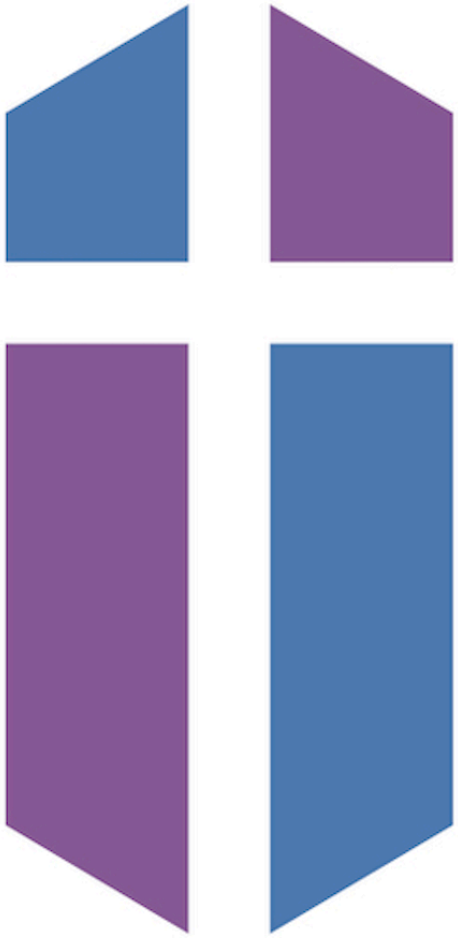


Greystone
Baptist Church

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 on the alter are given by Joy and Bob Millikan in memory of Joy's sister, Alison Melina.

The Worship of God

November 22, 2026

Reign of Christ Sunday

Gathering Music

"Open the Eyes of My Heart" — Words and Music by Paul Baloche
GBC Worship Band

"The Truth Shall Make You Odd" — Words and Music by Christian McIvor ©2019

"Great Are You Lord" — Words and Music by David Leonard, Jason Ingram, and Leslie Jordan

"Living Stones" — Words and Music by Christian McIvor ©2020

Prelude

"The Time for Turning" — Words by Pamela Stewart, Music by Craig Courtney
The GraceTones

Welcome — Christian McIvor

†Call to Worship

"We Are Thankful" — Children's Prayer, French Melody
Led by the GBC Children's Choir

Children: We are thankful, we are thankful
For our God, for our God
And our many blessings, and our many blessings.
Thank you, Lord. Thank you, Lord.

All: We are thankful, we are thankful
For our God, for our God
And our many blessings, and our many blessings.
Thank you, Lord. Thank you, Lord.

[Repeat in a round]

† *Please rise in body or spirit.*

†Opening Hymn "For the Beauty of the Earth"

DIX
Words by Folliott Sandford Pierpoint
Music by Conrad Kocher

Children Only:
For the beauty of the earth, for the glory of the skies,
for the love which from our birth over and around us lies:

Refrain:
Lord of all, to thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise.

All:
For the wonder of each hour of the day and of the night,
hill and vale, and tree and flower, sun and moon, and stars of light: (Refrain)

For the joy of ear and eye, for the heart and mind's delight,
for the mystic harmony linking sense to sound and sight: (Refrain)

For the joy of human love, brother, sister, parent, child,
friends on earth, and friends above, for all gentle thoughts and mild: (Refrain)

For thyself, best gift divine to the world so freely given;
for that great, great love of thine, peace on earth and joy in heaven: (Refrain)

Children's Sermon

April Alston

Pastoral Prayer

Anna Beth Cross

Offertory Anthem "Sanctus (A Separate Splendor)"

GBC Choir

Words by Pamela Stewart
Music by Craig Courtney

You brush the vault of heaven and paint the stars of night,
each with a sep'rate splendor, the canvas filled with light.
You count them in their places. You call their names; they gleam.
When you touch their pulse with fire, the stars begin to sing.

Sanctus, sanctus, alleluia.

This is our sep'rate splendor: a soul of light from birth,
a star that yearns for heaven in this body made of earth.
Stardust clinging to your hands transformed the clay in me;
I hear the stars rejoicing, and I begin to sing.

Sanctus, sanctus, alleluia.

You crown the night with wonder; you set the stars aflame.
And in our sep'rate splendors, our light pours forth your name.
The heavens fill with glory as all your shining stars
sing to the one who made us, who made us as we are.

Sanctus, sanctus, alleluia.
We sing alleluia.

†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 David Cross

Scripture Ephesians 1:15-23 John Duren

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

Sermon *Soon and Very Soon* Bo Prosser

†Hymn of Response "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise" ST. DENIO
Words by Walter Chalmers Smith
Welsh Folk Melody

Immortal, invisible, God only wise,
in light inaccessible hid from our eyes,
most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,
almighty, victorious, thy great name we praise.

Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light,
nor wanting, nor wasting, thou rulest in might:
thy justice, like mountains high soaring above;
thy clouds, which are fountains of goodness and love.

To all, life thou givest, to both great and small.
In all life thou livest, the true life of all.
We blossom and flourish like leaves on the tree,
then wither and perish; but naught changeth thee.

Thou reignest in glory; thou dwellest in light.
Thine angels adore thee, all veiling their sight.
All praise we would render; O help us to see
'tis only the splendor of light hideth thee!

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 "'Allegro' from Sonata No. 5 (SF 768)" Benedetto Marcello
Pam Weis arr. Geoffrey Edwards

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