



**Greystone**  
Baptist Church

*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*

# The Worship of God

Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

August 14, 2022

*All are invited to sing during worship! Masks are recommended but not required.  
For anyone who would like to wear a mask but does not have one,  
they are available at the back of the sanctuary.*

## Prelude

“Morning Song”  
Pam Weis

arr. Joseph M. Martin

## Welcome

Christian McIvor

## † Call to Worship

One: Each of our individual stories has brought us here today,

**All: Seeking to better understand how to fulfill our roles in the greater story.**

One: As we continue to tell our own stories,

**All: Let them be expanded as we listen deeply to the stories of others.**

One: Remaining open to the twists and turns,

**All: Let the Word that speaks resonate through us as our stories continue to sound.**

One: Let's worship God together.

## † Opening Hymn 3 “Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty”

NICAEA;

Words by Reginald Heber,

Music by John B. Dykes

**Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!**

**Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee.**

**Holy, holy, holy! merciful and mighty!**

**God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!**

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† Please rise in body or spirit when you see this symbol throughout the service.

**Holy, holy, holy! all the saints adore Thee,  
Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea.  
Cherubim and seraphim falling down before Thee,  
Which wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.**

**Holy, holy, holy! tho' the darkness hide Thee,  
Tho' the eye of sinful man Thy glory may not see.  
Only Thou art holy— there is none beside Thee,  
Perfect in pow'r, in love, in purity.**

**Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!  
All Thy works shall praise Thy name in earth, and sky, and sea.  
Holy, holy, holy! merciful and mighty!  
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!**

*During the last stanza of our opening hymn,  
all children are invited to come forward for today's children's sermon.*

## **Children's Sermon**

Lou Dawson

## **Pastoral Prayer**

Anna Beth Cross

*As our offertory anthem is sung, please feel free to place your offering in the plates that are passed, or you can also give online at [greystonechurch.org/give](http://greystonechurch.org/give).*

## **Offertory Anthem**

**"We Are Not Alone"**  
GBC Adult Choir

By Pepper Choplin

We are not alone, we are not alone, we are not alone, God is with us.  
(Repeated)

We are never alone, for God is with us.  
We, we are never alone, for God is with us.  
Now, through all our days, always.  
Forever and ever, we are never alone.

We are not alone, we are not alone, we are not alone, God is with us.  
(Repeated)

And God will make us strong for God is with us.  
We, we will press on, for God is with us.  
Now, through all our days, always.  
Forever and ever, we are never alone.

We are not alone, we are not alone, we are not alone, God is with us.  
(Repeated)

Our God is with us now.

† **Doxology 817**

“O Bless the Gifts”

LAMB OF GOD;  
Words: Trad., Music: Trad. Dutch Folk Song

**O bless the gifts our hands have brought;  
And bless the work our hearts have planned.  
Ours is the faith, the will, the thought;  
The rest, O God, is in Your hand.**

† **Prayer of Dedication**

Chris Austin

**Scripture Reading**

John 4:1-28, 39-42

Cathy Perkinson,  
Dennis and Ramona Taylor

**Sermon**

*“Everybody Has a Story”*

Roger Nix

**Silent Reflection**

**Musical Reflection**

“Everyone Has a Story to Tell”  
Christian McIvor

Words and Music by  
Christian McIvor ©2019

Verse 1:

Well, it's nearing midnight on the last night of December  
And there's an old man sitting in the darkness just to remember.  
He served with honor in two different wars,  
He killed forty men or more  
And he's hoping that they might forgive him on the other side.

Verse 2:

Well, the leaves are falling as we find ourselves in transition  
And there's a mother who's just found out that she's in full remission.  
She sheds a tear for her family  
But then she wonders why does she  
Get to live when so many others have fought and died.

Chorus 1:

As we turn the pages throughout the years  
We all share the same hopes and fears,  
Yeah, everyone, everyone has a story to tell...  
Yeah, everyone, everyone has a story to tell...

Verse 3:

Well, the sun burns down on the pavement and there's been no rain,  
But there's a teen who's caught up in a personal hurricane.  
They've got their whole life ready to live  
But feel like there's nothing left to give,  
They're just wishing somebody would ask them how they feel.

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Verse 4:

Well, the spring is here and the flowers are all in bloom  
And there's a new creation that's ready to leave the womb.  
She is birthed into unity,  
She only knows one community  
Then starts to feel love and pain as expressions of what is real.

(Chorus 1)

Chorus 2:

And if we could see our lives caught in a picture,  
We would know that we're all living scripture  
Because everyone, everyone has a story to tell...  
Yeah, everyone, everyone has a story to tell...

## Invitation

Anna Beth Cross

## † Hymn of Response 8

“Come, Thou Almighty King”

ITALIAN HYMN;  
Anonymous text,

Music by Felice de Gardini

**Come, Thou Almighty King,  
Help us Thy name to sing; Help us to praise.  
Father all glorious, O'er all victorious,  
Come, and reign over us, Ancient of Days.**

**Come, Thou Incarnate Word,  
Gird on Thy mighty sword; Our prayer attend.  
Come and Thy people bless, and give Thy word success.  
Spirit of holiness, on us descend.**

**Come, Holy Comforter,  
Thy sacred witness bear in this glad hour.  
Thou, who almighty art, now rule in every heart  
And ne'er from us depart, Spirit of pow'r.**

**To Thee, great One in Three,  
Eternal praises be, hence evermore;  
Thy sov'reign majesty may we in glory see,  
And to eternity love and adore.**

## Celebrating Community

Steve Rose

## Benediction

Roger Nix

## Postlude

“Revive Us Again”  
Pam Weis

arr. Darrell V. Archer

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Leading us in worship this morning is Reverend Doctor Roger E. Nix. Roger is a native of Hudson, North Carolina. He and Genice have just celebrated forty-nine years of marriage. They met in their home church at the age of twelve. They are parents of one son, Adam, who is married to Cori and they have two sons, Luke and Logan. Roger is a graduate of Gardner Webb University and Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary with two degrees. In 2021 he retired from the Raleigh Baptist Association after twenty-seven years of leadership and ministry. Roger began serving churches in May of 1972 at Mt. Zion BC while in college. He also served as a pastor at Temple BC here in Raleigh and Tabernacle BC in Carrollton, Georgia. He and Genice have been members of Greystone since 2004.

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