



# THE OLD STONE CHURCH

AUGUST 11, 2024  
TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST  
10AM Sanctuary Worship

## WE GATHER IN THE GRACE OF GOD

PRELUDE

*Bread of Heaven*

David Ashley White

WELCOME

Pastor Denise Clark-Jones

MINUTE FOR MISSION

Rev. Robin Schreiber

\* Those who are able are requested to stand

Please silence all electronic devices.

Now let us all praise God and sing our great Redeemer's praise;  
that we may all with one accord our joyful voices raise. Sing Alleluia!  
All ye servants of the Lord, praise Him forever, sing Jehovah's mighty power,  
praise Him forever. Sing of His righteousness, praise Him forever.

## \* CALL TO WORSHIP

Wait for God, who deals gently with us.

Watch for God's appearance among us.

**Out of the depths we cry out to God.**

**Will God hear the voice of our supplications?**

In all times and places, we can rely on God.

We can know steadfast love, here and now.

**We keep our morning watch together.**

**We will support one another as we seek to know God.**

Find hope in God's power to redeem us.

Give thanks for the new day God promises to us.

**Life's battles cannot destroy us.**

**The losses we suffer are not the last word.**

## \* INVOCATION PRAYER

Let us pray together:

**We come to you, holy God, with our many needs.**

**Some of us are people in authority with weighty decisions to make.**

**Some of us are fighting battles we cannot win.**

**Some have faced unexpected losses that tear at the very fabric of life.**

**There are broken relationships among us,**

**feelings we do not want to admit, realities we do not want to face.**

**There are also joys we have not really celebrated,**

**reasons to give thanks to which we have never given voice.**

**We come, O God, to be lifted out of our ruts and routines,**

**seeking instead to find fullness of life with you.**

**Amen.**

## \* HYMN #15

*All Creatures of Our God and King*

## LASST UNS ERFREUEN

*Unison*

1 All crea-tures of our God and King, lift up your voice  
2 O broth - er wind with clouds and rain, you nur - ture gifts  
3 O broth - er fire, so warm and bright, chase off the shad -  
4 All who for love of God for - give, all who in pain

and with us sing, Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!  
of fruit and grain. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!  
ows of the night. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!  
or sor - row grieve, Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

*Unison*

O broth - er sun with gold - en beam, O sis - ter moon  
O sis - ter wa - ter, flow - ing clear, make mu - sic for  
Dear moth - er earth, who day by day un - folds such bless -  
Christ bears your bur - dens and your fears; so, e - ven in

with sil - ver gleam, sing prais - es! Al - le - lu - ia!  
your Lord to hear. Sing prais - es! Al - le - lu - ia!  
ings on our way, sing prais - es! Al - le - lu - ia!  
the midst of tears, sing prais - es! Al - le - lu - ia!

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

\* CALL TO CONFESSION

Don Urban

If God should mark iniquities, who could stand?  
If God counted our sins, how would we ever find forgiveness?  
Yet, the attitudes and actions that build barriers among us  
and shut God out of our thinking and decision-making can be overcome.  
God is ready to help us.  
Let us join our voices in the corporate prayer of confession,  
followed by time for silent personal confession.  
Thus, we pray together:



\* PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**O, Holy Spirit, how we have grieved you!  
How often our words have been bitter, filled with malice and anger.  
How easily have we uttered lies of pretension and self-protection.  
How readily we take for ourselves the rewards of another's labor!  
Forgive all that is false and evil within us and among us.  
Free us from the self-justifying excuses  
that keep us from reaching out to one another.  
We want to believe, to trust, to live as imitators of Jesus Christ.  
Help us, gracious God.**

*(moment of silent confession)*

\* KYRIE ELEISON

John Merbecke

**Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.**

\* ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

God redeems us from our iniquities.  
Forgiveness is ours to receive and to share.  
God gives us the opportunity to become embers of one another,  
speaking truth with our neighbors, working honestly with our own hands,  
building each other up and sharing with the needy.  
The gift of grace we have received grows larger in our lives  
as we extend it to friends and strangers we meet.

**Alleluia and Amen!**

\* PASSING OF THE PEACE

May the peace of Christ be with you.  
**And also with you.**  
Let us offer a sign of peace to one another.

\* GLORIA #581

*Glory Be to the Father*

GREATOREX

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, Amen.

## OFFERTORY INVITATION

Please be seated.

We who have accepted from God abundant gifts we did not deserve have the opportunity to express our thanks.

We who have eaten manna in the wilderness are chosen to pass on the bread of life to neighbors in our own community and around the world.

May our giving reflect the fragrant offering and sacrifice of Jesus Christ!  
The offering will now be received.

## OFFERING

### OFFERTORY ANTHEM

*Ave Verum*

Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart

Ave, verum corpus  
natum de Maria Virgine,  
Vere passum immolatum  
In cruce pro homine,  
Cujus latus perforatum  
Vero fluxit sanguine,  
Esto nobis praegustatum  
in mortis examine.

Hail, true body  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
Who truly suffered, sacrificed  
on the Cross for man,  
Whose pierced side overflowed  
with water and blood,  
Be for us a foretaste  
In the test of death.

### \* DOXOLOGY #607

OLD HUNDREDTH

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
praise Christ, all people here below;  
praise Holy Spirit evermore; praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.**

### \* OFFERTORY PRAYER

Don Urban

Let us join our voices in prayer:

**Thank you, God, for your continuing providence,  
even when we complain.**

**Thank you for the living bread, Jesus Christ, who feeds our spirits.  
In gratitude for undeserved grace and unlimited opportunity,  
we dedicate our offering and ourselves.**

**Let our talk and our resources  
build up the body of Christ for greater service.**

**May the needs of many be addressed  
in ways that bring hope, grace, and love to your children.  
Amen.**

### \* OFFERTORY RESPONSE

*All Things Come of Thee*

Herbert C. Peabody

All things come of Thee, O Lord, and of Thine own have we given Thee. Amen.

# WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD

## PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

**Creator of unity,  
Body of peace,  
Spirit of community,  
bind us together around your Word  
and send us out to do your justice,  
show your mercy,  
and embody your redeeming love,  
glorifying you, Holy Trinity.  
Amen.**

## THE READINGS

Epistle

Ephesians 4: 25-5:2 (NRSVUE)

So then, putting away falsehood, let each of you speak the truth with your neighbor, for we are members of one another. Be angry but do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, and do not make room for the devil. Those who steal must give up stealing; rather, let them labor, doing good work with their own hands, so as to have something to share with the needy. Let no evil talk come out of your mouths but only what is good for building up, as there is need, so that your words may give grace to those who hear. And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with which you were marked with a seal for the day of redemption. Put away from you all bitterness and wrath and anger and wrangling and slander, together with all malice. Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ has forgiven you.

Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children, and walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

The Holy Spirit has a word for each of us today.

**With God's help we are listening.**

Jesus said to them, “I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.

Then the Jews began to complain about him because he said, “I am the bread that came down from heaven.” They were saying, “Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How can he now say, ‘I have come down from heaven?’” Jesus answered them, “Do not complain among yourselves. No one can come to me unless drawn by the Father who sent me, and I will raise that person up on the last day. It is written in the prophets, ‘And they shall all be taught by God.’ Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father comes to me. Not that anyone has seen the Father except the one who is from God; he has seen the Father. Very truly, I tell you, whoever believes has eternal life. I am the bread of life. Your ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness, and they died. This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die. I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever, and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh.”

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

PASTOR’S MESSAGE

“The Real Bread”

Pastor Denise Clark-Jones



## THE APOSTLE'S CREED

**I believe in God,  
the Father almighty,  
Maker of heaven and earth,  
and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord;  
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, dead, and buried;  
he descended into hell;  
the third day he rose again from the dead;  
he ascended into heaven,  
and sitteth on the right hand  
of God the Father Almighty;  
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.**


**I believe in the Holy Ghost;  
the holy catholic church;  
the communion of saints;  
the forgiveness of sins;  
the resurrection of the body;  
and the life everlasting.  
Amen.**

## LIGHTING OF CANDLES, PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

We ask all these things in the name of Jesus who taught us to pray...

**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.**





1 God be with you till we meet a - gain; lov - ing  
 2 God be with you till we meet a - gain; un - seen  
 3 God be with you till we meet a - gain; when life's  
 4 God be with you till we meet a - gain; keep love's



coun - sels guide, up - hold you, with a shep - herd's care en -  
 wings pro - tect - ing hide you, dai - ly man - na still pro -  
 per - ils thick con - found you, put un - fail - ing arms a -  
 ban - ner float - ing o'er you; smite death's threat - ening wave be -



fold you:  
 vide you:  
 round you: God be with you till we meet a - gain.  
 fore you:

After writing the first stanza of his "Christian Good-bye," the author sent it to two composers, one celebrated and one unknown, to see how each would set it. This is the second person's tune, which the author found more effective and used for the hymn's first publication.

\* COMMISSION AND BLESSING

The steadfast love of God goes with you.  
The redeeming power of Christ sustains you.

**We have been forgiven and renewed.**

**We face another week with confidence.**

Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, and forgiving.  
Live in love as Christ demonstrated God's love.

**We want to share the gifts of God with others.**

**We seek to build up the body of Christ.**

Jesus said, "Whoever believes has eternal life."

Whoever eats the living bread will live forever.

**We have been taught to live as God's children.**

**We can experience eternal life even today.**

\* CHORAL RESPONSE

*Sevenfold Amen*

Peter C. Lutkin

POSTLUDE

"Exultation" from *Melodic Suite*

Charles Callahan

*"My flesh and my heart may fail,  
but God is the strength of my heart and my portion forever."*

*Psalm 73:26*



**We continue to keep in our prayers:**

Eleanor Cicerchi, Harry Hatters, Frank Macuga, Chelsea and Kyle,

William offers prayers of Thanksgiving for a place to live on the Westside and that he is doing well.

We pray for those struggling with illness, convalescing, homebound or in need.

*Names are generally removed after four weeks unless there is a continuing need.*



Please join us for Communion following the service this morning in the Chapel.

Wednesdays at 12:15 PM please join us in the Sanctuary for a Mid-Week Communion Service.



### **OLD STONE CHURCH ANNUAL PICNIC**

- \*Sunday, August 18, 2024, 2:30–5:30PM
- \*North Olmsted Community Cabin  
28114 Lorain Road North Olmsted, Oh 44070
- \*Raffle to benefit Compassionate Friends Fund
- \*Dinner, Fellowship, Games
- \*Bring a Side Dish or Dessert



A tour of the Cleveland Museum of Art will be held on Sunday, August 25, 2024 at 2:00 PM. It will highlight religious works. The museum is located at: 11150 East Blvd., Cleveland, Ohio 44106. There is a large parking lot attached to the museum. Parking is on your own. We will meet around the “Central Desk” in the atrium at 2:00 PM. Lunch is on your own. There is Provenance Café and Provenance Restaurant and Bar located just off the atrium. The Restaurant is open from 10:30 AM until 2:00 PM. The Café is open from 11:00 AM until 3:00 PM.

### **@ Old Stone Church**

#### **Sunday August 11**

- 10:00AM Worship/Sanctuary
- 11:30AM Communion/Chapel

#### **Wednesday August 14**

- 12:15PM Mid-Week Communion/Sanctuary

#### **Thursday August 15**

- 7:00PM FPS Directors Meeting/ Conference Room

#### **Sunday August 18**

- 10:00AM Worship/Sanctuary
- 11:30AM Communion/Chapel
- 2:30PM OSC Annual Picnic

#### **Wednesday August 21**

- 12:15PM Mid-Week Communion/Sanctuary

#### **Sunday August 25**

- 10:00AM Worship/Sanctuary
- 11:30AM Communion/Chapel
- 1:40PM Guardians/Rangers
- 2:00PM OSC/Cleveland Museum of Art Tour

#### **Tuesday August 27**

- 6:30PM Stated Session Meeting/ZOOM

#### **Wednesday August 28**

- 12:15PM Mid-Week Communion/Sanctuary



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**Parish Associate:** Rev. Denise Clark-Jones

**Minister of Music:** David L. Dettloff

### The Old Stone Quartet

Val Sibila, *soprano*

Sam Jungen, *tenor*

Rayna Brooks, *alto*

Christopher Clark, *bass*

### Church Elders:

Clerk of Session: Beth Buchanan

#### Class of 2024

Michelle Baron  
Janie Chambers  
Fred Heider  
Bernard Medie  
Bob Reid

#### Class of 2025

Dorothy Baunach  
Willie Brown  
David Eifert  
Dave Finley  
Robert Hubert Jr.

#### Class of 2026

Beth Buchanan  
Judy Macuga  
Melissa Maffia  
Harriet Niles  
Marty Vassel

### Church Deacons:

#### Class of 2024

Anand Bandari  
Bernie Bischel  
Amy Wheeler  
John Wheeler

#### Class of 2025

Valorie Hempstead  
Eileen Kelly  
Elie Medie  
Mark Pichler

#### Class of 2026

Mark Corey  
Forrest Diehl  
Pam Daly  
Ruth Finley  
Alyssa Niepokny  
Charlene Thornton

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