



**An Order of Worship for the Lord's Day**  
**Stone Presbyterian Church**  
**A Welcoming and Affirming Congregation**  
**July 25, 2021 ~ 9<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**



***We gather to praise the God of Creation...***

**Prelude** "Voluntary No. 8: Grave" G. F. Handel  
*(Please listen quietly to the prelude as the community prepares for worship)*

**Welcome**

**Call to Worship** (selected verses from Psalm 145)

All your works praise you, O Lord,

**and your faithful servants bless you.**

Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom;

**Your dominion endures throughout all the ages.**

The eyes of all wait upon you, O Lord,

**and you give them their food in due season.**

The Lord is near to those who call upon him,

**to all who call upon him faithfully.**

**+Hymn #252** "O Lord, You Are My God and King" JERUSALEM

***...to come before God with honest humility...***

**Prayer of Confession** (unison)

Gracious God: We confess our sin to you.

We too often think of ourselves as deserving more.

We sometimes count ourselves among the righteous.

We forget that it is by your grace that we live.

We forget that forgiveness is to be our way of life

because we have so freely been forgiven.

Help us be a changed people, a different people,

a people set apart for love and service.

Help us not to grumble and complain,

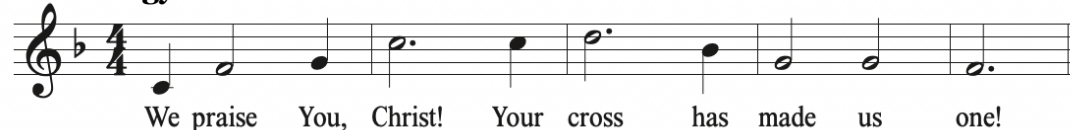
but to rejoice at being found and saved,

made whole for your kingdom;

through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**Assurance of Forgiveness**

**+A Doxology**



**+The Peace of Christ**

The peace of Christ be with you. / **And also with you.**

***...to listen for the Word of God...***

**Prayer for Understanding**

**Reflections on the Scriptures**

2 Kings 4:42-44

*Elisha feeds one hundred*

Psalm 145:10-18

*The Lord is righteous*

John 6:1-21

*The feeding of the five thousand*

Ephesians 33:14-21

*Christ dwells in our hearts through faith*

**+Hymn #521** "You Satisfy the Hungry Heart" to ST. PETER

You satisfy the hungry heart with gift of finest wheat;  
 Come give to us, O saving Lord, the bread of life to eat.

As when the shepherd calls his sheep, they know and heed his voice;  
 So when You call Your fam'ly, Lord, we follow and rejoice.

With joyful lips we sing to You our praise and gratitude'  
 That you should count us worthy, Lord, to share Your heav'nly food.

You give Yourself to us, O Lord; then selfless let us be,  
 To serve each other in Your name in truth and charity.

***...to respond in prayer and thanksgiving...***

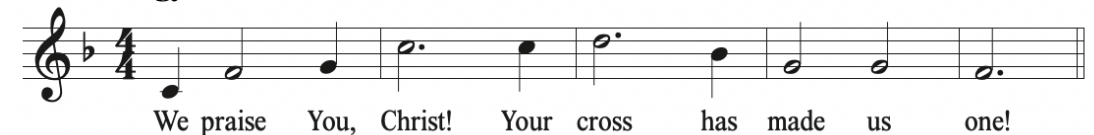
**Life of the Church; Joys and Concerns**

**Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer**

**Offering Our Gifts and Our Lives to God**

**Offertory** "St. Peter" Richard Lloyd

**+A Doxology**



**+Prayer of Dedication**

***...and to go out to serve in the name of Christ.***

**+Hymn #471 (vv. 1-4)** "O Praise the Gracious Power" CHRISTPRAISE RAY

**+Charge and Benediction**

**+Postlude**

**WELCOME** to the worship of God at Stone Presbyterian Church, a congregation of the Presbyterian Church (USA) in the Presbytery of Utica.

A **REST ROOM** (wheelchair accessible) is located off the narthex to your left as you enter the church. More restrooms may be found downstairs in the hall that parallels Williams Street.

**FAIR TRADE SHOPPE:** You are invited to visit our Fair Trade Shoppe, located downstairs, to see our wonderful selection of items from artisans and small farmers around the world. Fair Trade brings dignity and hope to marginalized populations and makes it possible for people to work their way out of poverty. We carry a wide assortment of gift items, in addition to coffee, tea, chocolate, and organic clothing. Our shop is open every Thursday and every second Saturday from 10A.M. to 4:00 P.M. Look for us at the Farmers Market.

**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](http://www.stonepres.org) and click on “Prayer Request” or call the church office at 315-853-2933.

**HOPE HOUSE WISH LIST:** This month’s wish list includes the following: **shampoo conditioner, soap, toothpaste & razors.** Any donation that you designate for food or personal needs will be greatly appreciated. Any questions, contact Ceil Gilbert (853-8289) or [ceilgilbert@yahoo.com](mailto:ceilgilbert@yahoo.com). If any servers are eager to come back, they are happy to accept volunteers.

**THE COUNTRY PANTRY** will continue to take donations for the **kids paks; peanut butter, fruit cups, pudding cups, granola bars, canned pasta & juice boxes.** **For the seniors; tuna, fruit & canned vegetables.** The items may be dropped off at church or directly to the pantry. Also, please note that loose change collected in worship on the **third Sunday** of each month is given the Country Pantry. Can’t shop? Monetary donations are always accepted. Please make checks payable to the Country Pantry. Questions? See Judy LaGasse

**SUMMER WORSHIP SCHEDULE 2021**

**9:30 a.m. Sundays, July 4 through August 29**

**LABOR DAY WEEKEND ECUMENICAL SERVICE**

**ON THE GREEN**

**9:30 a.m. Sunday, September 5**

(Bring a lawn chair—or two!)

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***Summer Service***

**July 25, 2021 ~ 9:30 a.m.**



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Gerald G. Platz, Pastor Emeritus  
Janice LeFrois, Office Administrator  
Lee Kelso, Sexton

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