



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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2015 Generosity

"Thank you." That's the most important thing that can be said about the state of Greystone's generosity in the year just ended, 2015. Thank you to everyone who acted upon the impulse to grow in gratitude. Your gifts of \$956,567 exceeded our expenses by \$21,910 and helped us do more than we've ever been able to do in the history of Greystone. The \$21,910 will go toward building maintenance and improvements. Thank you!

But our gratitude isn't just about raw numbers. We are grateful for lives were changed as students participated in a summer mission trip to Greenville, South Carolina, for children whose love of Jesus was stoked during Vacation Bible School as they faced Mt. Everest and learned about conquering challenges with God's mighty power, for senior adults who experienced profound joy on their many trips together, for families serving together during Operation InAsMuch, for people of all ages diving deep into Bible study on Sunday mornings or experiencing holy moments of transcendence in morning worship.

Greystone is so much more than what you see when you sit in the Sanctuary on Sunday mornings. Our community of faith extends throughout the city as our members volunteer to serve lunch to the homeless, provide clothing to the needy, mentor elementary school students, serve on civic boards and extend the love of Christ in their neighborhoods and workplaces. At Greystone, "Every Member is a Minister" and their ministries extend far beyond the walls of 7509 Lead Mine Road.

We've still got room to grow in gratitude, of course. Though our receipts exceeded our expenses, we fell short of our budget goal in 2015, which would fund the fullest realization of all our mission and ministry plans. Getting there in 2016 is possible, if we all band together again and strive to grow in gratitude through our financial giving. Will you join us in 2016 as we seek to do even more together for the kingdom of God?

Thank you again for a great 2015. Now let's see what we can do together in 2016 as we continue to grow in gratitude.

Welcome to Our New Members



Wayne, Cindy,
Olivia and Caleb Kleven

Important Dates in February

Church in Conference

6:30 PM, 2/3/16, Fellowship Hall



All Church Breakfast

9:30 AM, 2/7/16
Fellowship Hall

Supper Bowl of Caring

8:45 and 11:00 AM services, 2/7/16. The youth are sponsoring this effort to fight hunger in our community. Please bring canned goods and/or money to worship to be collected following the service.



Family Friendly Ash Wednesday Service

6:30 PM, 2/10/16
Sanctuary

Buddy Break

10:00 AM - 1:00 PM,
2/13/16



(Buddies report at 9:30 AM)
Fellowship Hall, Youth Bldg.



Books on the Corner Open House

9:15 AM, 2/14/16
Books on the Corner

Youth - Carolina Hurricanes Game

5:30 PM, 2/19/16, Tickets \$15
Reserve tickets:
office@greystonechurch.org

New Member Luncheon

12:00 PM, 2/21/16
Fellowship Hall



Habitat Workdays

2/26 and 2/27/16

Segue Youth Choir Festival

2/27/16, Time TBA
Campbell University



INCLEMENT WEATHER - Closings or Changes in Schedules

For closings and cancellations due to inclement weather, please check WRAL channel 5 or WTVD channel 11. Information will also be available on the church website www.greystonechurch.org

People in Service

February 7

Ushers: 8:45 am: Bill & Sylvia Goulding, Ron & Joanne Thompson; **11:00 am:** Bill Baxley, Hunter Ouzts, Kristen Pickles, Charlie Spahr, Donnie Moorefield, Nicole Moorefield
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: Monaai Perry; **11:00 am:** Margaret Hilton, Margaret Thomas
Deacon of the Week: Brian Grant

February 14

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:** Jeannie Miller, Barbara Crabb, John & Kay Meyer, Mary Sherron
Greeters: 8:45 am: Joyce Beauchaine, Berno Kleinans; **11:00 am:** Pat Burris, Mavis Strickland
Deacon of the Week: Donnie Moorefield

February 21

Ushers: 8:45 am: Wayne & Cathy Smith, Bob & Nell Panten; **11:00 am:** Heather Choplin, Steve Holden, Pete Cregger, Gabriel Mallah,
Worship Care: 8:45 am: Cheryl Muncie, Maria Morton; **11:00 am:** Liz Nichols, Patsy Chiles, Dustin & Emily Tuttle
Greeters: 8:45 am: Bill & Sylvia Goulding; **11:00 am:** Arnold & Sylvia Lawson
Deacon of the Week: Paul Hansen

February 28

Ushers: 8:45 am: Luke Andrew, Bill Judd, Tom & Shirley Ditt; **11:00 am:** Kerry Crabb, Dustin & Emily Tuttle, Tom Ogburn, Drew Hunt, Jackson Hollingsworth
Worship Care: 8:45 am: Donna Judd, Lisha Stewart, Dave & Lorri Heilig, Katie Eller; **11:00 am:** Joy & Bob Millikan, Joanna Perry, Amy & Greyson Davis
Greeters: 8:45 am: Bobby & Peggy Hunter; **11:00 am:** Lu-Ann Lesley, Scott Naeser
Deacon of the Week: Jeb Brookshire



Community will be the focus of our Taizé services during Lent. This reflective service will use prayer and song to help strengthen our sense of community both within the family of faith that is Greystone and outside her walls as well. We look forward to you joining us for these sacred times of worship leading up to Easter.

February Birthdays



- 1 Bruce Foster, Mike Sellers
- 2 Harold Jones, Lihua Zhao
- 3 Bill King, Whitney Pearce, Walter Isenhour
- 4 Keith Elks, Logan Robinson
- 6 Carmen Robinson, Karah Eller, Samuel Eller
- 7 Becky Dean, Nancy Register, Bill Brewer
- 8 Lilian Grant, Sara Register
- 9 Roger Gardner, Stacy Pardue, Hunter Ouzts
- 10 Matt Gellatly
- 11 Debbie Mikeal, Susan Bennett, Jay Sherron
- 12 Evelyn Harper, Beth Allen, Lori Harrelson, Jillian Brookshire
- 13 Daryl Tunstall
- 14 Ken Kirkham, Johnathan Eshleman, Megan Daniels
- 15 Brenda Oglesby, Charlene Wallace, Brandon Daniels
- 16 Rick Chamblee, Hope Motahari
- 17 Larry Lewis, Cindy Turner, Rachael Turnbo
- 18 Dustin Tuttle, Sam Griesedieck, Samuel Brown, Max Allen
- 19 Libby Moore, Chuck Harrelson, Katie O'Neal, Kendall Joyner
- 20 Nell Panten, Jerry Chiles, Cheryl Muncie, Jennifer Turnbo, Anna Claire Riggins
- 21 Henry Kidd, Julia Glover, Walt Kennedy, Tracey Duncan
- 22 Erich Brewer, Deborah Motahari, Becca Thompson
- 23 Priscilla Crumpler, Rachel Kirkham
- 24 Lorri Heilig, William Brewer
- 25 Joe Cockerham, Adam Nix
- 27 Taylor Gray, Aiden Mabe
- 28 Dottie Mitchell, Airen Murray
- 29 Chris Hamrick

February 90+ years Birthday

- Feb. 7Becky Dean
Feb. 12 Evelyn Harper

Solos for Lunch: This is a lunch fellowship sponsored by the Senior Adult team for any adult who has no spouse or whose spouse is out of town, etc. There is no reservation needed. Meet at the back of the Sanctuary after the 11:00 Sunday service. The February schedule is: 2/7 - Firebird (North Hills), 2/14 - Carraba's, 2/21 - Peking Garden (Millbrook), 2/28 - El Rodeo

Growing Greystone Through Prayer



Praise

- Ivy Elizabeth Beck, born 1/14/16 to parents Kelly and Jim Beck, grandparents Jeanne and Tom Andrus, great grandparent Geraldine Mangum
- Alexander Edward Tatum, born 1/7/16 to parents, James and Shyla and big brother, William

Concerns

- Geraldine Mangum, recent surgery
- Elizabeth Santana's cousin, Allison Thomas, health concerns
- Teri Bellairs Wood's mother, Shellie Bellairs, Transitions Life Care
- Louise Estes' cousin, health concerns
- Sue Blow, health concerns
- Thomasene Bennett, broken wrist
- Cindy Vestal, health concerns
- Ginny Liverance's sisters, Linda and Pricilla and friend, Greg Thomas, health concerns
- Sue Blow's mother, Martha Johnson and sister, Marsha Patterson, health concerns
- Roger Gardner, health concerns
- Amanda Thompson, daughter-in-law of Dottie Thompson, health concerns

Residential / Health Care Facilities

- Cypress (Rosewood):** John Lawrence
Rex Nursing Care: Louise Abernathy, Nancy Godwin
Springmoor (SHC): Vergie Baxley, Mary Evelyn Divers, Martha Eames, Mildred Garrett, Sallie Greene, Albert Meiburg, Pauline Noble, Juanita Register, Grace Smith

Sympathy

- Sandra Hunt's family on the death of her aunt, Margaret Bass, 1/15/16

On call Minister: 919-817-8975



Save the Date:

Women's Day Retreat

March 5, 2016

"Paying Attention"

A NC Museum of Art day retreat for the ladies of Greystone.



Growing Greystone Through Stewardship (through 12/31/15)



2015 General Fund.....\$1,116,102.00
YTD General Fund needed\$1,116,102.00
YTD Operating Receipts.....\$956,565.17
YTD Operating Expenses.....\$931,536.00

Growing Greystone Through Worship

January 3
8:45 Worship.....108
11:00 Worship.....230

January 10
8:45 Worship.....95
11:00 Worship.....221

January 17
8:45 Worship.....83
11:00 Worship.....182

January 24
Services cancelled due to inclement weather.

January 31
11:00 Worship.....319



Habitat Homes

Churches from the Wake Missionary Baptist Association and the Raleigh Baptist Association are partnering together to build two Habitat homes in 2016. Greystone, for the 3rd year in a row, will be part of that effort. We still need volunteers for Saturday February 27th. We need about 25 Greystone members to sign up. We will also need about 10 people on Friday, February 26th. You can sign up any Sunday over the next 3 weeks at the back of the sanctuary. We will be building for these two families:

Cathleen J. was born and raised in Raleigh, and she has three children: Marcus (12), Wisdom (4) and Ariane (1). Cathleen works as a Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA) and has been a CNA for several years now. Her family's two bedroom apartment has been getting smaller as the children are getting bigger.

Admasu A. and his wife, Yeshimbet were born in Ethiopia. They have two sons, Lehle (6) and Nahum (4). Admasu works in healthcare, and when the family is together, they enjoy spending time with their faith community, worshiping and praising God.

If you have any questions, please contact Greg Byrd, gbvrd@byrdtile.com or Johnny Glover, joglover@bsmail.org.



Souper Bowl of Caring

The youth will be collecting canned goods and money to support hunger in our local community on Sunday, February 7. Students will collect following both the 8:45 and the 11:00 worship services.



Panthers vs. Broncos - We will again have a Super Bowl Party for the big game. On Sunday, February 7, Student Choir will be held at its normal time of 4:30 in the music room. After choir, we will stay on campus to watch the Super Bowl together. Pizza will be provided. Students, please bring a side or a dessert to share.

Hurricanes vs. Sharks

Join the youth group to see the Carolina Hurricanes take on the San Jose Sharks on Friday, February 19. We will meet in the Sawmill lot of the church at 5:30 for the 7:00 game. Tickets are \$15 each. To reserve your ticket, please contact the church at office@greystonechurch.org!



Youth and College Are You Receiving Text Blasts?

Be sure to link your phone to receive Greystone text blasts. Follow these steps:
Youth: text @youth20 to (919) 336-5052.
College: To receive text blasts regarding college ministry activities text @gbcc2014 to (919) 336-5052.

If any youth, college students or parents are not receiving our emails or text message updates and would like to, please contact Allan to make sure that the church has your correct contact information at allan.smith@greystonechurch.org.

Dates to Know:

Mission Trip - Week of June 25 - July 2
Unidiversity Youth Camp - July 18 - 23



Buddy Break has gotten off to a great start in 2016 with 3 new families! To help accommodate our growth, we will have a Buddy Training on Wed., February 3, from 3:00-5:00 PM in the Gathering Space. We invite you to join us in this ministry by becoming a Buddy. We invite anyone to come and visit our program to get a taste of the fun and excitement we experience. We also have other opportunities such as Family Liaisons (who contact their assigned families each month), people/groups to share talents with our kids and we still need groups to provide our lunch in April, August and November. To learn more about Buddy Break or volunteer, please email us at buddybreak@greystonechurch.org or call Nancy Register at 919-219-1438.



Preschool News

February is a busy month in our weekday preschool. Several of our classes will be going next door to Whispering Pines for a visit this month. This is a relationship we've been cultivating all year with monthly visits. The children and the residents enjoy the time together. We hope to be making and sharing valentines with them this month.

Registration for 2016-2017 is in full swing now! Thank you for telling all your friends about our program. We hope to be able to serve even more families with the addition of Friday classes this year.



On Wednesday night, February 10, I hope that you will join us for a special Ash Wednesday service. This will be a family friendly, experiential service that will be meaningful not only for adults, but children as well. This worship service will take the place of our regular Wednesday night activities for children. Childcare is available for younger children.

PASSPORT Kids! - June 29 - July 2
A camp for children in grades 3 - 5.

Greystone Children - The Media Team is hosting the 2016 Children's Book Challenge.

Preschool - 5th grade children are encouraged to read at least one book from Books on the Corner, write a review and get your name in print! Turn your review, picture for younger children, into the "book return" in Books on the Corner by Feb. 14. Recognition will be on Feb. 14 at the Books on the Corner Open House. For more information contact Jane Cregger, jane.cregger@gmail.com.



Take Note | from the Music Ministries



Segue Youth Choir Festival

Feb. 27 (Sat.) at Campbell University, Buies Creek - Student Choirs from all over our region will gather for one day of singing and fellowship which culminates in an afternoon concert. Our own Student Choir will be taking part in this annual event. This will be the first time that the event is held at Campbell University and in the beautiful Butler Chapel. Friends and family are welcome to come and enjoy the final concert that afternoon (time TBA). This event is free of charge to our students.

Worship Opportunities during Lent

Feb. 10 — [6:30 PM] Ash Wednesday Service

The Lenten season begins in a meaningfully reflective way as we gather for this time of contemplative worship. There will not be any regular children's programs this evening.

Mar. 20 — [11:00 AM] Palm Sunday Worship Service

Join us for a special worship service featuring the GBC Music Ministries (adults and Children) along with instrumentalists. Special musical offerings and readings will be a fitting way to enter into Holy Week. We'll partake of the Lord's Supper together. There will be only one service this morning.

Mar. 24 — [6:30 PM] Maundy Thursday Service

In the depths of our Holy Week experience, we'll gather for a time of reflective worship. Taking time to linger at the cross, to ponder the weight of Christ's sacrifice, can heighten our Easter Sunday experience. We'll partake of the Lord's Supper together.

Mar. 27 — [8:45 & 11:00 AM] Easter Sunday Worship Service

Our Lenten season culminates with the church's celebration of resurrection. Come and worship as we raise our "Alleluias" on Easter Sunday!