## **№** ENTRANCE ◆

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

The Spirit of truth dwells among us. Enjoy in this awareness. In the Lord, we live and breathe and have our being.

Rest in this presence.

Ricky Tipps

Welcome and Announcements

Welcome and Announcements			Kicky Tipps
Prelude / Hymn	"Here I Am to Worship"	Choir	# 130 BH
*Opening prayer			Pastor
*Call to Worship (Responsively)			Pastor
GOD made the world and	everyone in it.		
Our life and breath come from GOD.			
GOD made all nations under heaven.			
We are all God's offspring.			
Search for GOD in our time of worship.			
When we search, we fin	d God near.		
*Hymn	"Fill My Cup, Lord"		# 631 BH
	» PROCLAMATION OF TH	HE WORD ❖	
Scripture Reading	John 14:15-21;		Phyllis Turner
Concerns and Prayers/Lord's Prayer			Pastor
Vision, Encouragement & Challenge,			Psalm 66:8-20;
Children's Time			Valerie Tipps
Special Music	"Let Not Your Heart Be Tro	oubled"	David Cost

Sermon John 14:15-21; Pastor

# "Remaining Obedient To JESUS' Call"

## > RESPONSE TO THE WORD ◆

Hymn "Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine" # 446 BH

\*Prayer of Confession Pastor

Sometimes, O GOD, YOUR ways are a mystery to us. When we cry out in desperation, we don't really expect YOU to hear our prayers. When we suffer for doing the right thing, it just seems like par for the course. When we deny or doubt YOUR presence, forgive us, O GOD. Make YOUR presence known to us, and receive our prayers and praise, as those who long to feel YOUR presence. Amen.

## \*Words of Assurance & Encouragement

Pastor

The SPIRIT of Truth abides with you and will be with you. Because the LORD lives, you also will live. Love GOD. Enjoy and receive GOD's abiding love. You are forgiven!

\*Affirmation of Faith Pastor

Offering/\*Doxology "Praise GOD, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

The Celebration of the Holy Communion Pastor

## > SENDING FORTH ◆

\*Closing Hymn "Give Thanks" # 576 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 in the name of God, the ONE who created all the nations of the earth. Go in the name of CHRIST, the ONE who abides in love and abides in you. Go in the name of the SPIRIT of truth, the ONE who advocates for you and guides you.

Amen.

Phyllis Turner

# In the Life of our STONEGATE Community

## Hello, Church Family.

The unprecedented pandemic of COVID-19 keeps us home and I started publishing my weekly messages at our website at <a href="https://www.stonegatecpc.org">www.stonegatecpc.org</a>, push the button 'messages' on the home page.

A hard copy will be sent to the elder members who prefer this form.

Slowly and unexpectedly we are going online with our ministry.

I will inform you about any additional messages that I am going to post. I assure you that you are in my prayers. I will be in touch with you by telephone, mail, facebook and website.

## Be Strong, Never Give Up..., Good Days Will Return, And We Will Meet Again

#### Attention

Due to a pandemic of the coronavirus and a declared state of emergency by local authorities, we, as responsible Christians and citizens, are announcing that all weekly activities are CANCELED TO MAY 30<sup>TH</sup>,

MAY 31<sup>ST</sup>, 2020 – PENTECOST SUNDAY, WE HOPE TO REOPEN OUR WORSHIP SERVICES.

### & 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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Rev. Dr. Mark Marian Sontowski, Pastor
Phyllis Turner, Elder
Phyllis Turner, Pianist
Andy Turner & Pam Brown, Worship Leaders
David Cost, Special Music
Valerie Tipps, Children's Time
Ricky Tipps, Welcome and Announcements

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## THEME IDEAS

The desire to be near our Creator, through faith and prayer, is present among us. We can read in Acts 17:28; NRSV that this is the one "in whom we live and breathe and have our being". GOD is present, even when we are unaware. GOD is present in the hearing of our prayers. GOD is present when we suffer for doing good. GOD is present in the ADVOCATE, the SPIRIT of truth, when the world believes a human lies. No matter where we are in our faith journeys, the HOLY is present among us..., we need to see it.



# STONEGATE CHURCH

CUMBERLAND PRESBYTERIAN

Sunday Worship Service at 10:45 am - online only The Sixth Sunday of Easter, MAY 17, 2020



Experience the Love of CHRIST in Community!