



STONE HILL CHURCH

September 3, 2023

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

Sunday Worship

9:00 & 11:30 a.m.

Because God has freed us from the powers of evil, we can live for his glory.

Call to Worship

Psalm 24:7-10

Opening Hymn

All Creatures of Our God and King

Invocation

Scripture Reading

I John 5:13-15, 18-21

I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, that you may know that you have eternal life. And this is the confidence that we have toward him, that if we ask anything according to his will he hears us. And if we know that he hears us in whatever we ask, we know that we have the requests that we have asked of him.

We know that everyone who has been born of God does not keep on sinning, but he who was born of God protects him, and the evil one does not touch him. We know that we are from God, and the whole world lies in the power of the evil one. And we know that the Son of God has come and has given us understanding, so that we may know him who is true; and we are in him who is true, in his Son Jesus Christ. He is the true God and eternal life. Little children, keep yourselves from idols.

Worship Song

The Lion and the Lamb

Worship Song

The Lord Is My Salvation

Pastoral Prayer

Doxology

Sermon

Psalm 115

Pastor Andrew Zakhari

Confession of Sin

Communion

Song of Meditation

Take Me to That Ancient Hill

Closing Hymn

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

Benediction

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR SEPTEMBER 3, 2023

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](#).

Sunday School Open House: Families with Kids (PreK-HS) are invited to attend an informal Sunday School Open House in the Kids' Wing. Come say hello to your Sunday School teacher for the upcoming year!

GO Update: Matt and Tara, our Global Partners to West Africa will be giving an update and holding a time of prayer today at 10:30 in the Sanctuary.

Office Closure: The church office will be closed on Monday, September 4 in observance of Labor Day. It will reopen for regular hours on Tuesday, September 5.

Marriage First: Our next Marriage First event will be this Friday, September 8th at 6:00 p.m. in Harris Hall! Come enjoy a night with your spouse and friends and prioritize your marriage in a fun and engaging way. Childcare and an interactive program will be provided for babies-5th grade. [Register](#) by Tuesday, September 5.

Those interested in volunteering should [sign up here](#).

Walk With Purpose Adult Education Class: At Stone Hill Church, dedicated followers of Jesus Christ connect with others, serve the church family, and share their faith. Beginning September 10, in this three week class, you will hear stories of life-changing, grace-motivated action from SHC congregants and learn practical ways to deepen your spiritual walk in each of these three areas. Wherever you are in your faith journey, come explore how to take the next purposeful step in your walk with Jesus. [More info here](#).

Annual Fall Picnic: Next Sunday, a new ministry year begins, and we will celebrate with a fellowship picnic beginning after Sunday School (11:30 a.m.). Please bring a finger-style dessert to share, and enter your cakes and cookies in our inaugural bake-off! Rain or shine--make your plans to attend!

Volunteers are needed to make this event a success. Please [sign up here](#) to serve.

GriefShare: Grieving the loss of a loved one? Find comfort and support at GriefShare, a 13-week grief support group for those who have lost a loved one. GriefShare is a video seminar series that features some of the nation's foremost Christian experts on grief and recovery topics as seen from a biblical perspective. This group will meet on Mondays (September 11-December 11) at 7:00 p.m. in the Ristuccia Library. [Registration is required.](#) Questions? [Contact Craig Hoppe.](#)

Save the Date

September 10 - First Grade Welcome

September 12 - Tuesday Women's Bible Studies Begin

September 13 - AWANA begins

September 13 - Wednesday Men's Small Group Begins

September 15 - Youth Group Begins

September 20 - Children's Choir Begins

September 21 - Thursday Women's Bible Study Begins

September 24 - Almanah Luncheon

September 29-October 1 - Middle School Retreat

Check out future bulletins/email communication for more

information about these events!

Stay up to date with all events at SHC through our weekly email blast, *SHC Happenings*. Released every Tuesday, this email details all pertinent information for SHC congregants!

Not receiving this email? Please [contact the church office.](#)