

✠ ENTRANCE ✠

For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them.  
*(Matthew 18:20, NRSV)*



**Welcome and Announcements**

**\*Hymn** "He Leadeth Me!" (vs. 1 & 4)

**\*Opening Prayer**

**\*Call to Worship (Responsively)**

Why have you come to this place?

**We are tired in body and spirit.**

Why have you come today?

**We have come to follow JESUS.**

Come and receive your fill, the Good News of Salvation.

**But there are only five barley loaves and two fish.**

There is plenty for all. Open your mouth and hearts. Come! Let us worship.

**JESUS gathers the fragments of our lives, that nothing may be lost. Let us worship.**

✠ PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD ✠

**Gospel Reading** John 6:1-14;

**Hymn** "Only Trust Him"

**Concerns and Prayers/Lord's Prayer**

**Special Music** "Remember Love Like This"

**Sermon** Ephesians 1:3-14; (part three - v. 3, 11-14)

Ricky Tipps

**# 81 BH**

Daniel Moore

Pastor

Whitney Moore

**# 465 BH**

Pastor

David Cost

Pastor

**"To Be Accepted and Blessed"**

✠ RESPONSE TO THE WORD ✠

**Hymn** "Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine"

**# 446 BH**

**\*Prayer of Confession (Unison)**

Pastor

JESUS of our hopes and dreams, we are empty; we are hungry; we are lost. Guide us once more to be filled in our lives through YOUR acceptance and blessings, and find our true nourishment in YOU, in the Bread of Heaven. As YOU ordered to gathered up the fragments of the five loaves and two fish after feeding the five thousand, find us, and gather up the pieces of our lives, and shelter us by YOUR presence. Amen.

**\*Words of Assurance & Encouragement**

GOD restored the fortunes of HIS people and filled their lives with rejoicing and gladness in the Promise Land. GOD restores our fortunes, too, with acceptance and blessings, through response to the love we have found in Christ - a love that passes all understanding - **Thanks be to God!**

**\*Affirmation of Faith**

Pastor

**\*Doxology**

"Glory Be to the Father"

**The Celebration of the Holy Communion**

Pastor

✠ SENDING FORTH ✠

**\*Closing Hymn** "O Happy Day That Fixed My Choice"

**# 574 BH**

*If you would like to make a profession of faith, join the church, or simply pray at the altar, you may come during the closing hymn. We welcome you to our fellowship!*

**\*Charge & Benediction**

Pastor

**Go to follow JESUS, who gives us the bread of life. Go to walk in the ways of CHRIST, who strengthens us in our inner being through the power of the HOLY SPIRIT. Go to serve our living LORD, who gathers the fragments of our lives, that nothing may be lost. Amen.**

**Postlude**

Phyllis Turner

## *In the Life of our STONEGATE Community*

**Friday, July 30, 2021;**  
**9:00 a.m. – FRIDAY'S BREAKFAST**

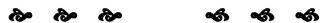
**Sunday, August 1, 2021;**  
**10:45 a.m. – PRAISE & WORSHIP**

*You Are All Invited*

The Pastor's weekly messages are published on our website at [www.stonegatecpc.org](http://www.stonegatecpc.org)

### ☞ For Our Guests ☜

We are so thrilled to have you worship with us today. We truly hope you are encouraged and inspired to grow closer to GOD as we worship the true and living GOD together.



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**YOU ARE  
TRULY BLESSED  
AND  
ACCEPTED  
WITH LOVE**

### THEME IDEAS

We can be as thick as bricks sometimes and not understand anything, such as how to discover and understand God's love in Christ. We are called to have an encounter with JESUS, who feeds us and gathers up the fragments of our lives, so that nothing may be lost. JESUS went to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, "to gather up the fragments left over, so that nothing may be lost." JESUS chooses relationships over influence, and puts HIS identity before HIS popularity. What aspect of this story that touches me - 'the abundance of food' or acceptance at the Lord's Table - even looks like the sea shore. This is the only miracle found in all four Gospels, that goes much deeper than the extraordinary feeding of those thousands. The abundance of blessings, through HIS acceptance, touches our lives exceptionally. JESUS took the bread and fish, gave thanks, and gave the bread to the people inviting them to take as much as they needed, and accepted them into a relationship with HIM. Discover the meaning "to be accepted and blessed."



## *STONEGATE CHURCH*

*CUMBERLAND PRESBYTERIAN*

*Sunday Worship Service at 10:45 a.m.*

*Eighth Sunday after Pentecost, JULY 25, 2021*



**Experience the Love of CHRIST in Community!**

### ☞ WORSHIP LEADERS ☜

Rev. Dr. Mark Marian Sontowski, *Pastor*  
Phyllis Turner, *Pianist*  
David Piatt & Pam Brown, *Worship Leaders*  
David Cost, *Special Music*  
Ricky Tipps, *Welcome and Announcements*

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