



An Order of Worship for the Lord's Day
Stone Presbyterian Church
A Welcoming and Affirming Congregation
October 5, 2025 ~ World Communion Sunday



We Gather from East and West in the Name of Jesus Christ

PRELUDE **"In Christ There Is No East or West"** Paul Bouman
(Please listen quietly to the prelude as the community prepares for worship)

POURING OF BAPTISMAL WATER & CHORAL INTROIT

CALL TO WORSHIP

Today we gather around God's table from near and far.
We are the People of God!
Though we differ in language, custom, and tradition.
We are brothers and sisters in Christ!
For there is one Lord, one faith, and one baptism
We are One in God's Spirit!
We are one and together we remember our Lord Jesus
For we are the people of Redemption!
He gave himself up for us, so we could be reconciled to God.
Come, let us worship the God of our Salvation!



SYMPHONY

+HYMN #2220 **"We Are God's People"**

WELCOME

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

Gracious God,
our sins are too heavy to carry,
too real to hide, and too deep to undo.
Forgive what our lips are ashamed to name,
what our hearts can no longer bear,
and what has become for us
an experience of burning judgment.
Set us free from a past that we cannot change;
open to us a future in which we can be changed;
and grant us grace to grow more and more
into your likeness and image;
through Jesus Christ, the light of the world. 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

We Listen for the Light of the World

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

LESSONS FROM THE SCRIPTURES
Lamentations 1:1-6 A lament over Jerusalem destruction.
The Word of the Lord. / Thanks be to God.

2 Timothy 1:1-14 Rekindle the gift of God that is within you.
The Word of the Lord. / Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM **"Be Still, For the Presence of the Lord"** David J. Evans,
arr. Richard Shepherd

Luke 17:5-10 We need a deep faith.
The Word of the Lord. / Thanks be to God.

SERMON **"How?"**

We Come to the Table with the Whole World

+HYMN #516 **"Lord, We Have Come at Your Own Invitation"** O QUANTA QUALIA

+AFFIRMATION OF FAITH **The Nicene Creed (Ecumenical)** *The Hymnal, p. 15*

LIFE OF THE CHURCH, JOYS AND CONCERNS

OFFERTORY **"In Christ There Is No East or West"** Richard Lloyd
The loose offering each "First Sunday" supports the work of your Deacons.



THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. / **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. / **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. / **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

... we join with all the faithful to sing the eternal song of praise:

SINGING (to ST. PETER, "In Christ There Is No East or West")

**O Holy, holy, holy Lord,
By heav'n and earth adored,
Your glory with the whole wide world
we sing with one accord.**

**Hosanna in the highest, Lord!
The One who comes be blest,
As with one voice the world sings praise
That knows no East or West.**

... we announce to the world the story of our faith:

SINGING (to ST. PETER)

**The Lord has died; the Lord is ris'n;
The Lord will come once more,
In justice, grace and righteousness,
God's shalom to restore!**



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

WORDS OF INSTITUTION AND COMMUNION

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

+PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND DEDICATION

We Go Out into the World to Serve

+ **HYMN #2212**

"My Life Flows On"

HOW CAN I KEEP FROM SINGING

+ **CHARGE & BENEDICTION**

+ **CHORAL RESPONSE**

+ **POSTLUDE**

STONE CHURCH WELCOMES YOU TO WORSHIP

October 5, 2025 ~ World Communion Sunday ~ 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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We Are God's People

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1. We are God's peo - ple, the cho - sen of the
 2. We are God's loved ones, the Bride of Christ, our
 3. We are the bod - y of which the Lord is
 4. We are a tem - ple, the Spir - it's dwell - ing

Lord, born of the Spir - it, es -
 Lord, for we have known it, the
 Head, called to o - bey Christ, now
 place, formed in great weak - ness, a

tab - lished by the Word. Our cor - ner - stone is
 love of God out - poured. Now let us learn how
 ris - en from the dead. God wills us be a
 cup to hold God's grace. We die a - lone, for

Christ a - lone, and strong in Christ we stand; O
 to re - turn the gift of love once given; O
 fam - i - ly di - verse, yet tru - ly one; O
 on its own each em - ber los - es fire; yet

let us live trans - par - ent - ly and
 let us share each joy and care and
 let us give our gifts to God and
 joined in one the flame burns on to

walk heart to heart and hand in hand.
 live with a zeal that pleas - es heaven.
 so shall God's work on earth be done.
 give warmth and light and to in - spire.

WORDS: Bryan Jeffery Leech (John 3:5-8; 1 Cor. 3:16; Col. 1:18; 1 Pet. 2:9)

MUSIC: Johannes Brahms, arr. by Fred Bock

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SYMPHONY

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Lord, We Have Come
at Your Own Invitation

O QUANTA QUALIA 11.10.11.10

Fred Pratt Green, 1977

Paris Antiphoner, 1681
As in La Feillée's *Méthode du plain-chant*, 1808

1. Lord, we have come at Your own in - vi - ta - tion,
 2. Here, at Your ta - ble, con - firm our in - ten - tion,
 3. When, at Your ta - ble, each time of re - turn - ing,

Cho - sen by You, to be count - ed Your friends;
 Give it Your seal of for - give - ness and grace;
 Vows are re - newed and our cour - age re - stored:

Yours is the strength that sus - tains ded - i - ca - tion,
 Teach us to serve with - out pride or pre - ten - sion,
 May we in - creas - ing - ly glo - ry in learn - ing

Ours a com - mit - ment we know nev - er ends.
 Lord, in Your king - dom, what - ev - er our place.
 All that it means to ac - cept You as Lord.

This tune in a higher key, 147

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GRACE

2212

My Life Flows On (How Can I Keep from Singing)

1. My life flows on in end-less song, a-bove earth's la-men-
2. Through all the tu-mult and the strife, I hear that mu-sic
3. What though my joys and com-forts die? I know my Sav-ior
4. The peace of Christ makes fresh my heart, a foun-tain ev-er

ta-tion. I hear the clear, though far-off hymn that
ring-ing. It finds an ech-o in my soul. How
liv-eth. What though the dark-ness gath-er round? Songs
spring-ing! All things are mine since I am his! How

Refrain
hails a new cre-a-tion.
can I keep from sing-ing? No storm can shake my
in the night he giv-eth.
can I keep from sing-ing?

in-most calm while to that Rock I'm cling-ing. Since

love is Lord of heaven and earth, how can I keep from sing-ing?

WORDS: Robert Lowry
MUSIC: Robert Lowry

HOW CAN I KEEP FROM SINGING
87.87 with Refrain