

✠ ENTRANCE ✠

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



Welcome and Announcements

*Opening prayer

*Call to Worship

GOD's strong voice calls us to worship,
Calling us to sing and offer praise.
GOD's creative voice calls us to worship,
Calling us to life and light.
GOD's loving voice calls us to worship,
Calling us to love and be loved.
Listen, for GOD's voice calls to us now.

Ricky Tipps

Phyllis Turner

Pastor

✠ PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD ✠

Scripture Reading Mark 1:4-8 & Acts 19:1-7;

Pastor

Concerns and Prayers/Lord's Prayer

Pastor

Special Music "The Gospel of Grace"

David Cost

Sermon Mark 1:9-11;

Pastor

"He Saw the Heavens Torn Apart"

✠ RESPONSE TO THE WORD ✠

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

*Prayer of Confession Pastor

When our hearts are hard as stone, soften us with YOUR grace. When our lives are riddled with sin and pain, heal us with YOUR mercy. When our minds are muddled with confusion and fear, enlighten us with the radiance of YOUR wisdom. Speak to our spirits from the truth of YOUR being, that we may hear YOUR voice clearly and follow where YOU call us to go. Amen.

*Words of Assurance & Encouragement

Hear the truth of GOD's voice breaking through the clouds of our lives: "You are my beloved people, the ones I dearly love. You are forgiven."

*Affirmation of Faith Pastor

The Celebration of the Holy Communion Pastor

✠ SENDING FORTH ✠

*Closing Hymn "I Stand Amazed in the Presence" # 237 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

Amidst a noisy world, make way to listen for GOD.

In the busiest of days, find time to listen for GOD.

**For in the listening, hear this truth: we are beloved children of GOD –
created in love, created for love, created to love.**

Let's go out there to listen and love.

Amen.

Postlude Phyllis Turner

In the Life of our STONEGATE Community

Hello, Church Family.

I am grateful to GOD for all of you. After 102 years, we and the world, are experiencing unprecedented COVID-19 pandemic. We are strong in faith, we behave responsibly according to the situation, and we will be back soon to normal. Our hope is unprevailed by this situation. We are trained in patience and experienced in order to overcome temporary restrictions.

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

I assure you that you are in my prayers.

January 17, 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

The power of speech flows through each of today's readings. GOD speaks and creation begins. GOD's voice thunders over the waters, displaying GOD's glory. Paul speaks and people are convinced to receive baptism in the SPIRIT'S power. And at JESUS'S baptism, GOD speaks of a blessing of love, and claims JESUS as GOD'S own child. With our words and with GOD'S word, creation begins, as does our own re-creation in baptism.



STONEGATE CHURCH

CUMBERLAND PRESBYTERIAN

Sunday Worship Service at 10:45 am
Baptism of the LORD, JANUARY 10, 2021



Experience the Love of CHRIST in Community!

WORSHIP LEADERS

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

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