

✠ ENTRANCE ✠

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

*It is written,
Worship the LORD your GOD, and serve only HIM.*

Welcome and Announcements

Ricky Tipps

***Hymn** "He Leadeth Me! O Blessed Thought" (vs 1 & 4) **# 81 BH**

***Opening prayer** Evelyn Goode

***Call to Worship (Responsively)** Pastor

When disasters strike, where can we go?

GOD is always there.

When enemies surround us, whom can we trust?

CHRIST is always with us.

When life is hard, who can ease the load?

THE SPIRIT is always there to sustain us. Come! Let us worship the GOD of our salvation.

✠ PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD ✠

Gospel Reading Luke 4:1-13; Chuck Goode

Hymn "I Need Thee Every Hour" (vs 1, 4 & 5) **# 423 BH**

Concerns and Prayers/Lord's Prayer Pastor

Special Music David

Sermon Luke 4:1-13; Pastor

"It Is Written"

✠ RESPONSE TO THE WORD ✠

***Hymn** "More Love to Thee, O Christ" **# 559 BH**

***Prayer of Confession (Unison)** Pastor

YOUR ways, Merciful ONE, always lead to life. When our faith falters, and when we forget the promises YOU have made, remind us of YOUR steadfast love. When our strength fails us in the wilderness of life, and when temptations threaten to lead us astray, remind us of CHRIST'S faithfulness. When our world seems imperiled by forces beyond our control, remind us that YOU are our refuge and strength. In CHRIST'S name, we pray for YOUR presence, as we journey this Lenten journey with HIM all the way to the cross. Amen.

***Words of Assurance & Encouragement** Pastor

All who call on the name of the LORD will be saved. Trust the promises of GOD. Believe in CHRIST JESUS with your whole heart. Confess what the SPIRIT has done for you and you will abide in life everlasting. **Thanks be to God!**

***Affirmation of Faith**

***Doxology** "Glory Be to the Father"

✠ SENDING FORTH ✠

***Closing Hymn** "How Firm a Foundation" (vs 1 & 2) **# 456 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**

As you leave this place, abide in the shadow of the Most HIGH. GOD is our refuge and our strength. Put your trust in the Holy ONE. CHRIST is our shelter in times of temptation and fear. Call on the name of the LORD and be saved. Go with GOD'S blessing. Amen

Postlude Phyllis Turner

In the Life of our STONEGATE Community

Tuesday, March 8, 2022;
6:00 p.m. – Church Session Meeting

Thursday, March 10, 2022;
10:00 a.m. – LADIES' BIBLE STUDY

Friday, March 11, 2022;
9:00 a.m. – FRIDAY'S BREAKFAST

Sunday, March 13, 2022;
10:45 a.m. – MUSIC & 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

Salvation comes from GOD. This theme runs through each of today's readings. With a call to remember GOD freeing the Hebrew people from bondage in Egypt, Deuteronomy records the fulfillment of GOD'S promise to bring Israel into the promised land. The Psalmist rejoices that GOD blesses the faithful with refuge and strength. In Romans, Paul promises salvation to all who believe in CHRIST JESUS with their hearts, and to all who profess this belief with their lips. In Luke, JESUS is tempted by the devil after fasting in the wilderness, but resists by putting GOD'S priorities ahead of human calculations.



STONEGATE CHURCH

CUMBERLAND PRESBYTERIAN

Sunday Worship Service at 10:45 a.m.
First Sunday in LENT, MARCH 6, 2022



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 & Announcements*

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