



An Order of Worship for the Lord's Day
 Stone Presbyterian Church
 A Welcoming and Affirming Congregation
 April 22, 2018 ~ The Fourth Sunday of Easter



We Gather to Celebrate the Resurrection of Christ

PRELUDE *Westminster Abbey* Malcolm Archer
 (Please listen quietly to the prelude as the community prepares for worship)

CHORAL INTROIT & POURING OF THE BAPTISMAL WATER

CALL TO WORSHIP

We know love by this, that Christ laid down his life for us.
 Little children, let us love, not in word or speech, but in truth and action.

**We receive from God whatever we ask,
 obediently doing what is pleasing to God.**

And this is God's commandment: that we should believe in the name of
 God's Son, Jesus Christ, and love one another, just as Christ has
 commanded us.

**Those who obey this commandment abide in him,
 and he in us.**

By this we know that he abides in us:
 That we have received the gift of the Spirit.
 The Lord is risen!

**He is risen indeed!
 Let us worship God!**

+HYMN #115 *Come, Ye Faithful, Raise the Strain* ST. KEVIN
 (+Those who are able may stand.)

+PRAYER OF THE DAY (together)

Almighty God,
 you sent Jesus, our good shepherd,
 to gather us together.
 May we not wander from his flock,
 but follow wherever he leads us,
 listening for his voice and staying near him,
 until we are safely in your fold,



to live with you forever;
 through Jesus Christ our Lord,
 the lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world,
 who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
 one God, now and forever and to ages of ages. Amen.

+HYMN #2102 *You, Lord, Are Both Lamb and Shepherd* WESTMINSTER ABBEY

WELCOME

+THE PEACE OF CHRIST

**The Risen Christ Opens
 the Scriptures to Us**

PRAYER FOR UNDERSTANDING

LESSONS FROM THE SCRIPTURES

Acts 4:5-12 *Peter declares the Good News about Jesus to the officials.*
 The Word of the Lord. / Thanks be to God.

I John 3:16-24 *Let us not love in word only.*
 The Word of the Lord. / Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM *God Is a God of Love* James J. Chepponis

John 10:11-18 *Jesus says, "I am the Good Shepherd."* TOLD BY DAVE FORBES
 The Word of the Lord. / Thanks be to God.

SERMON *Truth and Action*

We Respond in Faith with Thanksgiving

+HYMN #175 *The Lord's My Shepherd* EVAN

+AFFIRMATION OF FAITH – **The Good News**
 (I Corinthians 15:3-8, Revelation 21:6; John 20:8)

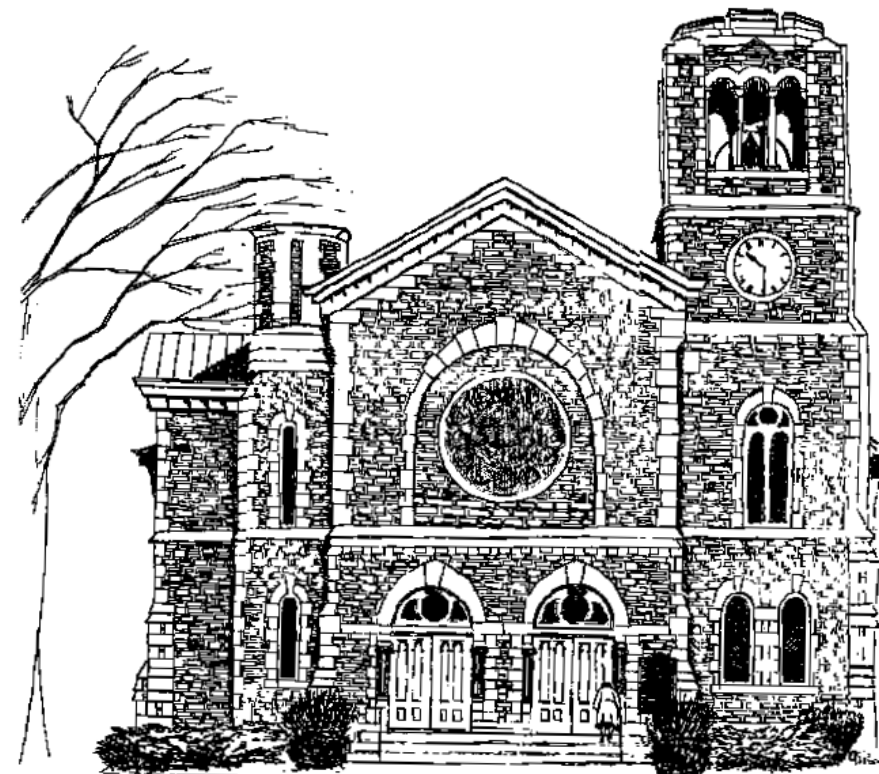


This is the good news which we have received,
in which we stand, and by which we are saved:
that Christ died for our sins
according to the Scriptures,
that he was buried,
that he was raised on the third day,
and that he appeared to many faithful witnesses.
We believe he is the Christ,
the Son of the living God,
the first and the last,
the beginning and the end,
he is our Lord and our God. Amen.



STONE CHURCH WELCOMES YOU TO WORSHIP

April 22, 2018 ~ The Fourth Sunday of Easter ~ 10:30 a.m.



LIFE OF THE CHURCH, JOYS & CONCERNS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

"debts/debtors" (Traditional, *Hymnal*, p. 16)

OFFERTORY *The King of Love My Shepherd Is* Quentin Thomas

+A DOXOLOGY 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!

+PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

We Go Out As Resurrection People to Serve

+HYMN #417 *Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation* REGENT SQUARE

+CHARGE, BENEDICTION AND CHORAL RESPONSE

+POSTLUDE

*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: Breakfast Cereal, Coffee, Sugar, Hot Chocolate, Butter or Margarine, Toiletries, Deodorant, Shampoo, Conditioner, Paper Goods, Napkins, Toilet Paper. Any donation that you designate for food or personal needs will greatly be appreciated. Any questions, contact Ceil Gilbert (853-8289) or ceilgilbert@yahoo.com.

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April 27th and April 28th from 9 AM to 3 PM and April 29th from 9 AM to 1 PM
 Furniture, household items, dishes, glassware, etc.

THE CALENDAR

Monday:	3:00 p.m.	Hope House
Monday:	6:00 p.m.	Bible Study
Thursday:	10:00 a.m. – 6:30 p.m.	Fair Trade Shoppe
Sunday:	9:15 a.m.	Choir
Sunday:	10:30 a.m.	Worship

GREETER & HOST: Mary Chamberlain

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