

✠ ENTRANCE ✠

For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them.
(Matthew 18:20^{NRSV})

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

***Call to Worship (Responsively)**

If it had not been for God, where would we be?

If it were not for God in our lives, what kind of people would we be now?

Thanks, God, that we are not left to our own devices.

Thank, God, that we do not walk alone!

We are not alone. Come! Let us worship the God who is our Sustainer and Redeemer.

Our help is in the name of the Lord, our Creator and our Friend!

***Opening Prayer**

***Opening Hymn** "God of Grace and God of Glory" #115 BH

***Confession of Sins (in Unison)**

Caring God, You call us to be the body of Christ; to live in a community, to care for one another and to use our different gifts. Instead of working to sustain community, we follow our own desires.

Instead of trusting in Your care, we think we can do it alone. Forgive our neglect of others.

Give us obedient spirits, that we may care for one another, depend on Your love, and use our gifts for Your Gospel. Amen.

***Words of Assurance**

The Lord is on our side, offering words of forgiveness and protecting us from danger. We are a forgiven people, bound together in God's love. We are the body of Christ, forgiven and free.

✠ PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD ✠

Prayer of Illumination

Gospel Reading Matthew 16:13-20;

New Testament Reading Romans 12:1-8;

Children's Time

Hymn "O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing" #136 BH

Sermon

Romans 12:1-8;

THE NEW LIFE IN CHRIST!

✠ RESPONSE TO THE WORD ✠

Hymn "Glorify Thy Name" #18 BH

*Affirmation of Faith Apostles' Creed

*Response "Glory Be to the Father"

Concerns and Prayers/Lord's Prayer

Offering/Offertory Prayer

*Doxology "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

The Celebration of the Holy Communion

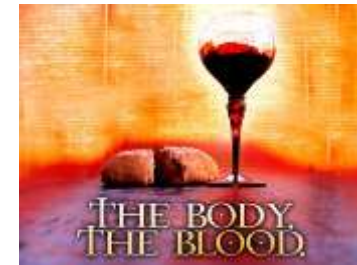
Invitation to the Lord's Table

Words of Institution

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Partaking of the Elements

Post Communion Prayer



✠ SENDING FORTH ✠

*Closing Hymn "Oh, How He Loves You and Me" #170 BH

*Benediction

Go from this place, with the assurance that God is in control of every situation. Go from this place, encouraged by the Holy Scripture and be transformed by the renewing of your minds and hearts and continuing your new life in Christ. Amen.

Postlude

In the Life of our *STONEGATE* Family

Wednesday, August 27, 2014

7:00 p.m. Bible Study.

Friday, August 29, 2014

8:00 a.m. Friday's Morning Group

Yard and Building Work

Sunday, August 31, 2014

9:30 a.m. Sunday School for All Ages

10:45 a.m. Sunday Worship Service

Fifth Sunday of month – congregational lunch at...

Thursday, September 11, 2014

10:00 p.m. Ladies Bible Study.

Will start with social, and class starts September 25



Lead like Jesus...

Lead to Jesus...

Be led by Jesus...

For Our Guests

We are so thrilled to have you worship with us today. We truly hope you are encouraged and inspired to grow closer to God as we worship the true and living God together.



WORSHIP LEADERS

, Pastor

, Elder

, Pianist

, Singing

, Children's Time

, Welcome and Announcements



* Please rise as you are able

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THEME IDEAS

The life of faith is lived in a community where many gifts support the body of Christ. The Gospel of Matthew 16:13-20 contains the historic question around which the Christians' faith gathers. In Romans 12:1-8, Paul names the differing gifts that support the community, the body of Christ. He reminds us that the Christian response to the mercies of God is a surrendered life, a life lived as though it were a sacrifice offered to God. The new life in Christ is a transformation by the renewing of your mind.



STONEGATE CHURCH

CUMBERLAND PRESBYTERIAN

Sunday Worship Service 10:45 am

11th Sunday after Pentecost – August 24, 2014



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