

✠ ENTRANCE ✠

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

See as GOD sees.

Only then can we see rightly. Love as GOD loves.

Only then can we love with the eyes of our heart enlightened.

Welcome and Announcements

Ricky Tipps

*Hymn "Sweet Hour of Prayer"

429 BH

*Opening Prayer

Ricky Tipps

*Call to Worship (Responsively)

Pastor

Come, walk in the light of faith.

We will walk humbly with our GOD.

Come, love in the light of faith.

We will love everything the light touches.

Come, sing in the light of faith.

We will sing praise to our GOD.

Come, live in the light of faith.

We will live as faithful followers of CHRIST.

✠ PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD ✠

Gospel Reading Mark 4:26-34;

Valerie Tipps

Hymn "Just a Closer Walk with Thee"

473 BH

Concerns and Prayers/Lord's Prayer

Pastor

Special Music

David Cost

Sermon 1 Samuel 16:1, 4-7;

Pastor

"Listening to the Voice of GOD."

✠ RESPONSE TO THE WORD ✠

Hymn "Praise Him! Praise Him!"

149 BH

*Prayer of Confession (Unison)

Pastor

Oh, Almighty God, when death comes, we yearn for YOUR grace and the healing YOU offer in the midst of our grief. When tragedy strikes, we long for YOUR mercy and the blessed assurance YOU offer in the midst of our suffering. When trouble threatens, we look for YOUR shelter and the confidence YOU offer in the midst of our confusion and doubt. Renew our trust in YOUR Resurrection, and revive our hope in new beginnings. As Samuel before us, help us focus on life, and listen to YOUR voice, and follow where YOU lead. In YOUR holy name, we pray. Amen.

*Words of Assurance & Encouragement

As we allow GOD to shape the desires of our hearts, we live and move in concert with GOD's plans. Rejoice that in CHRIST we have become a new creation and agents to bring forth the reign of GOD.

Thanks be to God!

*Affirmation of Faith

Pastor

*Doxology "Glory Be to the Father"

The Celebration of the Holy Communion

Pastor

✠ SENDING FORTH ✠

*Closing Hymn "Where He Leads Me" (vs 1 & 2)

436 BH

If you would like to make a profession of faith, join the church, or simply pray at the altar, you may come during the closing hymn. We welcome you to our fellowship!

*Charge & Benediction

Pastor

Go forth to proclaim the Good News that we are new creations in CHRIST JESUS. Go forth to proclaim GOD'S gifts of mercy and grace. Go forth to live the Good News of new beginnings. Amen.

Postlude

Phyllis Turner

In the Life of our STONEGATE Community

Hello, Church Family.

We see that everything is changing. Our life is coming back as the life we were used to before the pandemic of COVID-19. A good number of us are vaccinated, and have responsibly avoided places and situations to contract COVID-19. Praise be to God! Currently, masks are optional for all who are vaccinated. It is much easier to worship our God with uncovered faces. I would like to encourage you to attend our church and all activities possible and especially Sunday services. Let us continue our worships together with our Lord of Life.

May His abundance of blessings comfort you completely, and may your hearts remain full of hope and joy.

My daily devotional and weekly messages are published on our website at www.stonegatecpc.org

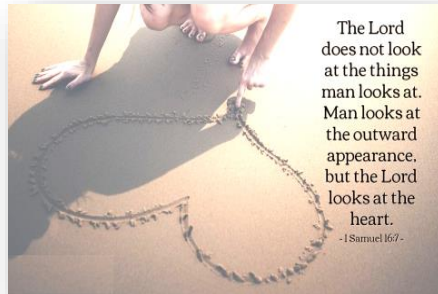
Sunday, June 20, 2021 – Sunday Service at 10:45 a.m.

☞ 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.



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THEME IDEAS

It is only with the heart that one can see rightly. This truth is witnessed in GOD's decision to anoint David as the new king of Israel: "the LORD does not see as mortals see; they look on the outward appearance, but the LORD looks on the heart" (1 Sam 16:7b ^{NRSV}). This truth is proclaimed by Paul in his insistence: "We walk by faith, not by sight" (2 Corinthians 5:7 ^{NRSV}). And it is expressed by JESUS as he compares the Kingdom of GOD to a tiny mustard seed where birds will one day make their nests. These scriptures teach us to see with the heart, that GOD may grant us our hearts' true desire.



STONEGATE CHURCH

CUMBERLAND PRESBYTERIAN

Sunday Worship Service at 10:45 a.m.

Third Sunday after Pentecost, JUNE 13, 2021



Experience the Love of CHRIST in Community!

☞ WORSHIP LEADERS ☞

Rev. Dr. Mark Marian Sontowski, *Pastor*
Phyllis Turner, *Pianist*
David Piatt & Pam Brown, *Worship Leaders*
David Cost, *Special Music*
Ricky Tipps, *Welcome and Announcements*

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