

✠ ENTRANCE ✠

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

*Identity - reflects things
that they are a part of your life.
let us talk....,*

Welcome and Announcements

Ricky Tipps

*Hymn "I Love to Tell the Story"

626 BH

*Opening Prayer

Vince Wilson

*Call to Worship *(Responsively)*

Pastor

Come, children of GOD. Come and find refuge and strength.
Our souls wait for the LORD, more than those who watch for the morning.
Come, heirs with CHRIST. Come and find forgiveness and joy.
Our souls wait for the LORD, more than those who watch for the morning.
Come, people of faith. Come to the ONE who is attentive to our pleas.
Our souls wait for the LORD, more than those who watch for the morning.

✠ PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD ✠

Gospel Reading John 6:35, 41-51;

Jacque Wilson

Hymn "Just When I Need Him Most"

160 BH

Concerns and Prayers/Lord's Prayer

Pastor

Special Music "....."

David Cost

Sermon Ephesians 4:1-6;

Pastor

**"Uncertainty and Anxiety vs. the Practicing of Faith"
Part TWO – The Identity**

✠ RESPONSE TO THE WORD ✠

Hymn "His Name Is Wonderful"

315 BH

*Prayer of Confession *(Unison)*

Pastor

Out of the depths we cry to YOU, O GOD, with eyes splashed with tears.

For we cannot always save the ones we love, and are left alone to taste the bitter crumbs of our sorrow. In the dark night of the soul, we long to forsake our anguish, and embrace YOUR mercy and compassion. Open our hearts anew to YOUR kindness and love, YOUR mercy and compassion, that we may know in our bones how much we are YOUR beloved children. Amen.

*Words of Assurance & Encouragement

Beloved, sorrow may last the night, but joy comes with the morning. Even in the midst of fear and loss, be imitators of GOD as beloved children, and live as cherished heirs with CHRIST.

So as we were assured, as so we shall follow. 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 "They'll Know We Are Christians"

385 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 from this place and imitate the HOLY ONE in all you do.
Live with love, speak with kindness, touch with gentleness,
walk with humbleness, and build up the Kingdom of GOD.
Go forth into the world knowing your true identity
and unity of the SPIRIT. Amen**

Postlude

Phyllis Turner

In the Life of our STONEGATE Community

Friday, August 13, 2021;
9:00 a.m. – FRIDAY'S BREAKFAST

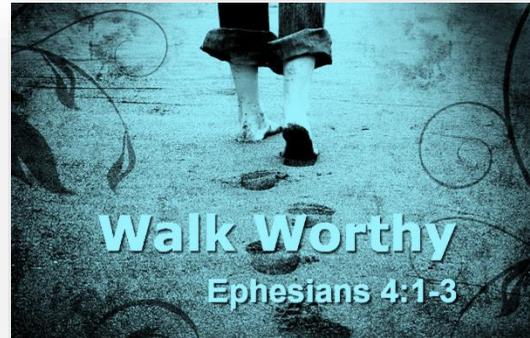
Sunday, August 15, 2021;
10:45 a.m. – PRAISE & WORSHIP

You Are All Invited

The Pastor's weekly messages are published on our website at www.stonegatecpc.org

☞ 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

The Psalmist cries out to the LORD, noting that if GOD marked iniquities, none could stand. The author of Ephesians warns us to put away falsehood and anger, which lead to sin, and to replace evil talk and slander with acts of kindness and with practices that build up, rather than tear down. When JESUS describes Himself as the Bread of Life and His hearers respond badly, He asks them not to complain among themselves, for no one can come to Him unless drawn by God. Truly, nothing good comes from jealousy or complaining, anger or resentment, plotting or scheming.

**Live with love,
speak with kindness,
touch with gentleness,
walk with humbleness**

STONEGATE CHURCH

CUMBERLAND PRESBYTERIAN

Sunday Worship Service at 10:45 a.m.

Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost, AUGUST 8, 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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