

Announcements

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THIS WEEK @ GRACE KERNERSVILLE is our E-Newsletter and emailed to your inbox each Wednesday. Subscribe on our church website.

PRAYER REQUESTS are sent out each Sunday afternoon. If you have a prayer request this morning, please text or email Pastor Randy and let him know how you would like your request shared.

SMALL GROUPS: If you are interested in participating in a small group, please speak with Pastor Randy or any of these group leaders. Two groups are currently meeting: Tommy and Donna Cox /Jim and Claudia Plybon; and Don and Randi Bechtold.

SYNERGY AND YOUTH GROUP are meeting weekly on Sundays. Synergy meets via Zoom at 5 pm, and youth group meets from 6 pm – 7 pm. See Ms. Lori for Synergy details and Darin and Melanie Stone for youth group details.

GROWING IN GRACE Growing in Grace class each Sunday morning with a class on the Lives of the Patriarchs from Genesis 12-50 taught by Don Bechtold. The class begins to gather at 9:15am with a meet and greet time and is offered via Zoom.

BLOOD DRIVE a blood drive is scheduled for April 30 from 1:30-6:00pm in the church fellowship hall. Schedule your appointment at redcrossblood.org and use sponsor code: Grace Pres.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY! Emma Hicks (4/26), Rheanne Burkett (4/27), David Collins (4/30)

THIS WEEK

TODAY

- 9:30-10:15am Growing in Grace: The Patriarchs
- 11:00-12:00pm Worship Service in the Picnic Shelter (RSVP on Church Center)
- 5:00pm -Synergy via Zoom. See Ms. Lori for details.
- 6:00 -7:00pm Youth Group in the Fellowship Hall and via Zoom.
- 6:00-7:00pm Cox-Plybon Small Group
- 6:30-7:30pm Bechtold Small Group

TUESDAY, April 27

- 7:00-8:00pm Christianity Explored via Zoom. More info in Church Center

WEDNESDAY, April 28

- 7:00-8:30pm Women's Bible Study on 1 Timothy (Fellowship Hall)

FRIDAY, April 30

- 6:30-7:30am Men's Prayer via Zoom
- 1:30-6:00 Red Cross Blood Drive

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Our Sunday Servants

Worship Teams

TODAY Randy Edwards and Carolyn Clatfelter

May 2 John Hughes, Patrick Freeman, Karl Freeman

May 9 John Hughes Carolyn Clatfelter

Greeters, Open and Closing

	TODAY	May 2	May 9
Greeters			
Elders	TBD	TBD	TBD
Deacon on Call	Karl Freeman	John Hughes	David Collins

Session

Gregory Bay, Don Bechtold, Larry Clagett, Randy Edwards (Moderator), Kevin McClain (Clerk), and Jim Plybon

Diaconate

David Collins, Karl Freeman, John Hughes, Doug Jewell (*emeritus*)

Church Staff

Pastor/Teaching Elder: Randy Edwards, extension 11
Preschool Director, Children's Ministry/Office Manager: Lori Dell'Arena, extension 12

Church Office Hours

Due to COVID-19 restrictions and Grace House Preschool operations, the availability of staff and access to the church office is dependent upon availability. Please call ahead.

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GPC Financial Report as of March 31, 2021

Grace Pres General Fund	Budgeted for 2020	Budgeted YTD	Offerings Received YTD	Expenses YTD	To Meet YTD Budget...
Operations	\$ 311,827	\$ 77,957	\$ 70,974	\$ 74,096	\$ 6,983
Missions	\$ 34,647	\$ 8,662	\$ 7,886	\$ 7,876	\$ 776
Year Total	\$ 346,474	\$ 86,619	\$ 78,860	\$ 81,972	\$ 7,759

Monthly Budget as of April 18, 2021

	April Budget	MTD Contributions	Needed to Meet Budget
Total	\$ 28,873	\$ 16,789	\$ 12,084

Designated Funds as of April 18, 2021

	MTD Offering	YTD Offering	YTD Disbursement	Account Balance
Missions Faith Fund	\$ 611	\$ 2,981	\$ 2,105	\$ 3,751
Mercy Ministries Fund	\$ 250	\$ 3,805	\$ 0	\$ 7,990
Designated Mortgage Reduction	\$ 100	\$ 1,400	\$ 1,300	\$ 241,062



Worship · Witness · Walk in Love

Grace longs to see the grace of God magnified as He transforms us into a community that worships, witnesses, and walks in love.

Eastertide

April 25, 2021

CALL TO WORSHIP — Psalm 27:4-6

One thing have I asked of the LORD, that will I seek after:

that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life,
to gaze upon the beauty of the LORD and to inquire in his temple.

For the Beauty of the Earth

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

*Christ, our Lord, to you we raise
this, our hymn of grateful praise.*

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,

*Christ, our Lord, to you we raise
this, our hymn of grateful praise.*

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

*Christ, our Lord, to you we raise
this, our hymn of grateful praise.*

For yourself, best gift divine,
to the world so freely given,
agent of God's grand design:
peace on earth and joy in heaven.

*Christ, our Lord, to you we raise
this, our hymn of grateful praise.*

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OUR HISTORIC FAITH: HEIDELBERG CATECHISM, LORD'S DAY 17

Q45. How does Christ's resurrection benefit us?

A. First, by his resurrection he has overcome death, so that he might make us share in the righteousness he won for us by his death. Second, by his power we too are already now resurrected to a new life. Third, Christ's resurrection is a guarantee of our glorious resurrection.

Rom. 4:25; 1 Cor. 15:16-20; 1 Pet. 1:3-5; Rom. 6:5-11; Eph. 2:4-6; Col. 3:1-4; Rom. 8:11; 1 Cor. 15:12-23; Phil. 3:20-21

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

WORDS OF ENCOURAGEMENT – Psalm 32:5-7

I acknowledged my sin to you, and I did not cover my iniquity;

I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD," and you forgave the iniquity of my sin.

Therefore let everyone who is godly offer prayer to you at a time when you may be found; surely in the rush of great waters, they shall not reach him.

You are a hiding place for me; you preserve me from trouble; you surround me with shouts of deliverance.

'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus

'Tis so sweet to trust in Jesus,
Just to take Him at His word;
Just to rest upon His promise;
Just to know, "Thus saith the Lord."

*Jesus, Jesus, how I trust Him!
How I've proved Him o'er and o'er!
Jesus, Jesus, precious Jesus!
O for grace to trust Him more!*

Yes, 'tis sweet to trust in Jesus
Just from sin and self to cease;
Just from Jesus simply taking
Life and rest, and joy and peace.

*Jesus, Jesus, how I trust Him!
How I've proved Him o'er and o'er!
Jesus, Jesus, precious Jesus!
O for grace to trust Him more!*

O how sweet to trust in Jesus
Just to trust His cleansing blood;
Just in simple faith to plunge me
'Neath the healing, cleansing flood!

*Jesus, Jesus, how I trust Him!
How I've proved Him o'er and o'er!
Jesus, Jesus, precious Jesus!
O for grace to trust Him more!*

I'm so glad I learned to trust Thee,
Precious Jesus, Savior, Friend;
And I know that Thou art with me,
Wilt be with me to the end.

*Jesus, Jesus, how I trust Him!
How I've proved Him o'er and o'er!
Jesus, Jesus, precious Jesus!
O for grace to trust Him more!*

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PRAYER FOR GUIDANCE

SCRIPTURE READING – Romans 1:1-7 (ESV)

Paul, a servant of Christ Jesus, called to be an apostle, set apart for the gospel of God, which he promised beforehand through his prophets in the holy Scriptures, concerning his Son, who was descended from David according to the flesh and was declared to be the Son of God in power according to the Spirit of holiness by his resurrection from the dead, Jesus Christ our Lord, through whom we have received grace and apostleship to bring about the obedience of faith for the sake of his name among all the nations, including you who are called to belong to Jesus Christ,

To all those in Rome who are loved by God and called to be saints:

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

SERMON Power to Live: Good News for Everyone

Pastor Randy Edwards

RESPONDING IN SONG

The Solid Rock (My Hope is Built on Nothing Less)

My hope is built on nothing less
Than Jesus' blood and righteousness.
I dare not trust the sweetest frame,
But wholly lean on Jesus' name.

*On Christ the solid rock I stand,
All other ground is sinking sand.
All other ground is sinking sand.*

His oath, His covenant, His blood,
Support me in the whelming flood.
When all around my soul gives way,
He then is all my hope and stay.

*On Christ the solid Rock I stand,
All other ground is sinking sand.
All other ground is sinking sand.*

When darkness veils his lovely face,
I rest on his unchanging grace.
In every high and stormy gale,
My anchor holds within the veil.

*On Christ the solid rock I stand,
All other ground is sinking sand.
All other ground is sinking sand.*

When he shall come with trumpet sound,
O may I then in him be found!
Dressed in his righteousness alone,
Faultless to stand before the throne!

*On Christ the solid Rock I stand,
All other ground is sinking sand.
All other ground is sinking sand.*

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PASTORAL PRAYER 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 debts as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,
Forever and ever. Amen.

BENEDICTION -- Romans 15:13

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope.

Leaning on the Everlasting Arms

What a fellowship, what a joy divine,
Leaning on the everlasting arms;
What a blessedness, what a peace is mine,
Leaning on the everlasting arms.
*Leaning, leaning,
Safe and secure from all alarms;
Leaning, leaning,
Leaning on the everlasting arms.*

Oh, how sweet to walk in this pilgrim way,
Leaning on the everlasting arms;
Oh, how bright the path grows from day to day,
Leaning on the everlasting arms.
*Leaning, leaning,
Safe and secure from all alarms;
Leaning, leaning,
Leaning on the everlasting arms.*

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What have I to dread, what have I to fear,
Leaning on the everlasting arms?
I have blessed peace with my Lord so near,
Leaning on the everlasting arms.
*Leaning, leaning,
Safe and secure from all alarms;
Leaning, leaning,
Leaning on the everlasting arms.*