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*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

Heritage Sunday

Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 11, 2022

Gathering Music

Tim Hendrix, Steve Rose
James Tatum, Pam Weis

Welcome

Chrissy Williamson

Litany of Renewal

One: Every day is a day to be renewed,
to leave behind the things of the past,
fixing our eyes on Christ as we are being transformed.

God calls us to proclaim the gospel, speaking the truth of God's salvation
for all the world.

**All: May we always strive to be the presence of Christ in the world, setting aside
our individual preferences and our differences which can too easily separate us
from one another.**

One: God calls us to be good neighbors, offering shelter, nurture, and hope to all the world.

All: May we be a safe place for everyone to question, to search, to struggle, and to grow.

One: God calls us to worship in spirit and in truth.

**All: May we share our gifts and creativity in our expression; and may the table at
which we gather always have room.**

One: God calls us to uphold the truth.

**All: May we faithfully struggle to understand truth, so that instead of being chained
to and imprisoned by it, we may be joyfully and completely set free by it.**

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

One: God calls us to be advocates for all who are marginalized, abandoned, and excluded.

All: May God bless us with holy discomfort with everything that seeks to undermine God's love.

One: God calls us to be a visible manifestation of God's vision of, and hope for, all creation.

All: May we live as if we truly believe that; shining light through darkness, bringing peace through pain, and celebrating the joy of life that we all share together.

† **Processional Hymn 90** "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"

HYMN TO JOY;

Music: Ludwig van Beethoven;
melody from *Ninth Symphony*;
adapt. Edward Hodges

**Joyful, joyful, we adore Thee, god of glory, Lord of love;
Hearts unfold like flow'rs before Thee, opening to the sun above.
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness; drive the dark of doubt away.
Giver of immortal gladness, fill us with the light of day!**

**All Thy works with joy surround Thee, earth and heav'n reflect Thy rays.
Stars and angels sing around Thee, center of unbroken praise.
Field and forest, vale and mountain, flowery meadow, flashing sea,
Canting bird and flowing fountain call us to rejoice in Thee!**

**Thou art giving and forgiving, ever blessing, ever blest,
Wellspring of the joy of living, ocean depth of happy rest!
Thou our Father, Christ our Brother— all who live in love are Thine.
Teach us how to love each other; lift us to the joy divine!**

**Mortals, join the mighty chorus which the morning stars began;
Love divine is reigning o'er us, leading us with mercy's hand.
Ever singing, march we onward, victors in the midst of strife.
Joyful music leads us sunward in the triumph song of life!**

Opening Prayer

Patti Ogden

Family Dedication

The McIvor Family

A Time of Dedication — Thayer Richard McIvor

"The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor."

– Luke 4:18-19

Musical Response "Christians, We Have Met to Worship"
GBC Handbell Choir HOLY MANNA;
arr. Sondra K. Tucker

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

Children's Sermon April Alston

Story of Heritage Debbie Mikeal

As our offertory 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 "The Gift of Love"
GBC Handbell Choir English Melody
adapt. Hal H. Hopson,
arr. Jason W. Krug

† **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** Julie Green

Story of Heritage Laura Nelson, Sebastian Heredia

Scripture Reading Philippians 1:3-11 Heather Choplin

Sermon "Stewards of Grace" Chrissy Williamson

Musical Reflection "All Things New"
GBC Choir Words by Frances Havergal
adapt. from Rev. 21:5-6
Music by Elaine Hagenberg

Light after darkness, gain after loss,
Strength after weakness, crown after cross;
Sweet after bitter, hope after fears,
Home after wandering, praise after tears.

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Alpha and Omega, beginning and the end,
He is making all things new,
Springs of living water shall wash away each tear.
He is making all things new,
He is making all things new.

Sight after mystery, sun after rain,
Joy after sorrow, peace after pain;
Near after distant, gleam after gloom,
Love after loneliness, life after tomb.

Alpha and Omega, beginning and the end,
He is making all things new,
Springs of living water shall wash away each tear.
He is making all things new, all things new,
He is making all, He is making all things new.

Communion

Chrissy Williamson, Anna Beth Cross

Invitation to Respond

† Hymn of Response

“Living Stones”
Christian McIvor

Words and Music by
Christian McIvor ©2020

Verse 1:

Come! See! Let your heart be set on fire!
And go! Tell! Add your voice now to the choir!
Join us as we sound the invitation
To work to bring about a new creation!

Pre-chorus:

Here, we are answering our call;
Every member equipped to bring light and hope to all.

Chorus:

We will bring God’s reign near and in the love of Christ be led,
Doing the Word, making it heard.
And all are welcome here! Come to the table and be fed!
From near and far, come as you are.
Here, you will never be alone.
In the glory of God, we’re building a church of living stones!

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Verse 2:
Open up your mind to transformation
That offers justice, peace, and liberation.
Growing as we honor our tradition;
Together, we'll move forward in our mission.

(Pre-chorus, Chorus 2x)

Benediction

Chrissy Williamson

Postlude

"Te Deum"

Christian McIvor, Tim Hendrix

by Marc-Antoine Charpentier,
arr. John Wallace and Simon Wright

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We welcome to Greystone this morning Thayer Richard McIvor son of Christian and Chrissy McIvor, brother of Juliette and River McIvor. Through this dedication, the family pledges to raise Thayer in the nurture and admonition of the Lord, and Greystone pledges our support in their efforts so that when Thayer reaches an appropriate age he may choose for himself to follow Jesus Christ as Lord. Joining us on this special day are Thayer's parents and sisters.

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