GREYSTONE EVERGENER MINISTER

SUNDAY WORSHIP SEPTEMBER 29, 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

The dualistic mind is essentially binary, either/or thinking. It knows by comparison, opposition, and differentiation. It uses descriptive words like good/evil, pretty/ugly, smart/stupid, not realizing there may be a hundred degrees between the two ends of each spectrum. Dualistic thinking works well for the sake of simplification and conversation, but not for the sake of truth or the immense subtlety of actual personal experience. Most of us settle for quick and easy answers instead of any deep perception, which we leave to poets, philosophers, and prophets. Yet depth and breadth of perception should be the primary arena for all authentic religion. How else could we possibly search for God?

-Richard Rohr



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Sixteenth Sunday After Pentecost | Pocket Change Sunday

Sunday, September 29 8:45 am

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

Prelude

Welcome	and	Call	to	Wo	rship
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Chrissy Tatum Williamson

Song of Praise 106	Worthy, You Are Worthy	WORTHY	
	All Stanzas		
	Children come forward during the last stanza.		
Children's Message		Amanda Atkin	
Worship Reflection	"O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus" Vivian Adams, Piano	EBENEZER	
Pastoral Prayer		April Alston	
Offertory Hymn 436	Freely, Freely	FREELY, FREELY	
	Both Stanzas		
Offertory Prayer		Skip Pike	
Offertory	"Give Me Jesus"	arr. McDonald	
	Vivian Adams, Piano		

Scripture Reading Reader: The Wo	Luke 16:19-31 rd of God for the people of God.	Chris Haire	
Response: Than			
Sermon	"Minding the Gap"	Chrissy Tatum Williamson	
Discipline of Silence			
	Take a moment to hear what the Spirit may be speaking	to you.	
Hymn of Response 6	02 I Have Decided to Follow Jesus	ASSAM	
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 peac People: And also	e of Christ be with you. 9 with you.		
Celebrating Commun	nity	Chris Haire	
Sending Song 106	Worthy, You Are Worthy	WORTHY	
Worthy, You are worthy; King of kings, Lord of lords, You are worthy. Worthy, You are worthy; King of kings, Lord of lords, I worship You.			
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Benediction		Chrissy Tatum Williamson	
Postlude			
As you go, go in the grace of God and in the guidance of the Spirit.			

Draw Near to God

THE WORSHIP OF GOD

Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost | Pocket Change Sunday

Sunday, September 29

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	"Elegy"	Wagner
	Tim Hendrix, Organ	
Welcome		Chrissy Tatum Williamson
Call to Worship 7	"Praise the Almighty King"	Chris Haire
♦ Song of Praise 416	We're Marching to Zion Stanzas 1, 3 & 4 Children come forward during the last stanza.	MARCHING TO ZION
Children's Message		Amanda Atkin
Worship Reflection	"O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus" Vivian Adams, Piano Children will collect pocket change during this time.	EBENEZER
Pastoral Prayer		April Alston
Offertory Hymn 436	Freely, Freely Both Stanzas	FREELY, FREELY
Offertory Prayer		Skip Pike

♦ All who are able, are invited to stand

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

Offertory	"Give Me Jesus"	arr. McDonald
	Vivian Adams, Piano	
Doxology	Alleluia! Alleluia! Hearts to Heaven	EBENEZER
	Alleluia, alleluia! Glory be to God on high; Alleluia! To the Savior, who has won the victor Alleluia! To the Spirit, fount of love and sanctiv Alleluia, alleluia! To the triune Majesty.	
	Words by Christopher Wordsworth, 1862, alt. Public Dom	nain
Scripture Reading	Luke 16:19-31	Cathy Perkinson
Reader: The Word Response: Thanks	of God for the people of God. be to God.	
Anthem	"His Eye Is on the Sparrow"	SPARROW
	Adult Choir with Tim Hendrix, Piano	
Sermon	"Minding the Gap"	Chrissy Tatum Williamson
Discipline of Silence		
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Celebrating Commu	inity	Chris Haire

Worthy, You Are Worthy

WORTHY

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Benediction

Chrissy Tatum Williamson

Postlude

"Rondo Giocoso"

Wagner

Tim Hendrix, Organ

Worship Notes

The altar flowers today are given by Pepper, Kelcy, Erin and Deanna Choplin in celebration of Heather's 60th birthday.

Worship Leaders

Skip Pike, Deacon of the Week

(skippike821@gmail.com, 919-270-0092) Skip is married to Jill. He joined in September of 1985 and serves on the Bereavement Team, the Personnel Committee and the Columbarium Committee. **Cathy Perkinson** is married to Brian and they joined in January of 1990. She is a member of the Salt and Light class and helps teach the 3rd - 5th grade Sunday school classes. Cathy sings in the choir and is one of the music librarians.



October is almost upon us which means crisp air, fall leaves, pumpkins, the state fair and our annual Trunk or Treat here at Greystone. This event fills our parking lot, fellowship hall and sidewalks with over 300 children and their families. This is one of the biggest outreach activities of the year and is an opportunity to show our community the love of God through our hospitality and welcome. This is one of my favorite nights of the year so I hope that you will join me and experience for yourself the joy that is present and spirit that is even sweeter than the candy itself. I invite you to get those decoration juices flowing and host a trunk or embrace your inner child and host a game station the smiles on the faces of the children will make you glad you did. Put on your apron and join others as we welcome families to our campus for a meal together. Sit with them, get to know them and tell them about how great it is to be part of the Greystone family. Save the date October 30 and be on the lookout for ways to be a part of this fun night.

Wednesday Nights in October: Who were your first teachers of faith? How did they teach you? How much impact do hymns and spiritual songs have on your theology? How have your ideas about the Bible, about faith, and about the Christian life changed throughout your life? Whether or not we know it, our faith is shaped by many factors over the course of our lifetimes... and that's a good thing! This month, on Wednesday nights (10/2, 10/9, and 10/16), we will learn about a historical model for identifying these sources of our theology. We'll look at denominational trends and hopefully, begin to stretch into new areas of personal faith development and growth. On 10/23, Annie Hardison-Moody and Kim Eshleman will lead a conversation based on their extensive research on food insecurity and food equity. Out of this conversation we will consider ways that we might help folks in our own back yards have access to good and healthy food. Finally, on 10/30, plan to join us for one of our biggest outreach events to our neighborhood, our annual Fall Festival / Trunk or Treat event.

Menus: October 2 - Bar-B-Q Chicken, baked beans, baked potato, salad; October 9 - Bar-B-Q and fried chicken, slaw, boiled potatoes, hushpuppies, roll; October 16 - Spaghetti with meat sauce, garden salad, bread; October 23 - Roasted pork loin with raspberry chipotle sauce, green beans, mashed potatoes, roll; October 30 - Trunk or Treat

Meals are \$7 per adult and \$4 per child with a family cap of \$20. Make your reservation by noon on Mondays. You may fill in a reservation card (in the Sanctuary pew racks) and place in the offering plates on Sunday, call the church office, or sign up through our church website.

Prayer and Praises

- Birth of Oakley Iris Bagwell, granddaughter to Skip and Jill Pike, 9/10/19
- Jean Brown, Hillcrest
- Virginia Creamer's grandson, Cary Creamer
- Rick Perkinson
- Lisha Stewart's mother, Delores Griffith
- Anne Morgan
- Karen Brewer's sister, Nancy
- AnaRita Eason
- 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
- 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

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.

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 Amanda Atkin.

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

Growing Greystone: Seasons of Giving

Coming to your mailbox soon - Be on the lookout.

Today is Pocket Change Sunday - This morning 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.

Orientation Session - There will be an orientation session at 10:00 AM, this morning in Books on the Corner (located across the walkway from the Fellowship Hall). This gives newcomers a bit of history about Greystone, our ministries and missions, ways for you to be involved. If you have questions, please contact Amanda Atkin.

Next Sunday, October 6 - Next Sunday is World Communion Sunday. After Sunday school, we will all worship together in one service at 10:30 AM in the Sanctuary.

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.

Buddy Break News - There will be a Buddy Break training session on Sunday, October 6 from 3:00 to 5:00 PM in the Youth Bldg., rooms 7, 8 & 9.

Contact Nancy Register for more information (buddybreak@greystonechurch.org, 919-219-1438).

Pastor Chrissy's Reading List - There's a lot of talk about how young people are leaving the church in droves. Sometimes that talk can be all doom, gloom, and downright depressing for those of us who love the church and who believe in its future! If you find yourself in this category (love the church... believe in its future...) then I invite you to read *Growing Young* with me. It's a quick and encouraging read with some stories about churches that are effectively "growing young," meaning they are engaging 15-29 year olds and they are growing (spiritually, emotionally, missionally, and even numerically). I bought my copy of the book online, but I'm sure you can also order it through your local bookstore!

Christmas Choir - If you are not available to sing in the Greystone Adult Choir on a regular basis but would like to sing Christmas music with us this Advent, please consider being a part of the 2019 Christmas Choir. Simply attend choir rehearsals on Wed. nights at 7:15 in the Music Suite. We'll work on Christmas music first, then you can slip out when the Choir begins rehearsing anthems for Fall Sunday morning worship. If you have questions or want additional information, please contact Chris Haire.

Ushers Needed - Ushers still being accepted with gratefulness! Let us know if you want to serve in this way! Text: usher to: 919-608-3060 (Joe & Melissa Langston)



Our staff

Sunday, Sept. 29 8:45 & 11:00 am	Pocket Change Sunday Worship	Chrissy Tatum Williamson Senior Pastor
9:45 10:00	Sunday School Orientation	chrissy.williamson@greystonechurch.org
10:00 4:00 pm 5:00 6:00	Grace Tones rehearsal Youth Choir rehearsal Handbell Choir rehearsal Sunday Night Youth	April Alston Assoc. Minister of Children/Preschool april.alston@greystonechurch.org
Monday, Sept. 30		
5:15 pm 6:00 6:30	McFadyen Scholarship Committee meeting Worship Care Committee meeting Music Team meeting AA Women's Group	Amanda Atkin Assoc. Minister of Faith Formation amanda.atkin@greystonechurch.org
8:00	AA Co-ed Group	Chris Haire
Tuesday, Oct. 1		INTERIM ASSOC. MINISTER OF MUSIC
5:30 pm	Hang out with the Pastor	music@greystonechurch.org
6:30	Stewardship Committee meeting AA Women's Group	Pam Phillips
Wednesday, Oct. 2		WEEKDAY PRESCHOOL DIRECTOR
5:30 pm	Wednesday Night Dinner	weekdaypreschool@greystonechurch.org
6:00	Children's Missions	Steve Rose
6:15	Prayer followed by Adult Study Youth Selah	Property Manager
7:15	Adult Choir Rehearsal	properties@greystonechurch.org
Thursday, Oct. 3		
6:30 pm	PAL Meeting	Annette Variano
Friday, Oct. 4		ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT
8:00 pm	AA Group	office@greystonechurch.org

Child Care Helpers

Today - Lou Dawson, Steve & Linda Wheeler, Kay Roberts, Barbara Crabb, Amy Davis, Pam Ouzts Oct. 6 - 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.

Based on 1 Peter 2:5, 6