

STONE CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN

July 30, 2023

Worship Series: Family Feuds

“With their complicated interrelations, this family is a microcosmic presentation of our ‘common lot.’ All of them - Jacob, Rachel, Leah, Laban - pursue the same issue. All of them know a future is coming which frightens them. They are not ready for it. At the same time, they crave it and they dread it.”
~ Walter Brueggemann

WELCOME Pastor Ben

PRELUDE *O God, Beyond All Praising*[^] Gustave Holst

*CALL TO WORSHIP (adapted from Psalm 84) Pastor Ben

One: How lovely is your dwelling place –
the place where you make a home,
oh Lord of heaven and Earth!

**All: My very being longs and yearns for the center –
the courtyard of your dwelling.**

One: My heart cries out in song to you,
the Living God!

All: It is so good to feel at home in you,

One: No matter the journey or pilgrimage of life,

All: To dwell in you and you in me.

*SONG *Love Divine, All Loves Excelling*^{^^} 592 vs. 1,2,4
(Tune, 178)

SCRIPTURE READING Genesis 31: 27-35 (CEV) Patti Paterson

TIME WITH OUR CHILDREN Pastor Cindy

SONG *My Shepherd Will Supply My Need*[^] 589 vs. 1,3

TIME OF PRAYER

Pastor Ben

INSTRUMENTAL RESPONSE *My Shepherd Will Supply My Need*[^]

R. Proulx

MESSAGE Holding On Pastor Cindy

*SONG *This is a Day of New Beginnings*[^] 640

*SENDING Pastor Cindy

POSTLUDE *Be Thou My Vision* Erik Routley

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were here!**



LEMONADE ON THE LAWN

Lemonade on the Lawn is back today! Stick around after the service for some snacks and fellowship, sharing a sweet treat and investing in those around you - strengthening the relationships that knit our church family together.

CHURCH 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. Please RSVP by calling or emailing the church office, or leaving a note in the attendance pad at church, and let us know if you are planning on staying for lunch.