



An Order of Worship for the Lord's Day
 Stone Presbyterian Church
 A Welcoming and Affirming Congregation
 October 8, 2017 ~ 17th Sunday after Pentecost



We Are Gathered to Worship God

PRELUDE **"Sonatina in B-flat Major"** G. F. Handel
(Please listen quietly to the prelude as the community prepares for worship)

INTROIT & POURING BAPTISMAL WATER

CALL TO WORSHIP

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

+HYMN #462 **Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Sky** RATISBON
(+Those who are able are invited to stand.)

WELCOME

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(first in silence and then together)*



Dear Heavenly Father, we lower our heads before you and we confess that we have too often forgotten that we are yours. Sometimes we carry on our lives as if there was no God and we fall short of being a credible witness to You. For these things we ask your forgiveness and we also ask for your strength. Give us clear minds and open hearts so we may witness to You in our world. Remind us to be who You would have us to be regardless of what we are doing or who we are with. Hold us to You and build our relationship with You and with those You have given us on earth. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

+A DOXOLOGY #579 **Glory Be to the Father**

GLORIA PATRI

+THE PEACE OF CHRIST

We Listen for God's Word

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

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

LESSONS FROM THE SCRIPTURES

1 Kings 8:22-28 **Solomon's prayer and plea to God.**
 The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

1 Thessalonians 5:14-17 **Charge to do good.**
 The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM

"On Eagles Wings"

Michael Joncas

Matthew 6:7-15 **The Lord's Prayer.**
 The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

CONVERSATION WITH CHILDREN

SERMON

Lifted Up

We Respond to the Word in Faithful Thanksgiving

+HYMN #349 **Let All Who Pray the Prayer Christ Taught**
 sung to ST. PETER

+AFFIRMING OUR FAITH *(together)*

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



LIFE OF THE CHURCH, JOYS & CONCERNS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER

(Hymnal, p. 6 – Traditional) (“debts” and “debtors”)

CHORAL RESPONSE

OFFERTORY

“Prayer”

Pierre De Br'eville

+A DOXOLOGY #593 *Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow*

Avery and Marsh

+PRAYER OF DEDICATION

We Go Out to Serve in the Name of Christ

+HYMN #403

What a Friend We Have in Jesus

CONVERSE

+CHARGE & BENEDICTION

+CHORAL RESPONSE

+POSTLUDE

*Praise
the Lord*

STONE CHURCH WELCOMES YOU TO WORSHIP
October 8, 2017 ~ 17th Sunday after Pentecost ~ 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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HOPE HOUSE WISH LIST: This month's wish list includes the following: Milk money, coffee, sugar, hot chocolate, salad dressing, deodorant. One of their most frequent purchases is something essential in most households: **milk**. 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. Any questions please contact Ceil Gilbert

BIBLE STUDY Bible Study will meet every two weeks beginning Monday, October 9th at 6:00 pm. This multi- **WELCOME** to the worship of God at Stone Presbyterian Church, a congregation of the Presbyterian Church (USA) in the Presbytery of Utica.

OUR HARVEST PIE SALE The Harvest Pie sale will be held on Saturday, October 21st from 10am to 2pm. We are asking for donations of all kinds of pies, apple being the most popular. Everyone's help is needed. Sign-up sheets are available. Any questions please call Donna Goodfriend, 315 853-8405

MURDER MYSTERY DINNER To benefit the Parkinson's Unit of the Presbyterian Homes & Services Saturday October 21st 6:00 to 9:00 pm located at the Westminster Moriah Olivet For tickets and information please contact Linda @ 315-732-6518 or Lindawpcutica@gmail.com

LUNCH AND LEARN On October 8th will have a luncheon after worship in the Norton Room and watch the movie, "The Shack." Based on the New York Times best-selling novel, The Shack takes us on a father's uplifting spiritual journey. After suffering a family tragedy, Mack Phillips [Sam Worthington] spirals into a deep depression causing him to question his innermost beliefs. Facing a crisis of faith, he receives a mysterious letter urging him to an abandoned shack deep in the Oregon wilderness. Despite his doubts, Mack journeys to the shack and encounters an enigmatic trio of strangers led by a woman named Papa [Octavia Spencer]. Through this meeting, Mack finds important truths that will transform his understanding of his tragedy and change his life forever. Session study will be about the movie and its message and theology.



THE CALENDAR

Monday:	6:00 p.m.	Bible Study
Tuesday:	7:00 p.m.	Session Meeting
Wednesday:	9:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.	Luncheon Norton Rm.
Thursday:	10:00 a.m. – 6:30 p.m.	Fair Trade Shoppe
Saturday:	9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.	Leadership Retreat
Sunday:	9:00 a.m.	Choir Rehearsal
Sunday:	10:30 a.m.	Worship

GREETERS & HOSTS: Tonya and Jason Hamshar

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 and click on "Prayer Request" or call the church office at 315 853-2933.

<p>Ewa Lawrence and family Doris Locke Judy Raney Moore family Lynn Joann Tom Florence Morgan Esther Kanipe Carolyn Barnum Debra LaFont Elizabeth Willson Kim Hillage Powell Doug Lockwood Bob & Susan Ryerson Juan Tanton & Family All residents of Puerto Rico</p>	<p>Members/Friends of the Week: General Assembly PC (USA) Carole Grove Chris Woods and family Family of Kelly Connors-Sugarman Shirley & JoAnn Tolbert Family & friends of Gerald Grant Robert Simon Katrina, David and Edmund Jeremiah Jennifer, Jeff and baby Daniel Jacob Thomas Bowman Vilsack family Refugees</p>
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PRESBYTERIAN WOMAN OF THE PRESBYTERY

Luncheon meeting will be held here in the Norton room October 11th 9:30 am there will be the guest speaker. After the meeting you can visit the Fair Trade Shop any questions please call Ceil Gilbert, 315 853-8289. Thank you, Women's Association