

## 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 (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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## Old Stone Presbyterian Church Staff

Anna Pinckney Straight ~ Pastor  
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Linda Walls, and Bridgett Edwards ~ Organists  
Ves Burford ~ Director of Hand Bells  
Grace Coffindaffer ~ Nursery Attendant

### The Session

#### Class of 2018

Doug Bicksler  
Mary Adeline Bicksler  
Susan Graham  
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 (Susan Graham),  
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

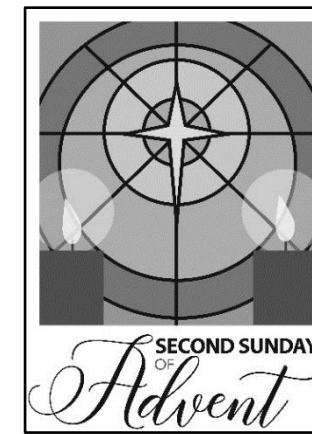
### Presbyterian Women

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

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*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



# Old Stone Presbyterian Church

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

December 9, 2018 ~ 11:00 A.M.  
The Second Sunday of Advent  
(also broadcast over 1310 AM, 97.3 FM, and 103.1 FM)

Prelude

Welcome, Announcements, and Call to Worship

Minute for Mission: The Angel Tree

Introit "The Voice of Him That Crieth in the Wilderness"  
Tim Holbrook, Soloist

Lighting Two Candles on the Advent Wreath  
Gordon Campbell and Tracy Morgan

A voice cries out in the wilderness: "Prepare the way of the Lord."  
A choir sings in the silence, "Come, Emmanuel."  
Every valley shall be filled. Every heart shall be made whole.  
For peace is stronger than turmoil, and love is stronger than hate.  
As we light two Advent candles, we pray for holy peace of God.  
Come now, O Child of Mary.  
Come now, O Prince of Peace.

Sung Response (sing twice)  
**With power and glory come ~ With power and glory come  
Jesus our Lord Emmanuel ~ While we are waiting come**

Prayer in Response  
**Dear God, as we journey down this Advent road,  
grant us the courage to make peace.  
Peace in our hearts, Peace in our homes, and  
Peace in our communities. Amen.**

\*Hymn #13 "Prepare the Way, O Zion" BEREDEN VÄG FÖR HERRAN

\*Call to Confession

\*Prayer of Confession (unison)

**Refining God, you have sent us prophets  
and we have not listened.  
We have not always determined what is best  
or made way for your reign  
in our lives, our church, and our society.  
Forgive us, we pray, and renew your covenant within us,  
for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

\*Declaration of Pardon

Leader: Hear and believe the good news of the gospel.  
People: **In Jesus Christ we are forgive**

\*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 who wish to go to the nursery are dismissed)*

\*Hymn #10 "On Jordan's Bank the Baptist's Cry" WINCHESTER NEW

Prayer for Illumination

Hebrew Bible Reading Zephaniah 3: 14 - 20 page 1073

Anthem "Who Is This Child?"

Gospel Reading Luke 3: 7 - 18 page 73

Sermon "Sing Aloud and Shout!"

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

\*Affirmation of Faith Confession of 1967

**God expressed love for all humankind through Israel, whom God chose to be a covenant people to serve him in love and faithfulness. When Israel was unfaithful, God disciplined the nation with judgment and maintained the covenant through prophets, priests, teachers, and true believers. These witnesses called all Israelites to a destiny in which they would serve God faithfully and become a light to the nations. The same witnesses proclaimed the coming of a new age, and a true servant of God in whom God's purpose of Israel and for humanity would be realized.**

The Giving of God's Tithes and Our Offerings

Offertory "But Who May Abide the Day of His Coming"  
Tim Holbrook, Soloist  
Hymn #592

\*Doxology  
**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.**

Prayer Concerns and Celebrations

Call to Prayer

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 #53 "What Child is This" GREENSLEEVES

\*Benediction  
Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.  
People: **And also with you**

\*Benediction Response "O Come, Emmanuel"

Postlude

\* All who are able, please stand

**Worship Leaders**

Minister: Anna Pinckney Straight  
Organist: Linda Walls  
Director of Music: Calvin A. McClinton  
Sound Technician: Carroll Crane  
Youth Lay Reader: Mary Adeline Bicksler  
Nursery Assistant: Meg Kirkham  
Acolyte: Jeb Brown  
Building Closer: David Kucera  
Ushers: Dick Marshall, Ellsworth Buck, Doug Bicksler, John Wilson, Jim Coleman, Michael Meadows, Cam Huffman, Jeff Rodgers, Tom Greenstreet

**The Week Ahead**

**Today, SUNDAY December 9**

10:00 Sunday School  
11:00 Worship  
12:00 Congregational Meeting  
5:30 Christmas Play

**MONDAY**

6:00 Choir Rehearsal  
10:00 Bulletin Deadline

**TUESDAY**

3:00 STAIR

**WEDNESDAY**

9:00 Women's Retreat Planning  
1:00 Afternoon Circle  
3:00 LOGOS  
7:00 Evening Circle

**THURSDAY**

Noon Staff Christmas Lunch  
(office closed 12-2)  
3:00 STAIR

**FRIDAY**

5:30 Parent's Night Out

**Next SUNDAY, December 16**

11:00 Worship  
Noon Santa Brunch

The roses in the sanctuary last week were dedicated to the Glory of God in memory of Munir Yarid by Yvette Yarid.

Plan to join your church family next Sunday, December 16, following worship, at the Santa Brunch in Fellowship Hall. Everyone is invited and Santa will be attending.

The Candle Lighting liturgy is from Call to Worship Volume 52:1

The prayers are written by Katherine Hawker and found at <https://www.liturgyoutside.net/wp-content/uploads/2018/06/hope-1.pdf>

The sung response is "While we are Waiting, Come" by Claire Cloninger, the tune is WAITING

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