

✠ ENTRANCE ✠

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



Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

*Opening prayer

*Call to Worship (*Responsively*)

Happy Resurrection Day! Today is the first day of the week.

The joy of Easter still sings in our hearts.

Breathe the breath of new life in our spirits!

We open our hearts to all the wondrous work God has for us to do.

Welcome to worship this glorious day!

Let our lives be testimony to God's redeeming love! Amen.

*Confession of Sins (*in Unison*)

We confess that far too often we want proof for everything, O Lord. It is easy for us to point our finger at Thomas who was honest about his fears. Jesus said to him, just as He says to us, "*Peace, be with you..., see my hands and my side; Do not doubt but believe!*" Lord, forgive our unbelief! Bind up our spirits in the cords of Your compassion. Help us to fully place our trust in You, with our whole hearts, and minds, and spirits, and souls. For we ask this in Your blessed Name. Amen.

*Words of Assurance

"*Peace be with you*". Do not let your hearts be troubled. Jesus came to bring you new life. Believe in Him. Receive the blessing of hope and peace in the Resurrection Day. Amen.

*Hymn

"Praise Him! Praise Him!"

#149 BH

✠ PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD ✠

Gospel Reading

John 20:19-31;

Children's Time

Hymn

"Tell It to Jesus"

#425 BH

Sermon

Revelation 1:4-8;

"EVERY EYE WILL SEE HIM!"

✠ RESPONSE TO THE WORD ✠

Hymn

"Take Time to Be Holy"

#587 BH

*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

✠ SENDING FORTH ✠

*Closing Hymn

"I Know Whom I Have Believed"

#353 BH

*Charge & Benediction

**See and believe the wonders of Resurrection.
Go with your eyes newly opened.
Go with your doubt transformed by faith.
Go with your sorrow replaced by joy.
Go with God's blessing. Amen.**

Postlude

In the Life of *STONEGATE* Family

Sunday, April 3, 2016

2:00 p.m. – MOM'S IN PRAYER MEETING

Wednesday, April 6, 2016

6:00 p.m. – BIBLE STUDY

Thursday, April 7, 2016

10:00 a.m. – LADIES BIBLE STUDY

Friday, April 8, 2016

8:00 a.m. – FRIDAY BREAKFAST/ADULT BIBLE STUDY,

Sunday, April 10, 2016

2:00 p.m. – MOM'S IN PRAYER MEETING

☪ 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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☪ WORSHIP LEADERS ☪

Rev. , Pastor

, Pianist

, Liturgist

, Children's Time

, Welcome and Announcements



* Please rise as you are able

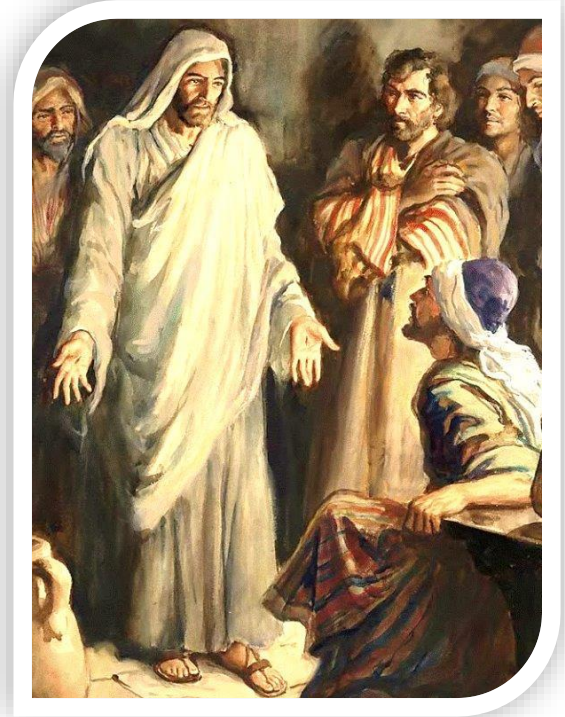
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THEME IDEAS

Today's readings continue the great themes of Easter: RESURRECTION, NEW LIFE, and HOPE in the midst of profound fear and doubt. Revelation makes it clear that our hope is founded on the one who was, and is, and is to come: The Alpha and Omega. John affords a look at the role doubt plays in the life of faith. When doubting Thomas finds himself face to face with the risen Christ, he says: "MY LORD AND MY GOD." Apathy, not doubt, is the opposite of faith. Doubt is an opportunity to dive deeper into our faith, and find our faith strengthened through the struggle.



STONEGATE CHURCH

CUMBERLAND PRESBYTERIAN

Sunday Worship Service at 10:45 am

Second Sunday of Easter, April 3, 2016



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