



An Order of Worship for the Lord's Day
 Stone Presbyterian Church
 A Welcoming and Affirming Congregation
 July 5, 2020 ~ 5th Sunday after Pentecost



We Gather in the Name of Christ

PRELUDE "Chaconne in G Minor" Louis Couperin
(Please listen quietly to the prelude as the community prepares for worship)

POURING OF THE BAPTISMAL WATER

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

Come, bless the Lord, all you servants of the Lord who stand by night in the house of the Lord!

Lift up your hands to the holy place and bless the Lord.

May the Lord, maker of heaven and earth, bless you from Zion.

For the Lord is good;

His steadfast love endures forever!

Let us worship God.

HYMN #276 v. 1 "Great Is Thy Faithfulness" FAITHFULNESS
(You are encouraged to meditate on the words instead of singing while the music is played)

Great is Thy faith-ful-ness, O God my Fa-ther,

There is no shad-ow of turning with Thee;

Thou chang-est not, thy com-pas-sions they fail not;

As Thou hast been Thou for-ev-er wilt be.

Great is Thy faith-ful-ness! Great is Thy faith-ful-ness!

Morn-ing by morn-ing new mer-cies I see;

All I have need-ed Thy hand hath pro-vid-ed;

Great is Thy faith-ful-ness, Lord, un-to me!

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

Sovereign God, ruler of all hearts, you call us to obey you, yet we ignore your voice and choose to follow our own way.

You offer us freedom in the Spirit, but we choose captivity in the world, disguised as freedom of the flesh.

You command we worship as a community of faith, but instead we worship the individual, selfishly ignoring the needs of others.

Keep us faithful to the ways of your Son, that leaving behind all that hinders us, we may fix our eyes on him and steadfastly follow in the paths of your kingdom.

Grant this through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

+THE PEACE OF CHRIST

We Listen for the Word of God

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

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

LESSONS FROM THE SCRIPTURES

Genesis 24:34-38, 42-49, 58-67 *Rebekah becomes a wife.*

The Word of the Lord. / **Thanks be to God.**

Romans 7:15-25a *The tension and struggle between life in the Spirit and life in the flesh.*

The Word of the Lord. / **Thanks be to God.**

SOLO "This is My Song" (Lloyd Stone)

Sung by G. Roberts Kolb

Jean Sibelius

Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30 *Jesus gives rest for the weary.*

The Word of the Lord. / **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON "What Infants See"

The Rev. Kate Dunn

We Come to the Table in Faith with Thanksgiving

HYMN #438 v. 1 "Blest Be the Tie That Binds" DENNIS
(You are encouraged to meditate on the words instead of singing while the music is played)

**Blest be the tie that binds Our hearts in Chris-tian love:
 The fel-low-ship of kin-dred minds Is like to that a-bove.**

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (from "The Confession of Belhar 1986") (see insert)



LIFE OF THE CHURCH, JOYS & CONCERNS

TITHES AND OFFERING

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

THE GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

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.

... and the faithful of every time and place, saying:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

... Announcing with one voice the story of our faith:

Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again!

THE LORD'S PRAYER

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE COMMUNION

(Please come forward by the center aisle to receive the bread and individual cups,
then return to your seat by the side aisles.)

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

We Go Out to Serve Our Call

HYMN #357 v. 1/5 "O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee" MARYTON
(You are encouraged to meditate on the words instead of singing while the music is played)

**O Mas-ter, let me walk with Thee In low-ly paths of ser-vice free;
In peace that only Thou canst give, With Thee, O Master, let me live.**

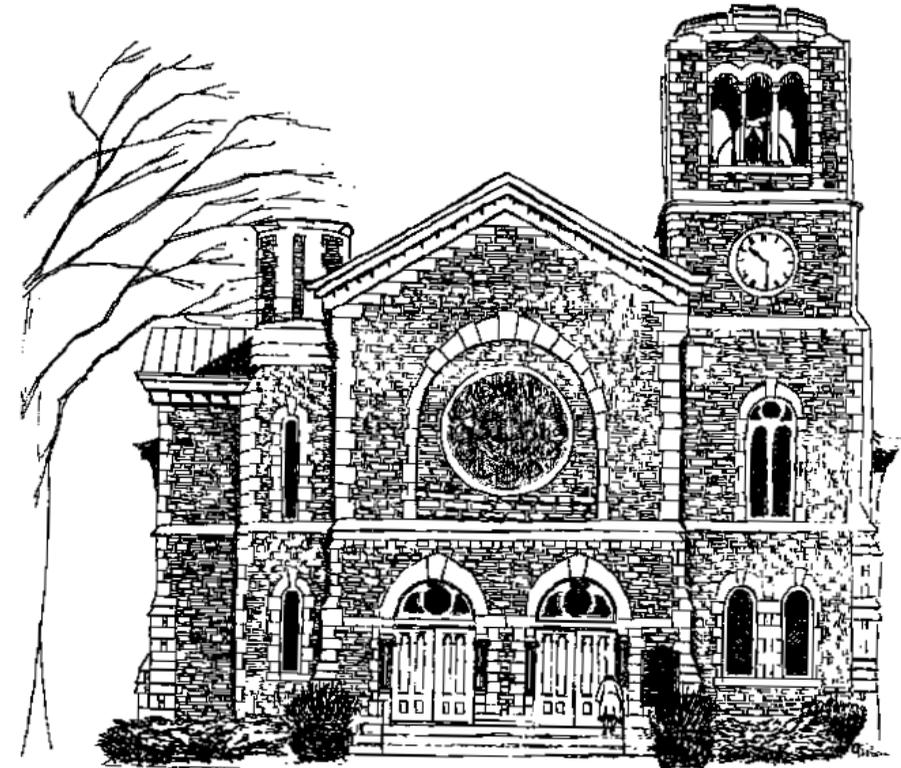
CHARGE & BENEDICTION

+POSTLUDE "Petite Fugue sur le Chromhorne" François Couperin



STONE CHURCH WELCOMES YOU TO WORSHIP

July 5, 2020 ~ 5th 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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AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (from “The Confession of Belhar 1986”)

We believe that Christ’s work of reconciliation is made manifest in the church as the community of believers who have been reconciled with God and with one another;
that unity is, therefore, both a gift and an obligation for the church of Jesus Christ;
that through the working of God’s Spirit it is a binding force, yet simultaneously a reality which must be earnestly pursued and sought: one which the people of God must continually be built up to attain;
that this unity must become visible so that the world may believe that separation, enmity and hatred between people and groups is sin which Christ has already conquered, and accordingly that anything which threatens this unity may have no place in the church and must be resisted. Amen.



The Rev. Katharine “Kate” Dunn

We welcome Kate in giving our message today while visiting her parents Anne and Paul Dunn, parishioners here at Stone.

Kate is Associate Pastor for Congregational Care and Outreach at the Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church on the corner of 5th Avenue and 55th Street in in midtown Manhattan, the largest Presbyterian sanctuary in Manhattan, which can accommodate about 1,800 of their 2,000 members.

Kate was ordained in the Presbyterian Church, USA in 1996. She is experienced in parish ministry and faith-based social ministries. She is a pastor, writer, preacher, retreat leader, Christian educator, and collaborative partner with others in building faithful, inclusive community and advocating for those in need.

Her interests include: pastoral care, productive aging, end of life concerns, advocacy and compassionate outreach to the homeless and mentally ill, biblical studies, literature and creative writing.