



Advent and Christmas Worship Opportunities

- Nov. 29 - **Sunday Worship**
8:45 and 11:00 AM
- Dec. 6 - **Sunday Worship**
8:45 and 11:00 AM
- Dec. 13 - **Sunday Worship**
8:45 and 11:00 AM
What Sweeter Music, 6:00 PM,
Christmas Music Program
(child care available)
- Dec. 16 - **Children's Nativity**, 6:45 PM
- Dec. 17 - **Living Nativity**
6:30, 7:00 and 7:30 PM
- Dec. 18 - **Living Nativity**
6:30, 7:00 and 7:30 PM
- Dec. 20 - **Sunday Worship**
8:45 and 11:00 AM
Service of Remembrance,
6:00 PM, Gathering Room
- Dec. 24 - **Christmas Eve Service**,
5:30 PM, A Service of Light
- Dec. 27 - **Joint Worship**, 10:30 AM

Welcome our New Property Manager - Gordon Archambault!

We welcome Gordon Archambault as our new Property Manager. Gordon is from Seattle, Washington and graduated from the University of Washington. He is married to Liz and has two children and four grandchildren. You can learn more about Gordon on our website, or you can meet him during the week as he works to care for and maintain our property.



Kim and Marc Wyatt sent a lovely note to Greystone thanking us for the help we have given to refugee families that have relocated here to Raleigh.

Please stop by the bulletin board in the hallway outside of the church office to read their words of thanks and appreciation.

Pledge the Ministry Fund for 2016

A wonderful definition of stewardship is "Everything we do after we say, 'I believe.'" Stewardship is a whole-life concept, calling for right use of all the resources God has given to us. Healthy stewardship comes from a place of gratitude for God's goodness in our lives pushing us to expand our definition and understanding of stewardship to touch on every aspect of faithful living.

As we enter the season of pledging our Ministry Fund (Budget) for 2016, we turn our attention to how God is urging us to be good stewards of our financial resources and participate in the ministry of Greystone. In November, you will hear from members of Greystone about how gratitude for God's goodness has led them to be faithful stewards of their resources. You will also receive a letter asking you to prayerfully discern how you will participate in the ministry of God through Greystone with your financial gifts. Our hope and prayer is that because of your gratitude for God's goodness in your life you will seek to share in God's ministry through Greystone.

Town Hall Meeting: 2016 Ministry Fund

Wednesday, November 4
6:30 PM - Fellowship Hall

We will gather on Wednesday, November 4, for a discussion of the upcoming 2016 Ministry Fund (Budget.) It will be a time to review information and trends, ask questions, and discuss what is important to the growth and life of this community of faith. We want to build a spending plan that resonates with church members and helps us do the work and ministry that has been put before us. Your input is essential. Come and take part. Listen and Learn. Share and Shape.

Dates to Remember

Daylight Saving Ends
Sunday, November 1

Leadership Council Meeting/Lunch
Sunday, November 1
12:00 PM
Fellowship Hall

Buddy Break Training
Sunday, November 1
2 - 4 PM
Breezeway Classroom

Town Hall Meeting:
The 2016 Ministry Fund
Wednesday, November 4
6:30 PM - Fellowship Hall

Disciple Now Youth Retreat
November 6 - 8

CBFNC Children's Mission Day
Saturday, November 14
9:30 AM - 3:15 PM
Zebulon Baptist Church

Buddy Break
Saturday, November 14
10:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Child Protection Training
Sunday, November 15
12:00 PM and 4:30 PM
Fellowship Hall

No Wednesday Night Activities
Wednesday, November 25



Church Office Closed For Thanksgiving
Thursday, November 26

Thank You!

I want to thank the staff and members of Greystone for all of your gifts, cards and well wishes on my retirement. The reception in honor of my service here at Greystone Baptist Church touched me more deeply than words can express. I'm so pleased to be a part of the Greystone family. Thank you, Claude Bennett

November Birthdays



- 1 Cathy Smith, Kay Meyer, Christopher Vandersip
- 2 Sarah Lannom, Jonathan Perkinson, Carson Sellers
- 3 Sandra Baxley, Pepper Choplin
- 4 Bill Robinson, Erin Choplin, Ben Cox
- 6 Hazel Perdue, Harrison Sherron, Gabriel Mallah, Sarah Gray Lesley
- 7 Joanne Thompson, Bob Millikan, Nicholas Dreitzler
- 8 Darrell Staley, Todd Gentry, Brianna Brice
- 9 Marcia Ostendorff, Mark Calder, Pam Webb, Henry Wilder, Caitlyn Willis
- 10 Virginia Villalobos, Bridgette Birth, Sarah Hunt
- 11 Alice Dickens, Bill Turner, Terry Nobles
- 12 Sandra Wilson, Maria Morton, Jamie Mabe, Will Fleming
- 13 Caralie Brown, Allyson Hawley
- 14 Donna Tunstall, Cecil Settle, Kristi Glover
- 15 Jim Womble, Carol Allen, Mary Sherron, Stephanie Milam, Robyn Sawyers
- 16 Mel Dickens, Pat Long
- 17 AnaRita Eason
- 18 Michelle Jones
- 19 Barbara McGehee, Patricia Taylor, Eve Conner, Kerry Crabb
- 20 Paul Kruer
- 22 Laura Kirkham
- 23 John Lawrence
- 24 Grace Parnell, Perisa Nikaeen
- 25 Pete Cregger, David Turner
- 26 Skip Mays, Natalie Herrmann, Keri Ashurst
- 27 Needham Ward
- 28 Doug Cole
- 29 Missy Brookshire, Cassie Stewart
- 30 Margaret Hilton, Fred Conner, Becky Thompson



November 90+ years Birthdays

- Nov. 6 Hazel Perdue
 Nov. 13 Caralie Brown

November 50+ years Anniversaries

- Nov. 9 Tom and Dora Pickles

Growing Greystone Through Prayer



Hospital

- Betty Cornwell, Rex Hospital

Concerns

- Lee Ann Spahr, upcoming surgery, 11/5
- Gene Womble, recent surgery on broken wrist
- Anne Pickles, health concerns
- Nancy Tisinger, health 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
- Debbie Reynolds' niece Sabrina Rabil, and sister, Cyndee Rabil, health concerns
- Wilton Moody's mom, Othela Moody, 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

- David Alston's family on the death of his mother, Dottie Alston, 10/18/15
- Alice Dicken's family on the death of her sister, Sarah Warren, 10/10/15

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, Albert Meiburg, Juanita Register, Grace Smith

Number for on call Minister:
 919-817-8975

Growing Greystone Through Stewardship (through 9/30/15)



2015 General Fund.....	\$1,116,102.00
YTD General Fund needed	\$837,076.00
YTD Operating Receipts.....	\$671,833.00
YTD Operating Expenses.....	\$732,670.00

Growing Greystone Through Worship

October 4	
8:45 Worship	87
11:00 Worship.....	202
October 11	
8:45 Worship	81
11:00 Worship.....	189
October 18	
8:45 Worship	74
11:00 Worship.....	162
October 25	
8:45 Worship.....	96
11:00 Worship.....	143

Buddy Break News



Buddy Break is growing with 25 kids now attending! We had one of our highest attended sessions in October and have trained 9 new buddies in the last month. November will be our third anniversary of providing respite care for families that have kids with special needs and we continue to grow!

We are always looking for new buddies so let us know if you are interested. We also encourage visitors who may want to drop in to check out our program or share a talent with us. Here are some upcoming needs that you can help us with as well:

- We are so thankful to our SS classes that have provided our volunteers with lunch each month. We are now signing up for 2016. If your class or other group would like to help in this way, please let me know or use our sign up sheet that will soon be on SS boards.
- Our annual Christmas Party is Saturday December 5. As in the past, we would like to provide a gift for each child and a Target gift card (\$25) for each family. We will also have sign ups available for this as well.

We are excited that two other NC churches are making plans to start their own Buddy Break programs. Please consider joining us by attending one of our Buddy Trainings and become a volunteer at our program. Contact us at buddybreak@greystonechurch.org or 919-219-1438.

Thank you Greystone, as your support has been instrumental in helping us grow and minister!



Youth:

This year's annual **Disciple Now** retreat will be the weekend of Nov. 6 - 8. The retreat will begin at 6:00 PM Friday, Nov. 6 and conclude with the 11:00 Worship service on Sunday, Nov. 8. Cost is \$40.00 per student. Contact Allan Smith with questions at: students@greystonechurch.org.



Upcoming Dates to Remember

- Dec. 12 -** Youth Christmas Party
- Jan. 16-18 -** Winter Mountain Weekend Retreat
- Jul. 18-23 -** Unidiversity Youth Camp

College:

College students and parents, we want to make sure that we have updated contact information for all college-aged students so that we can communicate with them while they are on campus. You should have recently received an email requesting school mailing address, student email address, student cell phone number and anticipated graduation date and degree. This information can be sent to office@greystonechurch.org. If you are a college student or parent of a college student and did not receive this email please contact the church office, **919-847-1333**. We look forward to supporting all of our students during the semesters and connecting with them when they are in the area.

Sign-Up Now: College Mission Trip

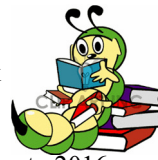
We will travel to Columbia, SC on December 27-31 to assist with Flood Relief Efforts. We will depart at 4 PM on Sunday, December 27 and return at noon on Thursday, December 31. The cost of the trip is \$50 per student. Please sign up and pay with the church office by Sunday, November 15. Contact Allan with any questions at students@greystonechurch.org.



Fall is a fun time in preschool! We have field trips to the pumpkin patch and the farmers market, our annual Fall Fest and Thanksgiving Feast, and visits to our friends at Whispering Pines. The changes we see in the leaves on our trees and the crisp change in the weather offer us the chance to talk with the children about the wonderful world God designed. We will give thanks to God this month for all the ways God provides for us and will collect food to share with those who have less than we do.

Greystone Children

Coming in January, a book contest sponsored by the Media Team. Look for more details as we get closer to 2016.



CBFNC Children's Mission Day is November 14th at Zebulon Baptist Church in Zebulon, NC. The deadline to register has passed. See April Alston to find out if there are any spots left.

Child Protection Policy Training

11/15/15, Fellowship Hall
12:00 PM and 4:30 PM

If you work with children or youth at Greystone in any capacity (extended sessions, Sunday School, chaperone events or trips, etc.) please join us for protection policy training. Our child protection policies are in place to help protect our children, our church and our volunteers. Our insurance company requires that everyone who works with our young people be trained once a year. Please help us meet this requirement by attending one of the sessions on this day. If you are unable to attend, please let April (children@greystonechurch.org) or Allan (students@greystonechurch.org) know so that we can make arrangements for an additional training session.

Music Ministries Notes

Greystone Christmas Presents

What Sweeter Music

**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!"

(WAM!)

Children's Choirs at Christmas

Parents, please note a change in the schedule for our Children's Choirs this upcoming season:

Preschool Choir (age 4) & Younger Children's Choir (grades K-2) will sing in the Children's Nativity program on Wednesday night, Dec. 16 at 6:45 pm. They will meet as usual at 6:00 pm that evening to prepare for the program.

Older Children's Choir (grades 3-5) will be singing in the "What Sweeter Music" Christmas Program on Sunday evening, Dec. 13th at 6:00 pm. You'll receive information on any additional rehearsals related to that program.

Worship Care Volunteers Needed.

We need more adults to help us care for our preschoolers during the 11:00 Worship service. 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



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 November schedule is:
11/1 - Red Lobster, 11/8 - Brio,
11/15 - Casa San Carlos,
11/22 - TGI Friday, 11/29 - Chow



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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Monday – Thursday
8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

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THE CHURCH STAFF:

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The December newsletter deadline for submissions is 4:30, Thursday, 11/19/15.

If you do not wish to receive this newsletter, please unsubscribe at (919) 847-1333.

The **Flowers of Blessing** team could use a few more substitutes. Anyone interested in helping to deliver flowers on an as-needed basis, or even arrange flowers as needed, please contact Sylvia Goulding, smgoulding@aol.com.



People in Service

November 1

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: Andy & Sandra Hunt, Johnny Glover; **11:00 am:** April & Brad Walker, Pam Ouzts, Annie & Will Moody
Greeters: 8:45 am: Monaei Perry; **11:00 am:** Margaret Hilton, Margaret Thomas
Deacon of the Week: Jeb Brookshire

November 8

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: Heather Choplin, Jamie Allen, Matt & Anna Brawner, Dottie Thompson; **11:00 am:** Nancy Register, Craig Swaim, Kim Craig, Donnie & Jean Moorefield, David Alston
Greeters: 8:45 am: Joyce Beauchaine, Berno Kleinhans; **11:00 am:** Pat Burris, Mavis Strickland
Deacon of the Week: Jennifer Walker

November 15

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: Berno & Kim Kleinhans, Sarah & Chris Lannom; **11:00 am:** Susan Burnette, AnaRita Eason, Trish Boone, John Clark, Suzanne Best, Jeff Joyner
Greeters: 8:45 am: Bill & Sylvia Goulding; **11:00 am:** Arnold & Sylvia Lawson
Deacon of the Week: Cathy Byman

November 22

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: Jennifer & Brent Walker, Lilian & Brian Grant; **11:00 am:** Elizabeth Santana, Gayla Hollingsworth, Eddy & Amy Ng, Eileen Trawick
Greeters: 8:45 am: Bobby and Peggy Hunter; **11:00 am:** Lu-Ann Lesley, Scott Naeser
Deacon of the Week: Teresa Dilday

November 29

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: David & Leigh Ammons, Jamie Mabe, Joy Croom Griffin; **11:00 am:** Lori & Chuck Harrelson, Linda McDaniel, Louise Estes, Genice Nix, Glenn Ferris
Greeters: 8:45 am: Mary Ann Barnes; **11:00 am:** Nell Panten, Dot Thomason
Deacon of the Week: Donnie Moorefield