

Twenty-fifth Sunday after Pentecost



GREYSTONE
BAPTIST CHURCH

every member a minister.

SUNDAY WORSHIP
NOVEMBER 11, 2018

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 Greystone. 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 Greystone, 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.

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Reflection

If only 7 percent of the 2 billion Christians in the world would care for a single orphan in distress, there would effectively be no more orphans. If everybody would be willing to simply do something to care for one of these precious treasures, I think we would be amazed by just how much we could change the world.

- Steven Curtis Chapman

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THE WORSHIP OF GOD

Sunday, November 11

8:45 and 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	“Spirit of Faith, Come Down” Pam Weis, Organ	arr. G. Martin
Welcome		Barry Howard
Opening Sentences		Mike Eller
✠ Hymn 225	Come, Christians, Join to Sing All Stanzas <i>Children come forward during the last stanza</i>	MADRID
Children’s Message		April Alston
**Worship Reflection	“Guide My Feet” Adult Choir	Traditional Spiritual
Ministry Moment		Jane Cregger and Kerry Crabb

*8:45 worship service / **11:00 worship service

✠ All who are able, are invited to stand

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



Hymn

God, We See What You Have Given

BEACH SPRING

Text: Carolyn Winfrey Gillette,
Mike Eller

God, we see what You have given; Signs of grace are everywhere!
All around are gifts from heaven — Gifts enough for all to share.
We are stewards of Your bounty, called to give as we've received;
And Your blessings have been plenty from the day we first believed.

We are stewards of the richness that You send from heav'n above.
For in Christ, You gave up greatness, humbly showing us Your love.
In a manger — gift from heaven! On a cross — with love and pain!
You proclaimed we are forgiven, we know freedom in Your name.

We are stewards of resources You've entrusted to our care.
Like the widow, with a penny, gave You all she had to share,
May You find us holding loosely our possessions from the start;
For we'll know the greater blessing is to have a giving heart.



Offertory Prayer

Marcia Ostendorff

Vocal Offering

“Every Time I Feel the Spirit”
Grace Tones Ensemble

arr. R. Powell



Response 815

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

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

Esther 4:12-16

Mike Eller

Reader: The Word of the Lord.
Response: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

“For a Time Such as This”

Barry Howard

Discipline of Silence

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

Communion

Gluten-free bread is available at the back of the Sanctuary.

The Bread

"Let Us Break Bread Together"

Zabel

Pam Weis, Organ

The Cup

"Am I A Soldier of the Cross?"

arr. R. Williamson

Pam Weis, Organ

✦ Sharing of Gratitude

Leader: Today, we are grateful.

People: In all things, thanks be to God.

✦ Chorus

I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me

Taylor

*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.*

I'm gon-na live so God can use me an-y time
...work
...pray

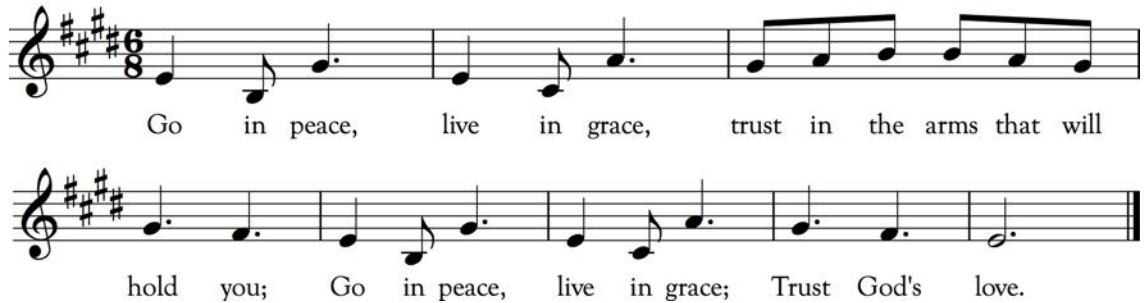
and an-y-where I'm gon-na live so God can
...work
...pray

use me an-y time and an-y-where.

♣ Sending Song

Go in Peace

Crockett



♣ Benediction

Barry Howard

Postlude

“Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee”

arr. M. Limbaugh

Pam Weis, Organ

Worship Notes

The flowers today are provided by Pepper and Heather Choplin in celebration of their 37th wedding anniversary.

The carnations placed at the front today are in honor of two birthdays: Caralie Brown's 98th birthday on November 13, and Mel Dickens' 91st birthday on November 16.

Worship Leaders

Marcia Ostendorff, Deacon of the Week

919-812-6552, ostendorff@bellsouth.net

Marcia is married to Lou and they joined in October of 1996. Marcia is a member of The Edge class and serves as Chair of the Missions Committee.

Jane Cregger is married to Pete. They joined in February of 1990 and are members of the Salt and Light class. Jane serves on the Stewardship Committee and as Chair of the Teller Team.

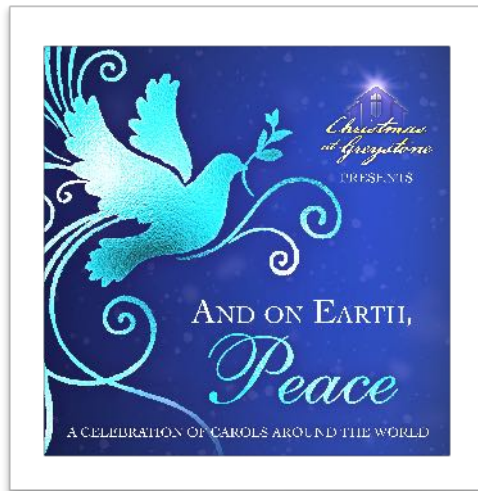
Kerry Crabb is married to Barbara. They joined in September of 2002 and are members of the Grace Fellowship class. Kerry serves as an Usher and as Chair of the Deacons.

Sharing Our Thanks

Today we offer our thanks for **Pastor Barry Howard** as he concludes his time as Pastor in the Interim to our congregation. We wish him to know that we appreciate what he has done in ministry among us during a time of transition in the life of our church. As we recognize the endings and beginnings that are a part of our life together at Greystone, we say thank you for what has been and ask God's blessings on what will be. To God be the glory.



It is with great excitement and anticipation that we welcome **Chrissy Tatum Williamson** as Greystone's next Senior Pastor. Chrissy, Justin and their daughter Mia will be coming to us in January from their church in Charlotte, NC. We look forward to years of ministry together in this community and are grateful to journey with you in this new season in the church's life. To God be the glory.



Christmas at Greystone: And On Earth, Peace

Sunday, Dec. 9 at 6:30 pm

FEATURING THE GBC MUSIC MINISTRIES

WITH NARRATION AND ORCHESTRA

The whole world yearns for peace—and peace is a promise of God as found in the gift of Jesus Christ. Join us this night as we celebrate with songs and carols of peace from cultures around the world in this program of music and the spoken word.

Childcare available.

Wednesday Nights this Fall

STUDIES FOR ADULTS - Join us for a reading and discussion of Rachel Held Evans' newest book, *Inspired: Slaying Giants, Walking on Water, and Loving the Bible Again*. Applying the skills of a scholar and a writer, Evans examines some of our favorite Bible stories and possible interpretations, examining and celebrating them through different literary genres. Through this holy work, she discovers that the Bible is not a static work but is a living, breathing, captivating, and confounding book that is able to equip us to join God's loving and redemptive work in the world. Please let Amanda know if you would like for her to order a copy of the book for you (amanda.atkin@greystonechurch.org).

Our reading of Acts has led to wonderful conversations and thoughtful reflection on how the church began and is still growing and living into its calling to share the continuing story of Jesus Christ the Messiah. We have delved into the power of story to transform the world, why truth matters and how there seems to be this irresistible force that keeps broadening the circles of who is in and who is out. Bring your Bibles and join this reading/reflection group. This study is held at 6:30 in the West Wing.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT DINNERS AT GREYSTONE - Reservations are essential: We will accept reservations until noon on Mondays. You can reserve your meal by filling in a reservation card (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. Meals are \$7 per adult and \$4 per child with a family cap of \$20. 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. 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. **Upcoming Menus:** 11/14: Lemon Chicken, mac & cheese, mixed veggies, roll; 11/21: No Wednesday night activities; 11/28: No Wednesday night dinner due to Church in Conference which will take the place of adult studies. All other Wednesday night activities will be as normally scheduled.

ADVENT WORSHIP @ GREYSTONE 2018

Hanging of the Green Service

DECEMBER 2

6:30 PM

Usher in the Advent season with this family-friendly service in which we will decorate our sanctuary – including carols, music and readings

Christmas at Greystone: And on Earth, Peace

DECEMBER 9

6:30 PM

A musical celebration of carols from around the world featuring the GBC Music Ministries, with Orchestra and Narration

The Living Nativity

DECEMBER 16 & 17

6:15 & 7:00 PM

Join us for this retelling of Christ's birth by our nativity characters

Children's Nativity in Morning Worship

DECEMBER 23

10:30 AM

Morning Worship featuring readings and songs led by the children

Service of Hope and Remembrance

DECEMBER 23

6:30 PM

A reflective service for those living with loss and grief - in the Gathering Room

Carols, Communion and Candlelight

DECEMBER 24

5:30 PM

A family-friendly Christmas Eve service, with carols, candles and communion

Prayer List

Praise

- Birth of Haven Rowan Rose, 10/30/18, born to parents, Nathan and Katie Rose, and grandparents Steve and Angela Rose.
- Birth of Fisher Lee Bagwell, 10/16/18, born to parents, Joseph and Ali Bagwell, and grandparents, Skip and Jill Pike

Health Concerns

- Molly Walker
- Deanna Choplin's cousin, Lottie
- Louise Estes' friend, Frank Marshall
- Jack Hughens
- Amy Davis's brother-in-law, Chris Renn
- Dan Nichols
- Ron Thompson's friend, John Darr
- Joe LeNoir's brother, Bryan LeNoir
- Ginny Liverance's friend, Renee Bischoff
- Ken Mitchell
- Patti Austin's sister, Cheryl Bryant

Residential / Health Care Facilities

Sunrise at North Hills: Jean Brown

Springmoor (SHC): Vergie Baxley, Lib Daniels, Becky Dean, Sallie Greene, Juanita Register, Greta McMillan

Sympathy

- Family of Bill King on the death of his daughter, Caroline, 10/20/18
- Family of Tracy Smith on the death of his father, Roy Smith, 10/18/18

Updated Prayer Requests - Greystone is a community of friends who believe in the power of prayer.

As we begin a new church year, we will begin a new prayer list. We hope that you will provide updates to the concerns you have previously shared with us and continue to inform us of ways that we can prayerfully support you and those close to you. We are hoping to create a living document and will be working to keep this list vital and current by updating it every month. Any request that you submit will remain on the prayer list for a month. After a month we hope that you will offer an update and advise if this is still an ongoing need. We are humbled and grateful for the ability to come alongside you in your distress and in your joy to offer prayers to our loving, creative and merciful God.

Coming up at Greystone

Maturing and Ministering - Greystone is currently in the midst of our 2018 - 2019 Stewardship Drive, Maturing and Ministering. This is an exciting time as we recommit to our own Christian journey. You should have already received a mailing with a letter from the Stewardship Committee, a devotional guide and a pledge card. We hope that you will prayerfully consider how to respond to this opportunity to share your financial resources, as well as reflect on how you can utilize your spiritual gifts this year as we work together to learn and grow as a church community. On November 18, we will celebrate our renewed commitments by bringing our pledge cards forward at an appointed time during both worship services. You can mail or drop off your pledge card ahead of time to the church office if you are unable to attend on the 18th. Please join us in Maturing and Ministering at Greystone as we discover what God has in store for our church. Extra devotionals and pledge cards are in the hallway on the information table.

Senior sponsored trip - Join us Friday, 11/16 for a trip to historic Halifax, NC where the first official action taken by an entire colony took place declaring independence from England. We will dine at the Hen and the Hog before the tour. We will depart at 9:15 AM from the Sawmill parking lot. A sign up sheet is in the hallway. Contact Cathy Smith (smithcat11@gmail.com) with any questions.

Leadership Council Meeting - There will be a Leadership Council meeting in the Fellowship Hall on Sunday, Nov. 18 following the 11:00 service. Members may bring their lunch.

Church in Conference - The next Church in Conference will be on Wednesday, November 28 at 6:15 PM in the Sanctuary. There will be no Wednesday night dinner on this date. The Church in Conference will take the place of the adult studies but all other Wednesday night activities will be as normally scheduled.

Hurricane Relief Trip, December 8 - As we begin to make plans and think about holidays, gathering with family and friends, and the joy of the season, consider this opportunity to reach out and help your neighbors who are in desperate need. Hurricane Florence devastated sections of our state that were already trying to recover from previous hurricanes. We will be sending a team to Lumberton to clean out a flood damaged home on Saturday, December 8. If you can share a day to help a family in need, please contact Jerry Chiles, jerrychiles1@gmail.com. No experience necessary.

Worship During Advent - During this season of Advent (Dec. 2, 9, 16 and 23) we will come together for fellowship and enjoy coffee and cider at 9:15 AM, Sunday school at 9:30 AM and worship together at 10:30 AM. There will be no 8:45 service. On December 30, we will share donuts and beverages at 10:00 AM and worship together at 10:30 AM (no 8:45 service). See the *Advent Worship @ Greystone 2018* in today's bulletin for more worship opportunities. The regular worship schedule will resume Sunday, January 6.

Sunday, Nov. 11

8:45 & 11:00 am	Youth Return from Fall Retreat
9:45	Worship Service
3:00 pm	Sunday School
4:00	Preschool Children's Ministry Comm. mtg.
5:00	Grace Tones Ensemble rehearsal
6:00	Student Choir Rehearsal
	Handbell Choir Rehearsal

Monday, Nov. 12

6:00 pm	Finance Committee meeting
	Personnel Committee meeting
6:30	AA Women's Group
7:00	Information Technology Committee meeting
8:00	AA Co-ed Group

Tuesday, Nov. 13

9:30 am	Staff meeting
6:30 pm	AA Women's Group
7:00	Deacon meeting

Wednesday, Nov. 14

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, Nov. 16

9:15 am	Senior Adult Sponsored Trip
8:00 pm	AA Group

Child Care Helpers

Today - Katie Lindsey, Will Moody & Annie Hardison-Moody,
Donnie & Jean Moorefield, Pam Ouzts

November 18 - Eddy & Amy Ng, David Alston, Susan Burnette,
AnaRita Eason, John Clark, Suzanne Best, Eileen Trawick

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Our Mission

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