



GREYSTONE
BAPTIST CHURCH

every member a minister.

SUNDAY WORSHIP
SEPTEMBER 15, 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.

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Reflection

God stir the soil,
Run the ploughshare deep,
Cut the furrows round and round,
Overturn the hard, dry ground,
Spare no strength nor toil,
Even though I weep.
In the loose, fresh mangled earth
Sow new seed.
Free of withered vine and weed
Bring fair flower to birth.

-Prayer from Singapore,
Church Missionary Society



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FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Sunday, September 15

8:45 am

As we gather, take a moment to prepare your hearts for worship.

Welcome Chrissy Tatum Williamson

Call to Worship Psalm 18:46 Chris Haire

Hymn 36 He Is Exalted HE IS EXALTED

*The congregation sings two times.
Children come forward while congregation sings the second time through.*

Children’s Message Missy Brookshire

Worship Reflection “O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus” EBENEZER
Cynthia Griesedieck, Piano

Scripture Reading Matthew 13:1-9 Kay Meyer
Reader: The Word of God for the people of God.
Response: Thanks be to God.

Pastoral Prayer Amanda Atkin

Hymn 734 Be Strong in the Lord STRENGTH
All Stanzas

Offertory Prayer Bob Millikan

Offertory

“O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go”

arr. John Purifoy

Cynthia Griesedieck, Piano

Scripture Reading

Matthew 13:24-30

John Meyer

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

Response: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

“Consider the Soil”

Chrissy Tatum Williamson

Discipline of Silence

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

Hymn of Response 654

Change My Heart, O God

CHANGE MY HEART

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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.

Celebrating Community

Amanda Atkin

Sending Song 232

God Be with You

GOD BE WITH YOU

God be with you till we meet again;
By His counsels guide, uphold you,
With His sheep securely fold you;
God be with you till we meet again.

Benediction

Chrissy Tatum Williamson

As you go, go in the grace of God and in the guidance of the Spirit.

Draw Near to God

THE WORSHIP OF GOD

Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday, September 15

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 pew and pass it down the row.*

Prelude

“Prelude in F Major”

Bach

Pam Weis, Organ

Welcome

Chrissy Tatum Williamson

Call to Worship

Psalm 18:46

Chris Haire

✠ **Hymn 82**

Praise the Lord! Ye Heavens, Adore Him

AUSTRIAN HYMN

All Stanzas

Children may move forward for the Children’s Message during the final stanza.

Children’s Message

Missy Brookshire

Worship Reflection

“O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus”

EBENEZER

Cynthia Griesedieck, Piano

Scripture Reading

Matthew 13:1-9

Pat Boone

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

Response: Thanks be to God.

✠ All who are able, are invited to stand

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

Pastoral Prayer Amanda Atkin

⌄ Hymn 734 Be Strong in the Lord STRENGTH
All Stanzas

⌄ Offertory Prayer Bob Millikan

Offertory “O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go” arr. John Purifoy
Cynthia Griesedieck, Piano

⌄ Response 788 Now Thank We All Our God NUN DANKET
Stanza 3

All praise and thanks to God the Father now be given,
The Son, and Him who reigns with them in highest heaven,
The one eternal God, whom earth and heav’n adore;
For thus it was, is now, and shall be evermore.

Scripture Reading Matthew 13:24-30 Steve Rose
Reader: The Word of God for the people of God.
Response: Thanks be to God.

Anthem “Let the Words of My Mouth” arr. Pepper Choplin
Adult Choir

Sermon “Consider the Soil” Chrissy Tatum Williamson

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⌄ Hymn of Response 596 I Surrender All SURRENDER
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✠ Benediction

Chrissy Tatum Williamson

✠ Postlude

“Fanfare Postlude on ‘St. Thomas’ ”

arr. Wagner

Pam Weis, Organ

Worship Notes

The altar flowers today are given by Ron and Joanne Thompson in celebration of their 49th wedding anniversary.

A carnation is placed at the front this morning in honor of Juanita Register's 101st birthday on September 19.

Worship Leaders

Bob Millikan, Deacon of the Week

(919-841-5823; bmillikan2@gmail.com) Bob is married to Joy. They joined in December of 1995 and are members of The Edge class. Bob is chair of the Finance Committee and serves on the Wednesday Night Food Services Team. He is an usher, a greeter, and volunteers in the Worship Care Ministry.

Missy Brookshire is married to Jeb. They joined in September of 2012 and are members of the Young Adults class. Missy teaches the Grade 6-8 Sunday School class and serves on the Ordinances Team and as an usher.

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Worship Leaders cont'd

Kay and John Meyer have been members of Greystone since February of 1996 and are members of the Salt and Light class. Kay is the new Vice Chair of the Diaconate and John serves as Chair of the Properties committee.

Pat Boone is married to Trish and they joined in July of 1993. Pat is a member of the Pathfinders/Fellowship class. Pat will be

installed as a deacon this afternoon and serves as the Church Moderator.

Steve Rose is married to Angela. They joined in April of 2003 and are members of the Grace Fellowship which Steve also helps teach. Steve is Greystone's Property Manager and is active in the music ministry.

Wednesday Night Live - Join Us for Our Adult Study:

The iPhone 4 debuted in 2010. By including a front facing camera, Apple enabled users to see (and photograph) themselves more easily than ever before. A quick "click" and iPhone owners could share their image far and wide. By 2013 the word "selfie" had become so ubiquitous that the Oxford English Dictionary proclaimed it "the word of the year". We see the world and the people around us differently these days. Join us on Wednesday nights in September as we discuss and explore how we discover and recognize the image of God in a digital age. Community prayers will be offered at 6:15 followed by our discussion. We will meet in the Fellowship Hall.

Wednesday Night Schedule:

5:30 - 6:16 - Dinner

6:00 - 7:15 - Children's Missions

6:15 - Community Prayers

6:15 - 7:00 - Youth *Selah*

6:20 - 7:00 - Adult Studies

7:15 - 8:15 - Adult Choir rehearsal

Menus:

September 18: Miltons' Chicken Parmesan with salad and garlic bread

September 25: Pork Roast with raspberry chipotle sauce with mashed potatoes and green beans

Meals are \$7 per adult and \$4 per child. We are offering a family cap of \$20. Please make your reservation by noon, each Monday by filling in a reservation card (located in the Sanctuary pew racks) and placing that card in the offering plates on Sunday, by calling the church office, or by signing up through our church website.

Prayer and Praises

- Birth of Oakley Iris Bagwell, granddaughter to Skip and Jill Pike, 9/10/19
- Our children and leaders who are attending Friends Retreat
- Lisha Stewart's mother, Delores Griffith
- Anne Morgan
- Karen Brewer's sister, Nancy
- AnaRita Eason
- Lauren Brice's grandmother, Diane Davis
- Jane Cregger's niece, Jordan Wells
- Linda Peterson's mother, Virginia Weeks
- Chris Haire's mother, Kathryn Haire
- Joyce Beauchaine
- Carla LeNoir's father-in-law, Joe LeNoir, Sr.
- Carla and Joe LeNoir's friend, Adam Fifield
- Carl Dawson's mother, Lorraine Dawson
- Becky Sansbury's daughter, Anna Randolph
- Skip Pike's sister, Joann Fitzsimmons
- Susan Burnette's friend Molly Stevens and her family
- Johnathan Eshleman's family on the death of his grandmother, Clara Williams, 9/11/19
- Amy Davis's family on the death of her brother-in-law, Chris Renn, 9/5/19
- Family of Greystone employee, Zead Walker on the death of his sister, Pauline Walker Jones, 8/31/19
- Family and friends of Susan Burnette's nephew, Lionel B. Burnette, Jr. (Chip), on his death, 8/18/19

Residential / Health Care Facilities

Sunrise at North Hills: Jean Brown

Springmoor (SHC): Lib Daniels, Becky Dean, Sallie Greene, Pauline Noble,

Juanita Register, Greta McMillan

Pray for our neighbors in the Bahamas and coastal regions affected by Hurricane Dorian.

Please keep our Weekday Preschool Ministry in your prayers as we start a new preschool year. We have 54 children enrolled and 11 staff members at work in this community outreach ministry. Please pray for an easy adjustment for all our little ones and for their safety throughout the year.

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 Chrissy Tatum Williamson.

Updated Prayer Requests - We hope 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 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

Orientation Sessions - We will be hosting a series of conversations to help orient guests and newcomers to Greystone. These sessions will cover a bit of history about Greystone, our ministries and missions, ways for you to be involved, and time with our pastor, Chrissy Tatum Williamson. These conversations will take place in "Books on the Corner", our media center that is located just across the walkway from the Fellowship Hall. We will meet at 10 AM this morning and also on September 22 and 29. If you have further questions, please contact Amanda Atkin.

Deacon Ordination Service, September 15
Plan to join us for a Service of Deacon Ordination and Installation this afternoon at 4:00 PM in the Sanctuary.

Leadership Council Meeting - There will be a Leadership Council meeting next Sunday, September 22 in the Fellowship Hall after the 11:00 service. Attendees may bring their lunch.

Youth Choir Planning Meeting - We begin our fall Youth Choir season with a planning meeting tonight at 5:30 PM in the choir room. Please join us as we seek your input for the fall and spring choir seasons. The first Youth Choir rehearsal for the fall season will be Sunday, 9/29, at 5:00 PM.

Children's Choir Volunteers - Greystone's Wednesday night children's choir ministry will begin again later this month. If you would be willing to lead one of our children's choirs or be an assistant in one of these three choirs, please contact Chris Haire in person, by calling the church office, or by emailing him.

Walk and Talk - If you would like to get out in the sunshine and enjoy a bit of God's good creation, then consider joining Amanda on Saturday, 9/21 at Umstead Park. We will meet at

the park office off of Glenwood Drive at 9:30 AM. Bring your water bottle and let's explore a trail and share what's on your mind. (Rain cancels)

Pocket Change Sunday, September 29 - UPDATE
Check the cup holders in your car and clean out your sofa cushions and perhaps consider a more substantial donation. Pocket Change Sunday will be Sunday, September 29. Our children will be collecting a special offering during worship. Because of the significant devastation in the Bahamas due to Hurricane Dorian, monies from this offering will be shared with Cooperative Baptist Fellowship Disaster Relief and designated for the nine CBF partner churches located on the islands of Grand Bahama, Abaco and Acklins. As you consider your gift, please also pray for our brothers and sisters in faith who are struggling to care for their own needs and minister to the needs of their communities.

Dinner at the Williamson's House - Come and gather around our table for a meal and good conversation. Join us the evening of September 27 at 6:00 PM. We'll provide the main dish, ya'll bring a side. There is room for the first 15 that call the church office to let us know you are coming.

Hang out with the Pastor - All are invited to meet Chrissy for casual conversation at the picnic tables outside Two Roosters/Bottle Rev (weather permitting), in the Greystone Village Shopping Center, the first Tuesday of each month from 5:30 - 7:00 PM. Next "Hang Out" is scheduled for Oct. 1. No need to sign up, just come and chat.

2019-2020 Ushers (current & alternates)
Join us for a meeting/training session on Tuesday, 9/24/19 at 6 PM in the Gathering Room (across from the Sanctuary). Look for a mailer coming soon with more information or text USHER to 919-608-3060. - Worship Ministry Committee

Sunday, Sept. 15

8:45 & 11:00 am	Worship
9:45	Sunday School
10:00	Orientation
3:00 pm	Grace Tones rehearsal Youth Ice Cream Fellowship
4:00	Deacon Ordination
5:30	Youth Choir Planning meeting
6:00	Handbell Choir rehearsal

Monday, Sept. 16

2:00 pm	Stitching Group
6:00	Finance Committee meeting
6:30	Missions Committee meeting Stewardship Committee meeting AA Women's Group
8:00	AA Co-ed Group

Tuesday, Sept. 17

6:30 pm	AA Women's Group
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Wednesday, Sept. 18

5:30 pm	Wednesday Night Dinner
6:00	Children-Missions
6:15	Prayer followed by Adult Study
6:15	Youth <i>Selah</i>
7:15	Adult Choir Rehearsal

Friday, Sept. 20

8:00 pm	Disaster Relief Work Days (9/20 - 9/21) AA Group
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Chrissy Tatum Williamson

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Today - David Alston, Eddy & Amy Ng, Susan Burnette,
John Clark, Suzanne Best, Eileen Trawick

Sept. 22 - John & Kay Meyer, Brent & Jennifer Walker,
James & Shyla Tatum

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