

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

Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 4, 2022

Prelude

“‘How He Loves’ with ‘O, How I Love Jesus’”
Pam Weis

arr. Bethany K. Smith,
and Mary McDonald

Welcome

Anna Beth Cross

† Call to Worship

One: Let our hearts be full of joy with love,

All: for in the Lord, our minds are stilled.

One: Let us renounce every selfish attachment

All: and draw abiding joy and strength from the One within.

One: We live not for ourselves,

All: but to serve the Lord of Love in all;

One: swimming freely across the open sea of life

All: and facing its rough waves with joyful hearts.

One: Let us worship the God of Love, who loves us

All: And calls us to love ourselves and each other.

† Opening Hymn 750

“Peace Like a River”

PEACE LIKE A RIVER;
Words and Music: Traditional

I’ve got peace like a river, I’ve got peace like a river,

I’ve got peace like a river in my soul;

I’ve got peace like a river, I’ve got peace like a river,

I’ve got peace like a river in my soul.

I’ve got love like an ocean, I’ve got love like an ocean,

I’ve got love like an ocean in my soul;

I’ve got love like an ocean, I’ve got love like an ocean,

I’ve got love like an ocean in my soul.

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

**I've got joy like a fountain, I've got joy like a fountain,
I've got joy like a fountain in my soul;
I've got joy like a fountain, I've got joy like a fountain,
I've got joy like a fountain in my soul.**

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

Children's Sermon

April Alston

Pastoral Prayer

As our offertory anthem is sung, please feel free to place your offering in the plates on either side of the center aisle in the back of the sanctuary, or you can also give online at greystonechurch.org/give.

Offertory Anthem

"Love Through Me"
GBC Adult Choir

By Mosie Lister

Love through me, love through me;
Oh, Lord, love through me.
Somewhere, somebody needs Your love today;
Oh, Lord, love through me.

Weep through me, weep through me;
Oh, Lord, weep through me.
As long as just one soul is gone astray;
Oh, Lord, weep through me.

Speak through me, speak through me;
Oh, Lord, speak through me.
Make Your word upon my lips a flame today;
Oh, Lord, speak through me.

Somewhere, somebody needs Your love today;
Oh, Lord, love through me.
Oh, Lord, love through me.
Love through me.

† 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

Blair Andrew

Scripture Reading

Mark 12:28-34; Galatians 5:13-21

Ron Thompson

Silent Reflection

Musical Reflection

"Free"
Christian McIvor

Words and Music by
Christian McIvor ©2001

Verse 1:

When the white dove sings her song,
I will carry you along
To the place where dreamers dream;
It's more than it seems.

Verse 2:

When your cross comes down on you
And you don't know what to do,
Take my hand and you will see;
Just put your weight on me.

Chorus:

Keep your faith in me,
Keep your hope in me,
Keep your love in me,
And I'll set you free.

Verse 3:

When you cry your salty tears,
I will keep you from your fears;;
I will keep you wrapped up tight
And see you through the night.

When you're lying in your bed,
There is nothing left to be said;
Just open up your heart,
And then we can start.

(Chorus)

Bridge:

There is nothing I won't do for you,
There is nothing I won't do.

Verse 5:

When you're falling on your knees,
I'm the only one who sees;
I will love you more and more,
I will love you more.

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(Chorus)

Yeah, I'll set you free
And we can be free.

Invitation

Chrissy Williamson

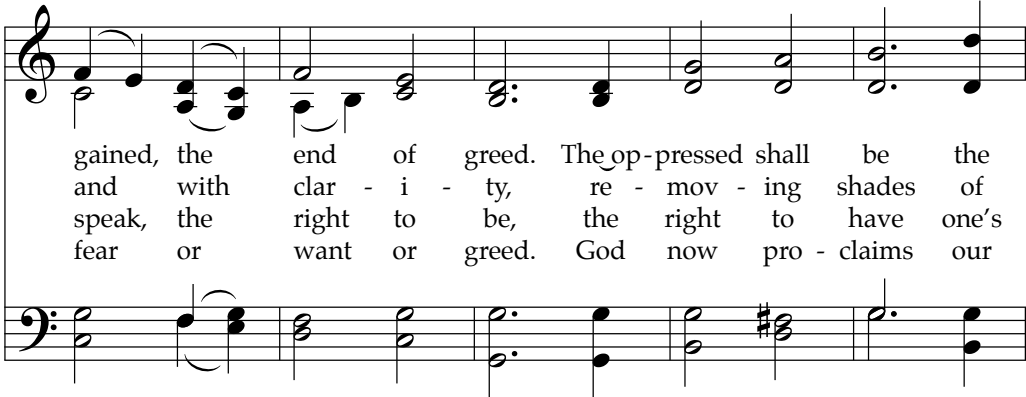
† Hymn of Response

"Live into Hope"

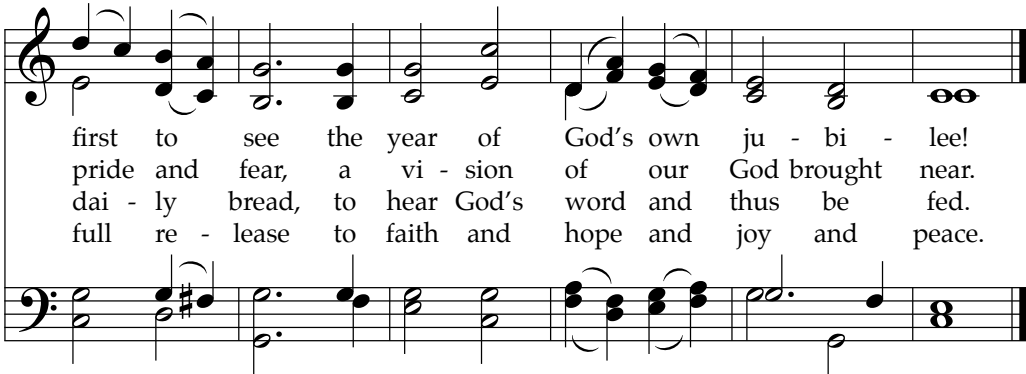
Words by Jane Parker Huber,
Music by *Musica Sacra*, c. 1778



1 Live in - to hope of cap - tives freed, of sight re -
2 Live in - to hope! The blind shall see with in - sight
3 Live in - to hope of lib - er - ty, the right to
4 Live in - to hope of cap - tives freed from chains of



gained, the end of greed. The op-pressed shall be the
and with clar - i - ty, re - mov - ing shades of
speak, the right to be, the right to have one's
fear or want or greed. God now pro - claims our



first to see the year of God's own ju - bi - lee!
pride and fear, a vi - sion of our God brought near.
dai - ly bread, to hear God's word and thus be fed.
full re - lease to faith and hope and joy and peace.

Celebrating Community

Anna Beth Cross

Benediction

Chrissy Williamson

Postlude

“Amazing Grace”
Pam Weis

arr. Margaret Goldston

We give God thanks for Pastor Anna Beth Cross
who began her ministry at Greystone on August 29, 2021

We give God thanks for Reverend Doctor Christian C. McIvor
who began his ministry at Greystone on September 8, 2020.

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