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 I Peter 2:5, 6

The flowers of blessing are given by Charlotte Harger in loving memory of her son, Paul Harger, November 1, 1965 - December 4, 2024.

The Worship of God

November 1, 2026

All Saints' Sunday

Gathering Music

"You Brought Heaven to Me" — GBC Worship Band — Words and Music by Christian McIvor ©2018

"Ghosts" — Words and Music by Bruce Springsteen

"Tears in Heaven" — Words and Music by Eric Clapton and Will Jennings

"Blest Are They" — Words and Music by David Haas

Prelude "Hallelujah, We Shall Rise as the Saints Go Marching In" arr. Pepper Choplin
Pam Weis

Welcome Bo Prosser

†Call to Worship

One: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all!

All: And also with you!

One: God, by your grace, we are running a race.

All: We are surrounded by a cloud of witnesses—

One: Patriarchs and matriarchs, prophets and psalmists, disciples and evangelists, martyrs and saints.

All: We thank you for their example. We praise you for their lives of faith. For all your saints, O Lord, who strove in you to live, who followed, obeyed, adored you.

One: God, by your grace, we are running a race.

All: We are surrounded by a cloud of witnesses—

One: Loved ones now resting in you, who guided us, nurtured and cared for us; ancestors who worked and traveled, lived and died that we might be who we are, where we are— your precious children in this community of believers.

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† *Please rise in body or spirit.*

All: **We thank you for their example. We praise you for their lives of faith. For all your saints, O Lord, who strove in you to die, who counted you their great reward— accept our thankful cry.**

One: God, by your grace we are running a race.

All: **We are surrounded by a cloud of witnesses—**

One: Hear these names that we remember today,

John Clark
Dorothy Rutledge
Nancy Walters
Ramona Taylor
John Divers
Tom Pickles
Dora Pickles
Blake Aydlett
Archie McFadyen
Alan Sasser

friends who helped, guided and uplifted us— children of your family, sheep of your fold, sinners of your redeeming.

All: **We thank you for their example. We praise you for their lives of faith. For this, your name we bless, and humbly pray anew, that we like them in holiness may live and die in you.**

One: Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely,

All: **And let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us,**

One: Looking to Christ, the pioneer and perfecter of our faith.

†Hymn of Response "For All the Saints"

SINE NOMINE
Words by William Walsham How
Music by Ralph Vaughan Williams

For all the saints who from their labors rest,
who thee by faith before the world confessed,
thy name, O Jesus, be forever blest.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

Thou wast their rock, their fortress, and their might;
thou, Lord, their captain in the well-fought fight;
thou, in the darkness drear, their one true light.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

O blest communion, fellowship divine!
We feebly struggle; they in glory shine;
yet all are one in thee, for all are thine.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

And when the strife is fierce, the warfare long,
steals on the ear the distant triumph song,
and hearts are brave again, and arms are strong.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast,
through gates of pearl streams in the countless host,
singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
Alleluia! Alleluia!

Children's Sermon — April Alston

Pastoral Prayer

Offertory Anthem — "Shall We Gather at the River" — Setting by John Carter
GBC Choir

†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 — Sandra Hunt

Scripture — Matthew 5:1-12 — Toni Cox

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

Sermon — *From Memory to Hope* — Bo Prosser

Communion — Bo Prosser and April Alston

†Hymn of Response "Lord, I Want to Be a Christian" I WANT TO BE A CHRISTIAN
Traditional Black Spiritual

Lord, I want to be a Christian in my heart, in my heart;
Lord, I want to be a Christian in my heart.
In my heart, in my heart,
Lord, I want to be a Christian in my heart.

Lord, I want to be more loving in my heart, in my heart;
Lord, I want to be more loving in my heart.
In my heart, in my heart,
Lord, I want to be more loving in my heart.

Lord, I want to be more holy in my heart, in my heart;
Lord, I want to be more holy in my heart.
In my heart, in my heart,
Lord, I want to be more holy in my heart.

Lord, I want to be like Jesus in my heart, in my heart;
Lord, I want to be like Jesus in my heart.
In my heart, in my heart,
Lord, I want to be like Jesus in my heart.

Celebrating Community Steve Rose

Benediction Bo Prosser

†Sending Song "God Is Guiding" (Refrain) Words and Music
by Christian McIvor ©2025

May we together be transformed
As hand in hand, we journey through the dark of night;
Through every fire, flood, and storm,
Heart to heart, we'll see each other to the light;
For in the love of Christ we are abiding
And God is guiding.

Postlude "Chariot's A-Comin'!" arr. Ruth Elaine Schram
Pam Weis

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