



An Order of Worship for the Lord's Day
 Stone Presbyterian Church
 A Welcoming and Affirming Congregation
 September 15, 2019 ~ The 14th Sunday after Pentecost



We Gather to Worship God

PRELUDE "Come Sing, O Church, in Joy" Betty Roe
(Please listen quietly to the prelude as the community prepares for worship)

CHORAL INTROIT AND POURING OF BAPTISMAL WATER

CALL TO WORSHIP

Peace be with you!
And also with you
 Let us sing to our Lord
Even when our hearts have no song
 Let us sing to our Lord
Especially when our hearts have no song
 Let us sing to our Lord
Who is the Source of all of our songs!
Come, let us worship our God!

+HYMN #298 "There's a Wideness in God's Mercy" IN BABILONE
(+ Those who are able are invited to stand)

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(first together, then in silent reflection)*

Holy God, hear our prayer:
For the mending of our hearts, torn apart by our unkindness;
For the healing of our souls, wasting away from the despair around us;
For the forgiveness we seek for the sin we have allowed to persist;
For the reconciliation of the world, whose division condemns us;
We pray for the courage to admit our fault, The strength to
amend our actions, And the hope that your grace awaits us.
Through Christ we pray. Amen.



RESPONSE HYMN #2275 "Kyrie"
("Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.")

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

+A DOXOLOGY #578 "Glory Be to the Father" OLD SCOTTISH CHANT

+THE PEACE OF CHRIST

WELCOME

We Listen for the Word of God



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

LESSONS FROM THE SCRIPTURES

Jeremiah 4:11-12, 22-28 *The hot wind of God's judgment blows.*
 The Word of the Lord. / Thanks be to God.

1 Timothy 1:12-17 *Paul expresses gratitude for God's great mercy.*
 The Word of the Lord. / Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM "O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing" John Purifoy

Luke 15:1-10 *Parables of the lost sheep and the lost coin.*
 The Word of the Lord. / Thanks be to God.

SERMON "Being Found"

We Respond in Faith with Thanksgiving

+HYMN #241 "Behold the Goodness of the Lord" CRIMOND CM

+ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (together) **The Apostles' Creed**
(Ecumenical Version, Presbyterian Hymnal, p. 14)

LIFE OF THE CHURCH, JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER *(Traditional, p. 16)*

OFFERTORY **“Behold the Goodness of the Lord”** Richard Pantcheff

+A DOXOLOGY#593 **“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”** Avery & Marsh

+PRAYER OF DEDICATION

+HYMN #412 vv. 1,2 & 5 **“Eternal God, Whose Power Upholds”** FOREST GREEN

+ CHARGE & BENEDICTION

+CHORAL RESPONSE

+ POSTLUDE



STONE CHURCH WELCOMES YOU TO WORSHIP

September 15, 2019 ~ 14th 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.

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PLEASE WELCOME our guest minister, Rev. Bob Umidi, recently retired from 23 years of Presbyterian ministry in downtown Utica. He teaches part time at Utica College. He lives in Clinton with his wife, Letty, who is a Lay Pastor. They have two sons and two grandchildren.

STEWARDSHIP: Next week we will embark on our 2019 Stewardship series. Starting **September 22, continuing on September 29**, and culminating with a Consecration Sunday service and luncheon on October 6, this series is designed to help each of us consider our individual relationship to God and to Stone Church.

This year's stewardship theme comes from 2 Timothy 1:6 which exhorts us to "Fan into flame the gifts of God" and then continues to explain, "For God did not give us a spirit of timidity but a spirit of power and love and self-discipline." Please take the opportunity to participate in these Sunday services and to attend our special luncheon on October 6.

RISE AGAINST HUNGER: We now need volunteers for the day of the event – **September 28th** to help pack meals at Clinton High School cafeteria. Anyone interested can sign up in the back of the church. It takes many hands to pack over 40,000 meals. Please mark your calendar & plan to participate.

HOPE HOUSE WISH LIST: This month's wish list includes the following: **BREAKFAST CEREAL, COFFEE, SUGAR, HOT CHOCOLATE, BUTTER OR MARGARINE, DEODORANT, SHAMPOO, CONDITIONER, 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.

THE COUNTRY PANTRY: A big thank you for making the annual kids packs a success. Now it is time to think about Thanksgiving.

The pantry will be collecting **STUFFING, CRANBERRY SAUCE AND GREEN BEANS,**

I will let you know as certain needs become known.

PLEASE NOTE: They have a shortage of **PEANUT BUTTER, TUNA AND PEAS**

FAIR TRADE SHOPPE: UPAVIM's mission: To support the women of La Esperanza, Guatemala in their fight for better economic, healthcare and educational opportunities for themselves, their families and their community. The oven mitt, potholders and worry dolls are all made by women in the UPAVIM organization.



ANNUAL PIE SALE: Will be on Saturday, 9/28/19 from 10am to 2pm. We would love donations of all kinds of pies, but the focus will be on apple. As in the past, we will be featuring our "drive-thru pies" again (which seems to be very popular). We would appreciate monetary donations, if you are unable to bake. As always, we will be needing help selling the pies, too. For more information, contact Ceil Gilbert at 315-853-8289 or Donna Goodfriend at 315-749-4085. Sign-up sheets will be available.



THE CALENDAR



Wednesday- 9/18/19:	8:30 a.m.	CAM meeting @ Lutheran Care
Thursday – 9/19/19:	10:00 a.m.-6:30 p.m.	Fair Trade Shoppe
Sunday – 9/22/19:	9:15 a.m.	Choir Practice
Sunday- 9/22/19:	10:00 a.m.	Worship

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



GREETERS & COMMUNION: 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:

Jack Cassidy
Elaine Hecking
Lauralyn Kolb
Bob Miller
Tiffany Heintz
Christine Tuttle
Sue Raitt
Dorothy Alberico
Sue Riggles
Anna Gogel
David Harris
Debra LaFont

Members/Friends of the Week:

John & Chris Menard
Roberta Ferris
Matt Fletcher