

## ✠ ENTRANCE ✠

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

*And now faith, hope, and love abide, these three;  
and the greatest of these is love.*

*(1 Corinthians 12:13; NRSV)*

### Welcome and Announcements

\*Hymn "Holy, Holy, Holy"

\*Opening prayer

\*Call to Worship (Responsively)

Offer GOD your worship and your praise.

**Before GOD formed us in our mothers' wombs, GOD knew and loved us.**

Offer CHRIST your love and your devotion.

**Before we drew our first breath, CHRIST consecrated us as HIS own.**

Offer the SPIRIT your gratitude and your thanksgiving.

**Before we heard the call to heal the world, the SPIRIT sustained our every heartbeat.**

Praise GOD from whom all blessings flow.

**We will offer GOD our worship and our praise.**

Ricky Tipps

# 68 BH

Evelyn Goode

Pastor

## ✠ PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD ✠

Scripture Reading 1 Corinthians 13:1-13;

Hymn "Just When I Need Him"

Concerns and Prayers/Lord's Prayer

Special Music

Sermon 1 Corinthians 13:1-13;

Chuck Goode

# 160 BH

Pastor

David Cost

Pastor

**"And Now Faith, Hope, And Love Abide"**

## ✠ RESPONSE TO THE WORD ✠

\*Hymn "I Love You, Lord" # 555 BH

\*Prayer of Confession (Unison) Pastor

Source of truth and love, we yearn for certainty in an uncertain world. Grant us the courage to proclaim the words YOU place in our mouths. Remind us that Your love alone softens the heart and mind, allowing us to receive YOUR mysterious ways. When we fear that others will not see things our way, remind us that we all see in a mirror dimly. Silence the clanging cymbals that distract us, and harken us to YOUR voice once more, that we may abide in Your love. Amen.

\*Words of Assurance & Encouragement

The ONE who formed us in our mothers' wombs continues to shape our lives today. Rejoice in the Good News: GOD knows us and loves us as we are. GOD'S love heals our wounds, and gives us hope for the time before us. **Thanks be to GOD. Amen.**

\*Affirmation of Faith Pastor

\*Doxology "Glory Be to the Father"

## ✠ SENDING FORTH ✠

\*Closing Hymn "Freely, Freely" # 627 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

**GOD sends us forth with words of love on our lips. CHRIST sends us with acts of love in our deeds. The SPIRIT sends us with the power of love to sustain our lives. Go in the power of GOD'S love to be ambassadors of CHRIST'S love and peace. Amen**

Postlude Phyllis Turner

## *In the Life of our STONEGATE Community*

**Thursday, February 3, 2022;**

**10:00 a.m. – LADIES' BIBLE STUDY – POSTPONED**

**Friday, February 4, 2022;**

**9:00 a.m. – FRIDAY'S BREAKFAST**

**Sunday, February 6, 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](http://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

GOD knew us before we were even born. The Psalmist proclaims that the GOD who took us from our mother's womb is our Rock and our Refuge. GOD promised Jeremiah that he would be told what to say and how to speak - for GOD puts words of prophecy in the mouths of GOD'S servants. JESUS knew only too well the effect those words could have on communities, as HIS hometown almost threw HIM off a cliff when they heard HIM speak. And Paul warns that while GOD knows us and gives us words to speak, we see only in part. What we share with the world is only part of a much larger truth - a truth that we will never fully understand until we see GOD face-to-face. It is more important to love well than to speak with the tongues of angels or to unfold all mysteries. This is sobering advice to those who eagerly proclaim the Word of GOD while hiding the love of GOD.



# STONEGATE CHURCH

CUMBERLAND PRESBYTERIAN

*Sunday Worship Service at 10:45 a.m.*

*Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany, JANUARY 30, 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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