



August 23, 2015
Promotion Sunday
Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

PRELUDE "All Things Bright and Beautiful" arr. Rutter, Hendrix
 Tim Hendrix, Organ

WELCOME April Alston

OPENING SENTENCES Psalm 84:1-2 Mike Eller
 How lovely is your dwelling place, O Lord of hosts!
 My soul longs, indeed it faints for the courts of the Lord;
 my heart and my flesh sing for joy to the living God.

*SONG OF PRAISE *Oh, How Good It Is*
 (see insert)

Children are invited to come to the front toward the end of the song

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE Sean Allen

PRESENTATION OF BIBLES TO FIRST GRADERS

WORSHIP REFLECTION "Open My Eyes" arr. Johnson
 Tim Hendrix, Organ

A LITANY OF BLESSING FOR STUDENTS (see insert) Allan Smith

A PRAYER OF BLESSING FOR TEACHERS

*HYMN OF PETITION, 562 *Be Thou My Vision* All Stanzas

*OFFERTORY PRAYER Chip Franz

OFFERTORY "Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus" arr. Berry
 Cynthia Griesedieck, Piano

*OFFERING RESPONSE, 813 *Glory Be to the Father*
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost,
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,
World without end. Amen, Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING Ephesians 6:10-20 April Alston
 Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.
Response: Thanks be to God!

†ANTHEM "Lord, Make Me An Instrument of Thy Peace" Helvey
 Adult Choir

Lord, make me an instrument of Thy peace.
 Where there is hatred, let me sow love;
 Where there is injury, let there be pardon;
 Where there is doubt, let there be faith;
 Where there is anguish, let there be hope;
 Where there is darkness, let there be light;
 Where there is sadness, let there be joy.
 O, Divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled
 as to console;
 To be understood as to understand; To be loved as to love;
 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 into eternal life. Amen.

SERMON "Is All This Really Necessary?" Sean Allen

DISCIPLINE OF SILENCE

It does not matter how small the sins are, provided that their cumulative effect is to edge the man away from the Light and out into the Nothing...
 Indeed, the safest road to Hell is the gradual one - the gentle slope, soft underfoot, without sudden turnings, without milestones, without signposts.
 — C.S. Lewis, *The Screwtape Letters*

*HYMN OF COMMITMENT, 734
Be Strong in the Lord

*PASSING OF THE PEACE
 Leader: The peace of Christ be with you!
People: And also with you.

PRESENTATION OF BIBLES TO SIXTH GRADERS

RECOGNITION OF SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS

*SONG OF SENDING, 723 *Soldiers of Christ, Arise* DIADEMATA
Soldiers of Christ, arise and put your armor on,
Strong in the strength which God supplies thro' His eternal Son;
Strong in the Lord of hosts and in His mighty pow'r,
Who in the strength of Jesus trusts, is more than conqueror.

*BENEDICTION Sean Allen

POSTLUDE "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah" arr. L. Smith
 Tim Hendrix, Organ

*Please rise in body or spirit

†11:00 service only

Deacon of the week:
 Chip Franz
 Phone/text: 919-632-6531

The flowers in the sanctuary today are given by Ken and Dottie Mitchell in memory of Ken's brother, Sam Houston Mitchell, Jr.

The carnation at the front is in honor of Nancy Godwin's 91st birthday on August 28.

First Time Guests - We extend a warm welcome to all guests. Information packets are available in the back of the sanctuary. Please pick one up.

Activity Bags for the children are located in the basket in the back of the sanctuary. Each bag contains a clipboard, paper, pencils, etc. Please return the bags to the basket at the end of the service.

All Teams Meeting & Dinner
August 26, 2015, 5:30 PM
Fellowship Hall
 Cost of dinner is \$3.00
 Make reservations with the church office by August 24, 2015
 Childcare by reservation - contact April Alston:
children@greystonechurch.org

Senior Adult-Sponsored Trip
Saturday, 8/29/15
 This will be a trip to the N.C. Museum of History's exhibit of "Starring North Carolina!" This celebration of film making in N.C. will cost \$5.00 plus tax per person. Lunch in downtown Raleigh will follow, location TBA. Come join us. Details are in the August newsletter and sign up sheet will be on the table in the church lobby. Contact Louise Estes with questions, louise0411@gmail.com.

Buddy Break is in need of more buddies to provide for our growing program! Please consider volunteering with our ministry. There will be a **Buddy Break Training Sunday August 30, 2015** from 2-4 PM. To sign up or for more information, email buddybreak@greystonechurch.org.



Wednesday Night Live Schedule begins September 2.

Join us on Wednesday Nights! Our fall schedule is full of improvements and reflects the feedback you gave us over the summer. The two biggest changes are:

1. Dinner will start later to help folks who are working and just getting off the school buses.
2. We will offer a worship arts element and a missions element every Wednesday night throughout the year for children.

We are really excited about the fall start of Wednesday Night Live and want you to join us. See the new schedule below and make plans to join your friends and fellow church members for fellowship, prayer and study.

- 5:30 – 6:30 Dinner (*special early bird serving for choir workers and children's choir families at 5:15*)
- 6:00 – 6:40 Children's Worship Arts
- 6:20 – 6:30 Prayer
- 6:30 – 7:15 Youth Study
- 6:30 – 7:15 Adult Study
- 6:45 – 7:15 Children's Mission Study
- 7:15 – 8:30 Adult Choir Practice

USCRI family

A family made up of a single parent dad with his 5 children is in need of a medical mentor as the youngest child has ongoing medical health care needs. The medical mentor would drive the father and child to and from medical appointments. If interested in learning more about this volunteer opportunity with the refugee agency USCRI (US Committee for Refugees and Immigrants), please contact Kim Wyatt at wyatt@cbf.net or 910-632-4181.

Welcome Guests

August 23, 2015

Please complete this form, tear it off and place it in the offering plate.

Circle title: Mr. Mrs. Dr. Ms. Miss

Circle one: Adult Youth Child

Name _____

Address _____

City _____

State _____ Zip _____

Email: _____

Phone (home) _____

First time guest ____ repeat guest ____

Guest of _____

Children's names and ages:

I would like more information on:

- How to become a Christian
- How to become a member
- Sunday School / Bible Study
- College ministry
- Youth ministry
- Children's ministry
- Preschool ministry
- Music ministry
- Arranging a visit in my home
- I would like to receive the newsletter.

Prayer Request

Please list the name and/or any other information you wish to share about your prayer concern and specific needs.

Share with the church body to pray

For pastor / staff only

Your name: _____

(Please place in the offering plate or hand to usher or staff as you leave.)

Looking ahead this week . . .

Sunday, August 23rd - Promotion Sunday

- 8:45 a.m. Worship
- 9:45 a.m. Sunday School / Orientation
- 11:00 a.m. Worship
- 6:00 p.m. Grace Tones Ensemble - Sanctuary

Monday, August 24th

- 6:30 p.m. AA Women's Group - W.W., Rm.1
- 6:30 p.m. Boy Scouts - Fellowship Hall
- 8:00 p.m. AA Co-Ed Group - W.W., Rm. 2

Tuesday, August 25th

- 6:30 p.m. AA Women's Group - W.W., Rm. 2

Wednesday, August 26th

- 5:30 p.m. All Teams Meeting & Dinner
- 7:15 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal - Choir Rm.

Friday, August 28th

- 8:00 p.m. AA Group - W.W., Rm. 2

Sunday, August 30th

- 8:45 a.m. Worship
- 9:45 a.m. Sunday School / Orientation
- 11:00 a.m. Worship
- 2:00 p.m. Buddy Break training - Breezeway classroom (old choir room)
- 6:00 p.m. Grace Tones Ensemble - Sanctuary

Homework Help

Here is an opportunity to make a difference in the lives of refugee children who have settled at Cedar Point Apartments on Sandy Forks Rd. Volunteers are needed for the Homework Help program. The Homework Help program will begin on the first day of school - Monday, August 24. The community center will be open for tutoring during the following times (when school is in session):

Elementary and Middle School

students - Monday through Thursday, 3-5pm

High School students - Monday and Thursday from 7- 8:30pm.

Several Greystone members volunteered this summer with their Read and Swim program. Read and Swim was so successful because volunteers could provide individualized reading assistance. We would love to provide this during Homework Help. Just like Read and Swim, this will be a come as you can opportunity. The community center has Wi-Fi access - with laptops and a printer. We just need people! For more information, contact Lou Dawson at **919-781-2100** or **LCDawson2@gmail.com**.



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As a part of Greystone's 30th anniversary "Pay It Forward" campaign, our church voted to create a relationship with Read and Feed. Read and Feed is a nonprofit organization that seeks to combine a mobile classroom, a child friendly atmosphere, books, food, and tutors to support and encourage children to become confident in their academic skills so they have every opportunity to succeed in adult life. Each child in the program receives a meal and tutoring once a week during the school year.

You can learn more at: www.readandfeed.org.

There is currently a Read and Feed mobile classroom site that works with students from Lynn Road Elementary. This site operates in *The Lakes* apartment complex on Wednesday evenings. We will be sponsoring this site for the upcoming school year.

WE NEED YOU: 24 students will be served by this site. They need dinner once a week before their tutoring session. We would like to form 13 teams made up of 3-4 people. Each team would provide dinner for 24 elementary students (5 – 10 years old) and deliver the food to the site by 4:45 PM once in the fall and once in the spring.

YOUR MISSION: Get with a few of your friends and commit to:

- giving your time: 2 afternoons a year
- giving your talent: preparing food for the kids
- giving your resources: buying the food for your nights
- giving your heart: joining in the effort to encourage, help, pray for and watch over at risk kids in our neighborhood

There will be an informational meeting on Sunday, September 20 immediately following our 11 AM service.

Sign up by emailing:

Amanda Atkin: faith.formation@greystonechurch.org

Johnathan Eshleman: johnathan.eshleman@gmail.com



Music Ministry Fair
Sunday, Aug. 30 & Wed., Sept. 2

Learn more about the music and worship arts opportunities at Greystone in this upcoming season. Tables will be displayed highlighting the various music ministries to offer information and a chance to meet our teachers and helpers.

Welcome to **Greystone Baptist Church**



August 23, 2015

8:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

Every Member a Minister

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www.greystonechurch.org

Mission Statement

With Christ as the Cornerstone, we will build a church of living stones, where every member is a minister and is equipped to express God's love by word and deed to all people. Based on 1 Peter 2:5, 6