



Greystone
Baptist Church

Welcome to Greystone

At Greystone everyone is welcomed and affirmed as God's beloved creation.

Wherever you are in life and faith:

You are valued.

You are loved.

You belong.

*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

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 Nora Alden Black, 2/1/25.

Nora is the daughter of Cassie & Austin Black
and the granddaughter of Mark & Lisha Stewart.

The Worship of God

Fifth Sunday After the Epiphany

February 8, 2026

Gathering Music

“This Is What We Came to Do”
GBC Worship Band

Words and Music by
Christian Mclvor ©2018

“I Will Follow”

Words and Music by Chris Tomlin,
Jason Ingram, and Reuben Morgan

“This Is the End”

Words and Music by
Christian Mclvor ©2018

“Let It Grow”

Words and Music by Eric Clapton

Prelude

“In His Footsteps”
Sandra Hunt

by Adam B. Everett arr. Don Phillips

Welcome

April Alston

† Call to Worship

One: The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is near!

All: We turn our hearts and lives, for the reign of God is among us.

One: The Good News has arrived—a message of hope, healing, and light.

All: Let us repent and believe in the Gospel.

One: Come and worship, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.

**All: We gather to praise God and learn how to continue building
God’s beloved community!**

† Please rise in body or spirit.

†Opening Hymn

“Living Stones”

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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!**

Prechorus:

**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!**

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.**

(Prechorus, Chorus 2x)

Children’s Sermon

April Alston

Pastoral Prayer

Steve Rose

Offertory Anthem

“Ain’t That Good News”
GBC Choir

Traditional Black Spiritual
arr. Moses Hogan

I got news, I got news, I got news, O Lord, I got good news!

I got a crown up in a that kingdom, ain't a that good news (got good news).

I got a crown up in a that kingdom, ain't a that good news (got good news).

I'm a gonna lay down this world, gonna shoulder up a my cross,

Gonna take it home a to my Jesus, ain't a that good news!

I got news, I got news, O Lord, I got good news!

I got a robe up in a my kingdom, ain't a that good news (got good news).
I got a robe up in a my kingdom, ain't a that good news (got good news).
I'm a gonna lay down this world, gonna shoulder up a my cross,
Gonna take it home a to my Jesus, ain't a that good news.

I got news, I got news, O Lord, I got good news!

I got a harp up in a that kingdom, ain't a that good news (got good news).
I got a harp up in a that kingdom, ain't a that good news (got good news).
I'm a gonna lay down this world, gonna shoulder up a my cross,
Gonna take it home a to my Jesus, ain't a that good news.

I got news, I got news, O Lord, I got good news!

I got a song up in a that kingdom, ain't a that good news (got good news).
I got a song up in a that kingdom, ain't a that good news (got good news).
I'm a gonna lay down this world, gonna shoulder up a my cross,
Gonna sing my song a for my Jesus. I'm gonna play my harp a for my Jesus.
I'm gonna put on my robe a for my Jesus. I'm gonna wear my crown a for my Jesus,
Ain't a that good news.

I got news, I got news, O Lord, I got good news!

†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.
(Repeat)**

†Prayer of Dedication

John Vestal

Scripture

Mark 1:14-15

Dennis Beckwith

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

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

The Spiritual Foundation of Jesus

Bo Prosser

†Hymn of Response

“Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee”

HYMN TO JOY
Words by Henry van Dyke
Music by Ludwig van Beethoven adapt. Edward Hodges

Joyful, joyful, we adore thee, God of glory, Lord of love!
Hearts unfold like flowers 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 heaven reflect thy rays;
stars and angels sing around thee, center of unbroken praise.
Field and forest, vale and mountain, flowery meadow, flashing sea,
chanting bird and flowing fountain, call us to rejoice in thee.

Mortals, join the happy chorus which the morning stars began.
Love divine is reigning o'er us, joining all in heaven's plan.
Ever singing, march we onward, victors in the midst of strife.
Joyful music leads us sunward in the triumph song of life.

Celebrating Community

Anna Beth Cross

Benediction

Bo Prosser

†Sending Song

“My Beloved”
(Chorus)

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...and God tells us,
“You, you are my beloved.
So, remember I am with you wherever you roam,
Don't you know that you, you are my beloved;
And when you turn to me, you're always coming home.”

Postlude

“Great Is Thy Faithfulness”
Pam Weis

William Runyan

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