

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 St.

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 and click on “Prayer Request” or call the church office at 315-853-2933.

FAIR TRADE SHOP: You are invited to visit our Fair Trade Shoppe, located downstairs, to see our wonderful selection of Fair Trade gifts made by artisans from around the world. Our shop is open every Thursday from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and also the second Saturday of the month from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Look for us Thursdays at the Farmers Market. For more information, visit our website at <https://buildingstonesshoppe.square.site>
Or at www.facebook.com/buildingstonesfairtradeshoppe

HOPE HOUSE WISH LIST: The summer wish list includes: **sugar and coffee, as well as full-sized shampoo, conditioner, and bar soap.** You can bring them in on any Sunday but especially the 4th Sunday of the month, which is designated for Hope House. We're always looking for more people willing to spend a couple of hours (3-5 p.m.) with us on the **4th Monday of the month** serving dinner at Hope House. Any questions, contact Lora Schilder (315-790-1945) or lschilde@hamilton.edu.

THE COUNTRY PANTRY: For summer vacation, The Country Pantry would like donations of food items that children like, such as P&J, mac & cheese, chicken noodle soup, ramen noodles, canned pasta with meat, peanut butter crackers, cheese crackers, pudding, fruit cups and juice. Donations may be brought on any Sunday but especially the 3rd Sunday of the month, which is designated for the Pantry.

SUMMER WORSHIP SCHEDULE 2026
9:30 a.m. Sundays, July 5 through August 30

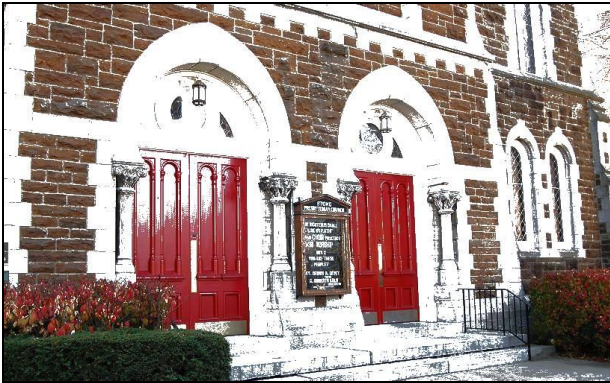
LABOR DAY WEEKEND ECUMENICAL SERVICE
ON THE GREEN
9:30 a.m. Sunday, September 6
(Bring a lawn chair—or two!)

An Order of Worship for the Lord’s Day **Stone Presbyterian Church ~ Clinton, New York**



Summer Service

August 2, 2026 ~ 9:30 a.m.
9th Sunday after Pentecost



Scott Leonard, Commissioned Pastor
G. Roberts Kolb, Director of Music
Gerald G. Platz, Pastor Emeritus
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AN ORDER OF WORSHIP

We gather to praise the God of Creation...

Prelude “Ar Hyd Y Nos” Andrew Gant
Pouring of Baptismal Water
(Please listen quietly to the prelude as the community prepares for worship)

Welcome

Call to Worship (from Psalm 17)

Leader: Hear a just cause, O Lord; attend to my cry; give ear to my prayer from lips free of deceit.
People: From you let vindication come; let your eyes see the right.
Leader: I call upon you, for you will answer me, O God; incline your ear to me, hear my words.
People: Wondrously show your steadfast love, O savior of those who seek refuge at your right hand.
Leader: For the Lord is good; his steadfast love endures forever.
People: Let us worship God!

+Hymn #235 “With Joy I Heard My Friends Exclaim” GONFALON ROYAL
...to come before God with honest humility...

Prayer of Confession
Lord of mercy and hope, we come before you with fear. We know that we have fallen short of being the kind of disciples that you have called us to be. We have turned our backs on people in need; we have closed our ears to the cries of the voiceless. And so we hesitate to come before you because we believe that you are disappointed in us. Remind us again that you are merciful and your love transforms and changes our lives. When we falter and slide off the path of hope you place before us, you “pick us up and dust us off” and put us again on the trail, confident of your faithful presence with us. Forgive us our weakness. Strengthen us and give us courage; help us to be bearers of your good news of peace.
We pray this in Christ’s name. Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness
+A Doxology #579 “Glory Be to the Father” GLORIA PATRI
+The Peace of Christ

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

Prayer for Illumination
Genesis 32:22-31 *Jacob wrestles at Peniel.*
Romans 9:1-5 *God’s election of Israel.*
Matthew 14:13-21 *Jesus feeds the five thousand.*

Sermon “Word of God”

...to come to the table in faith and thanksgiving...

+Hymn #329 “Break Thou the Bread of Life” BREAD OF LIFE
+Affirmation of Faith “God’s Kingdom of Love” (from New Testament scripture)
This is the good news which we have received, in which we stand, and by which we are saved, if we hold it fast: that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day, and that he appeared first to the women, then to Peter, and to the Twelve, and then to many faithful witnesses.
We believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the living God. Jesus Christ is the first and the last, the beginning and the end; he is our Lord and our God. Amen.

Life of the Church, Joys & Concerns

Offertory “Thy Table I Approach” Jan Bender

Offering Our Gifts and Our Lives to God

The Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper
Great Prayer of Thanksgiving *(The Presbyterian Hymnal, p. 13)*
The Lord’s Prayer
The Story of Christ’s Table
Communion in the Bread and Cup
(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.)

+A Prayer of Dedication

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

+Hymn #544 “Day Is Done” AR HYD Y NOS
+Charge and Benediction
+Postlude

235 With Joy I Heard My Friends Exclaim

GONFALON ROYAL LM

The Psalter, 1912; alt.

Percy C. Buck, 1918

1. With joy I heard my friends ex - claim, "Come, let us
 2. How beau - ti - ful doth Zi - on stand, A cit - y
 3. They come to learn the will of God, To pay their
 4. For Zi - on's peace let prayer be made; May all that
 5. For love of friends and kin - dred dear, My heart's de -

in God's tem - ple meet"; With - in thy gates, O Zi - on blest,
 built com - pact and fair; The peo - ple of the Lord u - nite
 vows, God's grace to own, For there is judg - ment's roy - al seat,
 love thee pros - per well! With - in thy walls let peace a - bide,
 sire is Zi - on's peace, And for the house of God, the Lord,

Shall ev - er stand our will-ing feet.
 With joy and praise to wor-ship there.
 Mes - si - ah's sure and last-ing throne.
 And glad-ness with thy chil-dren dwell.
 My lov - ing care shall nev - er cease. Al - le - lu - ia!

329 Break Thou the Bread of Life

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Mary Artemesia Lathbury, 1877; alt.

William Fiske Sherwin, 1877; alt.

1. Break Thou the bread of life, Dear Lord, to me,
 2. Bless Thou the truth, dear Lord, Now un - to me,

As Thou didst break the loaves Be - side the sea;
 As Thou didst bless the bread By Gal - i - lee;

Be - yond the sa - cred page I seek Thee, Lord;
 Then shall all bond - age cease, All fet - ters fall;

My spir - it pants for Thee, O liv - ing Word!
 And I shall find my peace, My all in all.

Day Is Done

544

AR HYD Y NOS 8.4.8.4.8.8.4

James Quinn, 1969

Welsh melody, c. 1784

1. Day is done, but love un-fail-ing Dwells ev-er here;
 2. Dark de-scends, but light un-end-ing Shines through our night;
 3. Eyes will close, but You un-sleep-ing Watch by our side;

Shad-ows fall, but hope, pre-vail-ing, Calms ev-ery fear.
 You are with us, ev-er lend-ing New strength to sight:
 Death may come, in love's safe-keep-ing Still we a-bide.

God, our Mak-er, none for-sak-ing, Take our hearts, of Love's own
 One in love, Your truth con-fess-ing, One in hope of heav-en's
 God of love, all e-vil quell-ing, Sin for-giv-ing, fear dis-

mak-ing, Watch our sleep-ing, guard our wak-ing, Be al-ways near.
 bless-ing, May we see, in love's pos-sess-ing, Love's end-less light!
 pel-ling, Stay with us, our hearts in-dwell-ing, This e-ven-tide.