

An Order of Worship for the Lord's Day
 Stone Presbyterian Church
 A Welcoming and Affirming Congregation
 January 27, 2019 ~ 3rd Sunday after the Epiphany



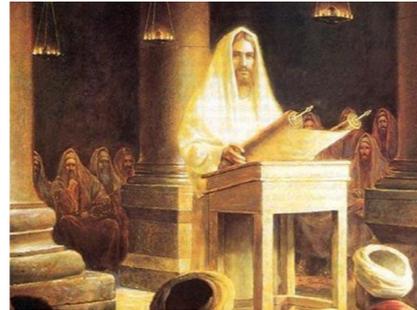
We Gather to Worship

PRELUDE "Liebster Jesu" J.S. Bach

POURING OF THE BAPTISMAL WATER

(Please listen quietly to the prelude as the community prepares for worship)

CALL TO WORSHIP & CALL TO ORDER OF THE ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING



LEADER: The heavens are telling the glory of God; and the skies proclaim God's handiwork

PEOPLE: Day to day pours forth speech, and night to night declares knowledge.

LEADER: There is no speech, nor are there words; their voice is not heard.

PEOPLE: Yet their voice goes out through all the earth, and their words to the end of the world.

LEADER: For the Lord is good; his steadfast love endures forever.

PEOPLE: Let us worship God.

+ **HYMN #454** "Blessed Jesus, at Your Word" LIEBSTER JESU
 (+Those who are able may stand.)

WELCOME

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (together)

Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. In your mercy forgive what we have been,

help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

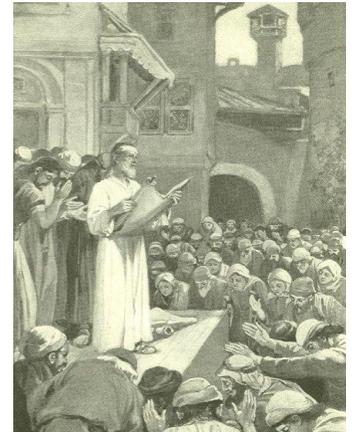
+ **A DOXOLOGY #579** "Glory Be to the Father" GLORIA PATRI

+ **THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

We Listen for the Word of God

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

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



LESSONS FROM THE SCRIPTURES

Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10 – Ezra reads the scriptures in public.
 The Word of the Lord. / **Thanks be to God.**

1 Corinthians 12:12-31a – The church is the body of Christ.
 The Word of the Lord. / **Thanks be to God.**

Luke 4:14-30 – Jesus teaches in the synagogue in Nazareth.
 The Word of the Lord. / **Thanks be to God**

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

DETERMINATION OF A QUORUM

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES, TEAMS, AND ORGANIZATIONS

PRESENTATION OF THE SESSION'S BUDGET FOR 2019

REPORT OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE & ELECTION OF OFFICERS

NEW BUSINESS

SERMON *E Pluribus Unum*

We Respond in Faith with Thanksgiving

+ HYMN #418 “God, Bless Your Church with Strength” to DIADEMATA

LIFE OF THE CHURCH, JOYS & CONCERNS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE, THE LORD’S PRAYER
“debts/debtors” (Traditional, Hymnal, p. 16)

OFFERTORY “Let It Begin with Me” Avery and Marsh

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

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

We Go Out to Tell the Story in Word and in Deed

+ HYMN (see insert) “I Love to Tell the Story” HANKEY

+CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

+POSTLUDE



STONE CHURCH WELCOMES YOU TO WORSHIP
January 27, 2019 ~ 3rd Sunday after the Epiphany ~ 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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+ HYMN #383 (red)

“I Love to Tell the Story”

HANKEY

1. I love to tell the story of unseen things above,
Of Jesus and his glory, of Jesus and his love.
I love to tell the story because I know 'tis true;
It satisfies my longings as nothing else can do.
I love to tell the story, 'twill be my theme in glory
To tell the old, old story of Jesus and his love.

2. I love to tell the story; 'tis pleasant to repeat
What seems each time I tell it more wonderfully sweet.
I love to tell the story for some have never heard
The message of salvation from God's own holy Word.
I love to tell the story, 'twill be my theme in glory
To tell the old, old story of Jesus and his love.

3. I love to tell the story; For those who know it best
Seem hungering and thirsting To hear it, like the rest.
And when, in scenes of glory, I sing the new, new song,
'Twill be the old, old story that I have loved so long.
I love to tell the story, 'twill be my theme in glory
To tell the old, old story of Jesus and his love.

CONDOLENCES: Our heartfelt condolences go out to Rev. Jeff McArn and family for the loss of Jeff's mom who passed away on January 15th

HOPE HOUSE WISH LIST: This month's wish list includes the following: **Deodorant, Shampoo, Conditioner, Napkins, Toilet Paper, Hot Chocolate, Coffee, Butter/ Margarine Sugar, Breakfast Cereal.** 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.

COUNTRY PANTRY: Please note that loose change collected in worship on the third Sunday of each month is given to the Country Pantry.

FAIR TRADE SHOPPE: Damaris Chonay (15 years old) is on her way to her new secondary school, moving closer to her dream of becoming a doctor, in order to bring medical care to her community where there is none. Damaris lives in a Mayan agricultural community in Guatemala where her family resides in a small cement home with dirt floors. You can purchase baskets made in Guatemala from pine needles, along with a large selection of exquisite jewelry, collectibles, wood items, chocolate and food items, clothing and toys from 38 different countries in our **Fair Trade Shop at Stone Presbyterian Church, 8 So. Park Row, Clinton.** Purchasing fair trade ensures artisans and small farmers fair wages and healthy working conditions, providing dignity, sustainable development and hope for marginalized people. **We will be holding a 25% off Winter Sale during January and February (some restrictions apply).**



OUR ANNUAL CHOCOLATE LOVER'S SALE will be held on **Saturday, February 9th, from 10am to 2pm.** We are asking for donations of any kind of chocolate goodies (pies being the most popular). If you are unable to bake, a monetary donation would be greatly appreciated. All proceeds from this sale will go to Hope House in Utica (a place where anyone can get a warm meal served with a smile). Come and help us celebrate Valentine's Day by purchasing something chocolate-y for yourself or some loved ones. Any questions? Please see Ceil Gilbert or Donna Goodfriend.

JOB POSTING: Clinton United Methodist Church seeks a part-time Administrative Assistant. A full job description can be obtained by calling (315) 853-3358 or by emailing cumc@centralny.twcbc.com. Resumes can be submitted to cumc@centralny.twcbc.com or by mail to Clinton United Methodist Church, 105 Utica Street, Clinton, NY 13323. Please include related experience and three professional references.



THE CALENDAR



Thursday – 1/31/19:	10:00 a.m. – 6:30 p.m.	Fair Trade Shoppe
Sunday – 2/3/19:	9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.	Choir Practice
Sunday – 2/3/19:	10:30 a.m.	Worship (in sanctuary)
	During worship	Officer Installation
Monday – 2/4/19:	7:00 p.m.	Annual Joint Session-Deacons Meeting

Want to see what else is on the calendar? Go to our Web page – stonepres.org & click on the “CALENDAR ICON”



GREETERS: Helen Leonard & 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:

The family of Rev. Jeff McArn
 Fred Kaiser
 Donna Robinson
 Debra LaFont
 Lora Schilder & Family
 The Family of Claire Burns
 The Family of Bill Porter
 For all children & grandchildren to attend church and know God

Members/Friends of the Week:

Richard & Sue Raitt
 Nikki & Larry Reynolds
 Janet Rice

