

ORDER OF WORSHIP

*indicates that the congregation will stand

Welcome and Announcements Pastor Rob Sparr

Prelude: "Christ the Redeemer" Marissa Bruno
Tom Birchwood

Prayer of Invocation

*Call to Worship From Psalm 105:1-3

Leader: Oh, give thanks to the LORD! Call upon His name; Make known His deeds among the peoples!
People: Sing to Him, sing psalms to him; Talk of all His wondrous works!
ALL: Glory in His holy name; Let the hearts of those rejoice who seek the LORD!

*Hymn: "God of Our Fathers" Hymn 642

*Confession of Faith Westminster Shorter Catechism, Question 10
Q. How did God create man?
A. God created man, male and female, in his own image and in knowledge, righteousness, and holiness, to rule over the other creatures.

*Prayer of Confession From John Calvin's Geneva Liturgy of 1543
Lord God, eternal and almighty Father: We acknowledge before your holy majesty that we are poor sinners, conceived and born in guilt and in corruption, prone to do evil, unable of our own power to do good. Because of our sin, we endlessly violate your holy commandments. But, O Lord, with heartfelt sorrow we repent and turn away from all our offenses. We condemn ourselves and our evil ways, with true sorrow asking that your grace will relieve our distress. Have compassion on us, most gracious God, Father of mercies, for the sake of your son Jesus Christ our Lord. And in removing our guilt, also grant us daily increase of the grace of your Holy Spirit and produce in us the fruits of holiness and of righteousness pleasing in your sight. Hear now our silent confessions in Jesus' name:

*Silent Confession

*Assurance of Pardon

*Response of Praise: "Gloria Patri" Hymn 670

*Passing of the Peace

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory: "A Prayer for Heroes" Chancel Choir
John B. Dykes, Arr. Tom Eggleston; Alex Robbins, trumpet

*Doxology (Hymn 668)

*Prayer of Dedication

Message: "Who Is Jesus? Customs and Cleanliness" Pastor Joe Stroup

Scripture: Mark 7:1-23

*Hymn: "Battle Hymn of the Republic" Hymn 645

*Benediction

Postlude: "Fanfare on St. George's Windsor" Charles Callahan

*Please stand if you are able.

SERMON NOTES:

"Who Is Jesus? Customs and Cleanliness"
Mark 7:1-23

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WELCOME - We are pleased to have you join us today. If you would like to meet with one of our pastors please call the church office (724-349-5556) or email Pastor Rob (rsparr@graystonepc.org) or Pastor Joe (jstroup@graystonepc.org) to set up an appointment.

THE CHANCEL FLOWERS are given by **Ida Evans** to the glory of God and in loving memory of her dear friend, **Maude Cramer**.

THE CHANCEL FLOWERS are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of **Jim Lockhart** by **his family**.

NEW SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

- THE MEN’S CLASS** is focused on the life of Moses. There is much for us to learn as men about who God is, His glorious calling on our lives, and what it looks like to respond as His men to His calling through the account of Moses. We will look at the unique times that Moses lived in, and will see that spiritually, there is not much different between the world then and now. This class will meet in the Gathering Place.
- THE WOMEN’S CLASS** will focus on "Perfect Love—Pursuing Intimacy with Christ." We all want to be known and loved. Though we can experience deep relationships with others, there will always be a hole in our hearts for the perfect love of Christ. But what does that really mean? What does it look like to pursue intimacy with an invisible God. This class will meet in MMR2.

ANGEL TREE 2024—Again this year we will be participating in Prison Fellowship’s Angel Tree program. Angel Tree gives churches opportunities to provide gifts for children on behalf of their incarcerated parent. Please be praying for these families: caregivers, children, and the incarcerated parents. And stay tuned for more ways to be involved this Christmas season!

- ANGEL TREE SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19, in the Welcome Center!**
Here are ways to be involved.
- Pray for those currently contacting families
 - Volunteer to help sign people up on Angel Tree Sunday
 - Choose a tag to buy a gift for that child (\$25 minimum) or caregiver (a small token)
 - Help wrap gifts **3:30 pm, Sunday, December 3**
 - Help with the Gift Distribution Open House **1-3pm, Sunday, December 10**
 - Make a donation for Open House, wrapping supplies, or any remaining gift needs
 - Dontate wrapping paper, large boxes, tissue paper, bows, etc.

INDIANA CONCERT OF PRAISE—Graystone’s Chancel Choir and Worship Team will be singing at the Concert of Praise on Sunday, November 19 at Grace United Methodist Church at 6:00 p.m. Everyone in invited.

ENDOWMENT SCHOLARSHIPS are available for the Spring 2024 Semester. Applications are available in the church office. All application letters should be turned in to the church office by December 20., 2023 Any questions, please call Bill McMillen at 724-397-2702.

SALVATION ARMY PIE DONATION—Graystone will once again be helping the Salvation Army provide Thanksgiving meals to members of our community. Last year we were able to donate 80+ pies. If you are willing to make pies for this outreach contact the church office. Pies can be dropped off at the church Monday, November 20.

- UPCOMING EVENTS:**
- PEP THANKSGIVING LUNCH** - Join us on Wednesday, November 15, at 12:00 noon for a time of thankful fellowship in the Gathering Place. Cost for the Thanksgiving meal is \$7.00. RSVP by November 13.

Sign up for any of these events by signing up in the Welcome Center or calling the church office at 724-349-5556.

LOOKING AHEAD: Mark 7:24—8:30 – Who is Jesus?

CALENDAR

Happening today	
<i>Nursery is open during both worship services for children under 5</i>	
8:30 a.m.	Worship - Sanctuary
9:45 a.m.	Coffee Fellowship Time—Welcome Center
9:45 a.m.	Sunday School
	Men’s Sunday School—Gathering Place
	Women’s Sunday School—MMR2
11:00 a.m.	Worship - Sanctuary
5:30 p.m.	CCO Missional Community—Loft
6:00 p.m.	Youth Group
Happening this week	
Monday, November 13	
Office Closed	
6:00 p.m.	Nominating Committee—MMR1
6:30 p.m.	Graystone Bells
Tuesday, November 14	
10:00 a.m.	Staff Meeting
10:00 a.m.	Ladies Bible Study—UMR6
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6:30 p.m.	Youth Ministry Team
Wednesday, November 15	
9:30 a.m.	Image Bearers Bible Study—MMR2
12:00 noon	PEP Thanksgiving Lunch—Gathering Place
6:30 p.m.	Prayer Group
7:30 p.m.	CCO Midweek
Thursday, November 16	
9:00 a.m.	Thursday Morning Ladies Bible Study—MMR2
12:00 noon	Sparr Lunch Time Life Group—Library
1:00 p.m.	Library Team—Library
6:30 p.m.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
7:00 p.m.	Worship Team Rehearsal
Saturday, November 18	
7:30 a.m.	Men’s Bible Study—Perkins
Sunday, November 20	
8:30 a.m.	Worship - Sanctuary
9:45 a.m.	Coffee Fellowship Time—Welcome Center
9:45 a.m.	Sunday School
	Men’s Sunday School—Gathering Place
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November 12, 20238:30 a.m.

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ARE YOU RECEIVING OUR WEEKLY EMAILS? If not, please sign up in the back of the sanctuary or in the Welcome Center by giving us your email address. Feel free to update your email address as well.