

✠ ENTRANCE ✠

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



Welcome and Announcements

Hymn "Morning Has Broken" video

*Opening Prayer

*Call to Worship (Responsively)

Why have we come this day?

To worship and pray, we have come this day.

What is in your hearts and minds?

To meditate on GOD's teachings, we have come this day.

Who are we?

Gathered as one family of Christ, we come together in love.

✠ PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD ✠

Gospel Reading Luke 24:44-53;

Hymn "Trust and Obey" (vs 1 & 4)

Concerns and Prayers/Lord's Prayer

Special Music

Sermon Acts 1:1-11;

Ricky Tipps

45 BH

Ricky Tipps

Pastor

Valerie Tipps

500 BH

Pastor

David Cost

Pastor

**"You Will Receive Power of the Holy Spirit,
You Will Be My Witnesses"**

✠ RESPONSE TO THE WORD ✠

Hymn "Take the Name of Jesus with You" video # 313 BH

*Prayer of Confession (Unison) Pastor

We delight in YOUR law, O GOD, but we don't always follow the rules. Shower us with YOUR mercy, that we may know YOUR forgiveness and YOUR grace. Guide our steps, that we may follow YOU more closely. Draw us ever closer to YOU and to one another, that we might support one another as we follow where YOU lead us in our efforts to create a world of unity and boundless love.

We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

*Words of Assurance & Encouragement

GOD watches over us with mercy and grace. CHRIST'S forgiveness flows freely, redeeming us and making us whole. **Thanks be to GOD!**

*Affirmation of Faith Pastor

*Doxology "Glory Be to the Father"

The Celebration of the Holy Communion Pastor

✠ SENDING FORTH ✠

*Closing Hymn "Only Believe" video # 512 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

With the power of GOD'S HOLY SPIRIT, we have been made one in unity and love. Even as we go our separate ways, we go in unity and love. We go with the blessing from the House of Prayer guiding our steps and protecting our paths by GOD'S HOLY SPIRIT. Amen.

Postlude

Phyllis Turner

In the Life of our STONEGATE Community

Hello, Church Family.

We see that everything is changing. Even though we have had many experiences, we are still learning something new, but mostly, we became vaccinated against COVID-19. Responsibly, we are attending our services and other activities too. Winter time is gone and a beautiful Spring is with us. With precaution and carefulness, we are continuing our testimony that Jesus Christ is with us! Let us continue our worship together with our Lord of Life. May His abundance of blessings comfort you entirely, and may your hearts remain full of hope and joy.

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

Sunday, May 23, 2021 – Sunday Service at 10:45 a.m.

Day of Pentecost – Drees up in red outfit.

☞ 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.

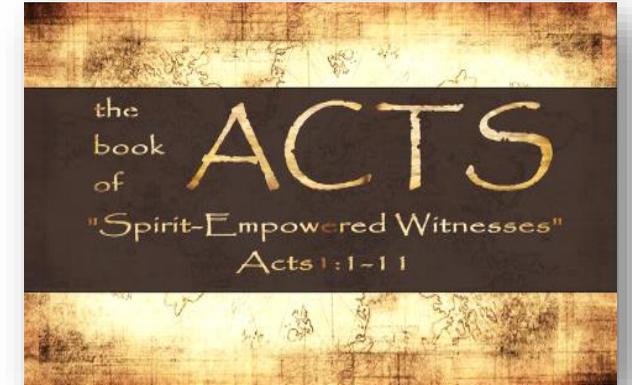


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THEME IDEAS

GOD sends us to serve, but GOD does not send us alone. The SPIRIT is with us in the world, guiding our steps and protecting our paths. CHRIST yearns for us to be one in ministry and service, and one in community and faith - a unity that we discover through the SPIRIT'S miraculous power in our lives. Sent to serve, we are sent not only with the power of the SPIRIT, but also with the power of unity with one another. Embracing this unity with both the HOLY SPIRIT and one another opens a path to the "complete joy" that CHRIST prays for and that we may one day know.



STONEGATE CHURCH

CUMBERLAND PRESBYTERIAN

Sunday Worship Service at 10:45 a.m.
Seventh Sunday of Easter, MAY 16, 2021
ASCENSION SUNDAY



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 and Announcements*

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