



An Order of Worship for the Lord's Day
 Stone Presbyterian Church
 A Welcoming and Affirming Congregation
 September 9, 2018 ~ 16th Sunday after Pentecost



We Gather in the Name of the Triune God

PRELUDE "Récit de Nazard" Jean-Jacques Beauvarlet-Charpentier
(Please listen quietly to the prelude as the community prepares for worship)

INTROIT & POURING OF BAPTISMAL WATER

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Those who trust in the Lord are like Mount Zion, which cannot be moved, but abides forever.

People: As the mountains surround Jerusalem, so the Lord surrounds his people, from this time on and forevermore.

Leader: For the scepter of wickedness shall not rest on the land allotted to the righteous, so that the righteous might not stretch out their hands to do wrong.

People: Do good, O Lord, to those who are good, and to those who are upright in their hearts.

Leader: But those who turn aside to their own crooked ways the Lord will lead away with evildoers.

People: Peace be upon his people!

Leader: For the Lord is good, his steadfast love endures forever.

People: Let us worship God!

+HYMN #285 "God, You Spin the Whirling Planets" AUSTRIAN HYMN
(+ Those who are able are invited to stand)

WELCOME

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (together)

**Almighty God,
 you have called out to your disciples
 foretelling to them what must be,
 not just for you but for all of us.
 We confess that our tongues**

**have the power to praise,
 yet we too often use them to condemn.
 We do not listen well to your glorious law
 that is shared for the good of all.
 Have mercy on us, O God.
 Transform our lives by hearing your Call of Wisdom,
 and fill us with a desire to be your faithful people,
 doing your will for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

+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!**

+THE PEACE OF CHRIST

We Listen for the Word of God

PRAYER FOR UNDERSTANDING

LESSONS FROM THE SCRIPTURES

**Proverbs 22:1–2, 8–9, 22–23 God desires justice and mercy on those in need.
 The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.**

James 2:1–17 Faith without works is dead

**ANTHEM "New Beginnings" Carl R. Young
 (Words by Brian Wren)**

Mark 7:24–37 The Syrophenician woman's faith.

SERMON "Making Distinctions"

We Respond in Faith with Thanksgiving

+HYMN #345 "Dear Lord and Father of Mankind" REST



+AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

(Traditional Version – *The Presbyterian Hymnal*, p. 14)

The Apostles Creed

LIFE OF THE CHURCH, JOYS AND CONCERNS

OFFERTORY

“Meditation”

Alan Bullard

+A DOXOLOGY #592 *“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”* OLD 100TH

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND THE LORD’S PRAYER (Traditional, p. 16)

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.**

... who forever sing praises to the glory of your name:

(SINGING: #581)

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessèd is He who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.**

... as we declare the great mystery of our faith, singing:

(SINGING: #582)

**Dying, You destroyed our death;
Rising, You restored our life.
Lord Jesus, come in glory.**

WORDS OF INSTITUTION, COMMUNION & PRAYER OF DEDICATION

We Go Out to Serve in the Name of Christ

+HYMN #386

“O for a World”

AZMON

+CHARGE AND BLESSING

+CHORAL RESPONSE

+POSTLUDE

STONE CHURCH WELCOMES YOU TO WORSHIP
September 9, 2018 ~ 16th 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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RISE AGAINST HUNGER: We now need volunteers for the day of the event – September 29, 2018 to help packing meals at Clinton High School cafeteria. Anyone interested can sign up in the back of the church or call us at the church. Please mark your calendar and plan to participate.

COUNTRY PANTRY UPDATE: The Country Pantry will accept all food donations. Starting in May through August they will be collecting for the kids’ packs which are a substitute for the school lunches they do not receive during the summer. Items needed: **rice, peanut butter, fruit cups.** Any questions please see Judy LaGasse.

PANCAKE BREAKFAST: Lutheran Care (Sodexo) together with Presbyterian Home/Kraft Foods/NFL is sponsoring a Pancake Breakfast, on Saturday, September 22, between 7:30 am and 11:00 am. **All proceeds from the breakfast will go directly to The Country Pantry to be used for purchasing food for Thanksgiving and Christmas distribution.** The breakfast will take place in the Community Room at Lutheran Care. The cost will be \$7.00 and those under 5 years old are free. We will also have a basket raffle. This includes an Amazon Echo Dot, boys and girls bikes, Keurig Coffee Maker w/ K-cups, waffle maker, blender, turkey roaster and all items for Thanksgiving dinner, Christmas themed baskets, pet basket, Smart Shopper, gift cards. I lost count but so far we have about 15 baskets from pantry supporters. More baskets are welcome. Please spread the word about the breakfast. I will have flyers available Wednesday morning at the pantry. Or I can drop some off to you, just let me know. Thank you for your ongoing support of the pantry. We have plenty of mouths to feed. Kraft and Sodexo are donating all food for this event. The kindness of Lutheran Care and Presbyterian Home has been overwhelming. We have plenty of volunteers for the morning, so please come out and eat:)

FAIR TRADE SHOPPE: Our Bead for Life jewelry is made from recycled paper by women in Uganda. We have bracelets, earrings and necklaces in a variety of beautiful colors, which are very reasonably priced. They are practical, fun, and easy to wear. Come and check out our selection at our Fair Trade Shop at Stone Presbyterian Church, 8 So. Park Row, Clinton. We also have many, many more unique gift items from 38 different countries. Our hours are every Thursday from 10am to 6:30pm and second Saturdays from 10am to 4pm in the church, every Thursday from 10am to 4pm and third Thursdays from 10am to 6pm at the Farmer’s Market on the Village Green in Clinton. Purchasing fair trade items ensures artisans and small farmers fair wages and healthy working conditions, providing dignity, sustainable development and hope to marginalized people. The entrance to our shop is on Williams Street. For more information, contact Lauralyn Kolb, lkolb@hamilton.edu, 315-725-1326, visit our website at www.stonepres.org or like us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/stonepres.

HOPE HOUSE WISH LIST: This month’s wish list includes the following: **Deodorant, Shaving Cream, Razors, Granulated Garlic, Coffee/Tea, Sugar, Cereal, & Milk Money.** Any donation that you designate for food or personal needs will greatly be appreciated. If you have questions, contact Ceil Gilbert (853-8289) or ceilgilbert@yahoo.com.

THE CALENDAR



Today:	10:30 a.m.	Worship
Thursday:	10: a.m. – 6:30 p.m.	Fair Trade Shoppe
Sunday:	9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.	Choir Practice
Sunday:	10:30 a.m.	Worship

GREETERS & HOSTS: Grace Whittemore & Mary Chamberlain

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.

Prayer Request:

Pastor Jeff Hale
 Margaret Gallagher
 Fred Kaiser
 The Family of Anne Kinnel
 The Family of Bob Simon
 Bill Porter
 Donna Robinson
 Tom Soja
 Carolyn Barnum
 Judy Snow
 Debra LaFont
 Becky Herner
 Faye Campbell

Tiffany Heintz
 Mary Peterson
 Lora Schilder & Family
 Patricia Joseph & Family
 New Hartford Presby. Church
 All our children & grandchildren get to know Jesus

Members/Friends of the Week:

Jim Gavett
 Jeanette Lenoir
 Kathy Leslie