

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.

Old Stone Presbyterian Church Staff

Anna Pinckney Straight ~ Pastor
Debbie Reed ~ Church Secretary and Financial Secretary
Amy Kesterson ~ Program Coordinator
Calvin A. McClinton ~ Director of Music
Jr Sims ~ Sexton
Pat Boisvert ~ Old Stone Presbyterian Pre-School
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

Trustees

Class of 2018

Thomas Greenstreet
Robert Perkins

Class of 2019

James Rowe

Class of 2020

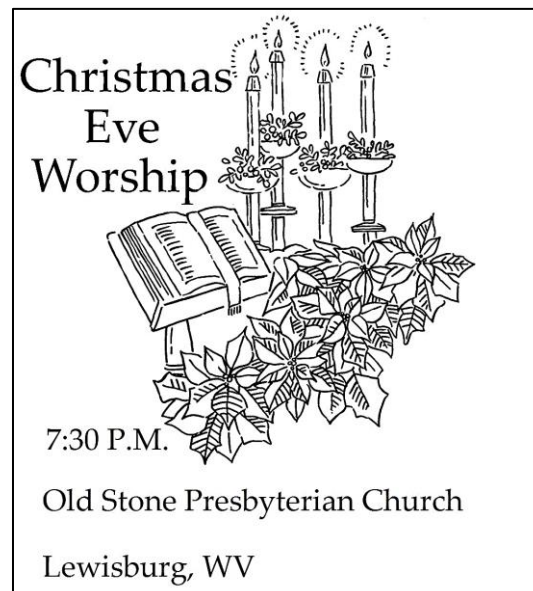
Shirley Runyon
John Wilson

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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The Fourth Sunday of Advent
December 23, 2018
(also broadcast over 1310 AM, 97.3 FM, and 103.1 FM)

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Introit "Gavotte in D Major" Bach
Sarah Allan Straight

The Lighting of Four Candles on the Advent Wreath Kucera Family

Isaiah spoke to a people called chosen,
to a tribe called Israel, with a light of hope.
Gabriel came to a town called Nazareth,
to a girl called Mary, with a light of joy.
Mary went to a place called Bethlehem,
to a stable called a nursery, with a light of love.
As we light four Advent candles, we rejoice with Mary, for Love has flesh.
Come now, O Child of Mary. Come now, O Prince of Love.

Sung Response

**While we are waiting come - While we are waiting come
Jesus our Lord Emmanuel - While we are waiting come**

**With power and glory come - With power and glory come
Jesus our Lord Emmanuel - While we are waiting come**

**Come Savior quickly come - Come Savior quickly come
Jesus our Lord Emmanuel - While we are waiting come**

Prayer in Response

**Dear God, as our Advent pilgrimage draws to completion,
grant us the courage to share your love.
Love for the unexpected challenge, Love for the vulnerable one.
Love for the presence of God. Amen.**

Prayer of the Day Coriann Nemcik

Proclamation from the Gospels Lawson Hamilton & Fielding Foster

Special Music "White Christmas" Isaiah Stanley

Sacrament of Baptism for Henry Rader Hileman and Rhodes Chandler Irons

First Lesson John the Baptist Nixon Brown

*Hymn #9 "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" VENI EMMANUEL

Second Lesson Jesus is Born Emily Plybon, Mallory Frye, Paige Totten

Anthem "I Saw Three Ships" Lauren Rodgers, Cora Kesterson,
Ashley Meadows
Children bring forward Mary, Joseph, Jesus & Donkeys

Third Lesson Shepherds Paul Kucera, Grace Brown, Jeb Brown

*Hymn #25 "Away in a Manger" MUELLER
Children bring forward shepherds, sheep and angels

Fourth Lesson Wise Men Kate Lehman, Beverly Kucera

Offertory "We Three Kings" Jeb Brown, Carter Huffman,
Paul Kucera and Logos

*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.**

Time With the Young Church Amy Kesterson

Fifth Lesson And Then... K.K. Long, John Bicksler, Ashley Meadows,
Macie Hileman, Asa Brown, Acie Kesterson

*Hymn #29 "Go, Tell It on the Mountain" GO TELL IT

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

*Benediction Response "Lord, Let Us Now Depart in Peace" Logos Choir

Postlude

* All who are able, please stand

Worship Leaders

Minister: Anna Pinckney Straight
Organist: Linda Walls
Director of Music: Calvin A. McClinton
Sound Technician: Norman Ahern
Youth Lay Reader: Coriann Nemcik

Nursery Assistant: Pat Boisvert
Acolyte: Emily Plybon
Building Closer: Cam Huffman
Greeters: Andrew McLaughlin, Suzanne Bicksler, Melanie Monti & Mary Adeline Bicksler
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 23

11:00 Worship
7:00 Messiah Sing-A-Long

MONDAY

7:30 Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

December 24 – 27, the church office is closed.

Next SUNDAY, December 30

11:00 Worship

Sunday School for all ages (10:00 – 10:45 AM) and PYC (Youth Group, 5:30 – 7:00 P.M.) will meet next on Sunday, January 6

Receiving the sacrament of Baptism this morning are Rhodes Chandler Irons and Henry Rader Hileman.

Rhodes, born on May 5, 2018, is the daughter of Jess and Oliver Irons.

Henry, born on June 8, 2018, is the son of Molly and Zack Hileman and brother to Macie and Hayes.

The flowers in the sanctuary are dedicated to the Glory of God in honor of the 50th Wedding Anniversary of Shirley and Don Runyon

Cover art by Beverly Kucera.

The Candle Lighting liturgy and the prayer of confession are 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.