

This morning, we celebrate the decision of Hannah Claire Allen to follow Christ in baptism. We will baptize Hannah during the 11:00 AM worship service.

WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY

DONNA JUDD, ANGELA ROSE, JEANNE ANDRUS, LOUISE ESTES, LOU DAWSON, MISSY BROOKSHIRE AND JOHNATHAN ESHLEMAN serve in a number of different capacities here at Greystone, both on teams and in various other ministries. We are grateful for the ways in which these and others take part in the life-giving ministry of providing comfort, food and community. This morning, our Advent Candle readers represent those who serve on our Fellowship and Wednesday Night Food Service Teams. Thank you for your weekly service!

MARCIA OSTENDORFF (ostendorff@bellsouth.net, 919-812-6552) is the Deacon of the Week this morning. She is married to Lou. They joined in October of 1996. Marcia is a member of The Edge class.

ANNOUNCEMENTS THIS WEEK

2016 CONTRIBUTIONS - If you wish to have tax credit for contributions in 2016, please note that they should be left at the office, in the drop box outside the office, or mailed to the office postmarked no later than **December 31**. If you plan or would like to make a contribution in the form of stock, please remember, any stock contributions for 2016 must be received by Greystone in Greystone's account by **December 31** to be counted as a 2016 contribution. Contact the church office, office@greystonechurch.org or the financial secretary, finance@greystonechurch.org for the information you will need to complete the transfer of stock to Greystone.

SERVICE OF HOPE AND REMEMBRANCE - Sunday, December 18, 6:00 PM, Gathering Room.

LIVING NATIVITY - Tuesday, December 20 and Wednesday, December 21, 6:45 PM and 7:30 PM both nights. Join us for this retelling of Christ's birth on the front lawn of the church.

COLLEGE CHRISTMAS PARTY - Wednesday, December 21, 8:00 -10:00 PM, home of Dennis and Ramona Taylor. Light snacks and drinks will be provided. Please contact Allan Smith at allan.smith@greystonechurch.org with any questions.

SERVICE OF CAROLS AND CANDLELIGHT - Saturday, December 24, 5:30 PM, Sanctuary. A family-friendly Christmas Eve service.

CHRISTMAS WORSHIP SERVICE - Sunday, December 25, 10:30 AM. This is a family-friendly Christmas Day service. There will be no 8:45 AM service and no Sunday School/Orientation.

NEW YEARS DAY WORSHIP SERVICE - Sunday, January 1, 2017, there will be no 8:45 AM service. There will be Sunday School/Orientation as normally scheduled followed by an 11:00 AM family-friendly Worship service.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT LIVE IN JANUARY - Join us for Wednesday Night Bible Study and fellowship in the new year! We are offering two studies to choose from in January:

Leading Bible Study with Preschoolers and Children - Emily Carter Cox, a child and family therapist with the UNC Department of Psychiatry, Raleigh Campus, will join us in January to talk about child development and children's understanding at different ages. She will discuss specifically how to share some of our most beloved yet problematic Bible stories when working and learning with children.

Cultivating and Strengthening Resilience - Our very own Becky Sansbury will lead us in a conversation of practices that can help us stabilize and move forward even during times of crisis. Becky is an author and nationally recognized speaker. We look forward not only to her insights but also her care and compassion in this study. Consider bringing a friend who might need a bit of support and encouragement.

THIS WEEK AT GREYSTONE

DECEMBER

18	8:45 am	Morning Worship	21		<i>No Wednesday Night Dinner</i>
	9:45	Sunday School/Orientation		6:45 pm	Living Nativity (also at 7:30)
	11:00	Morning Worship			<i>No Adult Choir Rehearsal</i>
	6:00 pm	Service of Hope and Remembrance		8:00	College Christmas Party
19	6:30 pm	AA Women's Group, West Wing Rm. 1	23	8:00 pm	AA Group, West Wing Rm. 2
	8:00	AA Co-ed Group, West Wing Rm. 2	24	5:30 pm	Service of Carols and Candlelight
20	6:30 pm	AA Women's Group, West Wing Rm. 2			
	6:45	Living Nativity (also at 7:30)			

PRAYER LIST

Number for on-call minister is (919) 817-8975

HOSPITAL

- Debbie Mikeal's mother, Jean Finch, Rex Hospital
- Dan Nichols, PruittHealth-Raleigh

CONCERNS

- Loretta Miller, health concerns
- Elaine Hansen, recovering from surgery
- Sam Killingsworth, grandson of Lou and Marcia Ostendorff, health concerns
- Alan Sasser, health concerns
- Vercie Eller, health concerns
- Bonnie Raddatz's daughter, Noel, health concerns
- Arnold Lawson, health concerns
- Tim Hendrix's father, Edward Hendrix, health concerns
- Dottie Thompson's daughter-in-law, Amanda Thompson, recent surgery
- Carl Dawson's mother, Lorraine Dawson, health concerns
- Nina Cole's friend, Wendy Kuehn, health concerns
- Michael Kellogg, Jr., health concerns
- Priscilla Crumpler, health concerns
- Sylvia Goulding, health concerns

RESIDENTIAL COMMUNITIES/HEALTH CARE FACILITIES

Rex Nursing Care: Nancy Godwin

Springmoor (Stewart Health Center): Vergie Baxley, Lib Daniels, Martha Eames, Sallie Greene, Pauline Noble, Juanita Register

SYMPATHY

- Jenna Perry's family on the death of her grandfather, Robert McDaniel, 12/9/16
- Henry Kidd's family on the death of his mother, Esther Kidd, 12/5/16
- Sandra Hunt's family on the death of her aunt, Alice Jones, 12/1/16
- Mary Miller's family on her death, 12/1/16
- John Lawrence's family on his death, 11/30/16