

ORDER OF WORSHIP

*indicates that the congregation will stand.

preparing our hearts for worship

"God With Us"

welcome and announcements

So we can get to know you better...Please sign and pass the connection pad.

*call to worship

Colossians 1:15-17

Leader: Come and worship Christ,
the visible image of the invisible God,
People: **the firstborn of creation, the eternal God:**
Leader: the one through whom all things were created,
and in whom all things are held together.
All: **This is our God! Let us worship together.**

*song of response:

"Ever Be"

baptism

Benjamin Paul Neely
Son of Andy and Nicole Holsinger Neely

*passing of the peace

leader: The peace of Christ be with you.
people: And also with you.

giving back to God (place prayer cards in offering plates)

song of preparation: "God With Us"

kid's moment and prayer of sending for the kids

message:

Following Jesus
With Our Whole Lives

Rev. Joe Stroup

scripture:

Colossians 3:1-17

"And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him."

communion

"God, You're So Good"

*closing song:

"Death Was Arrested"

*benediction

(a blessing said over us as we go)

GRAYSTONE VALUES...

FOLLOWING JESUS WITH OUR WHOLE LIVES
We are not content to just follow Jesus on Sunday mornings but in every square inch of our lives.

TRUSTING GOD'S WORD
We are people who are anchored, fed, and shaped by God's Word.

EMPOWERING THE NEXT GENERATION
We equip parents, children, youth, and young adults to lead our church and the world into a future defined by the Gospel.

PURSUING COMMUNITY
We are together because God made us a family and even when it's messy, it's worth it.

SHARING THE LIFE-CHANGING MESSAGE OF JESUS
We bring the hope found only in Jesus into our homes, communities, and the world.

Prayer List as of Thursday, August 30

Please remember to mention during the hospital admission process that you are a member of Graystone. Also, if you know of a member who has been hospitalized please notify the church office.

Prayer Concerns: Graystone Members	
Floyd Lewis	Montie Miller
Don and Gladys Rodgers	Clair Ruffner
Shirley Shearer	Nellie White
Prayer Concerns: Friends and Relatives	
Deloris Bishop Kathy Beatty's mother	Diana Campbell Family
Judy Cessna Lois Miller's daughter	Sondra Clapper Dee Hill's Mom
Dawne Davis Family	Frank and Reatha Eret Sonja McCune's parents
Deana Kirkland Ron and Deb Port's daughter	Courtney LeBlanc Katie and Randy LeBlanc's daughter
Andrew Manzek friend of Karen Brown	Logan McCracken Debby McCracken's grandson
Bud and Peggy McCune Larry McCune's parents	Quinn Santini Clair & Donna Ruffner's great - granddaughter
Darlene Snyder Crystal Simpson's sister-in-law	Pam Stroup Joe Stroup's mother

Serving in the Military

Russell Blankenship - Serving in the Middle East
Justin Ming - Serving in Anchorage Alaska
Andy Neely - Serving in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania
Payton Smith - Navy; USS Washington
Dylan Wells - Fort Bragg, North Carolina
Derek Watson, Shane Bothel, and Tyler Bothel - Navy Pilots

Mission Focus

Ned and Kathy Thomas
Wycliffe Bible Translators translates the Bible for worldwide use. Our friends Ned and Kathy, retired from many years of missionary service for WBT, need much prayer as they work through the last years of their lives in North Carolina.

Ministry Focus

We give thanks for all those who lead Bible studies, Sunday School classes, and Life Groups this season. We pray for these instructors and leaders who point us to God's Word and who help us to learn more about what it means to follow Jesus in all aspects of our lives. We pray that they would be encouraged by what they do and that in teaching others, they may more wholly learn and understand God's heart in their own lives as well.

Serving Today

Greeters: Vivian Verheyen, Chris Evans, Gary Hill, Dee Hill
Ushers: CCO students, Kenneth Campbell

The Chancel Flowers are given to the glory of God and in memory of **my parents** by **Alan Holsinger**.

A PRAYER TEAM is available under the right balcony after the service. A box for prayer requests is in the rear of the sanctuary as well as the office.

What's YOUR next step?

GATHER

Call for a Special Congregational Meeting on Sunday September 9, 2018 following the 2nd service in the Sanctuary

On August 28, 2018, at their regularly scheduled meeting the Session voted unanimously to call a Special Congregational Meeting for September 9th after the second service. The purpose of the meeting is to vote to move Rev. Joe Stroup from Assistant Pastor to Associate Pastor at Graystone. The rationale for the change in status for Joe is available in the back of the sanctuary or in the Welcome Center.

ALL CHURCH PICNIC - Mark your calendar for the ALL CHURCH PICNIC on Sunday, September 16, at 4:30 p.m. at Mack Park Pavilion. Bring a side dish or dessert to share. Everything else will be provided. Dinner will be at 5:00 p.m. Enjoy an afternoon of music, games and prizes.

INTERESTED IN BAPTISM? A Baptism class will be held on Sunday, September 9, at 9:45 in Room 102. This is for any person wishing to be baptized or have a child baptized. Our baptism services will be on September 30. Contact the church office to RSVP.

CONNECT

ANNOUNCING A NEW CLASS: "Christianity's Triumph" Our Builders Class is beginning a new series on the remarkable rise of Christianity in spite of seemingly insurmountable odds through the power of the Holy Spirit. You can join this class in the Library during the Sunday School hour at 9:45 am on Sunday mornings.

STRESS CLASS OFFERED- Learn skills to manage stress more effectively through a series of four Tuesday evening classes set to begin October 2. This class will be held 6:30-8pm in the library. Sign-up sheets are available in the Welcome Center.

LEADERS NEEDED! As we get set for our Life Group season kicking off this fall, we are looking for leaders. If you would be interested in leading a Life Group or learning more about what that commitment looks like, email Pastor Ryan at rmowen@graystonepc.org

PEP LUNCH - The People Enjoying People Group invite you to join them for their next luncheon on Wednesday, September 19 at 12:00 noon in the Gathering Place. Enjoy a lunch of fried chicken, scalloped potatoes, vegetable and apple crisp. Guest speakers will be Jeff Mack and Ron Marshall with information regarding 2018 taxes. Contact Karen Cass at 724-463-3877 to RSVP.

SAVE THE DATES - It was announced that after much prayer and listening Pastor Hurley announced his retirement as of October 31. His last Sunday in the pulpit will be October 28 with a retirement celebration that afternoon. Save the date and watch for details.

SERVE

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD: Our students will be selling prayer cards as reminders to pray for Operation Christmas Child this fall to help fund postage to send shoeboxes loaded with goodies that help share the gospel this Christmas with families in need this Christmas season. If you'd like to purchase a prayer card (\$10 each) you can see one of our youth team or stop by the youth room during the Sunday School hour.

CALENDAR

Happening today

8:00 a.m. Prayer for Worship - Library
8:30 a.m. Worship - Sanctuary
9:45 a.m. Sunday School for All Ages
11:00 a.m. Worship - Sanctuary
6:00 p.m. Stone PM - Youth Room

Happening this week

Monday, September 3

Office Closed for Labor Day Holiday

Tuesday, September 4

9:00 a.m. Stephen Ministry Peer Group
10:00 a.m. Staff Meeting - Library
12:00 noon Mugs and Muffins - Room 101
6:30 p.m. Personnel - Room 101
6:30 p.m. Bells - Center Social Hall
7:00 p.m. CCO Men's Group - Campus Room

Wednesday, September 5

8:00 a.m. Prayer Group - Library
6:30 p.m. Youth Ministry Team - Youth Room
6:30 p.m. CCO - Gathering Place
7:00 p.m. Facilities - Room 101

Thursday, September 6

6:30 a.m. Promise Keepers Bible Study - Eat N Park
9:00 a.m. Ladies Bible Study - Room 101
1:00 p.m. Library Team - Library
7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir - Room 211
7:30 p.m. Worship Team - Sanctuary

Saturday, September 8


7:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study - Perkin's Restaurant

Sunday, September 9

8:00 a.m. Prayer for Worship - Library
8:30 a.m. Worship - Sanctuary
9:45 a.m. Sunday School for All Ages
11:00 a.m. Worship - Sanctuary
11:15 a.m. Celebration Choir - Green Room
12:00 p.m. CCO Lunch - Center Gathering Place
6:00 p.m. Stone PM - Youth Room

Welcoming People, Following Jesus

Following Jesus with Our Whole Lives

		SUNDAYS: 9:45 AM
CLASS	LOCATION	TEACHER
Builder's Class	Graystone Library	Bill Miller David Smith
Challenge Class	Graystone Gathering Place (Rear)	Chris Pusateri Scott Elgin Julie Greenawalt Chris Evans
Foundations Class	Graystone Chapel	Andy Arblaster
Your Best Us	Room 201	Colin and Heather Ashe

September 2, 2018

11:00 a.m.