

ISAIAH 60:1



SUNDAY WORSHIP JANUARY 5, 2020

every member a minister.

# 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.

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 Grevstone. 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 Grevstone, 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.

# **CONNECT WITH US**







### Reflection

Arise, shine; for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you. <sup>2</sup>For darkness shall cover the earth, and thick darkness the peoples; but the Lord will arise upon you, and his glory will appear over you. <sup>3</sup>Nations shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your dawn. <sup>4</sup>Lift up your eyes and look around; they all gather together, they come to you; your sons shall come from far away, and your daughters shall be carried on their nurses' arms. <sup>5</sup>Then you shall see and be radiant; your heart shall thrill and rejoice, because the abundance of the sea shall be brought to you, the wealth of the nations shall come to you. <sup>6</sup>A multitude of camels shall cover you, the young camels of Midian and Ephah; all those from Sheba shall come. They shall bring gold and frankincense, and shall proclaim the praise of the Lord.

- Isaiah 60:1-6



## THE WORSHIP OF GOD

## **Epiphany Sunday**

Sunday, January 5 8:45 and 11:00 am

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

Prelude "In the Bleak Midwinter"

arr. Smith

**AURELIA** 

Amber Sawyers, Piano

Welcome Chrissy Tatum Williamson

### Call to Worship

One: Bright shining God, inner light of all faithful souls, we celebrate your many gifts.

All: We rejoice that you have created us in your image and call us to reflect your light, your limitless love.

One: From the dawn of creation, your love shone bright.

All: You sent your only child, our morning star, to light a way in our night and lead us to paths of justice and peace.

One: Your Holy Spirit shines good news into our lives.

All: Each daybreak you call us to feed the hungry, bring recovery of sight, liberate the oppressed, heal the brokenhearted and bind up their wounds.

One: You call us to keep watch for the dawn of your kingdom on earth.

All: For all of these gifts, we live our gratitude with our whole lives.

Adapted from Feasting on the Word: Liturgies for Year A, Volume 1, "Epiphany"

Hymn 811 Another Year Is Dawning

All Stanzas

Children come forward during last stanza.

Children's Message April Alston

Musical Reflection "Adoration" JANICE

Pam Weis, Organ

\*\* 11:00 service only

Pastoral Prayer Amanda Atkin

Offertory Carol 290 As with Gladness Men of Old

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DIX

All Stanzas

Offertory Prayer Linda Peterson

Offertory "We Three Kings" arr. Kelsey

Amber Sawyers, Piano

\*\*Doxology 281 What Child Is This? GREENSLEEVES

So bring Him incense, gold, and myrrh; Come, peasant, king to own Him.

The King of kings salvation brings: Let loving hearts enthrone Him.

This, this is Christ, the King, Whom shepherds guard and angels sing.

Haste, haste to bring Him laud, the Babe, the Son of Mary.

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Scripture Reading John 1:1-18 Chris Haire

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

All: Thanks be to God.

\*\*Message in Music "One King" arr. Phillip Keveren

Grace Tones with Pam Weis, Piano

Sermon "Becoming Children of God" Chrissy Tatum Williamson

Discipline of Silence

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

Hymn of Response 289 Adoration JANICE

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.

Sharing of Gifts

Passing the Peace

April Alston

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

## **Celebrating Community**

April Alston

Sending Song 288

We Three Kings

KINGS OF ORIENT

Glorious now behold Him arise, King and God and Sacrifice;

Alleluia, alleluia! Earth to heav'n replies.

O star of wonder, star of night, star with royal beauty bright,

Westward leading, still proceeding, guide us to thy perfect light.

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Benediction

Chrissy Tatum Williamson

Postlude

"Hail to the Lord's Anointed" Pam Weis, Organ

arr. Thomas Bliss

# Worship Leaders

Linda Peterson, Deacon of the Week

(lwpeterson@ymail.com, 919-847-3707) Linda joined in November 1984 and is a member of the Grace Fellowship class. Linda serves on the Outreach Committee and is a Buddy Break liaison.

# Prayer and Praises

The updated prayer list is printed on an insert in today's bulletin.

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**

Wednesday Nights in January - Please join us on Wednesday nights in January for a 4-week series on the Poetry of Isaiah, led by Amanda Atkin. Dinner is at 5:30 PM, children and youth activities begin at 6 PM, and Adult Study begins at 6:15 PM.

Youth Parent Coffee & Dessert Gathering - Join April and the Student Leadership Committee for coffee, hot chocolate, tea and dessert on Jan. 12, at 5:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall. While we eat, we will have conversations about what our youth programs at Greystone should look like and what our youth need most. This a great way for you to share your hopes and dreams as well as concerns. Come share with us memories from your own youth experience and what made an impact on you as a teen. Help us continue building a program that meets the needs of our youth and provides them opportunities to grow in faith.

#### Save the Dates:

Annual Crockpot Cook-off & Kid's Dessert Contest February 1, 2020, 5:30 PM Fellowship Hall

#### African Children's Choir

Please mark your calendar and invite your friends! Greystone is hosting the African Children's Choir for a concert on Wednesday evening, February 12, 2020 at 6:30 PM in the Sanctuary. This choir has sung at Greystone before, and it was such a wonderful concert. You won't want to miss this opportunity to hear these young singers in the new year.

Segue Youth Choir Festival Saturday, February 15 Campbell University in Buies Creek, NC Second Sunday Fellowship - Join us across the street at Sawmill Taproom for lunch together after the 11:00 worship next Sunday, January 12. 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.

Leadership Council Meeting - The next Leadership Council meeting will be on Sunday, 1/19 in the Fellowship Hall immediately following the 11:00 worship service. Attendees are invited to bring their lunch.

2020 Flower Calendar - You may donate flowers for a Sunday service by writing your name next to an open date on the calendar in the hallway. Prices start around \$65.00 at North Raleigh Florist with free delivery but you may use your own florist and arrange for delivery if that is a better option for you.





Sunday, Jan. 5
8:45 & 11:00 am
9:45
Sunday School
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4:00 pm Grace Tones rehearsal
5:00 Youth Choir rehearsal
6:00 Handbell Choir rehearsal
Sunday Night Youth

Monday, Jan. 6

6:00 pm Personnel Committee meeting

Girl Scouts

6:30 AA Women's Group

7:00 Outreach Committee meeting

Student Ministry Leadership Comm. mtg.

8:00 AA Co-ed Group

Tuesday, Jan. 7

6:30 pm AA Women's Group

Wednesday, Jan. 8
5:30 pm
6:00

Wednesday Night Live resumes!
Wednesday Night Live Dinner
Children's Music and Missions

6:15 Prayer then Adult Study

Youth Selah

7:15 Adult Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, Jan. 9

7:00 pm PAL Meeting

Friday, Jan. 10

8:00 pm AA Group

Saturday, Jan. 11

9:00 am Deacon Retreat 9:30 Buddy Break

# Child Care Helpers

Today - Lilian & Ben Grant, Megan Mallard, Joan Nelson, Laura Nelson, Johnny Glover, Kim Craig

Sunday, January 12 - Katie Lindsey, Matt & Anna Brawner, Jean & Donnie Moorefield, Pam Ouzts

# 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.

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