

# CONNECT

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September 1, 2017



### GBC events

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### **SEPTEMBER**

- 4 Church office will be closed in observance of Labor Day
- 6 Wednesday Night Live resumes
- 9 Buddy Break, 9:30-1:00
- Heritage Sunday11:00 Joint Worship Service12:00 Anniversary Luncheon
- 15-17 Fall Youth Beach Retreat Friends Camp 2017
- 19 RBA Fall Senior Adult Rally Central Baptist Church
- 23 Senior Adult Sponsored Trip

## worship@GBC

### Sunday, September 3

8:45 & 11:00 am Proclaimer: Rev. Trey Davis

### Sunday, September 10

**Heritage Sunday** 

9:45 am Sunday School 11:00 am Joint Worship Service No 8:45 am Worship Service

# WEDNESDAY NIGHT DINNERS AT GREYSTONE

By Amanda Atkin

Reservations are essential: Our Wednesday evening fellowship meal will begin again on September 6. This year we will be using different restaurants and caterers to bring in some very tasty dishes. The caterers will need a firm plate count so we need your reservations. We will accept reservations until Noon on Mondays. You can reserve your meal by filling in a reservation card (located in the Sanctuary pew racks) and placing that card in the offering plates, calling the church office (919-847-1333) or sign up through our church website (www.greystonechurch.org).

**Cost:** Meals are \$7 per adult and \$4 per child. We are offering a family cap of \$20.

Time: We will start serving dinner at 5:30 PM and continue serving until 6:45 PM. We hope that you will come early if you have children participating in our Wednesday evening programs. If you work late and have to drive through RTP traffic, we hope the new extended serving times will help you. Children's programs begin at 6 PM. Church prayers are offered at 6:15. Adult studies start at 6:20. Adult choir begins at 7:15.

### Menus:

September 6: Bar-B-Q, fried chicken, slaw, boiled potatoes, hushpuppies, roll

September 13: Lemon Chicken, mac & cheese, mixed veggies, roll

September 20: Spaghetti with meat sauce, garden salad, bread

September 27: Roasted pork loin with raspberry chipotle sauce (on the side), green beans, sweet potatoes, roll

### WEDNESDAY NIGHT LIVE

Schedule:

- 5:30 Dinner, Fellowship Hall (serving until 6:45 PM)
- 6:00 Children's Worship Arts & Music (WAM)

6:15 - Prayer

6:20 - Adult Study

6:45 - Children's Mission Study

7:15 - Adult Choir Rehearsal

### ADULT STUDIES IN SEPTEMBER

As we kick off Wednesday night studies this semester, we have three different options for adults in September. Take a look at the offerings and join in with friends to discuss, learn and share. If you have any questions, contact Amanda Atkin (amanda.atkin@greystonechurch.org).

- Bible Study: John Vestal will lead a
  discussion of the book of Jeremiah.
  Jeremiah is one of the most
  interesting prophets of the Old
  Testament. You definitely will be
  surprised and challenged by what you
  find there. This group will meet in the
  upstairs of the West Wing.
- Card Making: Can you think of someone in our church family needing a word of encouragement, congratulations, or maybe just a note that we're offering prayers and thinking of them? If so, please join us as we make handmade cards to send to them. No experience or creativity necessary. Bring scissors and a tape runner.
- Book Study: In thinking about current events, perhaps it is a good time to return to the classics. Amanda Atkin will be leading a book discussion of Howard Thurman's "Jesus and the Disinherited".

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### **SEPTEMBER**

- Pat Burris, Ellie Taylor
- Phyllis Turlington
- Joan Murphy, Sylvia Lawson 3
- Ann Shoaf, Richard Milam
- Svdnev Lannom
- Ryan Gunter, MacKenzie Boone
- Viola Dobbins, Lynn Fogwell, Marianna Brewer
- Elizabeth Santana, Brian Potter, Michael Milam, Caroline Wilder
- John Divers, Edward Byman, Jennifer Graham, Ian Smith
- Kayla Crump
- Eleanor Herman
- 12 Anne McCarty, Tammie Wood
- 13 Vercie Eller

- 15 Cathy Morris, David Pickles, Angela Rose, Rebekah Steele, Emily Vandersip, Olivia Lannom
- 16 Lee Langston
- 18 Victor Santana, Jeff Walter
- 19 Juanita Register, Lisa Tunstall
- Rachel Tunstall 20
- 21 Susan Chamblee, Jim Gellatly
- 23 David Sherman
- 24 Nita Kline, Susan Moody, Amanda Shearin
- 25 Brian Grant, Hillary Stewart
- Linda Ward, Bran Wood, William Benson 26
- 27 Erika Mangrum, Lucy Potter
- Jeff Smith, Kyle Wood
- 29 Mallory Schmidt
- Blake Aydlett, Tommy Mitchell, Rhonda Overby

### 90+ BIRTHDAYS IN SEPTEMBER!

John Divers (9/9) Vercie Eller (9/13)

### 50+ ANNIVERSARIES IN SEPTEMBER!

Claude and Tommy Bennett (9/15)

### Children's Ministry

A new year is underway in our children's department. During the month of September our children will be learning the story of Samuel in Sunday school. Each week they are learning a different part of this wonderful story. Sunday school begins at 9:45 and we would love for you to join us. We still have a need for one teacher in our Toddlers and 2's class. If you are interested, please contact April Alston.

Wednesday Night Live begins on September 6 with dinner at 5:30 PM and WAM beginning at 6:00. Missions will follow at 6:45. During the month of September our students will learn about field personnel Jade and Shelah Acker and Missy Ward-Angalla and their work with refugees in Kampala, Uganda.

Parents, please remember to walk your children to and from all activities here at Greystone so that they remain safe and so that we can communicate with you information that might be important to that particular day. Thank you for helping us in this effort.

### **BOOK CLUBS**

We are looking forward to this adventure. On September 24, Kindergarten through 2nd graders are invited to bring a lunch and stay after the 11:00 service for our first book club. We will read books together and participate in crafts and activities related to the books. Watch your mailbox and bulletin for more information. Our 3rd-5th graders will have their chance to participate in a book club in October.

### **GREYSTONE NUMBERS**

### **Worship**

	[8:45]	[11:00]
Aug. 6:	N/A	275
Aug. 13:	56	175
Aug. 20:	92	105
Aug. 27:	68	163

### <u>Generosity</u> (7/31/17)

2017 General Fund \$989,791.82

YTD General Fund needed \$577,378.62

YTD Operating Receipts \$499,404.12

YTD Operating Expenses \$499,238.65

### **Music Ministry**

### ADULT CHOIR FALL RETREAT

Saturday, October 14, we welcome guest clinician Shannon Gravelle, new Director of Choral Activities at Meredith College, who will be working with our Adult Choir in preparing music for fall and Christmas. Singers, both current and new, are invited to join us for this time of music and learning with Mrs. Gravelle.

### AFRICAN CHILDREN'S CHOIR IN CONCERT

Sunday, November 5 at 6:30 PM, we will welcome to our sanctuary the ACC in concert. This choir is made up of young singers from African countries, many of whom live in conditions of extreme poverty. Through the ministry of this choir, these children are given

support and opportunities to experience a better life. You'll not want to miss this special concert and the chance to support this ministry!

### HANGING OF THE GREEN SERVICE

On Sunday, December 3 at 6:30 PM, we will usher in the Advent season with a meaningful Hanging of the Green Service. In this time of worship and celebration, we'll take part in decorating our space, highlighted with Advent songs and readings. Make plans to have your family join us for this special service.

### MUSIC ENSEMBLES THIS FALL

Take part in growing Greystone through music, worship and the arts. Our ensembles kick-off in September:

Adult Choir

Meets on Wednesdays (7:15-8:30

Worship Arts & Music (WAM!) for Children

Wednesday, Sept. 13 (6:00 PM)

\*Preschool (ages 4 & 5)

\*Younger Children (grades K – 2) \*Older Children (grades 3 – 5)

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)

Grace Tones (Women's) Ensemble

Sundays at 4:00 PM

### **Student Ministry**

### STUDENT MINISTRY KICK-OFF 2017 - 2018

There will be an informational meeting for students and parents on Sunday afternoon, September 10. This will be an opportunity to learn more about the student ministry programs for the year, including camps, mission trips, and retreats.

Additionally, there will be conversation regarding a Student Ministry Handbook which will include policies and procedures for the student ministry. We will be discussing ways that you can receive information, such as emails and text message blasts. We will also be completing some necessary permission forms so that students can feel safe and welcome at any student ministry activity.

This will be an opportunity to sign-up to help with any activities throughout the year. The most important factor to the success of any student ministry event is the presence and involvement of adults - the more the merrier!

More information about the meeting, including the timing on the afternoon of September 10, will be available soon.

### FALL YOUTH BEACH RETREAT

All students (rising 6th – 12th grades) are invited to join approximately 300 students from across the state of North Carolina for the CBF NC Fall Youth Beach Retreat. The theme of this year's retreat is Beloved Community based on Philippians 2:1-4.

The cost of the retreat is \$120. There may still be space available if you would like to attend. Full and partial scholarships are available.

Please contact Allan Smith at allan.smith@greystonechurch.org with any questions.

### 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.

### Other Ministry News

### GREYSTONE WEEKDAY PRESCHOOL

Our new preschool year begins on September 4! Registration is going well and we are excited to be able to minister to so many children and their families through our weekday preschool program. We still have a few openings so Cars on display. Museum costs are \$8 please continue to tell your friends about for adults, \$7 for seniors and \$6 for us. We are excited to see all the wonderful things God will do through this at Nik's Pizza & Restaurant. We will ministry this year. Thank you for your continued prayers and support.

### SENIOR ADULT SPONSORED TRIP

Please join us on Saturday, September 23, 2017 as we go to Kenley, NC. We will be exploring the Tobacco Farm Life Museum. In addition to many exhibits you can view the Brown farmstead displaying buildings 100 years old. As a special event, there will be Antique children. We will be dining at the buffet meet in the Sawmill lot and leave at 9:00 AM. A signup sheet is in the hallway outside of the Sanctuary.

#### SOLOS FOR LUNCH

Sponsored by the Senior Adult Team, this is for any adult who is single or whose spouse is out of town, etc. Meet at the back of the Sanctuary after the 11:00 service.

September schedule:

9/3 - Carrabba's, 9/10 - Hibernian, 9/17 - Red Lobster, 9/24 - Boston Market

### **Community in Prayer**

### HOSPITAL.

• Ann Shoaf, Wake Med

### **PRAISE**

• Birth of Paxton Leo Bagwell, son of Zach and Stephanie Bagwell and grandson of Skip and Jill Pike, 8/10/17

#### **CONCERNS**

- Fred McGehee, health concerns
- Dan Nichols, health concerns
- Sylvia Goulding, health concerns
- Sallie Greene, recent surgery
- Pete Cregger's mother, Kathleen Cregger, health concerns
- Pat Burris, recent surgery
- Pam Ouzts, health concerns
- Joanne Thompson's brother-in-law, Tim Marshall, health
- Dottie Thompson's grandson, Edward Thompson, and dauthter-in-law, Amanda Thompson, health concerns
- Joan Murphy's aunt, Vera Wurtz, health concerns
- Cathy Perkinson, health concerns

- Karen Brewer's sister, Nancy Jones, health concerns
- Carl Dawson's mother, Lorraine Dawson, recent surgery
- Roger Gardner, health concerns
- Deanna Choplin's friend, Emily Kinlaw, health concerns

### MILITARY SERVICE ABROAD

- Ramona Taylor's son-in-law, Erik Conley, serving in Iraq
- Joe LeNoir III's friend, Kenny Yacynych, serving in Afghanistan

### RESIDENTIAL/HEALTH CARE FACILITIES

Rex Nursing Care: Nancy Godwin

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

### **SYMPATHY**

- Dottie Thompson's family on the death of her stepfather, Vane Polky, 8/18/17
- Martha Castleberry's family on the death of her niece, Marlo Dillon, 8/19/17
- Gary Hollingsworth's family on the death of his mother, Maytle Rose Stephenson Hollingsworth, 8/10/17.

### **Greystone contacts**

**Main Office** 

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### (ADULT STUDIES IN SEPTEMBER – continued from front page)

First published in 1949, this theological classic is especially relevant and speaks clearly to 2017. Thurman interprets Jesus' message for the oppressed by exposing the isolation and destructive forces of fear, deception and hatred. He goes on to describe the love ethic of Jesus as difficult, but THE healing way to overcome the chaos of oppression. The book is easily found on Amazon or in the public library.

### HERITAGE/ANNIVERSARY SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 10, 2017

Join us at 12 noon in the Fellowship Hall for a covered dish luncheon. Chicken and BBQ will be provided. Please bring your favorite side dish or dessert. Serving utensils will be provided. If you can't bring a dish, please join us for this fun and delicious time of fellowship. Signup sheet is in the hallway outside the Sanctuary. You may also let the office know, 919-847-1333 or office@greystonechurch.org.

SAVE THE DATE - The Greystone family is invited to a reception/shower celebrating the marriage of Eleanor Herman and Sam Pike to be held Friday evening, 9/8/17 in the Gathering Room from 6:00 - 8:00 PM. For questions or more information, contact Deborah McFadyen, 919-880-1407, https://www.thegingerpikes.com.

The deadline for the October *Connect* is noon, Thursday September 21.