

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://buildingstoneshoppe.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

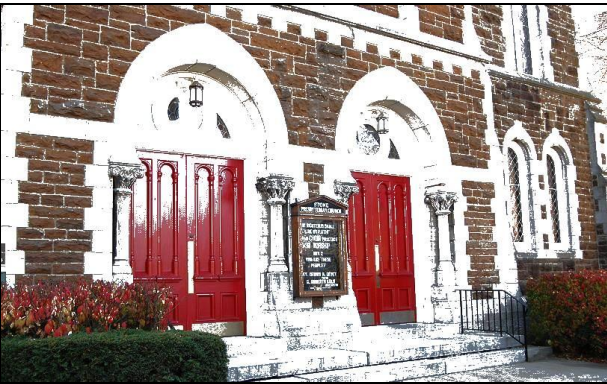
LABOR DAY WEEKEND ECUMENICAL SERVICE
ON THE GREEN
9:30 a.m. Sunday, September 6
(Bring a lawn chair—or two!)

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



Summer Service

August 16, 2026 ~ 9:30 a.m.
12th 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 **“Laudate Dominum (Praise the Lord)”** Richard Pantheff
(Please listen quietly to the prelude as the community prepares for worship)

Pouring of Baptismal Water

Welcome

Call to Worship (from Psalm 133)

How very good and pleasant it is when kindred live together in unity!
It is like precious oil on the head, running down upon the beard of Aaron, running down the collar of his robes!
It is like the dew of Hermon, which falls on the mountains of Zion.
For there the Lord ordained his blessing, life evermore.
For the Lord is good; his steadfast endures forever!
Let us worship God.

+Hymn #478 **“Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven”** LAUDA ANIMA

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

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 tremble to name, what our hearts can no longer bear, and what has become for us a consuming fire of 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 in your likeness and image; through Jesus Christ, the light of the world. 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 Understanding

Isaiah 56:1, 6-8 *The Lord welcomes foreigners.*

Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32 *God shows mercy to his people.*

Matthew 15:10-20, 21-28 *What defiles and the faith of the Canaanite woman.*

Sermon **“Xenia”**

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

+Hymn #289 **“O God of Every Nation”** LLANGLOFFAN

+Affirmation of Faith (from a “Brief Statement of Faith”)
We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God. Jesus proclaimed the reign of God: preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed and blessing the children, healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and believe the gospel. With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

Life of the Church, Joys & Concerns

Prayers of the People and the Lord’s Prayer
(When you hear “God of mercy”, please respond, “hear our prayer”)

Offertory **“We Are the Church”** Avery & Marsh

+A Doxology **“Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow”** OLD 100TH

+A Prayer of Dedication

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

+Hymn #507 **“I Come with Joy”** DOVE OF PEACE

+Charge and Benediction

+Postlude

478 Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven

LAUDA ANIMA 8.7.8.7.8.7

Henry Francis Lyte, 1834; alt.

John Goss, 1869

1. Praise, my soul, the King of heav - en; To His feet thy
 2. Praise Him for His grace and fa - vor To His peo - ple
 3. Fa - ther - like He tends and spares us; Well our fee - ble
 4. An - gels, help us to a - dore Him: Ye be - hold Him

trib - ute bring; Ran - somed, healed, re - stored, for - giv - en,
 in dis - tress; Praise Him still the same as ev - er,
 frame He knows; In His hands He gen - tly bears us,
 face to face; Sun and moon, bow down be - fore Him,

Ev - er - more His prais - es sing: Al - le - lu - ia!
 Slow to chide, and swift to bless: Al - le - lu - ia!
 Res - cues us from all our foes. Al - le - lu - ia!
 Dwell - ers all in time and space. Al - le - lu - ia!

Al - le - lu - ia! Praise the ev - er - last - ing King.
 Al - le - lu - ia! Glo - rious in His faith - ful - ness.
 Al - le - lu - ia! Wide - ly yet His mer - cy flows.
 Al - le - lu - ia! Praise with us the God of grace.

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O God of Every Nation

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LLANGLOFFAN 7.6.7.6 D

Welsh folk melody
 Evans' *Hymnau a Thonau*, 1865
 As in *English Hymnal*, 1906

William W. Reid, Jr., 1958; alt. 1972

1. O God of ev - ery na - tion, Of ev - ery race and land,
 2. From search for wealth and pow - er And scorn of truth and right,
 3. Lord, strength-en those who la - bor That all may find re - lease
 4. Keep bright in us the vi - sion Of days when war shall cease,

Re - deem the whole cre - a - tion With Your al - might - y hand;
 From trust in bombs that show - er De - struc-tion through the night,
 From fear of rat - tling sa - ber, From dread of war's in - crease;
 When ha - tred and di - vi - sion Give way to love and peace,

Where hate and fear di - vide us And bit - ter threats are hurled,
 From pride of race and sta - tion And blind-ness to Your way,
 When hope and cour-age fal - ter, Your still small voice be heard;
 Till dawns the morn-ing glo - rious When peace on earth shall reign

In love and mer - cy guide us And heal our strife-torn world.
 De - liv - er ev - ery na - tion, E - ter - nal God, we pray.
 With faith that none can al - ter, Your ser - vants un - der - gird.
 And Christ shall rule vic - to - rious O'er all the world's do - main.

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I Come with Joy 507

DOVE OF PEACE 8.6.8.6.6

American folk melody
Arr. Austin C. Lovelace, 1977

Brian Wren, 1968; rev. 1977

1. I come with joy to meet my Lord, For - giv - en, loved, and
2. I come with Chris - tians far and near To find, as all are
3. As Christ breaks bread and bids us share, Each proud di - vi - sion
4. And thus with joy we meet our Lord. His pres - ence, al - ways
5. To - geth - er met, to - geth - er bound, We'll go our dif - ferent

free, In awe and won - der to re - call His
fed, The new com - mu - ni - ty of love In
ends. The love that made us, makes us one, And
near, Is in such friend - ship bet - ter known: We
ways, And as His peo - ple in the world, We'll

life laid down for me, His life laid down for me.
Christ's com - mu - nion bread, In Christ's com - mu - nion bread.
stran - gers now are friends, And stran - gers now are friends.
see and praise Him here, We see and praise Him here.
live and speak His praise, We'll live and speak His praise.

Alternate tune: LAND OF REST, 522

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