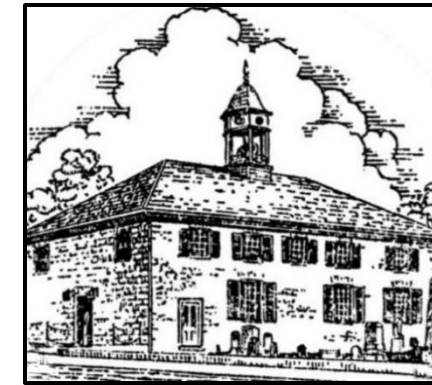


Old Stone Presbyterian Church

A Congregation of the
Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)
Organized 1783



February 18, 2018 ~ 11:00 A.M.
The First Sunday in Lent
(also broadcast over 1310 AM, 97.3 FM, and 103.1 FM)

Striking of the Chimes

Prelude

Welcome, Announcements, and Call to Worship

(Please sign the friendship pad and pass it to your neighbor)

Minute for Mission: 30 Hour Famine, Mary Adeline & Suzanne Bicksler

Introit "All Glory to Our Lord and God"

Prayer of the Day (unison)

**God of the wilderness,
as we devote these forty days to you,
shape us by your Holy Spirit
into the image of Christ our Lord,
so that we may be ready, by your grace,
to confront the power of death
with the promise of eternal life. Amen.**

*Hymn #263 "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"

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*Call to Confession

*Prayer of Confession (unison)

**God our Redeemer, we confess that we are people of ashes and dust.
You have claimed us in your covenant,
yet we forget your steadfast love.
You seek us out in the wilderness,
yet we continue to wander in our sin.
Forgive us, God of grace, so we may return to you and follow you.
through Jesus Christ our Lord, we pray. Amen.**

Old Stone Presbyterian Church Staff

Anna Pinckney Straight ~ Pastor
Debbie Reed ~ Church Secretary and Financial Secretary
Amy Kesterson ~ Program Coordinator
Doris Ann Taylor ~ Director of Music
Richard Tincher ~ Sexton
Pat Boisvert ~ Old Stone Presbyterian Pre-School
Doris Ann Taylor, Linda Walls, and Bridgett Edwards ~ Organists
Ves Burford ~ Director of Hand Bells
Corrainea Kaebisch ~ Nursery Attendant

The Session

Class of 2018

Doug Bicksler
Mary Adeline Bicksler
Ellsworth Buck
Michael Meadows
Kaye Rodgers
Sharon H. Rowe
Nancy Smallenberger

Class of 2019

Carol Bland
Townley Hamilton
Sandra Hofmann
Cam Huffman
Andy Kelso
Molly McMillion

Class of 2020

LeeAnn Gillilan
Larry Jones
Meg Lewis Kirkham
Dick Marshall
Joan Montgomery
Rodney Weikle

Session Committees

Care (LeeAnn Gillilan), Christian Education (Townley Hamilton),
Fellowship (Dick Marshall), Growth (Sandi Hofmann),
Outreach (Molly McMillion), Personnel (Nancy Smallenberger),
Plans (Sharon Rowe), Property (Andy Kelso),
Stewardship (Doug Bicksler), Worship (Carol Bland)

Trustees

Class of 2018

Thomas Greenstreet
Robert Perkins

Class of 2019

James Rowe

Class of 2020

Shirley Runyon
John Wilson

Sunday School Superintendent ~ Ben Lewis

Presbyterian Women

Co-Moderators ~ Amy Brown and Lynn Weikle
Treasurer ~ Betty Dempsey
Secretary ~ Sue Rock
Historian ~ Merle Shank

*Each Sunday we hearken back to the words inscribed on the portal of
Old Stone Presbyterian Church*

**THIS BUILDING WAS ERECTED IN THE YEAR 1796
AT THE EXPENCE OF A FEW OF THE FIRST INHABITANTS
OF THIS LAND TO COMMEMORATE THEIR
AFFECTION & ESTEEM FOR THE HOLY GOSPEL OF JESUS CHRIST
READER IF YOU ARE INCLINED TO APPLAUD THEIR VIRTUES
GIVE GOD THE GLORY**

Welcome!

*We welcome you to Old Stone
Presbyterian Church. We hope that you
will enjoy the beauty, simplicity, and
inspiration which has sustained worship
within these walls for over 200 years.*

*Children are valued and nurtured
here at Old Stone Presbyterian Church.
During worship a nursery is provided for
children second grade and younger
(normally they depart after the Time with
Young Church). If your children would
like to stay in the worship service, we
celebrate that, too. They might not
always understand what is going on or
being said, but they can understand that
this is a place where they are loved,
accepted, and needed.*

*Are you interested in learning more
about the life of faith? Would you like to
know more about what it means to be a
part of a community of faith? Would you
like to learn more about what it means to
be a part of the life of Old Stone
Presbyterian Church? We hope that you
will ask and look forward to talking with
you.*

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*Declaration of Pardon

Leader: Hear and believe the good news of the gospel.

People: **In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.**

*Gloria Patri

Hymn #579

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen.**

Time with the Young Church

(afterwards children 2nd grade and younger who wish to go to the nursery are dismissed)

*Hymn #73

“Swiftly Pass the Clouds of Glory”

GENEVA

Prayer for Illumination

Hebrew Bible Reading

Genesis 9:8-17

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Anthem

“Jesus Walked This Lonesome Valley”

Epistle Reading

1 Peter 3: 18 – 22

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Gospel Reading

Mark 1:9-15

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Sermon

“Jesus in the Wilderness”

Musical Interlude *(a time for prayer and personal reflection)*

*Affirmation of Faith

The Apostles’ Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

The Giving of God’s Tithes and Our Offerings

Offertory

*Doxology

Hymn #592

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise God, all creatures here below;
praise God above, ye heavenly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

Sharing of Concerns and Celebrations

Call to Prayer

“God So Loved the World”

Prayer of the People and the Lord’s Prayer

.....Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen

*Hymn #280

“Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound”

AMAZING GRACE

*Benediction

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you

*Benediction Response, Hymn #535

“Go With us Lord”

**Go with us, Lord, and guide the way
Through this and every coming day,
That in your Spirit strong and true
Our lives may be our gift to You.**

Postlude

* All who are able, please stand

Worship Leaders

Pastor: Anna Pinckney Straight
Organist: Linda Walls
Director of Music: Doris Ann Taylor
Sound Technician: Al Petrie
Youth Lay Reader: Megan Hofmann
Nursery Assistant: Townley Hamilton
Acolyte: Kate Lehman

The Week Ahead

TODAY, Sunday February 18

11:00 Worship
12:30 Handbell practice
5:30 PYC

TUESDAY

10:00 Bulletin Deadline
3:00 – 5:00 STAIR

WEDNESDAY

10:30 Preschool Chapel
3:00 – 5:00 APS Office Hours
3:00 – 5:00 Logos
6:00 Session Meeting

THURSDAY

3:00 – 5:00 STAIR

FRIDAY - SATURDAY

30 Hour Famine

Next Sunday, February 25

9:45 Coffee and Refreshments
in Activity Room
10:00 Sunday School for All Ages
11:00 Worship
12:30 Handbell practice

Next week, Rev. Anna will be out of town. Our guest preacher will be Rebecca Williams. Becky is a native of Greenbrier County, a member of Edgewood Presbyterian Church, and an Authorized Lay Preacher for the Presbytery of West Virginia.