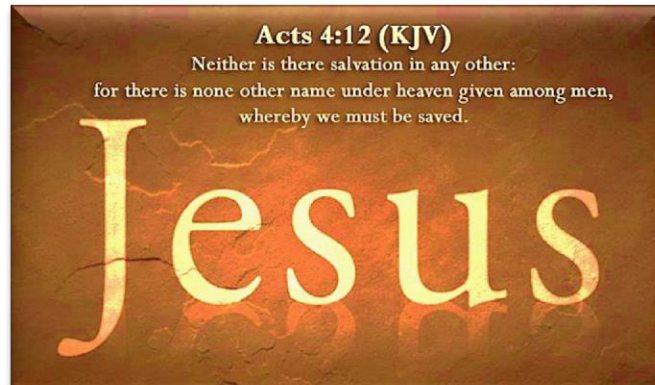


✠ ENTRANCE ✠

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)**

God is holy and worthy of praise. It was easy to come to worship this morning.

We feel welcome and look forward to the worship service.

How hard it is to enter God's kingdom.

We have to be ready to let go of the things that tie us down.

Get ready. God is waiting for you.

Lord, open our hearts and our spirits to receive your word for us. Amen.

***Opening Prayer**

***Hymn** "My Jesus, I Love You" #552 BH

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

Where are you, God? Why have you abandoned me? Why are you placing obstacles in our way? Why do you demand so much? Forgive us, O God, when we dwell on these negative questions. Help us see that you are with us always and always have been. From the womb you have kept watch over us.

Forgive us when we doubt whether you really care for us or if you even exist at all. Help us to see you, to experience you, and to feel your love. Amen.

***Words of Assurance**

Jesus understands our cries and our weakness. He forgives and heals our souls.

In the name of Jesus Christ we are forgiven, healed and transformed. Amen.

✠ PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD ✠

Prayer of Illumination

Old Testament Reading Job 23:1-9, 16-17;

Children's Time

Hymn "Jesus Calls Us O'er the Tumult" #419 BH

Sermon Hebrews 1:1-4;

"THE BIBLE, JESUS AND ME..."

✠ RESPONSE TO THE WORD ✠

Hymn "Just When I Need Him" #160 BH

*Affirmation of Faith

*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

✠ SENDING FORTH ✠

*Closing Hymn "Where He Leads Me" #436 BH

*Charge & Benediction

²³ **May the God of peace himself sanctify you entirely, and may your spirit and soul and body be kept sound and blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.** ²⁴ **The ONE who calls you is faithful, and He will do this.**

²⁸ **The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you. Amen.**

(1 Thessalonians 5.23-24.28^{NRSV})

Postlude

In the Life of STONEGATE Family

Wednesday, October 14, 2015

6:00 p.m. – BIBLE STUDY

Thursday, October 15, 2015

10:00 a.m. – LADIES BIBLE STUDY

Friday, October 16, 2015

8:00 a.m. Friday Morning Group

Yard and Building Work

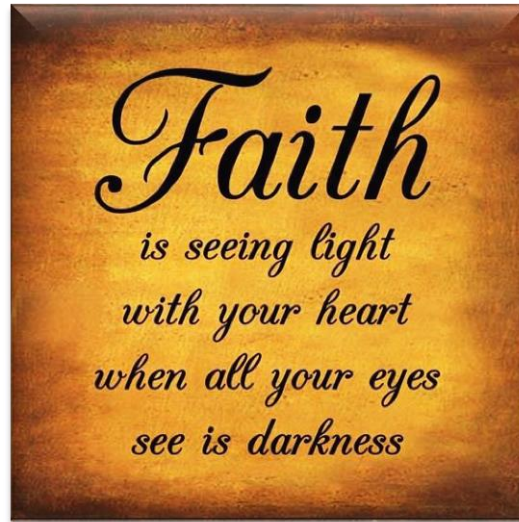
Sunday, October 18, 2015

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

10:45 a.m. Sunday Worship Service

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.



Lead like Jesus...,

Lead to Jesus...,

Be led by Jesus...,

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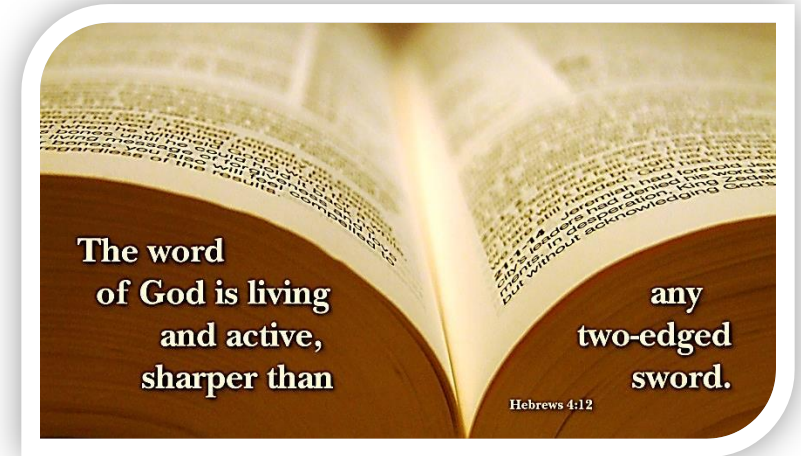
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THEME IDEAS

Today's scriptures tell of people who feel that God has abandoned them and people who have abandoned God. These passages are heavy with bitterness and disappointment. But even in these passages, there is a sense of God's presence and possibilities. Rather than shying away from the challenges these texts present, our challenge is to help people understand that God is with them when they are experiencing a "dark night of the soul" because God's Bible assures us: "Indeed, the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing until it divides soul from spirit, joints from marrow, it is able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart." (Hebrews 4:12^{NRSV})



STONEGATE CHURCH

CUMBERLAND PRESBYTERIAN

Sunday Worship Service 10:45 am

20th Sunday after Pentecost – October 11, 2015



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