

WHAT DOES IT MEAN THAT JESUS & BELIEVERS ARE

Living Stones?

1 PETER 2:4-5



May 7, 2023

Welcome and Announcements

Introit

Prelude II by Christopher Norton

Call to Worship

Call: We gather before you, this first day of the week, to align our lives to the strong teaching and life of Jesus Christ, our Cornerstone.

All: Receive our praise and thanksgiving as expressions of faith and love.

Call: We come to you, O Lord, as people who desire to learn and serve like Christ.

All: We are ready to receive Your blessing and direction today!

Hymn #838

“Standing on the Promises”

Prayer of Common Confession

Patient and forgiving God, remind us that Your blessings are poured out in many ways, through many people. Give us the confident faith that reaches beyond our own lives to help others. Forgive us when we sink into our own selfishness and pettiness. For it is in those times that we turn our back on You. Bring us back to You, to the awareness of Your eternal love. In Christ's Name, we pray ...

Assurance of Pardon with Hymn #582

“Glory To God Whose Goodness Shines on Me”

First Reading: Proverbs 3:21-27

Anthem

"Give Me Jesus"

African-American Spiritual

Second Reading: 1 Peter 2:2-10

The Good News

"Living Stones and Stubbed Toes"

Hymn #743

"O God, You Are My God"

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Offering and Prayer of Dedication

Hymn #772

"Live Into Hope"

Benediction

Words and Music by Jars of Clay

Go into the world, showing how much God loves you. Walk in the world, in merciful ways, God loves you. Emmanuel on earth. Yours is the body, the hands and the feet, and Yours are the eyes that look compassionately, to bless you and me, bless you and me, God will bless you and me.

Postlude

Postlude V by Christopher Norton

Today's Worship Leaders

Ministers

All Gathered! Rev. Rich Gelson

Worship Music Leader

Scott Miller

Worship Singers

Sam and Violet Cappello

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