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October 2015

Chowan Singers in Concert

Wednesday, Oct. 7, 6:30 PM, Sanctuary

Make plans to be here on this special night of music as the Chowan Singers of Chowan University are in concert.



The Good, the Bad and the Possible

During the months of May through August, leaders of Budget, Stewardship, Properties, Missions and Personnel teams challenged our church to give \$125,000 each month to help make up for the budget deficit at the time and rebuild our cash reserves. Here is the Good, the Bad and the Possible of Greystone's giving during those key summer months.

The Good – The summer months are typically leaner in terms of giving. That was not the case this year. Giving for the summer months was the highest it has ever been for that period in Greystone's history. Giving for all of 2015 is up 11% over this time last year. Your gifts during that period led to a reduction in our current budget deficit of over \$7,000. Well done, Greystone!

The Bad – We fell short of lofty giving goals of \$125,000 per month during May through August. As a result, our cash reserves are still at tenuous levels and we still have a budget deficit of \$55,590 through August. Giving in September also looks to be toward the lower end and our overall deficit might increase as a result.

The Possible – Historically, the last quarter of giving at Greystone is her best. We typically receive our largest percentage of gifts during the last few months. Knowing what our needs are in terms of our deficit, knowing what generous giving potential we have in our congregation (as evidenced by our record summer), and knowing that God is working through our ministry fund (the budget), there is no reason to believe we can't make up the deficit and end the year on the positive side.

We have a record summer of giving to celebrate the evidence of your faithful stewardship. Regular gifts from faithful givers have brought dreams for missions and ministry to life. But, God is still dreaming for Greystone and there is more work to be done. Through a renewal in our faithfulness to give, let's make God's hopes and dreams for Greystone a reality and not just good thoughts in passing.

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Dates to Remember

Buddy Break Training

Sunday, October 4 3 - 5 PM Breezeway Classroom

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Senior Adult Sponsored Trip MumFest Festival

Saturday, October 10 New Bern, NC



Buddy Break

Saturday, October 10 10:00 AM - 1 PM Fellowship Hall

Disciple Now Early Bird Discount

deadline is 10/11/15

Claude Bennett's Retirement Reception

Sunday, October 18 During Sunday school hour Fellowship Hall



All Church Breakfast

Sunday, October 25 9:30, Fellowship Hall

Trunk or Treat Wednesday, October 28 5:30 PM





October Birthdays



- 1 Don Tickle, Cathy Gellatly
- 2 Heather Choplin, Lance Buchholz, Brian Daugherty, Morgan Burns
- 3 David Peebles, Wayne Thompson, Brittany Adcock, Maggie Carraway
- 4 Pat Day, Wanda Stephens, Dana Mattocks, Davis Wilder
- 5 Faye Rhodes, Teresa Dilday, Sam Craig, Douglas Brown, Hayes Brawner
- 6 Larry Moore, Carla LeNoir, Zack Burnette
- 7 Logan Byman
- 8 Les McSpadden, Todd Muncie, Greg Ogburn, Ford Carraway, Michael Rowe, Thomas Powell
- 9 Ellen Staley, Carrie Franz, Sydney Walker, Adler Mabe
- 10 Rachael Poirier
- 11 Connie Moreadith, Lorlen Morton
- 12 Anna Brawner
- 13 Jim Paul, Cindy Vestal, Ana Hoffmann
- 15 Verina Hawthorne, Claude Bennett, Liz Nichols
- 16 Mary Ann Barnes
- 17 Geraldine Mangum, Bill Judd
- 18 Fred McGehee, Sealth Womack
- 19 Pam Weis, Anne Hardison, Doug Eason, Ryan Mattocks
- 20 Julie Ogburn, Loreice Jernigan, Caroline Smith
- 21 Phyllis Mayo, Tess King, Libby Burlew, Matt Wertz, Sarah Overby
- 22 Richard White, Matt Hilliard, James Cregger, Laura Hansen, Erin Mueller, Avery Allen
- 23 Toye Eskridge
- 24 Kemp Sherron, Lindsey Thompson, Jenna Perry
- 25 Roger Nix
- 28 Matthew Yates, Christian Burris
- 29 Steve Blow, Cody Thompson
- 30 Kenneth Garrett, Debbie Reynolds, Jamie Allen
- 31 Donna Crump, Teri Wood



October 90+ years Birthdays

Oct. 15Verina Hawthorne

October 50+ years Anniversaries

Oct. 6Jim and Pat Burris
Oct. 22Bobby and Peggy Hunter

Growing Greystone Through Prayer



Hospital

• Nancy Tisinger, Duke Raleigh

Concerns

- Teri Bellairs, health concerns
- Darrell Staley, health concerns
- Mark Stewart's sister, Melodie Parsons, recovering from injury
- Lisha Stewart's mother, Delores Griffith, health concerns
- Ginny Liverance's sister, Priscilla, health concerns
- Erich and Karen Brewer's daughter in law, Flora Brewer, health concerns
- David Alston's mother, Dottie, health concerns
- Debbie Reynolds' niece Sabrina Rabil, health concerns
- Wilton Moody's mom, Othela Moody, health concerns
- Annie Hardison-Moody's cousin, Emily Beasley, health concerns
- Roger Gardner, health concerns
- Carl Dawson's mother, Lorraine Dawson, health concerns
- Mike Ogden's mother, Louise Ogden, health concerns
- Vergie Baxley, health concerns
- Amanda Thompson, daughter-in-law of Dottie Thompson, health concerns
- Hazel Perdue's sister, Reda Southall, and niece, Sandra Warnick, health concerns
- Cindy Vestal, health concerns
- Evelyn Harper, back problems
- Greg Ogburn, son of Tom and Julie, health concerns

Sympathy

 Debbie Mikeal's family on the death of her aunt, Evelyn Harthcock, 9/18/15

Residential / Health Care Facilities

Cypress (Rosewood): John Lawrence *Rex Nursing Care:* Louise Abernathy, Nancy Godwin

Springmoor (Stewart Health Center): Vergie Baxley, Mary Evelyn Divers, Martha Eames, Mildred Garrett, Sallie Greene, Madeline Griffith, Juanita Register, Grace Smith

Number for on call Minister: 919-817-8975

Growing Greystone Through Stewardship (through 8/31/15)

2015 General Fund......\$1,116,102.00



YTD General Fund needed \$744,068.00
YTD Operating Receipts\$600,579.00
YTD Operating Expenses\$656,168.00
Growing Greystone Through Worship
August 30
8:45 Worship87
11:00 Worship227
September 6
8:45 Worship
11:00 Worship166
September 13
8:45 Worship
11:00 Worship
September 20
8:45 Worship
11:00 Worship
September 27
8:45 Worship
11:00 Worship



Retirement Celebration

After nearly 25 years of service at Greystone, Claude Bennett is retiring. We are so grateful for all Claude has done in caring for our property and community. On October 18th, during the Sunday school hour, there will be a reception in the Fellowship Hall to celebrate Claude's retirement. Please mark your calendars and come by the reception to thank Claude for all he has done. Thank you, Claude!



Volunteers Needed

We need more adults to help us care for our preschoolers during the 11:00 Worship service. Our new schedule starts on October 1st and you are only scheduled for six Sundays throughout the year. Contact Emily Tuttle at mckellem@yahoo.com to sign up.

Thank you! Worship Care Team



Wednesday Night Live Schedule -

Take a break from the busyness of your week each Wednesday evening at Greystone. The church-wide dinner is served from 5:30 - 6:30 PM in the Fellowship Hall. Youth Fellowship begins at 6:30 PM in the Youth Room, ending at 7:15 PM. It is an opportunity for informal discussion of what is on students' minds during the week as well as a sharing of prayer requests. Our hope is that students can be recharged to continue living as a Christ-follower in their world.

Adjusted Sunday Night Youth

Schedule - Student Choir meets at 4:30 each Sunday afternoon in the Music Room. Following Student Choir, Youth Dinner and Fellowship occurs in the Youth Building. Typically, students will share a meal together, be introduced to a topic in a large group setting, and then meet as a small group to discuss the topic. Our hope is that students have an opportunity to engage in conversation with their peers. The program should conclude by 7 PM.

This year's **Disciple Now** retreat will be November 6 - 8. It will begin at 6 PM on Friday evening and end with the 11:00 worship service on Sunday. The theme for this year's retreat is *Unashamed* as we will discuss how students can be unashamed of themselves and unashamed of God. The cost is \$40 per student. An early bird discount is available if all forms and money are turned in by Sunday, October 11, making the cost \$30. Please contact Allan Smith with any questions at

 $\underline{students@greystonechurch.org}.$



Are You Receiving the Text Blasts? If any youth, college students or parents are not receiving our emails or

text message updates and would like to, contact Allan at:

<u>students@greystonechurch.org</u> to make sure that the church has your correct contact information.



The Weekday Preschool Team would like to offer our thanks for those who helped us complete a wonderful refresh of the bathrooms in the preschool wing. Thanks to Victor and Elizabeth Santana, Mike Newton, Jim Herrmann, Larry Moore, and Claude Bennett for the fresh coat of paint and to the Properties team for new tile floors. The clean, updated bathrooms are such a blessing for our church and weekday preschool programs. We appreciate all your hard work and dedication to the children of our church!

The Weekday Preschool Team



Save the Date-Wednesday, October 28 Trumk or Treof.

We need people to sign up to decorate trunks and/or to donate some treats! Please bring bags of individually wrapped candy by the office between now and October 27th. We need lots of candy to pass out to the children and families in our community. There are other opportunities to volunteer and help make **Trunk or Treat** a success.

If you are interested in volunteering or donating money, call April Alston or the church office, 919-847-1333 or email office@greystonechurch.org.

SAVE THE DATE 11/14/15



Greystone's Children's Ministry will participate in the CBFNC Children's Mission Day on November 14 at Zebulon Baptist Church in Zebulon, NC from 9:30 AM - 3:15 PM. This is for children grades 1-5. Cost is \$15.00 per child. Our theme this year is "Beloved, Be Love." The children are the missionaries this year as they learn about how they can *be love* to others. Please contact April Alston for more information or to register at children@greystonechurch.org.



Music Ministries Notes

Greystone Christmas Presents



Sunday, December 13, 2015 6:00 PM

Featuring the Music Ministries of GBC. Make plans to join us as we reflect on and celebrate the coming of Christ.

"What sweeter music can we bring than a joyous carol for to sing!"

Christmas Choir Invitation

Don't have time to sing with the choir during the year? We've made special arrangements to have you join us just for the holiday season. Come and be a part of this special evening of worship and celebration on Dec. 13th.

Rehearsals—We'll be rehearsing "What Sweeter Music" each Wednesday night beginning at 7:15 PM (starts on Wed., Oct. 14). You'll only need to stay for the first part of rehearsal!

Note: There will also be a couple of additional rehearsals as we move closer to December.

Pickup your musical book, CD, and schedule and begin learning the music even now! Contact Mike if you're interest in participating. We would love to have you!

Thank You VBS Campers

What an incredible blessing it was to receive 25+ backpacks filled with school supplies for our refugee students! God used you, your church and your VBS campers to meet the physical needs of the persecuted and oppressed - thank you!! Dozens of students started school today with the supplies they need to engage in class. Thank you for everything! We would love to get to know you all more and hear more about how God is using your church.

-World Relief Durham Staff



Office Hours: Monday - Thursday 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

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

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The November newsletter deadline for

submissions is noon, Thursday, 10/22/15.



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People in Service

October 4

Ushers: 8:45 am: Bill & Sylvia Goulding, Ron & Joanne Thompson; 11:00 am: Bill Baxley, Hunter Ouzts, Kristen Pickles, Charlie Spahr

Worship Care: 8:45 am: Jim & Natalie Herrmann, Chris & Anjie King; 11:00 am: Cheryl Grimes, Missy Brookshire, Darryl & Lisa Tunstall, Ginny Liverance

Greeters: 8:45 am: Monaei Perry; 11:00 am: Margaret Hilton, Margaret Thomas

Deacon of the Week: Becky Sansbury

October 11

Ushers: 8:45 am: Brad & April Walker, Andrew & Jamie Mabe; 11:00 am: Jeb, Missy & Jillian Brookshire, Dorwin Lanham, Ken Mitchell, Kemp Sherron

Worship Care: 8:45 am: Susan Chamblee, Katie Lindsey, Johnathan & Kim Eshleman; 11:00 am: Barbara Crabb, John & Kay Meyer, Mary Sherron

Greeters: 8:45 am: Joyce Beauchaine, Berno Kleinhans; 11:00 am: Pat Burris, Mavis Strickland

Deacon of the Week: Linda Peterson

October 18

Ushers: 8:45 am: Wayne & Cathy Smith, Bob & Nell Panten; 11:00 am: Heather Choplin, Steve Holden, Gabriel Mallah, Meredith or Seth Moody, Greg & Lorlen Morton

Worship Care: 8:45 am: Cheryl Muncie, Maria Morton, Lorlen & Greg Morton; 11:00 am: Liz Nichols, Patsy Chiles, Dustin & Emily Tuttle

Greeters: 8:45 am: Bill & Sylvia Goulding; 11:00 am: Arnold and Sylvia Lawson

Deacon of the Week: Bill Baxley

October 25

Ushers: 8:45 am: Tom & Shirley Ditt, Luke Andrew, Bill Judd; 11:00 am: Kerry Crabb, Dustin & Emily Tuttle, Tom Ogburn

Worship Care: 8:45 am: Donna Judd, Lisha Stewart, Dave & Lorri Heilig; 11:00 am: Joy & Bob Millikan, Joanna Perry

Greeters: 8:45 am: Bobby and Peggy Hunter; 11:00 am: Lu-Ann Lesley, Scott Naeser

Deacon of the Week: Paul Hansen



The next Senior Adult Team Sponsored trip will be October 10th to New Bern, NC for the city-wide MumFest festival held throughout the historical downtown area along the waterfront. There will be more than 300 exhibitors and food booths. You may choose to visit the Tryon Palace and other historical homes. The Pipers and Drummers will also perform during the day. There are massed displays of mums and the chance to buy some to bring home. We will leave the church at 9:00 AM and return approximately 6:00 PM. Join us for a day of fun and fellowship! Sign up sheet is in the hallway by Lost and Found. For questions or more information, please contact Louise Estes, 919-847-1820.



Solos for Lunch: Sponsored by the Senior Adult team, this is lunch fellowship for any adult who has no spouse or

whose spouse is out of town, etc. No reservation needed. Meet at the back of the Sanctuary after the 11:00 Sunday service. The October schedule is: 10/4 - Applebee's, 10/11 - Peking Garden, 10/18 - Sawmill Taproom, 10/25 - Tomato Pie