

☞ 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

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

How lovely is your dwelling place, O Lord of hosts!

**To You our hearts sing for joy.**

Happy are those who live and pray in Your house.

**Happy are those who find their strength in You.**

It is better to be a doorkeeper in Your house than to live in the tents of wickedness.

**We will dwell in God's courts forever.**

**\*Opening Prayer**

**\*Hymn** "How Great Thou Art"

**#6 BH**

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

O Lord, we pledge our loyalty to You, yet stray from Your ways; we proclaim the great deeds of the saints, yet fail to follow in their footsteps; we confess You with our lips, yet deny You with our actions. Forgive our reluctance to put on the full armor of faith and to live as you intend. Amen.

**\*Words of Assurance**

God is our protector and shield when we walk with upright hearts.

Trust in the Lord, and receive God's blessings.

☞ PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD ☞

Prayer of Illumination

Gospel Reading Mark 12:28-34;

Children's Time

Introduction of the guest preacher & Stonegate's mission projects

Hymn

"Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"

**#172 BH**

Sermon

Matthew 11:28-30;

**"TOGETHER"**

☞ RESPONSE TO THE WORD ☞

Hymn

"I Surrender All"

**#433 BH**

RECEIVING NEW MEMBERS – Hal & Cynthia

**\*A Modern Affirmation of Faith**

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**

"The Church's One Foundation"

**#346 BH**

**\*Charge & Benediction**

**Be strong in the Lord. Stand boldly in God's truth.  
Rely on the shield of faith. Carry the sword of the Spirit  
and proclaim the Gospel of peace. Amen.**

Postlude

# In the Life of *STONEGATE* Family

**Wednesday, August 26, 2015**

6:00 p.m. – BIBLE STUDY – A NEW SERIES

**THE GOD I NEVER KNEW**

**Thursday, August 27, 2015**

10:00 a.m. – LADIES BIBLE STUDY

**Friday, August 28, 2015**

8:00 a.m. Friday Morning Group

Yard and Building Work

**Sunday, August 30, 2015**

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

10:45 a.m. Sunday Worship Service

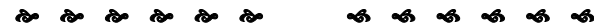
**FIFTH SUNDAY OF THE MONTH –**

**CONGREGATIONAL LUNCH AT LOUIE'S**



## ☞ 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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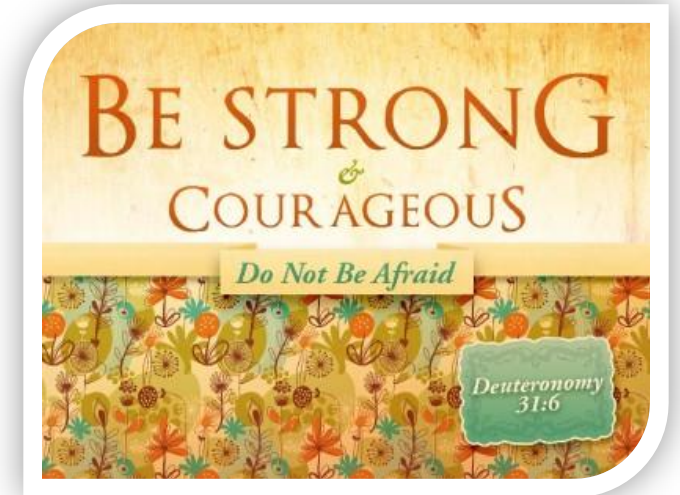
*Lead like Jesus...,*

*Lead to Jesus...,*

*Be led by Jesus...,*

## THEME IDEAS

With the exception of the reading from John, prayer is a unifying theme of these texts. Solomon prays at the dedication of the temple in Jerusalem. The Psalmist prays for Israel and the joys of being in God's house. And Paul enjoins Christians to put on the full armor of God and pray in the Spirit at all times. To tie in the Gospel reading, worship leaders could show how communion and prayer in the Spirit allow us to abide in Christ.



# *STONEGATE CHURCH*

*CUMBERLAND PRESBYTERIAN*

*Sunday Worship Service 10:45 am*

*13<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost – August 23, 2015*

## ☞ WORSHIP LEADERS ☞

, Pastor  
, Moderator of RRP  
, Elder  
, Pianist  
, Singing  
, Children's Time  
, Welcome and Announcements



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