

## STONE HILL CHURCH

March 17, 2024

Advancing God's mission of making dedicated followers of Jesus Christ

Ezekiel 36:22-28 "Therefore say to the house of Israel, Thus says the Lord GOD: It is not for your sake, O house of Israel, that I am about to act, but for the sake of my holy name, which you have profaned among the nations to which you came. And I will vindicate the holiness of my great name, which has been profaned among the nations, and which you have profaned among them. And the nations will know that I am the LORD, declares the Lord GOD, when through you I vindicate my holiness before their eyes. I will take you from the nations and gather you from all the countries and bring you into your own land. I will sprinkle clean water on you, and you shall be clean from all your uncleannesses, and from all your idols I will cleanse you. And I will give you a new heart, and a new spirit I will put within you. And I will remove the heart of stone from your flesh and give you a heart of flesh. And I will put my Spirit within you, and cause you to walk in my statutes and be careful to obey my rules. You shall dwell in the land that I gave to your fathers, and you shall be my people, and I will be your God.

Invocation

Call to Worship

Opening Hymn

Anthem

## Scripture Reading

Come Thou Fount

*Hebrews* 12:2-3

Alleluia, Sing to Jesus

9:00 & 11:30 a.m.

The Son of Man came to seek and to save that which was lost.

Sunday Worship

Worship Song

Nothing But the Blood

Worship Song

Christ Be All Around Me

Pastoral Prayer

New Member Welcome

John Kennedy & Matthew McKenzie

Doxology

Sermon

Luke 19:1-10 Pastor Michael Sentance

Closing Hymn

In Christ Alone





## ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR MARCH 17, 2024

**New Here?** Welcome! We'd love to connect with you. Please take a moment to fill out a welcome card and stop by the Welcome Desk after the service to connect with us.

**Prayer at SHC:** Do you have a prayer need? Prayer teams are available at the front of the sanctuary after each service. For those who would like a larger audience to pray for them, requests can be sent to the prayer chain.

**Palm Sunday Concert:** Join the SHC Choir and strings next Sunday at 6:00 p.m. for Parts II and III of Handel's *Messiah* as we celebrate the praise our Lord and Savior deserves in advance of Easter Sunday. This concert will be livestreamed. A light reception will follow in the atrium.

Holy Week Emails: Every morning from March 24-31, reflections on that particular day of Holy Week will be released by email. Keep a look out for these emails and enter into the narrative of Jesus's last week on before his death and resurrection.

**Maundy Thursday Service:** On March 28 at 7:00 p.m., we will be holding a Maundy Thursday service. This service will focus on three significant scenes on the last night before Jesus's crucifixion. Communion will be observed at this service. Preschool classes will be offered for ages 0-5.

All Church Fast: From 8:00 p.m. on Maundy Thursday through 8:00 p.m. on Good Friday, we invite you to enter into a fast as we focus on the cross and our dependence on the unimaginable sacrifice of our Lord. More information can be found in this week's Happenings email.

**Good Friday Prayer Meetings:** From 6:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. on Friday, March 29 in the Ristuccia Library, various church leaders will lead prayer over different themes: confession, worship, personal prayer requests and more. We hope you will make time to join us at some point throughout the day. **Good Friday Tenebrae Service:** On Friday night at 7:00 p.m. we will have a tenebrae (gradual darkening of the sanctuary) service in which we will focus on the events of Jesus's death on the cross using Scripture, song, light, and darkness. Preschool classes will be offered for ages 0-5.

**Outdoor Easter Service:** Pastor Jim Erickson will preach from John 20 on Easter Sunday at 7:30 a.m. at Hilltop Park. This abbreviated service will take place rain or shine. Please bring your own seating.

**Indoor Easter Services:** Our onsite Easter services will be at regular times: 9:00 and 11:30 a.m. There will be no Sunday School or bagels on this Sunday. Join us to celebrate the glory of the resurrection!