



 **everything**
[in] **between**
righteousness & mercy

*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 1 Peter 2:5, 6

*Brian and Lilian celebrate their son Robert's birthday and dedicate the flowers to the
wonderful Greystone members that helped raise him.*

The Worship of God

Fifth Sunday in Lent

April 6, 2025

Gathering Music

“Zacchaeus Was a Tax Man”
GBC Worship Band

AURELIA

Words by Carolyn Winfrey Gillette
Music by Samuel Sebastian Wesley

“God of the Sparrow”

ROEDER

Words by Jaroslav J. Vajda
Music by Carl F. Schalk

“All Belong Here”

Words by Lenora Rand
Music by Hannah Rand

“The Answer”

Words and Music by
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Prelude

“Marvelous Grace”
Sandra Hunt

arr. Tom Fettle

Welcome

April Alston

†Call to Worship

One: We come to worship because we are in between:

All: **hope and grief,**
faith and doubt,
joy and longing,
curiosity and conviction.

One: So we come to worship and God meets us here.

All: **Surely, we are not alone.**
Thanks be to God for meeting us in the middle!
Amen.

† Please rise in body or spirit.

†Opening Hymn #355 "There's a Wideness in God's Mercy" Stanzas 1, 3-4

**There's a wideness in God's mercy like the wideness of the sea;
There's a kindness in His justice which is more than liberty.**

**For the love of God is broader than the measure of man's mind;
And the heart of the Eternal is most wonderfully kind.**

**If our love were but more simple, we should take Him at His word;
and our lives would be illumined by the presence of our Lord.**

Children's Sermon

Kay Meyer

Call to Confession

Steve Rose

Prayer of Confession

**All: Merciful God,
When we fail to be righteous,
show us mercy.
When we fail to be merciful,
show us what is right.
Again and again,
bring us closer to you.
Again and again,
show us the way.
Amen.**

Words of Forgiveness

One: Family of faith, hear and believe this good news:

When we fail to be righteous,

All: God is merciful.

One: When we fail to be merciful,

All: God invites us to try again.

One: Again and again,

All: God moves closer to us.

One: Again and again,

All: God shows us the way.

One: Thanks be to God for this unending love.

All: Amen.

Offertory Anthem

"God of Mercy, Lead Us Home"
GBC Choir

Words by Greg Funderburk
Scottish Melody arr. Earlene Rentz

In the darkness of the Cross, we gather here.
In the sorrow of the soul, our God is near.
In the pain of shadowed love, for mercy we long.
In the night of darkened song, our God leads us home.

God of mercy, lead us home, lead us home.
Give us comfort in this place, and return us to your grace.
Awaken, God of mercy, lead us home, home, lead us home,
Lead us home, lead us home, home.

My soul longs for light, when the darkness shall end,
and peace is the gift of Your presence within.
Your light is our guide, your grace is our song.
Awaken, God of mercy, and lead us home.

God of mercy, lead us home, lead us home, lead us home.
God of Mercy, lead us home, lead us home, home.

†Lenten Doxology

Praise God throughout these forty days.

Praise Christ, our Lord, whom God did raise.

And praise the Spirit who imparts

God's love in Christ into our hearts.

(Repeat)

LAMB OF GOD

Words by G.W. Dub Shepherd

Music by Twila Paris

†Prayer of Dedication

Ramona Taylor

Scripture

Luke 19:1-10

Bill Baxley

One: The Word of God, for the people of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

Communion

Christian McIvor and April Alston

†Hymn of Response**"Will You Come and Follow Me"**

**"Will you come and follow me if I but call your name?
Will you go where you don't know and never be the same?
Will you let my love be shown; will you let my name be known;
will you let my life be grown in you and you in me?"**

**"Will you love the 'you' you hide if I but call your name?
Will you quell the fear inside and never be the same?
Will you use the faith you've found to reshape the world around,
through my sight and touch and sound in you and you in me?"**

KELVINGROVE
Words by John L. Bell
and Graham Maule
Scottish Melody arr. John L. Bell

**Lord, your summons echoes true when you but call my name.
Let me turn and follow you and never be the same.
In your company I'll go where your love and footsteps show.
Thus I'll move and live and grow in you and you in me.**

Celebrating Community

April Alston

†Sending Song**"Everything in Between" (Chorus)**

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**Everything in between stretches our understanding,
Showing us what it means to share in God's love expanding.
In this space with hearts unbound is where communion can be found;
Everything in between is holy ground.**

†Benediction

Christian McIvor

Postlude**"Psalm of Glory"**
Pam Weis

arr. Dorothy Wells

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