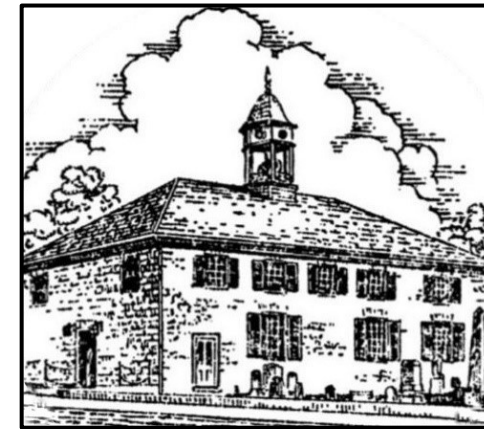


Old Stone Presbyterian Church

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



September 17, 2017 ~ 11:00 A.M.
The 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time
(also broadcast over WRON ~ 1400 AM or 103.1 FM)

Prelude

Welcome, Announcements, and Call to Worship

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

Introit "Holy God, We Praise Your Name"

Prayer of the Day (unison)

**Bless us, O God,
with a reverent sense of your presence,
that we may be at peace
and worship you in mind, body, and spirit;
in the name of Jesus Christ we pray. Amen.**

*Hymn #466 "O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing" AZMON

*Call to Confession

*Prayer of Confession (unison)

**Gracious God,
Our sins distract us.
Our sins deceive us.
Our sins keep us from the life you have called us to lead
and the love you have challenged us to show and share.
Set us free from the past we cannot change.
Open us to the future that is still a faithful possibility
May we, people of your grace, show more of your image
in our lives and to the world we encounter.
With trust in the love of Jesus Christ 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 2017	Class of 2018	Class of 2019
Jacqueline Bennett	Doug Bicksler	Carol Bland
John Hofmann	Ellsworth Buck	Townley Hamilton
Glenn Lehman	Sharon H. Rowe	Sandra Hofmann
Ben Lewis	Michael Meadows	Cam Huffman
Chuck Lewis	Kaye Rodgers	Andy Kelso
Chuck Plumley	Nancy Smallenberger	Molly McMillion

Session Committees

Care (Jackie Bennett), Christian Education (Townley Hamilton),
Fellowship (Ben Lewis), Growth (Sandi Hofmann),
Outreach (Molly McMillion), Personnel (Ellsworth Buck),
Plans (Sharon Rowe), Property (Chuck Plumley),
Stewardship (Doug Bicksler), Worship (Glenn Lehman)

Trustees

Class of 2017	Class of 2018	Class of 2019
Ronald B. Snyder	Thomas Greenstreet	James Rowe
Philip McLaughlin	Robert Perkins	

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 three years of age or younger and
children from age four – middle school are
welcomed to attend Sunday School 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.

We are not only a historic church, we
are an active, living congregation with
fellowship, education, outreach, and
music programs.

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 all children 2nd grade and younger are dismissed for Sunday School)

* Hymn #281

“Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah”

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Hebrew Bible Reading

Exodus 14: 19 - 31

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Anthem

“Consecrated, Lord to Thee”

Hebrew Bible Reading

Exodus 15: 1 - 21

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Sermon

“On Dry Ground”

Musical Interlude

(you are invited to use this 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

“Spirit of the Living God”

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 #384

“O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go”

ST. MARGARET

*Benediction

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you

*Benediction 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.**

Recessional

* All who are able, please stand

Worship Leaders

Pastor: Anna Pinckney Straight

Organist: Bridgett Edwards

Director of Music: Doris Ann Taylor

Youth Lay Reader: Hallie Nemcik

Nursery Assistant: Cora Kesterson

Acolyte: Beverly Kucera

The View From the Organ (Piano) Bench by Bridgett Armentrout-Edwards

Music for today reflects the scriptures’ Exodus theme. The Prelude is “Alleluia, Alleluia” from *Egypt’s Bondage* by composer Arthur Page (1848-1916). Music for Reflection is “Come Ye Faithful, Raise the Strain” (Hymn tune: *St. Kevin*). Although we think of this as an Easter hymn, if you look at the text of the first verse (#115), it tells the story of The Exodus.

Exodus 14:31 speaks of the Israelites recognizing God’s mighty power. The Offertory is the Swedish tune “O Store Gud” or “O Mighty God”. This is a contemporary arrangement, for piano, of the hymn “How Great Thou Art”. The Postlude is “In Thee Lord, Have I Put My Trust” by Johann Christoph Bach (1642 - 1703 and uncle to J.S.) Just as Moses trusted God to help him lead the Israelites safely out of Egypt, we can trust him to lead us in our lives every day.

Finally, the children will come down to the African-American Spiritual “Go Down, Moses”.

The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the Glory of God in honor of Molly McMillion's birthday by Walter, Grace, and Andrew.



After worship, please join us for a time of fellowship at our home, 299 Court Street South.

See you there!

Ben, Anna, and Sarah Allan Straight

The Week Ahead

TODAY

11:00 a.m. Morning Worship
12:30 p.m. Handbell practice
5:30 p.m. PYC

MONDAY

10:00 – 1:00 APS Office Hours
11:00 Moms’ Café Meeting
3:00 – 5:00 APS Office Hours

TUESDAY

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

WEDNESDAY

10:00 Newsletter Deadline
10:30 Preschool Chapel
11:00 – 12:00 Lectionary Bible Study
3:00 – 5:00 APS Office Hours
3:00 – 5:00 Logos
6:15 Plans Committee Meeting
7:00 Session Meeting

THURSDAY

8:00 – 10:00 NO Wild Bean Office Hours
3:00 – 5:00 STAIR Training

SUNDAY, September 24

9:45 a.m. Refreshments- Activity Room
10:00 a.m. Sunday School for All Ages
10:00 a.m. Choir Rehearsal
11:00 a.m. Morning Worship