

# STONE CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN

August 6, 2023

*Viviendo el amor de Dios  
Viv Lanmou Bondye A  
Rayuwan Kaunar Allah  
Living God's Love^*

WELCOME Jim Tuten

PRELUDE *Holy, Holy, Holy* John Dykes/  
Donna & Loren Rhodes arr. Janet Vogt

\*CALL TO WORSHIP *(adapted from Psalm 136)* Abby Peace

One: Oh, give thanks to the Lord, for He is good!

**All: For God's steadfast love endures forever.**

One: who alone does great wonders,

**All: For God's steadfast love endures forever.**

One: Give thanks to God who by understanding made the heavens,

**All: who spread out the earth on the waters,**

One: For God's steadfast mercy endures forever.

**All: Give thanks to the Lord, who made the great lights,**

One: the sun to rule over the day,  
the moon and stars to rule over the night,

**All: For God's steadfast love endures forever.**

One: Who brought Israel out from Egypt, led the people in the desert,  
and made water flow from a rock.

**All: Who remembers us and how we were made from  
the dust, who nurtures us into life.**

One: For God's steadfast mercy endures forever.

**All: Oh Give thanks to the God of heaven!**

One: For God's steadfast mercy endures forever!

\*UNISON INVOCATION

**God of steadfast love and mercy, come and empower us to acts of  
compassion and justice. Infuse our living with an awareness of  
your presence and image all around us - in people, in creation, in  
us. Help us walk humbly with you - an act of worship in all of life.  
May we delight in you as you delight in us. Amen.**

\*SONG *For Everyone Born^^* Brian Mann/Shirley Murray  
For everyone born, a place at the table,  
for everyone born, clean water and bread,  
a shelter, a space, a safe place for growing,  
for everyone born, a star overhead,

## **Refrain:**

and God will delight when we are creators  
of justice and joy, compassion and peace:  
yes, God will delight when we are creators  
of justice, justice and joy!

For gay and for straight, a place at the table,  
a covenant shared, a welcoming space,  
a rainbow of race and gender and colour,  
for gay and for straight, the chalice of grace,

## **REFRAIN**

For everyone born, a place at the table,  
to live without fear, and simply to be,  
to work, to speak out, to witness and worship,  
for everyone born, the right to be free,

## **REFRAIN**

TIME WITH OUR CHILDREN Matt Rohrbaugh

SONG *What Does the Lord Require* HS1098

TIME OF PRAYER Jim Tuten

MUSICAL REFLECTION *Blest Be the Tie That Binds* Nægeli & Mason/  
Loren Rhodes arr. Roger Wilson

SCRIPTURE READING Micah 6: 1-8 Abby Peace

MESSAGE Living God's Love Randy Yoder

ANTHEM *Order My Steps^^* Glenn Burleigh

\*SENDING PRAYER *(Based on the prayer of St Francis)* Randy Yoder  
*(see insert)*

POSTLUDE *Instruments of Your Peace* Dearman/  
Loren Rhodes arr. Tom Fettke

\*SENDING PRAYER *(Based on the prayer of St Francis)* Randy Yoder

*One: Lord, make us instruments of your Peace.*

**Piano side: Where there is hatred,**

*Organ side: Let me sow love;*

**Piano side: Where there is injury,**

*Organ side: May I Forgive;*

**Piano side: Where there is doubt,**

*Organ side: May I hold faith tightly;*

**Piano side: Where there is despair,**

*Organ side: Help me share hope;*

**Piano side: Where there is darkness,**

*Organ side: Help me shine Your light;*

**Piano side: Where there is sadness,**

*Organ side: Let me be full of Joy!*

*One: O divine Master, grant that we may not so much seek to be  
consoled as to console,*

**Piano side: To be understood,**

*Organ side: As to understand,*

**Piano side: To be loved,**

*Organ side: as to love,*

***All: For it is in giving that we receive; it is in pardoning that we  
are pardoned; and it is in dying that we are born to abundant life.***

\*Please Rise, as Able, in Body or Spirit

^Theme from 2023 Annual Conference, Spanish, Creole, Huasa English

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### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **Stone Church Fall Retreat**

*Held in-person on Saturday, August 12 at 8:45 am*

*This event will be held in the Fellowship Hall*

**What will we be doing?** Eating breakfast snacks, learning about fall worship themes, brainstorming about event ideas for the fall, drinking coffee and tea, sharing ideas on how to make team meetings effective and rewarding, enjoying each other's company, exploring the new Stone Church google drive to learn where to find information (with help on how to use Google Drive), and eating lunch together.

#### **Fall Welcome Meal**

*Held in-person on Sunday August 27 following worship*

*This event will be held in the Fellowship Hal.*

Fall is coming, with all the energy and excitement that the cooler air and start of the school year brings! What better way to celebrate than with your Stone Church family? Enjoy food, good company, and some fun ways to learn more about the exciting activities and opportunities at Stone Church. Hope to see you there!