



**Greystone**  
Baptist Church  
*40th Anniversary*

*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

October 27, 2024

Twenty-third Sunday of Ordinary Time

## Gathering Music

“As Pants the Deer for Living Streams”

SEACHRIST  
Words by Ruth Duck,  
Music by John D. Horman

“God Weeps with Us Who Weep and Mourn”

Words by  
Thomas H. Troeger (alt.),  
Music by Sally Ann Morris

“My Shepherd Will Supply My Need”

RESIGNATION  
Words by Isaac Watts (alt.),  
American Folk Melody from  
Lewis's *Beauties of Harmony*

“My Life Flows On”

HOW CAN I KEEP FROM SINGING  
Words and Music by Robert Lowry

## Prelude

“There Is a Balm in Gilead”  
Cynthia Griesedieck

arr. Gregg Sewell

## Welcome

April Alston

## † Call to Worship

One: In the midst of struggle and strife, God is with us.

**All: Praise be to God for God's steadfast presence.**

One: Even though many things in life can lead us to disappointment, suffering, and despair,  
God is with us.

**All: We seek God's mercy and grace to heal our wounded souls.**

One: Come, bring your needs and wants to God, for God will hear your cries and restore  
your souls.

**All: Praise be to God for mercy, peace, and hope. Amen.**

## † Opening Hymn

“I Want Jesus to Walk with Me”

Traditional Black Spiritual  
arr. Nolan Williams, Jr.

One: I want Jesus to walk with me;  
I want Jesus to walk with me;  
all along my pilgrim journey,  
Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.

**All: I want Jesus to walk with me;  
I want Jesus to walk with me;  
all along my pilgrim journey,  
Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.**

**In my trials, Lord, walk with me;  
in my trials, Lord, walk with me;  
when my heart is almost breaking,  
Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.**

**When I'm in trouble, Lord, walk with me;  
when I'm in trouble, Lord, walk with me;  
when my head is bowed in sorrow,  
Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.**

## Children's Sermon

April Alston

## Pastoral Prayer

Anna Beth Cross

## Offertory Anthem

“You Do Not Walk Alone”  
GBC Choir

Traditional Irish Blessing  
Music by Elaine Hagenberg

May you see God's light on the path ahead when the road you walk is dark.  
May you always hear, even in your hour of sorrow, the gentle singing of the lark.  
When times are hard may hardness never turn your heart to stone,  
May you always remember when the shadows fall,  
You do not walk alone.

(Repeated Twice)

May you always remember when the shadows fall,  
You do not walk alone.

## †Doxology

“O Bless the Gifts”

LAMB OF GOD  
Words by Samuel Longfellow, alt.  
Music by Twila Paris

**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

Joan Nelson

## Scripture

Job 1:1, 2:1-10

Dennis Beckwith

One: The Word of God, for the people of God.  
All: **Thanks be to God.**

## Sermon

*Word to the Wise:  
Wise in the Face of Loss*

Chrissy Tatum Williamson

## †Hymn of Response

“Be Still, My Soul”

FINLANDIA  
by Katharina von Schlegel  
trans. Jane Larue Borthwick (alt.)  
Music by Jean Sibelius arr. *The Hymnal*

**Be still, my soul: the Lord is on thy side.  
Bear patiently the cross of grief or pain.  
Leave to thy God to order and provide,  
who through all changes faithful will remain.  
Be still, my soul: thy best, thy heavenly Friend  
through thorny ways leads to a joyful end.**

**Be still, my soul: thy God doth undertake  
to guide the future surely as the past.  
Thy hope, thy confidence let nothing shake;  
all now mysterious shall be bright at last.  
Be still, my soul: the waves and winds still know  
his voice who ruled them while he dwelt below.**

**Be still, my soul: the hour is hastening on  
when we shall be forever with the Lord;  
when disappointment, grief, and fear are gone,  
sorrow forgot, love's purest joys restored.  
Be still, my soul: when change and tears are past  
all safe and blessed we shall meet at last.**

## **Celebrating Community**

Christian McIvor

### **✠ Sending Song**

**"We Are Marching in the Light of God"**

South African Freedom Song  
English trans. Garcia Grindal

**We are marching in the light of God,  
we are marching in the light of God. (Repeat)**

**We are marching, marching, we are marching,  
Ooh, we are marching in the light of God. (Repeat)**

### **✠ Benediction**

Chrissy Tatum Williamson

### **Postlude**

**"Glory to God on High"  
Pam Weis**

by George Blake

For centuries the Dutch placed Cradle Crosses over the beds of their infant children-that this symbol of the Christian faith might always be a part of the child's consciousness. Today we hang a Cradle Cross to celebrate the birth of Marshall Andrew Abene Brown, 10/19/24. Marshall is the son of Haley Abene and Cory Brown.

## **Greystone Financial Status as of September 30, 2024**

YTD Contributions Received:	\$526,737
YTD Expenses Incurred:	\$554,502
YTD Net Position:	(\$27,765)

## **Greystone Staff**

April Alston, Associate Minister, Children and Preschool  
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