

✠ ENTRANCE ✠

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



Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

**\*Opening prayer**

Friends! Co-workers! Brothers! Sisters! Followers of Christ! Saints of the church!

Welcome, one and all! Welcome home!

**This is the place to be refreshed and encouraged. This is the place of acceptance and love!**

Blessings of grace and peace to you all!

**Amen! Amen! Amen!**

**\*Call to Worship (Responsively)**

We come with praise for the wonderful works of God.

**Even before we speak, God knows us completely.**

Like clay in the hand of the potter, we are shaped into vessels of divine will.

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

God of our lives, You search us and know us. We have refused to take up Your cross, to bear the burdens that are ours to carry. We have not given up our attachments to possessions or to self.

We have not counted the cost of walking into an unknown future with You. Help us turn away from weakness and evil, that we may walk with You, strong and humble, once more. Amen.

**\*Words of Assurance**

The Holy One rejoices in our repentance, reshaping us into vessels of love and service. In the grace-filled love of Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God. Amen.

**\*Hymn**

"Seek Ye First"

**#524 BH**

✠ PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD ✠

Gospel Reading

Luke 14:25-33;

Children's Time

Hymn

"Oh, How I Love Jesus"

**#560 BH**

Sermon

Jeremiah 18:1-6;

***"THE CLAY AND THE POTTER'S HAND!"***

✠ RESPONSE TO THE WORD ✠

Hymn

"I Am Thine, O Lord"

**#535 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**

"Into My Heart"

**#418 BH**

**\*Charge & Benediction**

**With empty hands and open hearts,  
go forth to follow Jesus in love and service to the world.  
Amen.**

Postlude

# In the Life of our *STONEGATE* Family

**Monday, September 5, 2016**

HAPPY LABOR DAY

**Sunday, September 4, 2016,**

2:00 p.m. – MOMS IN PRAYER MEETING

**Thursday, September Break, 2016**

LADIES' BIBLE STUDY – WILL START OCTOBER 6;

LIVING FREE – THEME: FACING FEAR, FINDING FAITH

**Thursday, September 8, 2016**

6:00 p.m. – BUILDING & GROUNDS COMMITTEE MEETING

6:00 – 6:30 p.m. – ALL COMMITTEES MEETING

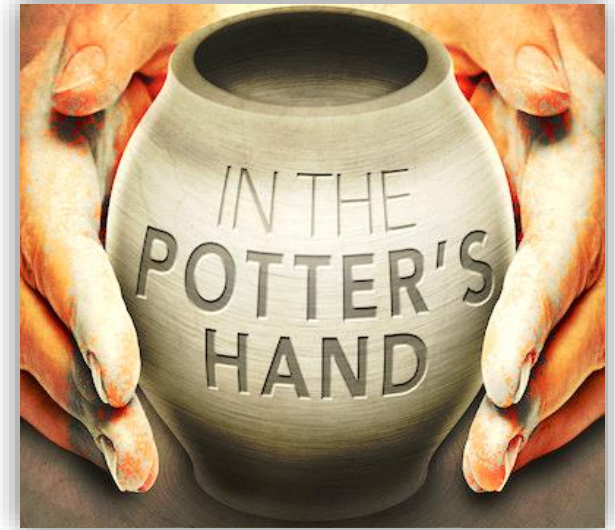
**Friday, September 9, 2016,**

8:00 a.m. – FRIDAY BREAKFAST

**Sunday, September 11, 2016**

10:45 a.m. – SENIOR ADULT SUNDAY CELEBRATION

2:00 p.m. – MOMS IN PRAYER MEETING

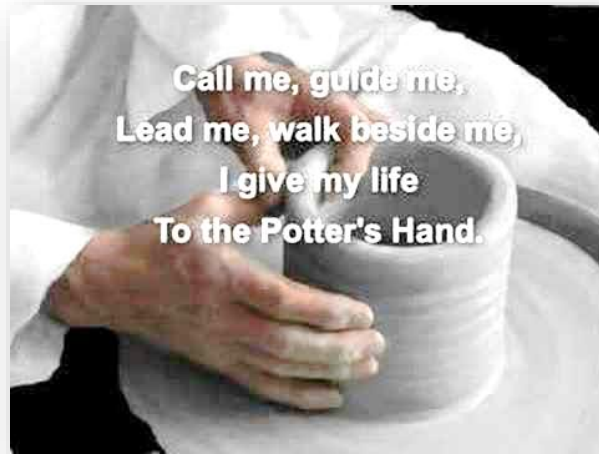


## THEME IDEAS

God knows our intentions and our hopes, reshaping us when we do what is wrong, and responding to our repentance with mercy. We count the cost of our actions, but Jesus calls us to let go of our attachments and follow him in a life of love and care for others. This mystery is beyond our understanding.

### ☞ 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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# STONEGATE CHURCH

CUMBERLAND PRESBYTERIAN

*Sunday Worship Service at 10:45 am*

*16<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost, September 4, 2016*

### ☞ WORSHIP LEADERS ☜

Rev. , Pastor

, Pianist

, Liturgist

, Children's Time

, Welcome and Announcements



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