gift for fostering conversation that connects the past with the future, and for teaching others to see and recognize and proclaim God's story of healing and life-giving and unsettling and recreating and comforting and delivering in wonderful and miraculous ways! Storytelling is like the gold gilding on Solomon's temple: it's the fine craftsmanship overlaying intricate designs of shapes and images and words; every bright gold image represents a separate story, but taken as a whole, the images tell one story of the brilliant light of God who loves us.



Hunter Farrell

UPDATES ON OUR PARTNERS AND MISSION PERSONNEL IN HAITI

Bishop Jean Zaché Duracin, who leads the PC(USA)'s partner church in Haiti, is living in a tent city in Port-au-Prince after his home was destroyed.

Duracin, bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Haiti, rejected offers to be evacuated after his home crumbled in the January 12 earthquake. He vowed to "stay with my people," the Episcopal News Service Reported.

In addition to the bishop's home, several Diocesan buildings in Port-au-Prince were destroyed, including the Holy Trinity Cathedral, the Sisters of St. Margaret convent and College St. Pierre. At least three parish buildings outside Port-au-

Prince collapsed or were severely damaged. Four people were killed while worshipping in an Episcopal congregation in Trouin. No further information is available about other casualties or injuries related to the collapse of our partner church's buildings. The Haitian government estimates that 200,000 people were killed in the earthquake.

Hôpital Sainte Croix (Holy Cross Hospital) in Leogane, a Diocesan ministry that for decades has been a major focus of Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) mission in Haiti, received serious damage. Earlier reports indicated that the hospital had collapsed, but more recent information indicates that the building is still standing. However, a guesthouse and an apartment owned by the hospital were destroyed. Hospital officials believe that all hospital staff survived the earthquake.

But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.' (Acts 1:8)
