



THE NEW NEWSLETTER

By Mike Eller

Greystone church family, I hope you are finding rest and shade during these humid summer months. These are certainly months when we are on-the-go, putting lots of miles on our vehicles and suntan lotion on our faces. Our church family also finds itself in a transition of our own as we have begun this interim season in which we'll welcome both new and familiar proclaimers to our pulpit.

The staff, along with the Transition Team, felt that this was a season we needed to increase our communication with you - to keep you in the loop and keep you connected to the life of GBC this summer. This is the reason for this reformatted newsletter, which will be mailed out bi-weekly during the summer. Hopefully you will not only find this newsletter (CONNECT) helpful but also easier to read and a useful tool for locating the information that applies to your area of ministry life at GBC.

Take time to read the articles and stay up-to-date on upcoming events. CONNECT is the right word for this newsletter. It is our desire that you feel connected to your church family and ready to serve in the ways that God would want to use you.

WELCOME, DR. BOLTON

On Sunday, July 9 and 16, we will welcome Dr. Steve Bolton as our guest proclaimer. Dr. Bolton and his wife, Karen, retired in 2011 after 41 years of pastoral ministry. While they have served a variety of congregations in Tennessee and North Carolina, the majority of their years have been spent most recently at Hillcrest Baptist Church, Raleigh (13 years) and Oxford Baptist Church, Oxford, N.C.

(22 years) Dr. Bolton received a Bachelor of Arts degree from Carson-Newman University (1971), a Master of Divinity from Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary (1975), and the Doctor of Ministry from Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary in 1987. In retirement, the couple make their home in north Durham, are active members of Hope Valley Baptist Church.

AN EVENING WITH DR. BILL WILSON

Please join us on Monday evening, July 17. We will gather in the Fellowship Hall at 6:30 pm for discussion and dessert with Dr. Bill Wilson. He will lead an information session regarding ways we as a church can move through a time of transition and pastoral search.

Dr. William "Bill" Wilson is the founder and director of The Center for Healthy Churches (CHC). He previously served as President of the Center for Congregational Health at Wake Forest Baptist Health. He has pastored churches in Georgia, Virginia and South Carolina. He brings over 33 years of local church ministry experience to his work.

His work with churches and ministers is marked by a positive and unyielding belief that Christ-centered ministry is fulfilling and relevant. His deepest desire is to encourage churches to discover a vital and vibrant future. He believes that, as difficult as it is to be the church today, there has never been a day when the church was more needed.

GBC events

[Visit the website for a full schedule](#)

JULY

- 2 Covered Dish Breakfast
9:30 am, *Fellowship Hall*
- 2 Joint Worship Service
11:00 am, SS as normal
- 3-6 Passport Camp
- 4 Office Closed
Independence Day
(We are open Monday, 7/3/17)
- 17 An Evening with Dr. Bill Wilson
6:30 pm, *Fellowship Hall*
- 17-22 Unidiversity Youth Camp
University of Tennessee

worship@GBC

Sunday, July 9

8:45 & 11:00 am
Proclaimer: Dr. Steve Bolton

Sunday, July 16

8:45 & 11:00 am
Proclaimer: Dr. Steve Bolton

Sunday, July 23

8:45 & 11:00 am
Proclaimer: Dr. Mike Simmons

The deadline for the
July 12 CONNECT
is noon, Thursday, July 6

JULY

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| 1 Amy Vandersip, Charlie Vestal | 14 Laura Fleming | 26 Mary Fran Perkinson, Amber Sawyers |
| 2 John Schmidt, Kim Eshleman | 15 Martha Castleberry, Sallie Greene,
Pat Boone, Tracy Smith,
Samantha Kanai | 27 Jack Beauchaine,
Jennifer Cockerham, Eddy Ng |
| 4 Eunice Bland, Bill Goulding,
Joanna Perry, Logan Cockerham | 16 Jean Brown, Randy Willis,
Emily Robinson | 28 Dixie Bennett, Charlie Spahr,
Nelson Neville |
| 5 Ramona Taylor | 17 Jeff Register, Brian Hollingsworth | 29 Debbie Wyse, Matt Wallace |
| 7 John Turlington, Evan Dawson,
Annie Hardison-Moody,
Owen Dawson | 19 Vergie Baxley, Shirley Ditt, Katie Craig | 30 Donna Judd, Wendy Fox |
| 8 Sandra Paul, Genice Nix, Patti Austin,
Sophie Moody | 20 Ken Mitchell, Jean Moorefield,
Edwin Steiner | 31 Megan Wilder |
| 9 Susan Burnette, Pam Ouzts | 21 Randy Birth, Teresa Carraway | |
| 12 Gene Light, Laura Robinson,
Silvana Mallah, Eli Grimes,
Finn Kleinhans, Sumner Eshleman | 22 Emmitt Baldrige, Abby Baker,
Chase Calder | |
| 13 Kala Cash | 23 Tim Hendrix, Dave Phillips,
Megan Daugherty | |
| | 25 Mary Taylor, Lou Ostendorff | |

90+ Birthdays in July!

Martha Castleberry (15th)
Vergie Baxley (19th)

Children's Ministry

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL



August 3 & 4: 6-8 pm
August 5 & 6: 9:15 am - 12 noon

Join us for an exciting adventure as we seek to discover God's fingerprints all around us. God is at work in our lives and in our world each and every day. During Vacation Bible School this summer we will discover just how busy God is.

In addition to being part of our children's programming here at Greystone, VBS is an outreach ministry of our church. It takes all of us working

together to make this special week happen.

Please consider how you might be a part of VBS leadership this year. We need decorators, crafters, Bible Story leaders, recreation leaders, baby rockers, snack makers, registration helpers and more. Whatever your talent might be, we can use you at VBS this year.

You can sign up to be part of this ministry on the church website or by contacting April Alston.

PASSPORTKids - July 3-6

Please be in prayer for our children and their chaperones as we experience a week of camp together at Montreat. Throughout the week we will be discovering we can do justice, love kindness and walk humbly with our God. We look forward to sharing with you when we return.

GREYSTONE NUMBERS

Worship

[8:45] [11:00]

June 4:51176.....
June 11:51177.....
June 18:78104.....
June 25:73156.....

Generosity (5/31/17)

2017 General Fund
\$989,791.82

YTD General Fund needed
\$412,413.25

YTD Operating Receipts
\$354,731.46

YTD Operating Expenses
\$364,846.50

Music Ministry

SUMMER CHOIR & YOU!

Want to see what it's like to sing with the Adult Choir but don't have much time to give? The Summer Choir is a great opportunity to help lead our church in worship. Rehearsals from now through August begin at 6:30 pm on Wednesday nights (childcare available). You would only need to come for the first 30-minutes of the rehearsals.

Contact Mike Eller, or any choir member, if interested—or just show up on Wednesday night. Singers of every level welcome!

There's one date left on our Summer Choir singing schedule:
AUGUST 13*

- Rehearsals: Aug. 2, Aug. 9

*Choir sings for 11 am service only

MUSIC CAMP UPDATE

SMAC is a rich, energetic experience for children. It's also been one of the most rewarding experiences in ministry for me in the years that I've led other Music Camps. This is why it saddens me to let you know that we'll need to keep working toward our first camp next summer as we will need to cancel SMAC for this summer. We weren't able to meet the minimum number of campers to pull off this camp week that is centered around putting together a musical - for which you simply need a number of children to cover acting and solo parts. Perhaps next year we'll have a better turn-out in registration. I hope you all will consider taking part next summer.

ENSEMBLES THIS FALL

In the middle of this blazing hot summer, we are already anticipating the many opportunities there will be this fall in the Music Ministries. Mark your calendars now with some of the kick-off dates for our musical ensembles:

Adult Choir
Meets on Wednesdays (7:15 pm)

Worship Arts & Music (WAM!) for Children
Wednesday, Sept. 6 (6:00 pm)

Student Handbells
Sunday, Sept. 10 (4:30 pm)

Student Choir
Sunday, Sept. 10 (5:00 pm)

Adult Handbell Choir
Sunday, Sept. 10 (6:00 pm)

Student Ministry



UNIDIVERSITY YOUTH CAMP 2017

Monday, July 17 - Saturday, July 22

Again this summer, students from several churches will come to the University of Tennessee – Knoxville for a week of Bible study, seminars, recreation, and worship. The cost of this year's camp is \$350. Full and partial scholarships are available. We will spend the week together

exploring the theme: *Christmas Presence*. Seminar and Elective Choices have been emailed to participants. There will be a short informational meeting following the 11:00 worship service on Sunday, July 16. Please contact Allan Smith with any questions at allan.smith@greystonechurch.org.

YOUTH, JOIN OUR EMAIL LIST

Stay informed of all youth activities by subscribing to our weekly email, "Happenings This Week". Subscribe by emailing the church office at office@greystonechurch.org with "Happenings This Week" in your subject line. In the body of your message just say you want to subscribe to the email and include your email address.

VARIETY OF PROJECTS

HIGHLIGHT MISSION TRIP

The Youth Mission Trip to Red Springs, NC on June 14 - 18 was a wonderful experience. While staying in Red Springs, the grouped participated in several projects in Lumberton, NC. One group put up sheet rock in a home damaged by the flooding caused by Hurricane Matthew in October. Another group installed flooring to a home also damaged in the flooding. Additionally, a small group served each afternoon at the My Refuge Soup Kitchen, assisting in the food pantry, clothes closet, and serving a hot meal. Lastly, the group visited a domestic shelter one evening to share God's love with the families there.

Other Ministry News

SOLOS FOR LUNCH

This is sponsored by the Senior Adult Team and is 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 am Sunday service.

The July schedule is:

7/2 - TGI Friday's, 7/9 - Nantucket Grill, 7/16 - Kanki, 7/23 - Olive Garden, 7/30 - Chow

WEEKDAY PRESCHOOL

The Weekday Preschool will offer six weeks of summer camp again this summer. We still have some spaces left. Please see the church website for details on weeks available and costs. We'd love to have your preschooler join us!

THE EDGE CLASS SUMMER SERIES

The Edge Class invites the adults of Greystone to join us this summer in discussing the Nooma video series by Rob Bell. Each video is about 12 minutes long dealing with challenging current faith issues. Feel free to drop

in any Sunday at 9:45 am. We meet in the corner room across from Books on the Corner.

FOOD DRIVE

Greystone's Mission team will be collecting food for Urban Ministries during the month of July. Look for boxes outside the sanctuary for collection. Please help out if you can! Collection Schedule:

July 9 - Beans-canned and dry
black, navy, pinto, kidney
July 16 - Brown instant rice
July 23 - Whole grain pasta
July 30 - Scotch tape

Community in Prayer

PRAISE

- Sam Killingsworth, grandson of Lou and Marcia Ostendorff, successful surgery and continuing recovery

CONCERNS

- Joan Murphy's aunt, Vera Wurtz, health concerns
- Dave Phillips, health concerns
- Ginny Liverance's friend, Greg Thomas, health concerns
- Pete Cregger's mother, Kathleen Cregger, recent injury, Stewart Health Center
- Regena Peebles, recovering from surgery
- Kyle Dilday's mother, Jean Dilday, health concerns
- Cathy Perkinson, health concerns
- Karen Brewer's sister, Nancy Jones, health concerns
- Carl Dawson's mother, Lorraine Dawson, recent surgery
- Ramona Taylor's son-in-law, Erik Conley, deployment (Iraq)
- Elizabeth Cregger, health concerns
- Sylvia Goulding, health concerns
- Roger Gardner, health concerns

- Arnold Lawson, health concerns
- Joe LeNoir III's friend, Kenny Yacynych, deployment (Afghanistan)
- Emily Kinlaw, health concerns
- Dottie Thompson's daughter-in-law, Amanda Thompson, health concerns

RESIDENTIAL/HEALTH CARE FACILITIES

Rex Nursing Care: Nancy Godwin

Springmoor (SHC): Vergie Baxley, Lib Daniels, Sallie Greene, Pauline Noble, Juanita Register

SYMPATHY

- Michelle Byrd's family on the death of her nephew, Josh Brandon, 5/28/17
- The families of Margaret Thomas and Teresa Carraway on the death of Joe Monroe, 5/19/17, Margaret's brother and Teresa's uncle
- Kemp Sherron's family on the death of his mother, Carolyn Sherron, 5/7/17

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ARCH McFADYEN SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS

Application forms are now available in the church office during office hours and on the church website at: <https://greystonechurch.org/?p=2627>

This scholarship is set up to recognize Greystone Baptist Church members who share the same commitments as Arch did to his education, family, God, church, and his community. This annual scholarship will be open to graduating high school seniors, undergraduate, and graduate students enrolled full-time at an accredited U.S. college or university.

Deadline to turn in applications to the church office is 4:30 pm, Thursday, July 20, 2017. If you mail your application to the church office, please attention it to Allan Smith.

...where every member is a minister
and is equipped to express God's
love by word and deed to all people.

