

LIFE OF THE CHURCH, JOYS AND CONCERNS

OFFERTORY                    **“The Lord’s My Shepherd”**  
THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

Quentin Thomas

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

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.**

... who forever sing to the glory of your name:                   (SINGING HYMN #581)

**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, hosanna in the highest.**

...as we declare the great mystery of our faith, singing:                   (SINGING HYMN #582)

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

THE LORD’S PRAYER (Traditional Version, *Presbyterian Hymnal*, p. 16)

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION AND THE COMMUNION  
*(Please hold the bread to eat together; please drink the cup as you are served it.)*

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

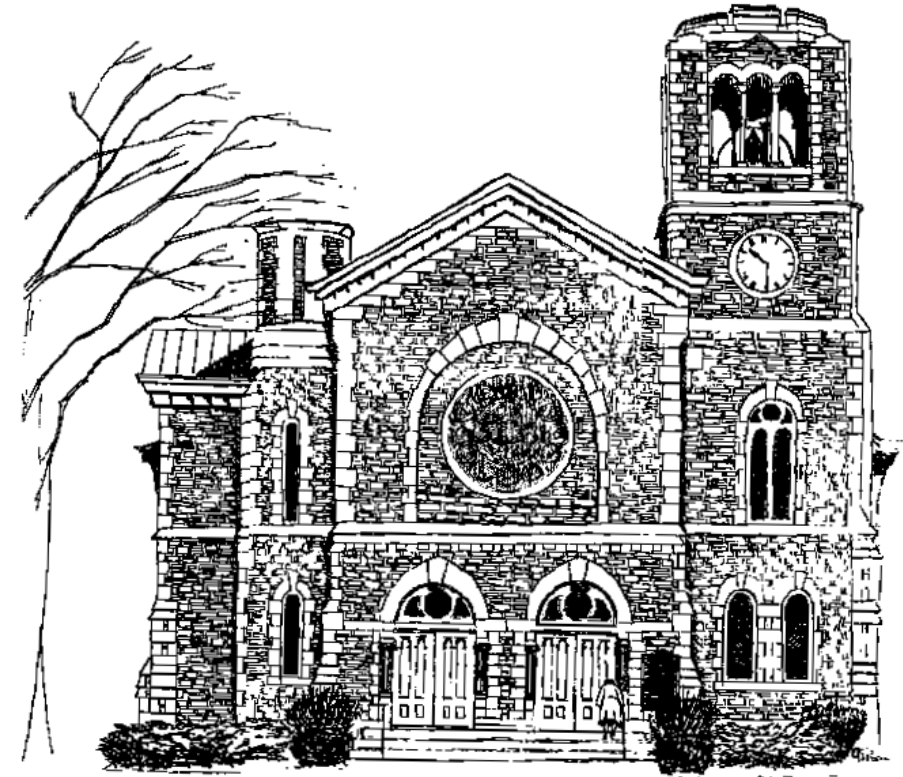
+HYMN #339                    **“Be Thou My Vision”**

SLANE

+CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

+POSTLUDE

**STONE CHURCH WELCOMES YOU TO WORSHIP**  
September 12, 2019 ~ 16<sup>th</sup> 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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An Order of Worship for the Lord's Day  
 Stone Presbyterian Church  
 A Welcoming and Affirming Congregation  
 September 12, 2021 ~ 16<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost



**We Gather in the Name of the Triune God**

PRELUDE "Lead Us, Heavenly Father, Lead Us" Christopher Tambling  
 (Please listen quietly to the prelude as the community prepares for worship)

INTROIT & POURING OF BAPTISMAL WATER

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: The heavens are telling the glory of God; and the firmament proclaims his handiwork.

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

Leader: The law of the LORD is perfect, reviving the soul.

**People: The decrees of the LORD are sure, making wise the simple.**

Leader: The precepts of the LORD are right, rejoicing the heart.

**People: The commandments of the LORD are clear, enlightening the eyes.**

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

**All: Let us worship God!**

+HYMN #356 "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing" NETTLETON  
 (+ Those who are able are invited to stand)

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

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

LESSONS FROM THE SCRIPTURES

**Proverbs 1:20-33 Wisdom speaks.**  
 The Word of the Lord. / Thanks be to God.

**James 3:1-12 On taming the tongue**  
 The Word of the Lord. / Thanks be to God.

SOLO "The Heavens Are Telling" Ludwig van Beethoven  
 Sung by G. Roberts Kolb

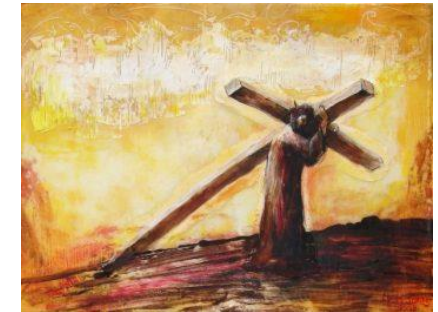
**Mark 8:27-38 You are the Christ/Passion Prediction.**  
 The Word of the Lord. / Thanks be to God.

SERMON "What Did You Say?"

**We Respond in Faith with Thanksgiving**

+HYMN #514 "Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ" LINSTAD

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



**THE WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION** will hold a **DRIVE-THRU BREAD SALE** on



**Saturday, September 18<sup>th</sup>, 2021 from 10am to 2pm.** The proceeds from the sale will go to the Westernville Presbyterian Church to help them with their restorations needed after the destruction caused by the tornado in July. We are asking for donations of ANY KIND OF BREAD (including sweet breads) or monetary donations, if you'd rather not bake. PLEASE LABEL WHAT YOU BRING IN, SO WE KNOW WHAT KIND OF BREAD IT IS. Let's put our imaginations to work! Lots of help will be needed on that day. Sign-up sheets will be available. For more information, please contact Ceil Gilbert (853-8289) or Donna Goodfriend (315-749-4085).

**Hope House:** 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. Hope House is now serving dinners inside @ 4:00 p.m., one client at a time on Mondays through Saturdays at reduced hours. Also, there is a community refrigerator in their parking lot. People sharing food: taking when needed and stocking the fridge when they have surplus. Imagine something so unique—talk about creativity! If any servers are eager to come back, they are happy to accept volunteers. Questions, contact Ceil Gilbert at 315-853-8289, ceilgilbert@yahoo.com.

**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.**

**Fair Trade Shoppe:** Our Cat Skillet Handle Holder comes in the shape of a kitty-how adorable! It is perfect for covering the hot handle of a skillet or pot. This lovely colorful oven mitt has ample padding and a hand-woven outer layer to keep your hands protected from burns. This makes a great gift, especially paired with our other kitchen items! Our double-ended Oval Potholder provides dual protection from the heat with two pockets on each end, is sturdy and a great asset to any kitchen. It is 9"L x 5"W, 100% cotton, and machine washable. These and many, many more unique handmade gift items from 38 different countries can be found in our **FAIR TRADE SHOP, STONE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, 8 SO. PARK ROW,**



**CLINTON.** Purchasing fair trade items ensures artisans and small farmers fair wages and healthy working conditions, providing dignity and sustainable development and hope to marginalized people. Our hours are **10am to 4pm every Thursday and second Saturdays in the shop, plus 10am to 4pm every Thursday at the Farmer's Market on the Village Green in Clinton through the summer.** For now, face masks are required. **LET US BE YOUR GO-TO GIFT SHOP!** For more information, go to <https://buildingstoneshoppe.square.site> or [www.facebook.com/buildingstonesfairtradeshoppe](http://www.facebook.com/buildingstonesfairtradeshoppe).



**THE CALENDAR**



Sunday – **09/12/21:** After Worship  
Monday – **09/13/21:** 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.  
Thursday – **09/16/21:** 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.  
Saturday – **9/18/21:** 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.  
Sunday – **09/19/21:** 10:30 a.m.

**Welcome Back Luncheon**  
**Session Meeting (Zoom)**  
**Fair Trade Shoppe**  
**Drive-Thru Bread Sale**  
**Worship with Rev. Helen Tracy**



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

**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"

**Members/Friends of the Week:**

John & Mary Ann Stiefvater  
John Marriot  
Julie Milograno & Michael Britton



**Prayer Request:**

Lori Chamberlain  
Sue Raitt  
Doug White  
Sarah Ziegler and her baby  
Dave & Trish Harris  
Anne Dunn & family  
Andrew Bering  
Sara Tolliver  
Judi Parsons and family  
Jeff Kolb  
Jim Kubat  
Debra LaFont



A shout out to Josh Wenzel who trimmed the bushes and added mulch all around the church. It definitely is more pleasing to the eye!

Also, another shout out to Dwight Dibble who has scraped, power washed and painted all the trim and outside of the doors around the church. The Stone Church looks like it just got a professional face lift!!

A big thank you to both of them for such great work they provided!