



September 6, 2015
Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

PRELUDE "Consider and Hear Me" arr. Wilson
 Lee Ann Spahr, Organ

WELCOME Mike Eller

OPENING SENTENCES AND INVOCATION Allan Smith

*HYMN OF CALLING, 415 All Stanzas
We Are Called to Be God's People AUSTRIAN HYMN

Children are invited to come to the front on the final stanza

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE Lou Dawson

*HYMN OF MINISTRY *Help Us Accept Each Other* AURELIA

**Help us accept each other as Christ accepted us;
 Teach us as sister, brother, each person to embrace.
 Be present, Lord, among us and bring us to believe
 We are ourselves accepted and meant to love and live.**

**Teach us, O Lord, Your lessons, as in our daily life
 We struggle to be human and search for hope and faith.
 Teach us to care for people, for all, not just for some,
 To love them as we find them or as they may become.**

**Let Your acceptance change us, so that we may be moved
 In living situations to do the truth in love;
 To practice Your acceptance until we know by heart
 The table of forgiveness and laughter's healing art.**

*OFFERTORY PRAYER Brent Walker

OFFERTORY "Be Thou My Vision (with Be Glorified)" arr. Tornquist
 Sue Newton, Piano

OFFERING RESPONSE, 815 *Doxology*

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow.
 Praise Him, all creatures here below.
 Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host.
 Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen**

SCRIPTURE READING Mark 7:24-30 Amanda Atkin
 Reader: May God add understanding to the reading of the lesson.
Response: Thanks be to God!

†CHORAL ANTHEM "Know My Heart" Harlan
 Adult Choir

SERMON "Knocking Down Walls" Sean Allen

DISCIPLINE OF SILENCE
 You did then what you knew how to do. And when you knew better,
 you did better. — attributed to Maya Angelou

SCRIPTURE READING Mark 7:31-37 Amanda Atkin

PRAYER Sean Allen

Lord, once again Jesus is our example and our teacher. Even he needed his horizons broadened to gain a greater awareness of the breadth and depth of your love. Thus, Jesus' command to *Be Opened* is not just for the deaf mute. It is a command for all who fail to hear cries for mercy, for all who refuse to speak words of truth for justice's sake, for all who call Christ Lord and draw boundaries of prejudice and favoritism. We confess we are those people. We too need to be opened. And so we pray this morning for those who need Your presence and those who struggle to be Your presence. We pray...

For the hungry and the overfed,
May we have enough.

For the mourners and the mockers,
May we laugh together.

For the victims and the oppressors,
May we share power wisely.

For the pacifists and the belligerents,
May clear truth and stern love lead us to harmony.

For the silenced and the propagandists,
May we speak our own words in truth.

For the unemployed and the overworked,
May our mark upon the earth be kind and creative.

For the vexed and the comfortable,
May we live together as wounded healers.

For the homeless and the sheltered,
May our homes be simple, warm and welcoming.

For the vibrant and the dying,
May we all die to live.

*HYMN OF COMMITMENT, 563
Open My Eyes, That I May See

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

*SONG OF SENDING
Lord, Whose Love Through Humble Service BEACH SPRING

**Called by worship to Your service, forth in Your dear name we go,
 To the child, the youth, the aged, love in living deeds to show;
 Hope and health, good will and comfort, counsel, aid, and peace we give,
 That Your servants, Lord, in freedom may Your mercy know and live.**

*BENEDICTION Sean Allen

POSTLUDE "Come, Labour On" Noble
 Lee Ann Spahr, Organ

*Please rise in body or spirit
 †11:00 service only

Deacon of the week:
 Brent Walker
 Phone/text: 919-696-3310
 Email: brentwalk@yahoo.com

The flowers in the sanctuary today are given by Ron and Joanne Thompson to the Glory of God and in celebration of their 45th wedding anniversary.

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.

**The church office will be closed
 Monday, September 7th in
 observance of Labor Day**



New Wednesday Night Live Schedule

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 & Music (WAM!)

6:20 – 6:30 Prayer

6:30 – 7:15 Youth Fellowship

6:30 – 7:15 Adult Study

6:45 – 7:15 Children's Mission Study

7:15 – 8:30 Adult Choir Rehearsal

Student Ministry Kickoff

Sunday, September 13, 4:30 PM
 Fellowship Hall

There will be a meeting for all adults interested in youth ministry activities for this year. We will begin with a listening and feedback session and then discuss the schedule for the year and ways to be involved. Students are invited to join the meeting after Student Choir. We will conclude by 6 PM.



Save the Date
 Sept. 13, 2015
Heritage Sunday

An anniversary luncheon will be served at 12:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall following the 11:00 service.

If you have not already done so, make your reservation through the church office by calling **919-847-1333** or emailing office@greystonechurch.org. You may also place the tear off reservation slip below in the offering plate today. Cost is \$6.00 for adults and \$4.00 for children.

Bring your favorite dessert to share. Reservations will be taken through September 9.

**Reservation for
 Heritage Sunday
 Anniversary Luncheon**

Name: _____

_____ Adult Plate (s) \$6.00

_____ Child Plate (s) \$4.00

Wednesday Night Live

**Supper Reservation for
 5:30 - 6:30 p.m., Sept. 9, 2015**

Name _____

_____ Temporary _____ Permanent

_____ Cancel this week only

_____ Adult plate \$5.00 _____ Child \$3.00

Adult Menu:

Hamburgers/Hotdogs
 baked beans, potato salad,
 broccoli salad, dessert

Kids Menu:

Hotdog, potato chips, apple slices,
 carrots, dessert

**Make reservations on line at
www.greystonechurch.org by noon
 Monday, 9/7/15 or by placing this
 tear off in the offering plate today.**

**Cancellations are accepted until noon
 Monday, 9/7/15 as well.**

Welcome Guests

September 6, 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.

Meetings this week	
9/6	<u>Youth Council</u> , 12:00 PM, Gathering Room
9/7	<u>Stewardship Team</u> , 6:00 PM, Books on the Corner
9/8	<u>Budget Team</u> , 6:00 PM, Books on the Corner
	<u>Outreach Team</u> , 6:00 PM, Breezeway classroom, Youth Bldg.
	<u>Deacons</u> , 7:00 PM, Gathering Room
9/8	<u>Missions Team</u> , 7PM, Parlor
9/13	<u>Student Ministry Leadership Team</u> , 5:00 PM, Youth Room

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, Sept. 6th

- 8:45 a.m. Worship
- 9:45 a.m. Sunday School / Orientation
- 11:00 a.m. Worship

Monday, Sep. 7th-church office closed

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

Tuesday, Sep. 8th

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

Wednesday, Sep. 9th - Wednesday Night Live

- 5:30 p.m. Supper
- 6:00 p.m. Children's Worship Arts & Music
- 6:20 p.m. Prayer
- 6:30 p.m. Youth Fellowship
- 6:30 p.m. Adult Study
- 6:45 p.m. Children's Mission Study
- 7:15 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal - Choir Rm.

Friday, Sep. 11th

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

Saturday, Sep. 12th

- 9:30 a.m. Buddy Break

Sunday, Sep. 13th

- 8:45 a.m. Worship
- 9:45 a.m. Sunday School / Orientation
- 11:00 a.m. Worship
- 12:00 p.m. Church Lunch - Fellowship Hall
- 4:30 p.m. Student Choir - Choir Room
- 5:30 p.m. Youth Dinner & Fellowship - Youth Bldg.
- 5:30 p.m. Handbells - Choir Room
- 6:00 p.m. Grace Tones Ensemble - Sanctuary



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. We are looking for volunteers to prepare meals for the Lynn Road Elementary site.

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

For more information contact:

Amanda Atkin: faith.formation@greystonechurch.org

Johnathan Eshleman: johnathan.eshleman@gmail.com

Welcome Home

Greystone is sponsoring a third refugee family on September 26 as a part of the Wyatt Ministries Welcome Home. Sign-up Genius will soon be made available for you to choose any items you wish to donate. Look for an email in the near future. Also, lists will be available in the Sunday school classes for sign-up. This cross-cultural witness is an important and appreciated mission of our church. If you have any questions, email Joanne Thompson at jtdunnm@aol.com.

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 community center will be open for tutoring during the following times (when school is in session):

Elementary and Middle School students - Monday through Thursday, 3-5 PM
High School students - Monday and Thursday, 7-8:30 PM.

This will be a come as you can opportunity. For more information, contact Lou Dawson at **919-781-2100** or LCDawson2@gmail.com.

USCRI Refugee Needs

We have been asked to collect and donate baby clothes for an expectant refugee. She is expecting a girl and needs sizes 3 - 12 months. There will be containers set up for collection in the main hallway starting Wednesday. Contact Nancy Register at nancygregister@gmail.com or **919-219-1438** with any questions.

Friends Retreat

All children in 3rd - 5th grades are invited to attend our annual Friends Retreat at Camp Willow Run in Littleton, NC, September 18-20.

The deadline for registration has passed but if you are still interested please contact April at: children@greystonechurch.org

Welcome to
Greystone Baptist Church



September 6, 2015

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

Every Member a Minister

7509 Lead Mine Road

Raleigh, NC 27615

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Check Out Our Web Site
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