



An Order of Worship for the Lord's Day
Stone Presbyterian Church
A Welcoming and Affirming Congregation
January 11, 2026 ~ Baptism of the Lord



We Gather as the Baptized Community of Faith

PRELUDE

(Please listen quietly to the prelude as the community prepares for worship)

POURING OF BAPTISMAL WATER

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

Give to God the glory God is due.

Worship the Lord in holy splendor.

The voice of the Lord is over the waters.

The God of glory thunders.

The voice of the Lord is powerful.

And the voice of the Lord is majestic.

For the LORD is good; his steadfast love endures forever.

Let us worship God.

+HYMN #494 “Out of Deep, Unordered Water” RUSTINGTON
(+ Those who are able are invited to stand)

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

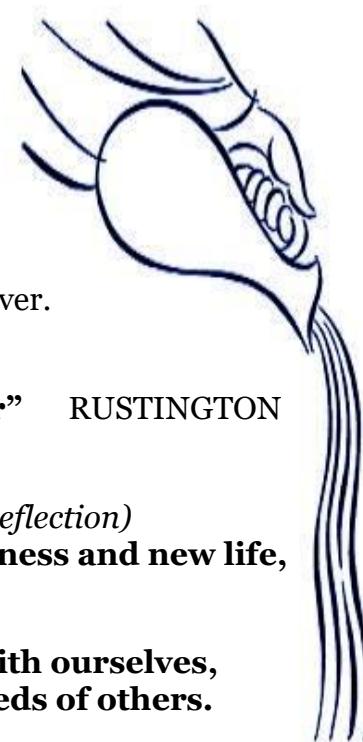
**Merciful God, in baptism you promise forgiveness and new life,
and graft us onto the body of Christ
to live in renewed relationships.**

**But we confess that we remain preoccupied with ourselves,
giving little of ourselves in service to the needs of others.**

**We cling to destructive habits, hold grudges,
and allow the past to hold us hostage.**

**In your loving kindness,
have mercy on us, and free us from sin.**

**Remind us of the promises you make in baptism
so that we may rise to new life,
and live together in grace and peace,**



honoring you and loving neighbors,
and working for peace, justice and reconciliation;
through Jesus Christ, your beloved Son. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

+A DOXOLOGY #579

“Glory Be to the Father”

GLORIA PATRI

+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

Isaiah 42:1-9 God’s servant people will establish justice for the powerless.

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

Acts 10:34-43 Peter realizes that God’s plan includes the Gentiles.

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

Matthew 3:13-17 Jesus is baptized by John in fulfillment of righteousness.

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

Told by Donna Goodfriend

SERMON

“Righteous Spirit”

We Renew Our Baptismal Faith Around the Table

+HYMN (insert)

“Passed Through the Waters”

ALI MAE

+AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (Apostles’ Creed, Ecumenical Version, p. 14)

LIFE OF THE CHURCH, JOYS AND CONCERNS

OFFERTORY

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.**

...who forever sing to the glory of your name:

SINGING (to "Wade in the Water")

**Holy--, holy! / Holy Lord God Almighty,
heav-en and earth are / full-- of your glory!**

Highest Hosanna! / Hosanna in the highest!

Blest is the one who / comes now in the Lord's name!

... as we sing together declaring the great mystery of our faith:

SINGING (to "Wade in the Water")

Christ died for us—;

Christ rose again in glory;

Christ is— coming, / Glory! Hallelujah!

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

WORDS OF INSTITUTION AND COMMUNION

(Please hold the cup for the person next to you to dip the bread and then pass the cup.)

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

We Go to Live Out Our Baptism

+HYMN #485

"To God Be the Glory"

TO GOD BE THE GLORY

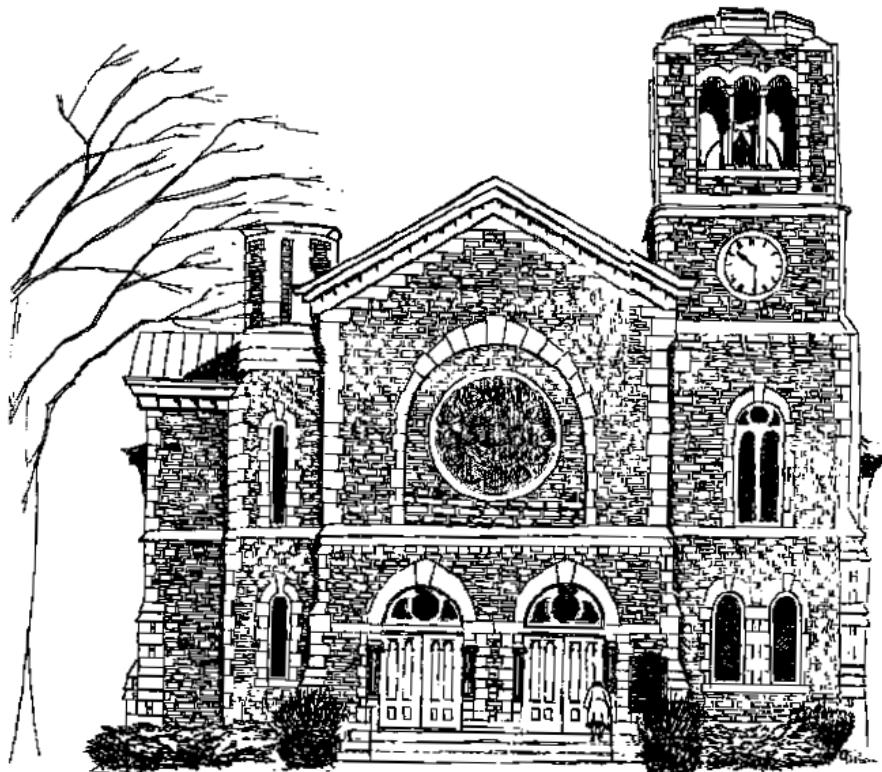
+ CHARGE & BENEDICTION

+ POSTLUDE

We welcome Nancy Ketz as our guest organist this morning

STONE CHURCH WELCOMES YOU TO WORSHIP

January 11, 2026 ~ Baptism of the Lord ~ 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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Out of Deep, Unordered Water

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Fred Kaan, 1965

C. Hubert H. Parry, 1897

1. Out of deep, un - or - dered wa - ter God cre - at - ed light and land,
 2. Wa - ter on the hu - man fore-head, Birth-mark of the love of God,
 3. Stand - ing round the font re - minds us Of the He-brews' climb a - shore.

World of bird and beast and, lat - er, In God's im - age, wom - an, man.
 Is the sign of death and ris - ing; Through the seas there runs a road.
 Life is hal - lowed by the knowl-edge: God has been this way be - fore.

There is wa - ter in the riv - er Bring-ing life to tree and plant.

Let cre - a - tion praise its giv - er: There is wa - ter in the font.

Alternate tune: WEISSE FLAGGEN, 486

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Passed Through the Waters

ALI MAE 9.9.9.9.7.9.

Dennis Dewey, 1985, alt. 2007

Dennis Dewey, 1982

1. Passed through the wat - ers, safe to dry land, Jour - ney-ing on through the
 2. We are a - dopt - ed as Christ's sib - lings, Seek - ing to live in the
 3. Now we be - come a new cre - a - tion, Kin to the saints of the

wild - er - ness way, Tell - ing the sto - ry as we jour - ney,
 way of the Lord, Seek - ing to show the truth of God's love,
 house - hold of God, Sis - ter and broth - er in one fam' - ly,

This is our name now: "Bap - tized in Christ!" By this wat - er
 Known as God's peo - ple, Bap - tized in Christ! Wat - er Spir - it
 Named in the Spir - it: Bap - tized in Christ! Dead to death and

marked for life, sealed for life, raised for life, a

We are the Lord's for the age to come!

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To God Be the Glory

TO GOD BE THE GLORY 11.11.11.11 with refrain

Fanny Jane Crosby, 1875

William Howard Doane, 1875

1. To God be the glo - ry, great things He hath done!
 2. Great things He hath taught us, great things He hath done,
 So loved He the world that He gave us His Son,
 And great our re - joic - ing through Je - sus the Son;
 Who yield - ed His life an a - tone - ment for sin,
 But pur - er, and high - er, and great - er will be
 And o - pened the life - gate that all may go in.
 Our won - der, our trans - port, when Je - sus we see.

Refrain

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, Let the earth hear His voice!
 Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, Let the peo - ple re - joice!
 O come to the Fa - ther through Je - sus the Son,
 And give Him the glo - ry: great things He hath done!