



GREYSTONE
BAPTIST CHURCH

every member a minister.

SUNDAY WORSHIP
NOVEMBER 24, 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

We could not become like God, so God became like us. God showed us how to heal instead of kill, how to love instead of hate, how to live instead of long for more. When we nailed God to a tree, God forgave. And when we buried God in the ground, God got up.

-Rachel Held Evans



THE WORSHIP OF GOD

LAST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST | CHRIST THE KING SUNDAY

Sunday, November 24

8:45 am

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

Prelude

Welcome

Amanda Atkin

Call To Worship

Chris Haire

One: Blessed be the Lord God of Israel,
For God has looked favorably on God's people and redeemed them.
Blessed be the Lord God of Israel,
For God has called us God's own beloved and called each of us by name.
Blessed be the Lord God of Israel,
for God has blessed God's creation and called us to worship.

All: Blessed be the Lord God of Israel!

Song of Thankfulness 786

Count Your Blessings

BLESSINGS

All Stanzas

Children come forward during last stanza.

Children's Message

Elizabeth Santana

Worship Reflection

"Let the Peace of Christ Rule in Your Heart"

PEACE OF CHRIST

Amber Sawyers, Piano and Tim Hendrix, Organ

Pastoral Prayer

Chris Haire

Offertory Hymn 359

Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks

ALLELUIA NO. 1

All Stanzas

Offertory Prayer

Bob Potter

Offertory

“My Heart is Filled with Thankfulness”

arr. Michael Ryan

Greystone Handbell Choir

*My heart is filled with thankfulness to [Christ] who reigns above;
Whose wisdom is my perfect peace, whose every thought is love;*

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Scripture Reading

Luke 1:68-79

April Walker

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

All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

“Struck Dumb by Possibility”

Amanda Atkin

Discipline of Silence

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

Hymn of Response 789

In All Things Give Him Thanks

GIVE HIM THANKS

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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

Amanda Atkin

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

Celebrating Community

April Alston

Sending Song 170

Give Thanks

GIVE THANKS

Give thanks because He's given Jesus Christ, His Son.
Give thanks with a grateful heart; Give thanks to the Holy One;
Give thanks because He's given Jesus Christ, His Son.
And now let the weak say, "I am strong;" Let the poor say, "I am rich,"
because of what the Lord has done for us. Give thanks!

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Benediction

Amanda Atkin

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

Last Sunday after Pentecost | Christ the King Sunday

Sunday, November 24

11:00 am

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

Prelude “Voluntary on, ‘Rejoice, the Lord is King’ ” arr. Payne/Martin
Tim Hendrix, Organ

Welcome Amanda Atkin

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Doxology 87

Fairest Lord Jesus

arr. Willis

**Beautiful Savior! Lord of the nations! Son of God and Son of man!
Glory and honor, praise, adoration, Now and forevermore be Thine!**

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Scripture Reading

Luke 1:68-79

Mitzi Glazier

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

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Message in Music

“A Celtic Thanksgiving”

Paul Williams & Joseph Martin

Adult Choir with Tim Hendrix, Piano

Sermon

“*Struck Dumb by Possibility*”

Amanda Atkin

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Postlude

“Simple Gifts/Brethren We Have Met to Worship”

arr. Kelsey

Amber Sawyers, Piano

Worship Notes

The flowers today are provided by Todd and Elizabeth Worley in thanksgiving for our Greystone family.

The flowers on the table in the hallway are provided by Karen and Erich Brewer in memory of Karen’s sister, Nancy Jones.

Worship Leaders

Bob Potter, Deacon of the Week
 919-518-8451, rpotter924@aol.com
 Bob is married to Debbie. They joined in February 1997 and are members of the Life Application class. Bob serves on the Usher Team and the Bereavement Team.

April Walker is married to Brad. They joined in April 2001 and are members of the Insights class. April helps teach the K-2 Sunday school class, volunteers in the Worship Care ministry, serves on the Usher Team and is the Treasurer for Greystone.

Mitzi Glazier is married to Marty. They joined July 2018 and are members of the Salt and Light class. Mitzi serves on the Worship Ministry Committee, and sings in the choir.

Elizabeth Santana is married to Victor. They joined in August 1996 and are members of the Life Application class.

Worship With Us During Advent

Sun., Dec. 1 - 10:30 Morning Worship, *Growing in Hope*

Sun., Dec. 8 - 10:30 Morning Worship, *Growing in Peace*;
6:30 Christmas at Greystone: *Sounds of the Season*

Sun., Dec. 15 - 10:30 Morning Worship, *Growing in Joy*,
PM Sunday School Christmas Fellowships

Wed., Dec. 18 - 6:15 PM and 7:00 PM Living Nativity

Thur., Dec. 19 - AM Preschool Christmas Program;
6:15 PM & 7:00 PM Living Nativity (rain date)

Sun., Dec. 22 - 10:30 Morning Worship, *Growing in Love*
with Children's Nativity;

6:30 Service of Hope and Remembrance

Tue., Dec. 24 - 5:30 Christmas Eve Service

Sun., Dec. 29 - No Sunday School; 10:00 Coffee & Doughnuts;
10:30 Morning Worship, April Alston, preaching

Note: We will worship together in one morning worship service each Sunday during Advent at 10:30 AM with Sunday school at 9:30 AM.



Christmas at Greystone: *Sounds of the Season*

Sunday, Dec. 8, 6:30 PM

This year's Christmas musical will be presented by Greystone's Adult Choir, Youth Choir, Grace Tones women's ensemble, Handbell Choir, other instrumentalists, Sound and Lighting Team, and narrators. Please invite your family, neighbors, coworkers, and other friends to join us at Greystone Baptist for this special evening of music and worship.

Prayer and Praises

- Ginny Liverance
- Ginny Liverance's friend Adam Raichyk
- Jill Pike's nephew, Brett Ciccone
- Eileen Trawick
- The Pendergrass family
- Steve Little's cousin, Trudy
- Virginia Creamer's grandson, Cary Creamer
- Joyce Beauchaine
- Susan Burnette's friend Molly Stevens and her family
- Karen Brewer's family on the death of her sister, Nancy Jones, 11/15/19
- Jack Hughens' family on his death, 11/12/19
- Skip Pike's family on the death of his sister, Joann Pike Fitzsimmons, 11/4/19
- Carla and Joe LeNoir's family on the death of Joe's father, Joe P. LeNoir, Sr., 11/4/19
- Caralie Brown's family on the death of her son-in-law, Steve Gaj, 11/2/19

Residential / Health Care Facilities

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

Sunrise at North Hills: Jean Brown

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 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

Buddy Break News! Calling all Christmas Angels!

This year, we will again host our Buddy families for a Christmas Party on December 7, 2019 from 3-5 PM and we need your help. Each year, we have been blessed by our Greystone family to help us provide a gift for each child and a Target gift card for each family in our Buddy Break ministry and we are hoping for your support again this year. Signups went out late October to SS classes and all items are needed by November 30. If you would like to learn more about or become involved in our Buddy Break ministry contact Nancy Register, 919-219-1438 or buddybreak@greystonechurch.org.

Christmas Meals for Urban Ministries - The Missions Committee is partnering with Urban Ministries of Wake County to provide Christmas dinner boxes. If your family or a group of friends would like to contribute a Christmas meal then please use the list below for suggested items. We hope you will consider this mission outreach as an opportunity to extend our holiday tables of joy, hope and love in this season. We will collect food items over three Sundays: November 24, December 1 and December 8.

- Main Course: \$25 gift card for Food Lion for a turkey, ham, or chicken.
- Side Dishes: Stuffing, potatoes/yams, cranberry sauce, canned fruit, canned vegetables, biscuit mix, and cream of mushroom soup.
- Dessert: Cake mix, prepared icing, and pie filling.

Urban Ministries of Wake County will then share the meal kits with their clients before the Christmas holiday. Urban Ministries serves over 29,000 people each year through their food pantry. Thank you for helping us set a table for our neighbors.

Youth Christmas Party - Dec, 14, 12:15 - 6 PM

On Saturday, December 14 our youth will gather for a day of service and celebration. We will kick off our time together with a service project at Oak City Cares serving homeless individuals in our community. You can help contribute to this time of service by signing up to donate items for the blessing bags we will distribute (contact the church office). After our time of service, we will come back to church for a time of celebration complete with food, games and our annual gift exchange. Youth should bring a \$10 wrapped gift to exchange. Serving and celebrating together will be a great way to spend a day this Advent season.

Living Nativity - You're invited to come help with the set up (12/14), participation (12/18), and clean up (12/21) of this year's Living Nativity. Contact Lilian Grant for the Signup Genius link.

Service of Hope and Remembrance - We would like to invite you to a Service of Hope and Remembrance Sunday, Dec. 22 at 6:30 PM in the Gathering Room. The service will include time for silent reflection, thoughtful prayer and the remembering of your loved one. The service is open to everyone so please invite other members of your family or community who might benefit. There will be a brief reception following the service. If you need childcare during the service please let April Alston know by December 15.

Holiday Grief Share - On Sunday, December 1, from 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM, the Williamsons are opening their home to you (near Lake Lynn and Leesville Rd.) They will have light refreshments and will encourage a time for you and others who are grieving to connect and remember that we are not alone in this journey. If you would like to attend this gathering, please let Chrissy know by emailing chrissy.williamson@greystonechurch.org.

Sunday, Nov. 24

8:45 & 11:00	Worship
9:45	Sunday school
12:00 pm	Adult Choir lunch
12:45	Adult Choir rehearsal
3:15	Grace Tones rehearsal
4:15	Handbell Choir rehearsal
5:00	Adult Christian Education Comm. mtg
5:15	Youth Choir rehearsal
6:00	Sunday Night Youth

Monday, Nov. 25

12:00 pm	Preschool Thanksgiving Lunch
6:00	Girl Scouts
6:30	AA Women's Group
8:00	AA Co-ed Group

Tuesday, Nov. 26

12:00 pm	Preschool Thanksgiving Lunch
6:30	AA Women's Group

Wednesday, Nov. 27

5:30 pm	Church office closes at noon No Wednesday Night Activities No Adult Choir Rehearsal
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Thursday, Nov. 28

7:00 pm	Church office closed PAL meeting
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Friday, Nov. 29

8:00 pm	AA Group
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Child Care Helpers

Today

Kay & John Meyer, AnaRita Eason, Brent Walker,
Shyla & James Tatum

Sunday, December 1

Brian & Lilian Grant, Nancy & Jeff 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