



Greystone Baptist Church

40th Anniversary

*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

Todd and Elizabeth Worley have placed these flowers in thanksgiving for their children.

We give God thanks for Steve Rose, who joined our staff on 5/16/2016.

The Worship of God

Fifth Sunday of Easter

May 18, 2025

Gathering Music

"Oh, How Good It Is"

Words and Music by Keith Getty,
Kristyn Getty, Ross Holmes,
and Stuart Townend

"Love Your Crooked Neighbor"
With Your Crooked Heart"

Words and Music
Christian McIvor ©2018

"All You Need Is Love"

Words and Music by John Lennon
and Paul McCartney

"The Answer"

Words and Music
by Christian McIvor ©2023

Prelude

"In This Very Room"
Sandra Hunt

arr. Don Wyrtzen

Welcome

April Alston

†Sung Call to Worship

"We Were Made to Love"
Led by GBC Children's Choir

by Christian McIvor ©2025

Choir: We were made to love!

We were made to love!

Love our God, love our neighbor, love all of creation;

We were made to love!

All: **We were made to love!**

We were made to love!

Love our God, love our neighbor, love all of creation;

We were made to love!

(Repeat)

† Please rise in body or spirit.

†Opening Hymn

“We Are One in the Spirit”

THEY’LL KNOW WE ARE CHRISTIANS

Words and Music by Peter Scholtes

Verse 1:

**We are one in the Spirit; we are one in the Lord;
we are one in the Spirit; we are one in the Lord,
and we pray that all unity may one day be restored:**

Refrain:

**And they’ll know we are Christians by our love, by our love;
yes, they’ll know we are Christians by our love.**

Verse 2:

**We will walk with each other; we will walk hand in hand;
we will walk with each other; we will walk hand in hand,
and together we’ll spread the news that God is in our land: (Refrain)**

Verse 3:

**We will work with each other; we will work side by side;
we will work with each other; we will work side by side,
and we’ll guard human dignity and save human pride: (Refrain)**

Verse 4:

**All praise to the Father, from whom all things come,
and all praise to Christ Jesus, God’s only Son,
and all praise to the Spirit, who makes us one: (Refrain)**

Children’s Sermon

April Alston

Pastoral Prayer

Anna Beth Cross

Offertory Anthem

“Beloved, Let Us Love One Another”
GBC Choir

by Pepper Choplin

Beloved, let us love one another,

Beloved, let us love one another with love that comes from God.

Beloved (beloved), let us love one another,
Beloved (beloved), let us love one another with love that comes from God.

For love is from God, and everyone who loves is born of God.
For love is from God, and everyone who loves surely knows God.

Whoever does not love does not know God,
For God is love, God is love.

Beloved (beloved), let us love one another,
Beloved (beloved), let us love one another with love that comes from God.

Beloved, let us love one another,
Beloved, let us love one another with love that comes from God,

Let us love one another (let us love one another).
So let us love.

†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

Trish Boone

Scripture

John 13:31-35

Joanne Thompson

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

Sermon

Where's the Love?

Christian McIvor

Hymn of Response “The Church of Christ Cannot Be Bound”

The church of Christ cannot be bound by walls of wood or stone.
Where charity and love are found there can the church be known.

**True faith will open up the door and step into the street.
True service will seek out the poor and ask to wash their feet.**

**True love will not sit idly by when justice is denied.
True mercy hears the homeless cry and welcomes them inside.**

If what we have we freely share to meet our neighbor's need, then we extend the Spirit's care through every selfless deed.

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Celebrating Community

Anna Beth Cross

Sending Song

“O Christ, Surround Me”

GREEN TYLER
Words and Music by
Richard Bruxvoort Colligan

**God, be the love to search and keep me;
God, be the prayer to move my voice;
God, be the strength to now uphold me:
O Christ, surround me; O Christ, surround me.**

†Benediction

Christian McIvor

Postlude

“Postlude on Ellacombe” Pam Weis

arr. Jason D. Payne

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