

Old Stone Presbyterian Church ~ Lewisburg, West Virginia

August 27, 2017 ~ 11:00 A.M.

The 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Striking of the Chimes

Prelude

Welcome, Announcements, and Call to Worship *(Please sign and pass the worship register)*

Introit "Fill Me Now" Stephanie Burford and Tim Holbrook, duet

Prayer of the Day (unison)

**Gracious God, we thank you for being ever present with us.
We know that we are never alone. Your mercies are faithful and rich.
Pour out your Spirit upon us, that we might do the work of your will.
In the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. Amen.**

*Hymn #476 "O Worship the King, All Glorious Above" LYONS

*Call to Confession

*Prayer of Confession (unison) from Psalm 51

**Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love;
according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions.
Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin.
For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me.
Create in me a clean heart, O God, and put a new and right spirit within me.
Do not cast me away from your presence, do not take your holy spirit from me.
Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and sustain in me a willing spirit.**

*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 are dismissed for Sunday School)*

*Hymn #345 "Dear Lord and Father of Mankind" REST

Prayer for Illumination

Gospel Reading Matthew 3: 23 - 26 page 3

Anthem "Seek Ye His Countenance in All Places"
Stephanie Burford and Tim Holbrook, duet

Epistle Reading Romans 3: 21 - 24 page 187

Sermon "Article of Faith: Sin & Forgiveness"

Musical Interlude *(you are invited to use this time for prayer and personal reflection)*

*Affirmation of Faith A Brief Statement of Faith

**In life and in death we belong to God.
We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God.
Jesus proclaimed the reign of God: preaching good news to the poor
and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed
and blessing the children, healing the sick
and binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts,
forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and believe.
With believers in every time and place,
we rejoice that nothing in life or in death
can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.**

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 "How Long Has It Been?" Stephanie Burford and TimHolbrook, duet

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"

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*Benediction

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you

*Choral Response "God Be With You Till We Meet Again"

**God be with you till we meet again; By his counsels guide, uphold you;
With his sheep securely fold you. God be with you till we meet again.**

*Postlude

* All who are able, please stand