

GREYSTONE
BAPTIST CHURCH

every member a minister.

SUNDAY WORSHIP
MARCH 31, 2019

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.

Reflection

"Addiction" might be the best word to explain the lostness that so deeply permeates society. Our addictions make us cling to what the world proclaims as the keys to self-fulfillment. These addictions create expectations that cannot but fail to satisfy our deepest needs. As long as we live within the world's delusions, our addictions condemn us to futile quests in "the distant country," leaving us to face an endless series of disillusionments while our sense of self remains unfulfilled. In these days of increasing addictions, we have wandered far away from our Father's home. The addicted life can aptly be designated a life lived in "a distant country." It is from there that our cry for deliverance rises up."

- Henri J. M. Nouwen,
*The Return of the Prodigal Son:
A Story of Homecoming*



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THE WORSHIP OF GOD

Fourth Sunday in Lent

Sunday, March 31

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 “Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee” arr. A. Davis
Pam Weis, Organ

Welcome Allan Smith

Invocation Johnathan Ngandu

✠ **Chorus** Open the Eyes of My Heart Baloche
*See music and text at the end of the worship order
Children come forward following the singing*

Children’s Message Deanna Choplin, Nicole Moorefield, Kristen Pickles

Worship Reflection “As the Deer” Nystrom
Pam Weis, Organ
Children will come around and collect pocket change during this time

Scripture Reading Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

Response: Thanks be to God.

Worship Reflection “Prelude No. 7 in B Minor” Vandall
Jamie Brookshire, Piano

*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.

Meditation

“The Older Brother”

Aaron Ng

Call to Confession

Charlie Vestal

As sons and daughters of God living in community, we approach our Father in Heaven fully aware of who we are. Though we are loved unconditionally, we are quick to construct boundaries that prevent us from sharing God's love with others. With a contrite heart, let us confess openly to God.

Prayer of Confession

Eternal and merciful God, you have loved us with a love beyond all understanding, but we have not loved you. You constantly call us, but we do not listen. You ask us to love, but we walk away from neighbors in need, focused on our own concerns. We are a self-centered people, looking for opportunities to boast of our own accomplishments instead of humbly offering our lives to you.

Gracious God, we are a jealous people. We look to discredit others when we should celebrate them. We wonder why we are not receiving the praise we so desperately crave. We fear that who we are is not enough, that your abundant grace is not enough to redeem us. We are insecure and anxious in your sight.

Embrace us with the love that can only come from God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Brothers and Sisters, each of you is a precious, beloved child of God, with whom God is well pleased.

✠ Hymn

The Lord Is My Salvation

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Meditation

“The Prodigal Son”

Jackson Hollingsworth

✠ Hymn 583

You Are My All in All

Jernigan

Both Stanzas

✠ Offertory Prayer

Cameron Horton

Vocal Offertory

“You Are More”

Tenth Avenue North

Jillian Brookshire, Diana Dew, Aaron Ng,
Kristen Pickles, Sara Vandersip, Sydney Walker

Music for Worship

Open the Eyes of My Heart

Baloche

Verse

O - pen the eyes of my heart, Lord. O - pen the eyes of my heart,
— I want to see You, I want to see You;

Refrain

see You. To see You high and lift - ed up,
shin - ing in the light of Your glo - ry; pour out Your pow - er and love
(to Verse)
as we sing, "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly."

Coda

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, ho -
- ly; ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, I want to
1. see You. 2. see You.

The Lord Is My Salvation

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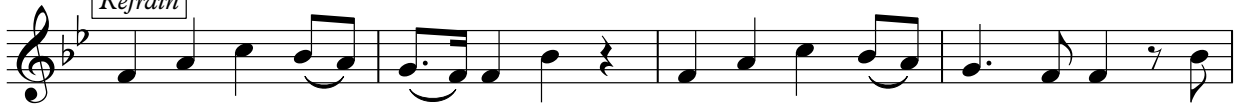


1. 2. The grace of God has reached for me, and pulled me from a rag - ing sea,
3. My hope is hid - den in the Lord, He flow'rs each prom - ise of His word.
4. In times of wait - ing, times of need, when I know loss, when I am weak,



and I am safe on this sol - id ground— the Lord is my sal - va - tion.
When win - ter fades, I know spring will come— the Lord is my sal - va - tion.
I know His grace will re - new these days— the Lord is my sal - va - tion.

Refrain



Who is like the Lord our God? Strong to save, faith - ful in love. My



debt is paid and the vic - to - ry won— the Lord is my sal - va - tion.

Worship Notes

The flowers today are provided by Will Moody, Annie Hardison-Moody, Lilly and Sophie in celebration of Greystone receiving the Church Award from Baptist Women in Ministry of North Carolina for 2019 and with thanks for all that Greystone has done to support women in ministry since our founding.

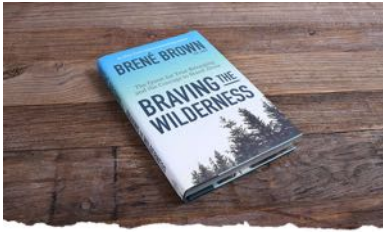
Worship Leaders

John Vestal, Deacon of the Week

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John joined in January of 2002 and serves as chair of the Deacon Nominating Committee and the Information Technology Committee.

We are thankful for the **Greystone Youth** leading in worship this morning.



LENTEN BOOK STUDY

Braving the Wilderness Discussion Groups

Sunday Morning Discussion:

10:00 AM: 3/3, 3/10, 3/17

For adults looking for a Sunday morning study group. Location: West Wing

Springmoor Discussion Group:

2:00 PM: 3/11, 3/18, 3/25, 4/1, 4/8

Gather with other senior adults for a Monday afternoon discussion.
Location: Springmoor Chapel

Play & Chat:

Sunday, 3/24: 4:00 PM; Saturday, 4/6: 4:00 PM

Bring your kids to play in the park while we chat about this book. Feel free to also bring a picnic for after the discussion for a time of whole family fellowship. Location: North Hills Park

Youth Parent Discussion:

6:30 PM: 3/17, 3/24, 3/31

For parents of middle and high schoolers on Sunday evenings. Location: West Wing

Coffee Talk:

7:30 AM: 3/12, 3/19, 3/26

Meet at Bruegger's in Stonehenge for an "on your way to work" group. Location: Bruegger's, Stonehenge

Preschool Moms Coffee Discussion:

11:30 AM: 4/3, 5/1

Before you pick up the kids from preschool, join us for a time of fellowship and discussion.
Location: Gonza's

Lenten Worship Opportunities

Palm Sunday Worship:

The Body of Christ Cantata

Sunday, April 14 | 11:00 am

*No 8:45 am service

Maundy Thursday Service

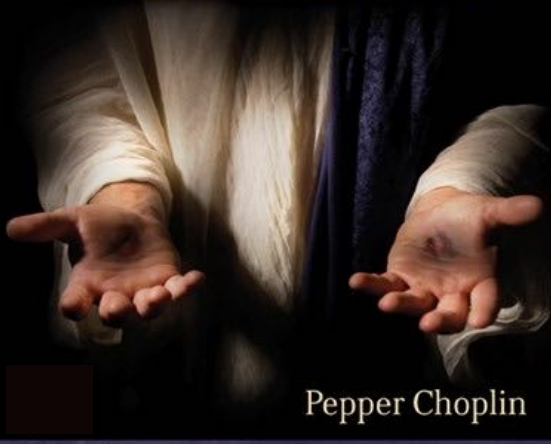
Thursday, April 18 | 6:30 pm

Easter Sunday Worship

Sunday, April 21 | 8:45 & 11:00 am

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“THE BODY OF CHRIST” IN MORNING WORSHIP

SUNDAY, APRIL 14

11 AM

GREYSTONE BAPTIST CHURCH

presented by the GBC Adult Choir
with chamber orchestra

Prayer List

- Celebrating the birth of Mable Anne Beauchaine, 3/27/19, daughter of Jon and Tonya, granddaughter to Jack and Joyce
- Celebrating the birth of Logan Howard Nix, 3/17/19, son of Adam and Cori, grandson of Roger and Genice and brother of Luke
- Celebrating the birth of Beau Wilson Mallard, 3/11/19, son of Ben and Megan, brother of Katie
- Grace Parnell, Stewart Health Center
- Steve Little
- John Horton's grandmother
- Priscilla Crumpler's brother, Sid Hamrick
- Steve and Angela Rose's newborn great nephew, Jaxon Morgan
- Karen Brewer's sister, Nancy
- Sandra Wilson
- Ashlyn Top
- Joan Murphy's friend, Lori
- Joan Murphy's friend, Doug McDonald
- Morgan Ogden Burns' husband, Clint Burns
- Susan Burnette's friend Molly Stevens and her family
- Pat Boone's family on the death of his mother, Mary Boone, 3/22/19
- The family of Tommie Bennett on her death, 3/12/19
- Linda Peterson's family on the death of her uncle, Pat Kelly, 3/1/19

Residential / Health Care Facilities

Sunrise at North Hills: Jean Brown

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

If you have an emergency or a need for a pastor outside of normal office hours, please call our on-call number, 919-817-8975. The minister on call this week is April Alston.

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

Pocket Change Sunday - Today our students will be collecting loose change and paper bills to buy socks for the Clothing Closet. This ministry strives to provide adequate clothing for families, the homeless, those in transition from relocation or re-entry into the workforce, or any person with an identifiable need. It was established in 1983 and serves 1,000 people each month.

Wednesday Nights - On Wednesday nights we will continue our Lenten study of Brené Brown's *Braving the Wilderness*. Brown offers that there are four essential practices for true belonging: Move In, Be Civil, Hold Hands, and have a Strong Back, a Soft Front and a Wild Heart. We will be offering many different opportunities to discuss this work. Pick up a schedule of discussion groups, a copy of the book, and join us on this wilderness journey.

\$5 Wednesdays in April - All throughout April our fellowship meal will cost only \$5 for adults. If you haven't joined us for delicious food and friendly conversation, now is your opportunity. On April 3 our menu will feature BBQ and Fried Chicken from Raleigh's own, Cooper's BBQ. We will put the church's new grill to use and offer hamburgers and hot dogs at a cook out on April 10. And finally on April 18 (THURSDAY) we will offer homemade lasagna. Make a reservation and bring your \$5!

All Church Breakfast - Sunday, April 7
Mark your calendar to join us for good food and fellowship, next Sunday at 9:30 AM in the Fellowship Hall.

Called Church in Conference - Sabbatical
There will be a called Church in Conference on Sunday, April 7 following the 11:00 service in the Sanctuary. Members are encouraged to attend.

Disaster Relief - In February we sent a group of church members to continue our work with the residents in and around Lumberton as they seek to recover from recent flooding. On April 13 we will continue this work in Warsaw, NC. If you would

like to join us on this one day mission trip, please contact Jerry Chiles. All skill levels are welcome!

Second Sunday Family Fellowship - Join us across the street at Sawmill Taproom for lunch together after the 11:00 worship on April 14. This is a wonderful way to connect with one another and enjoy fellowship time together. This is a church-wide fellowship and all are invited. Contact April Alston with any questions.

Spring Carnival - On Wednesday, April 24 we will invite our community to our campus for the Spring Carnival. This is a great way to welcome folks into this family that we call Greystone and let them get to know us a little better. We would love to have your help and there are a myriad of opportunities to do that. Sign up to help in your Sunday school classroom or in the hallway outside the Sanctuary. You can also help provide prizes for games by purchasing something from our Amazon wishlist. Contact April Alston for the link.

GBC Beautification Day, Saturday Morning, May 4 - Save the date for an opportunity to join in the cleanup and maintenance.

Save the Dates:

- **Missions Fair** - On Sunday, May 19, the Missions Committee will host a Missions Fair from 9:15 - 10:45. We hope that you will join us for a look at the many and varied ministries of Greystone and meet some of our local partners.
- **Senior Adult Team-sponsored Trip, May 31**
Please join us for a tour of historic Halifax where this entire colony recommended independence from England during the Revolution. More information coming soon.
- **Summer Music & Arts Camp**
JUNE 17 - 21, 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM. Registration now open for grades completed 1st - completed 6th! Visit the church website and click on the homepage banner for more information.
- **Vacation Bible School** - Mark your calendars for Vacation Bible School, August 8 - 11.

Sunday, Mar. 31	Pocket Change Sunday
8:45 & 11:00 am	Morning Worship
9:45	Sunday School
4:00 pm	Grace Tones Ensemble rehearsal
5:00	Handbell Choir rehearsal
6:30	Braving the Wilderness - Youth Parent
Monday, Apr. 1	
2:00 pm	Braving the Wilderness - Springmoor
6:30	AA Women's Group
7:00	Outreach Comm./Stewardship Comm. mtg.
7:00	Student Ministry Leadership Comm. mtg.
8:00	AA Co-ed Group
Tuesday, Apr. 2	
6:30 pm	AA Women's Group
Wednesday, Apr. 3	
11:30 am	Braving the Wilderness - Preschool Moms
5:30 pm	Wednesday Night Live Dinner
6:00	Children's Worship Arts & Music (WAM!)
6:15	Prayer, then Adult Study Youth - <i>Selah</i>
6:45	Children - Mission Study
7:15	Adult Choir rehearsal
Friday, Apr. 5	
8:00 pm	AA Group
Saturday, Apr. 6	
10:00 am	Kindergarten Physicals (Cedar Point)
4:00 pm	Braving the Wilderness Play & Chat

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Today - Lou Dawson, Steve & Linda Wheeler, Kaye Roberts, Barbara Crabb, Joy Croom Griffin

April 7 - Jim & Natalie Herrmann, Jeff & Nancy Register, Cheryl Grimes, Missy Brookshire, Ginny Liverance

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.