

✠ 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)**

May God be gracious to us, and bless us, and cover us with the radiance of grace.

May Your way be known everywhere, God.

In the hidden places of our hearts; in the comfort of our homes; in every corner of our world; in the farthest reaches of creation.

Let our praise for you shake the rafters with songs of joy! Come now, Holy Spirit.

Let our worship rejoice in you, and lift our hearts, and bind us in one family of loving grace.

We ask in Jesus' name; Amen.

***Opening Prayer**

***Opening Hymn**

"Praise Him! Praise Him!"

#149 BH

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

Merciful God,

we would rather be the disciples who felt superior to the Canaanite woman when Jesus rebuffed her plea for help, than the disciples after Jesus healed the woman's child when confronted by her faith. Forgive us, O God, when we try to keep Your love for ourselves. Help us know the joy of living in unity, even with those we would rather live without. Amen.

***Words of Assurance**

The gifts and calling of God are irrevocable. Rejoice in the knowledge of God's saving love.

✠ PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD ✠

Prayer of Illumination

New Testament Reading

Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32;

Gospel Reading

Matthew 15:21-28;

Children's Time

Hymn

"Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross"

#233 BH

Sermon

Matthew 15:21-28;

THE CRUMBS FROM THE MASTERS' TABLE

✠ RESPONSE TO THE WORD ✠

Hymn

"I Am Thine, O Lord"

#535 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**

"To God Be the Glory"

#28 BH

***Benediction**

May God be gracious to us and bless us, and make His face shine upon us in the darkness that was and the dawning that is and the daylight that is to come. May we praise God today and join the angels of heaven and all of creation in the name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Postlude



In the Life of our *STONEGATE* Family

Wednesday, August 20, 2014

7:00 p.m. Bible Study.

Friday, August 22, 2014

8:00 a.m. Friday's Morning Group
Yard and Building Work

Sunday, August 24, 2014

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

10:45 a.m. Sunday Worship Service



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

What unites us is far greater than what divides us. Paul asks rhetorically whether God has rejected the Hebrew people by offering salvation to the Gentiles, and answers no. Jesus initially refuses to help a Canaanite woman's daughter until the woman presses her case. Then Jesus joyfully heals the daughter, marveling at the mother's faith. We are all bound together in the unconditional love of God.



STONEGATE CHURCH

CUMBERLAND PRESBYTERIAN

Sunday Worship Service 10:45 am

10th Sunday after Pentecost - August 17, 2014



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