

Welcome to Worship

We are so glad that you have joined us for worship this morning and we want you to know that you are always welcome. Regardless of who you are, where you come from, what you do professionally or in your spare time, there is always a place for you here at Greystone.

GETTING CONNECTED AT GBC

You can give us a record of your visit by filling out the blue Friendship Pads as they are passed down the pews during the service. This will give us a chance to connect with you and help you learn more about Grevstone. You can also ask one of the Ministers or Ushers who will direct you to information about our church. We also invite you to visit our website where you'll learn more about Greystone.

YOUR WHOLE FAMILY IS WELCOME!

Worship Care is available in our preschool area for babies to five-year-olds during both the 8:45 and 11:00 services. If you would like your children to participate in Worship Care, please stop by the check-in desk to register and drop off your children. We also have activity bags available for children of all ages. They are located in the basket near the entrance to the Sanctuary.

We hope you find Greystone to be a vibrant, diverse community of faith. Our members come from a wide-range of spiritual backgrounds and life experiences. All of them care deeply for each other and the world around them. At Grevstone, we believe "Every Member is a Minister." We pray your worship with us today leads you further down the path of God's calling upon your life.

CONNECT WITH US







Reflection

The only real difference between Anxiety and Excitement was my willingness to let go of Fear.

> - Barbara Brown Taylor, Learning to Walk in the Dark



THE WORSHIP OF GOD

Sunday, September 23 8:45 & 11:00 am

At the opening of this hour of worship, take a moment to prepare your hearts. Be sure to sign the Friendship Pad located in your pews and pass it down the row.

Prelude "Agnus Dei"
Tim Hendrix, Organ

Welcome Mike Eller

Smith; arr. Wyrtzen

Opening Sentences Amanda Atkin

† ChorusOh, How Good It IsGetty

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Children come forward at the end of this chorus

Children's Message

Lou Dawson

Worship Reflection "More Love to Thee, O Christ" arr. Evanovich
Tim Hendrix, Organ

Ministry Moment - Welcome House Marc and Kim Wyatt

Hearing devices and large-print hymnals are available at the back of the sanctuary.

^{*8:45} worship service /**11:00 worship service

[•] All who are able, are invited to stand



- 1. Je sus shall reign wher e're the sun
- 2. Bless-ings a bound wher e're He reigns;
- 3. Peo ple and realms of ev ery tongue

4. Let ev-'ry crea - ture rise and bring

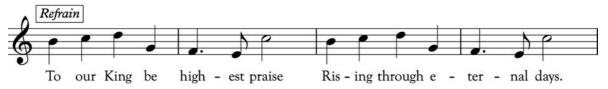
does its suc-cess-ive jour-neys run; The pris-'ner leaps to lose her chains;

Dwell on His love with sweet-est song; Bless-ing and hon-or to our King;



His king-dom stretch from shore to shore, The wea - ry find e - ter - nal rest, And in - fant voi - ces shall pro-claim An-gels de - scend with songs a - gain,

Till sun shall rise and set no more. And all the sons of want are blessed. Their ear - ly bless-ings on His Name. And earth re-peat the loud "A - men!"





† Offertory Prayer

Patsy Chiles

*Offertory

"Simple Gifts"

arr. Berry

Sandra Hunt, Piano

**Choral Offertory

"At His Name" Adult Choir

Raney

♦ Response 815

Doxology

OLD HUNDREDTH

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise Him, all creatures here below;

Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Scripture Reading

Ecclesiastes 9:1-7

Allan Smith

Reader: The Word of God for the people of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

"Living Each Day for the Rest of Your Life"

Brad Creed

Discipline of Silence

Take a moment to hear what the Spirit may be speaking to you.

\Phi Hymn 568

May the Mind of Christ, My Savior

ST. LEONARDS

A minister will be at the front during this time to welcome any prayer need or decision you would like to share - whether it is to publicly profess faith in Christ or to join the Greystone church family. Respond as God's Spirit leads.

† Passing the Peace

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

**Parent and Child Dedication

Luke Harrell Nix

Celebrating Community

April Alston

♦ Sending Song 209

This Is the Day

Garrett

This is the day, this is the day that the Lord has made, that the Lord has made: We will rejoice, we will rejoice and be glad init, and be glad in it. This is the day that the Lord has made; We will rejoice and be glad in it.

This is the day, this is the day that the Lord has made.

† Benediction

Brad Creed

Postlude

"Iubilation" Tim Hendrix, Organ

G.F. Handel; arr. Hopson

Worship Notes

The flowers today are provided by Jeff and Nancy Register in celebration of Juanita Register's 100th birthday on September 19.

A Time of Dedication Luke Harrell Nix



Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not rely on your own insight. In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make straight your paths.

- Proverbs 3:5-6

We welcome to Greystone this morning Luke Harrell Nix, son of Adam and Cori Nix. Through this dedication, the family pledges to raise Luke in the nurture and admonition of the Lord, and Greystone pledges our support in their efforts so that when Luke reaches an appropriate age he may choose for himself to follow Jesus Christ as Lord. Joining us on this special day are Luke's parents, Adam and Cori Nix, grandparents, great grandparents, aunts, uncles, cousins and special family friends.

Today's Worship Leaders

Dr. J. Bradley Creed is our guest proclaimer this morning. Dr. Creed began his duties as Campbell University's fifth president on July 1, 2015. Previously, Creed was the Provost and Executive Vice President and Professor of Religion at Samford University in Birmingham, Alabama.

Prior to joining Samford in 2001, Creed was a Professor of Christian History, Associate Dean and Dean at the George W. Truett Theological Seminary of Baylor University in Waco, Texas. He also served as the Scholar in Residence at the Baptist Joint Committee on Religious Liberty in Washington, D.C., and visiting a Professor of Church History at the John Leland Center for Theological Studies in Falls Church, Virginia.

A Jacksonville, Texas, native, Creed received a Bachelor of Arts degree in Religion from Baylor University. He earned his Master of Divinity and Doctor of Philosophy degrees from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in Fort Worth, Texas. He is a frequent speaker for universities, civic organizations, and churches. Creed is also the author of several published works and articles on religion, ethics, education, and history which have appeared in journals, magazines, and books.

Creed currently serves on the boards of the

Council of Independent Colleges (CIC), the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC), and North Carolina Independent Colleges and Universities (NCICU).

Patsy Chiles, Deacon of the Week (919) 783-5780; chilesp630@aol.com Patsy is married to Jerry. They joined in November of 2012 and are members of The Edge class. Patsy serves on the Outreach Committee.

Marc and Kim Wyatt are CBF Global Missions Field Personnel serving in the Raleigh area since 2014. The Wyatt's seek to empower the Kingdom efforts of churches, mission organizations and individuals reaching out to refugees, immigrants (documented and otherwise), international students, visiting scholars and their family and those unfortunately caught in modern day slavery – the trafficked.

Lou Dawson is married to Carl. They joined in September 1989 and are members of the Life Application class. Lou serves on the Preschool Children's Ministry Committee and is active in the music ministry.

Music for Worship





food · community · sustainability

Rise Against Hunger - Plan to come to church on Sunday, October 7 for a morning of "working worship". We will have one worship service at 8:45 AM and then go to the Fellowship Hall to package meals for Rise Against Hunger, an international hunger relief organization that distributes food and life-changing aid to the world's most vulnerable, mobilizing the necessary resources to end hunger by 2030. Wear comfortable clothes and comfortable shoes. Consider inviting a friend.



Oct. 24 - Trunk or Treat - There are several ways to be part of the fun and excitement. We need people to decorate and host trunks, people to run games on the night of the 24th, and we need donations of individually wrapped candy, stickers or other small prizes. Please bring these by the office between now and Oct. 24th. If you are interested in volunteering or have questions, call April Alston. There are sign-up sheets located in the hallway by the information table and in the Sunday School classrooms.



Sunday, December 9 | 6:30 pm

Featuring the Greystone Music Ministries with Orchestra and Narration

Mark your calendars now for this evening of music as we celebrate the Christmas Story!

Wednesday Nights in September

ADULT STUDIES IN SEPTEMBER - We have several different options for adults this month. Take a look at the offerings and join in with friends to discuss, learn and share. If you have any questions, contact Amanda Atkin.

- Bible Study: Amanda Atkin will lead a discussion of the book of Acts. Acts is full of interesting stories and adventures of the early church. You definitely will be surprised and challenged by what you find there. This group will meet in the upstairs of the West Wing.
- Book Study: Evangelism for the 21st Century, a study of Jim Henderson's book "Evangelism Without Additives". Do you ever feel like everyone and everything has changed and struggle with how to share your faith in today's world? What if sharing your faith meant just being yourself? Jerry Chiles will lead a discussion about how to be yourself and use who you are and how God has gifted you to share his love. The book is easily found on Amazon or a few copies are available in the office. This study will be held in the Grace Fellowship SS classroom, (room 2, West Wing, upper level).

WEDNESDAY NIGHT DINNERS AT GREYSTONE - Reservations are essential: 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 by signing up through our church website. 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. **September 26 menu**: Roasted pork loin with raspberry chipotle sauce (on the side), green beans, sweet potatoes, roll.

Prayer List

Praise

- Birth of Nolan Michael Hilliard, 9/8/18, born to parents, Matthew (Matt) and Karyl Hilliard and grandparents, Becky and Charlie Hilliard.
- Birth of Hattie Elizabeth Wilder, 9/1/18, born to parents Wes and Megan Wilder and grandparents, Steve and Angela Rose.

Hospital

- Ken Mitchell, Wake Rehab
- Eunice Bland, Stewart Health Center

Health Concerns

- Lilian Chan Grant's friend, Alida Verdone
- Deanna Choplin's new born cousin, Lottie
- Ron Thompson's friend, John Darr
- Ramona Taylor's sister, Teresa
- Ginny Liverance's friend, Renee Bischoff
- Louise Estes' friend, Frank Marshall and his family
- Steve Holden
- Vercie Eller
- Carl Dawson's mother, Lorraine Dawson
- Michelle Byrd's mother, Cynthia Rockwell
- Debbie Reynold's friend, Sue Lewis
- Cathy Perkinson
- Jack Hughens
- Karen Brewer's sister, Nancy
- Dottie Thompson's grandson, Edward Thompson

Residential / Health Care Facilities

Sunrise at North Hills: Jean Brown Springmoor (SHC): Vergie Baxley, Lib Daniels, Sallie Greene, Pauline Noble, Juanita Register, Greta McMillan

Sympathy

- Lilian Chan Grant's family on the death of her uncle, Pedro Chan, 9/19/18
- The Munyankuyo family on the death of their wife and mother, Njagari, 9/12/18

Coming up at Greystone

Leadership Council Meeting - There will be a Leadership Council meeting today, in the Fellowship Hall after the 11:00 service. Members may bring their lunch.

Disaster Relief - On Sunday, September 30, we will be receiving a special offering to respond to the disaster of Hurricane Florence. Each of us is deeply grieved at the images we are seeing and the flood levels being reported from our neighbors down east. During worship, Natasha Nedrick from CBF National will be with us to share some of the ways that our partners are already in place and serving. We know that you are searching for ways to give and help. Please consider bringing a separate contribution on September 30. We will be collecting monies for hurricane relief at the end of the service. There will also be a sign up sheet if you are interested in participating in one of our upcoming disaster relief weekends.

Buddy Break News - There will be a training session on Sunday, Oct. 7 from 3:00 - 5:00 PM in the Youth Bldg., rooms 7, 8 & 9. Please contact Nancy Register with any questions, 919-781-2571.

Hold the Date - All Church Breakfast - Sunday, October 21, 9:30 - 10:00 AM, Fellowship Hall.

Benevolence Fund - The Munyankuyo family came to Raleigh at the beginning of July as refugees from the Congo. As a church we furnished their apartment and collected the needed supplies to set up their new home. In the nine short weeks that this family has been in America, they have found employment, enrolled their children in school, begun ESL classes and joined the wonderful faith community at Shiloh Restoration Church which is led by our friend and partner, Pastor Felix Iyoko. Sadly, on Wednesday,

September 12, as we were all preparing for the coming storm from the Atlantic, Mrs. Munyankuyo was found dead in her home. She simply did not wake up that morning. There are seven children in this family - 5 of which are under the age of 16, two are still in Africa.

The life of a newly arrived refugee to our country is very difficult. It can be overwhelming and confusing in and of itself. Add to this the death of a wife and a mother. You can imagine the grief and crisis of this situation is profound. Thankfully, this family has the support of Shiloh Restoration Church to walk with them through their grief. Hope Refugee Partners, who tutor these children every afternoon, are working to provide meals for this family until December. Marc and Kim Wyatt, are treasured friends who have been present for this family at some of their most difficult moments. We are working to raise the monies needed for funeral expenses. This family is very new to America. We are seeking to provide for them a funeral that most closely resembles the traditions and customs of their home country. Cremation is not an acceptable alternative for them, so we are working with a local funeral home and cemetery to provide a green funeral. Any monies raised beyond needed funeral expenses will go to this family to support them as they face the loss of a significant wage earner and matriarch. We have received pledges and money from several local churches, NC CBF and even a church in Canada. While Greystone is heading this ministry response, we certainly do not do this alone.

If you would like to give, please make your check to Greystone and note on the check: Munyankuyo Family. Please pray for this family as they travel a very difficult path of grief.



Sunday, Sept. 23

8:45 & 11:00 am Worship 9:45 Sunday School

12:00 pm Leadership Council meeting

4:00 Grace Tones Ensemble rehearsal

5:00 Student Choir rehearsal 6:00 Youth Dinner and Fellowship

Monday, Sept. 24

6:00 pm Personnel Committee meeting

6:30 Constitution & Bylaws Committee mtg.

Weekday Preschool Committee meeting

AA Women's Group

7:00 Stewardship Committee meeting

8:00 AA Co-ed Group

Tuesday, Sept. 25

9:30 am Staff meeting
6:00 pm Music Team meeting
6:30 AA Women's Group

Wednesday, Sept. 26

5:30 pm Wednesday Night Live Dinner

6:00 Children's Worship Arts & Music (WAM!)

6:15 Prayer & Adult Study

Youth Selah

6:45 Children - Mission Study 7:15 Adult Choir Rehearsal

Friday, Sept. 28

8:00 pm AA Group

Child Care Helpers

Today

Brian & Lilian Grant, James & Shyla Tatum, Brad & April Walker, Brent & Jennifer Walker

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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.