

✠ ENTRANCE ✠

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

Obedience to GOD
Begins with Humility

Welcome and Announcements	Ricky Tipps
*Hymn	"Just a Closer Walk with Thee" # 473 BH
*Opening Prayer	Ricky Tipps
*Call to Worship (Responsively)	Pastor

In YOUR wisdom, YOU stretch out the heavens like a tent and all the earth worships YOU.
YOU set the earth on its foundation that moves in the rhythm of YOUR breath.
GOD of all creation, we come to praise and worship YOU.
YOU are clothed with honor and majesty and wrapped with a garment of the brightest light.
YOU have made us in YOUR image, showing us glimpses of glory in the work of YOUR hands.
GOD of life and love, we come to praise and worship YOU.

✠ PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD ✠

Gospel Reading	Mark 10:35-45;	Valerie Tipps
Hymn	"Only Believe"	# 512 BH
Concerns and Prayers/Lord's Prayer		Pastor
Special Music		David Cost
Sermon	Mark 10:35-45;	Pastor

"You Do Not Know What You Are Asking."

✠ RESPONSE TO THE WORD ✠

Hymn	"Have Thine Own Way, Lord"	# 544 BH
*Prayer of Confession (Unison)		Pastor

GOD of love and compassion, YOU call us to live lives of love and service, and to share in CHRIST'S cup of compassion for the healing of the world. Like Job, we complain about the unfairness of life, seeking explanations when we don't get everything we want. Like James and John, we want to be first. We want to win at the game of power and glory. Forgive us when we forget that we are not the center of YOUR great creation, and that YOU are the beginning and ending of all things. Amen.

*Words of Assurance & Encouragement

Hear the Good News: In the midst of our self-centered complaints and desires,
GOD opens our eyes to all that surrounds us. In the name of JESUS CHRIST, you are forgiven.
In the name of JESUS CHRIST, you are forgiven. Glory to GOD. Amen.

*Affirmation of Faith	Pastor
*Doxology	"Glory Be to the Father"
The Celebration of the Holy Communion	Pastor

✠ SENDING FORTH ✠

*Closing Hymn	"Something Beautiful"	# 623 BH
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*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
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Just as JESUS came not to be served, but to serve and to give HIS life for
the sake of the world, let us go forth to love and serve all of creation
in the name of the ONE who calls us to delight in all its goodness.
Amen.

Postlude	Phyllis Turner
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In the Life of our STONEGATE Community

Thursday, October 21, 2021;
10:00 a.m. – LADIES' BIBLE STUDY

Friday, October 22, 2021;
9:00 a.m. – FRIDAY'S BREAKFAST

Sunday, October 24, 2021;
10:45 a.m. – MUSIC & WORSHIP

Sunday, October 31, 2021;
Noon – 5th Sunday Feast

Noon – 5th Sunday Stonegate Church Fellowship Feast at Hummus Mediterranean Cafe North OKC.
 Address: 3000 W Memorial Rd Suite 101, Oklahoma City, OK 73120. Phone: (405) 216-5468

You Are All Invited

The Pastor's weekly messages are published on our website at 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.

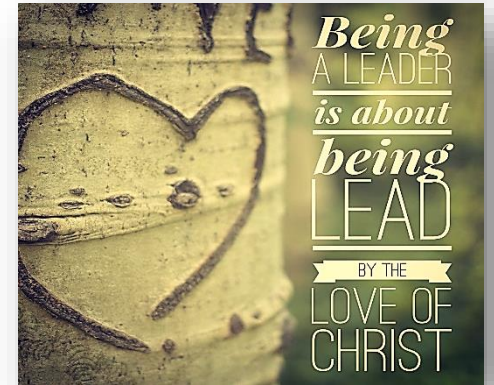


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THEME IDEAS

Like Job, we complain about our misfortunes, forgetting that GOD is the Creator and Sustainer of everything that exists, and ignoring that GOD is beyond our ability to control or even understand. Like James and John, who wanted to sit at JESUS's right and left hand when he came into HIS glory, we never fully comprehend GOD's design. When we let go of arguing with GOD or trying to be first in some kind of contest, we are free to take our proper place among all the wonders of GOD's good creation, to be grateful for all the goodness that surrounds us, and to serve one another in love.



STONEGATE CHURCH

CUMBERLAND PRESBYTERIAN

Sunday Worship Service at 10:45 a.m.
21st Sunday after Pentecost, OCTOBER 17, 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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