

## 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.

**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.

**WOMEN'S WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY** continues each week from 7:00-8:30pm in the Fellowship Hall. The study is on 1 Timothy. See Carla Collins for more details.

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY!** Dick Clatfelter (5/24); Lauren Hicks (5/25); Bella Orlick (5/25); Joey Pope (5/26); Grayson Lievens (5/27).

**HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!** Kevin & Brea McClain (5/24); Larry and Tammy Burrows (5/28).

**YOU ARE INVITED** The Swopes invite you to our annual open house celebration of the family you build on Sunday, May 23 from 4-7pm (drop in any time). 1524 Old Coach Rd, Kernersville, potluck optional; feel free to invite friends; RSVP helpful (text 717-903-5605 or email swope.lys@gmail.com). It is traditionally our "Easter on Palm Sunday" (EOPS) gathering, so named because while many families have Easter plans, there's flexibility around it. We've been hosting EOPS since 2009, but with the pandemic still going, we will be doing it as an outdoor event, slightly later in the year, and by doing it on Pentecost Sunday we even retain our acronym. :-). We will have ham and some of the traditional Easter fixings. Feel free to bring a camp chair and hang out! We request you wear masks at the serving tables. We would love to catch up with you.

## THIS WEEK

### TODAY, Pentecost Sunday

- 9:30-10:15am Growing in Grace: The Patriarchs
- 11:00-12:00pm Worship Service in the Picnic Shelter (RSVP on ChurchCenter)

### TUESDAY, May 25

- Noon-1:00pm Lunch with Lewis

### WEDNESDAY, May 26

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

### FRIDAY, May 28\

- 6:30-7:30am Men's Prayer via Zoom

### SUNDAY, May 30

- 9:30-10:15am Growing in Grace: The Patriarchs
- 11:00-12:00pm Worship Service in the Picnic Shelter (RSVP on ChurchCenter)

## Our Sunday Servants

### Worship Teams

**TODAY** Randy Edwards, Carolyn Clatfelter, Karl Freeman

**May 30** John Hughes, Carolyn Clatfelter, Karl Freeman

**June 6**

### Greeters, Open and Closing

	TODAY	May 30	June 6
<b>Greeters</b>			
<b>Elders</b>	Don Bechtold	Don Bechtold	Larry Clagett
<b>Deacon on Call</b>	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 April 30, 2021

Grace Pres General Fund	Budgeted for 2021	Budgeted YTD	Offerings Received YTD	Expenses YTD	To Meet YTD Budget...
Operations	\$ 311,827	\$ 103,942	\$ 91,403	\$ 96,934	\$ 12,539
Missions	\$ 34,647	\$ 11,549	\$ 10,156	\$ 10,156	\$ 1,393
<b>Year Total</b>	<b>\$ 346,474</b>	<b>\$ 115,491</b>	<b>\$ 101,559</b>	<b>\$ 107,090</b>	<b>\$ 13,932</b>

### Monthly Budget as of May 16, 2021

	May Budget	MTD Contributions	Needed to Meet Budget
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 28,873</b>	<b>\$ 13,674</b>	<b>\$ 15,199</b>

### Designated Funds as of May 16, 2021

	MTD Offering	YTD Offering	YTD Disbursement	Account Balance
Missions Faith Fund	\$ 525	\$ 3,656	\$ 2,640	\$ 3,891
Mercy Ministries Fund	\$ 100	\$ 3,905	\$ 0	\$ 8,090
Designated Mortgage Reduction	\$ 150	\$ 2,450	\$ 2,300	\$ 232,382



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.

## Pentecost Sunday

May 23, 2021

### CALL TO WORSHIP — Acts 2:1-21 (ESV)

When the day of Pentecost arrived, they were all together in one place. And suddenly there came from heaven a sound like a mighty rushing wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. And divided tongues as of fire appeared to them and rested on each one of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance.

Now there were dwelling in Jerusalem Jews, devout men from every nation under heaven. And at this sound the multitude came together, and they were bewildered, because each one was hearing them speak in his own language. And they were amazed and astonished, saying, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us in his own native language? Parthians and Medes and Elamites and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabians—we hear them telling in our own tongues the mighty works of God." And all were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" But others mocking said, "They are filled with new wine."

But Peter, standing with the eleven, lifted up his voice and addressed them: "Men of Judea and all who dwell in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and give ear to my words. For these people are not drunk, as you suppose, since it is only the third hour of the day. But this is what was uttered through the prophet Joel:

“And in the last days it shall be, God declares,  
that I will pour out my Spirit on all flesh,  
and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy,  
and your young men shall see visions,  
and your old men shall dream dreams;  
even on my male servants and female servants  
in those days I will pour out my Spirit, and they shall prophesy.  
And I will show wonders in the heavens above  
and signs on the earth below,  
blood, and fire, and vapor of smoke;  
the sun shall be turned to darkness  
and the moon to blood,

before the day of the Lord comes, the great and magnificent day.

And it shall come to pass that everyone who calls upon the name of the Lord shall be saved.’

### Come Thou Fount

Come Thou fount of ev'ry blessing  
Tune my heart to sing Thy grace  
Streams of mercy never ceasing  
Call for songs of loudest praise  
Teach me some melodious sonnet  
Sung by flaming tongues above  
Praise the mount I'm fixed upon it  
Mount of Thy redeeming love

O to grace how great a debtor  
Daily I'm constrained to be  
Let Thy grace Lord like a fetter  
Bind my wand'ring heart to Thee  
Prone to wander Lord I feel it  
Prone to leave the God I love  
Here's my heart Lord take and seal it  
Seal it for Thy courts above

Here I raise mine Ebenezer  
Hither by Thy help I'm come  
And I hope by Thy good pleasure  
Safely to arrive at home  
Jesus sought me when a stranger  
Wand'ring from the fold of God  
He to rescue me from danger  
Interposed His precious blood

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### OUR HISTORIC FAITH: HEIDELBERG CATECHISM, LORD’S DAY 21

*Q54. What do you believe concerning "the holy catholic church"?*

**A. I believe that the Son of God through his Spirit and Word, out of the entire human race, from the beginning of the world to its end, gathers, protects, and preserves for himself a community chosen for eternal life and united in true faith. And of this community I am and always will be a living member.**

John 10:14-16; Acts 20:28; Rom. 10:14-17; Col. 1:18; Gen. 26:3b-4; Rev. 5:9; Isa. 59:21; 1 Cor. 11:26; Matt. 16:18; John 10:28-30; Rom. 8:28-30; Eph. 1:3-14; Acts 2:42-47; Eph. 4:1-6; 1 John 3:14, 19-21; John 10:27-28; 1 Cor. 1:4-9; 1 Pet. 1:3-5

*Q55. What do you understand by "the communion of saints"?*

**A. First, that believers one and all, as members of this community, share in Christ and in all his treasures and gifts. Second, that each member should consider it a duty to use these gifts readily and cheerfully for the service and enrichment of the other members.**

Rom. 8:32; 1 Cor. 6:17; 12:4-7, 12-13; 1 John 1:3; Rom. 12:4-8; 1 Cor. 12:20-27; 13:1-7; Phil. 2:4-8

*Q56. What do you believe concerning "the forgiveness of sins"?*

**A. I believe that God, because of Christ's atonement, will never hold against me any of my sins nor my sinful nature which I need to struggle against all my life. Rather, in his grace God grants me the righteousness of Christ to free me forever from judgment.**

Ps. 103:3-4, 10, 12; Mic. 7:18-19; 2 Cor. 5:18-21; 1 John 1:7; 2:2; Rom. 7:21-25; John 3:17-18; Rom. 8:1-2

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**WORDS OF ENCOURAGEMENT** — Psalm 32:5-7 (ESV)

*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.**

### Spirit of the Living God

Spirit of the Living God  
Fall fresh on me  
Spirit of the Living God  
Fall fresh on me  
Melt me mold me  
Fill me use me  
Spirit of the Living God  
Fall fresh on me

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### CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

#### PRAYER FOR GUIDANCE

**SCRIPTURE READING** – Romans 2:12-29 (ESV)

For all who have sinned without the law will also perish without the law, and all who have sinned under the law will be judged by the law. For it is not the hearers of the law who are righteous before God, but the doers of the law who will be justified.

For when Gentiles, who do not have the law, by nature do what the law requires, they are a law to themselves, even though they do not have the law. They show that the work of the law is written on their hearts, while their conscience also bears witness, and their conflicting thoughts accuse or even excuse them on that day when, according to my gospel, God judges the secrets of men by Christ Jesus.

But if you call yourself a Jew and rely on the law and boast in God and know his will and approve what is excellent, because you are instructed from the law; and if you are sure that you yourself are a guide to the blind, a light to those who are in darkness, an instructor of the foolish, a teacher of children, having in the law the embodiment of knowledge and truth— you then who teach others, do you not teach yourself? While you preach against stealing, do you steal? You who say that one must not commit adultery, do you commit adultery? You who abhor idols, do you rob temples? <sup>23</sup> You who boast in the law dishonor God by breaking the law. For, as it is written, “The name of God is blasphemed among the Gentiles because of you.”

For circumcision indeed is of value if you obey the law, but if you break the law, your circumcision becomes uncircumcision. So, if a man who is uncircumcised keeps the precepts of the law, will not his uncircumcision be regarded as circumcision? Then he who is physically uncircumcised but keeps the law will condemn you who have the written code and circumcision but break the law. For no one is a Jew who is merely one outwardly, nor is circumcision outward and physical. But a Jew is one inwardly, and circumcision is a matter of the heart, by the Spirit, not by the letter. His praise is not from man but from God.

#### SERMON

Of the Heart

Power to Live: Romans 1-8

Pastor Randy Edwards

#### RESPONDING IN SONG

##### Breathe on Me, Breath of God

Breathe on me breath of God  
Fill me with life anew  
That I may love what Thou dost love  
And do what Thou wouldst do

Breathe on me breath of God  
Till I am wholly Thine  
Till all this earthly part of me  
Glow with Thy fire divine

Breathe on me breath of God  
Until my heart is pure  
Until with Thee I will one will  
To do and to endure

Breathe on me breath of God  
So shall I never die  
But live with Thee the perfect life  
Of Thine eternity

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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.

#### May Our God Be Known

May our God be known for his grace;  
may the earth rejoice in his blessing.  
May our God be known for his love,  
and the smile that shines from His face.  
May Your way be known on the earth  
so that all the nations will sing  
and rejoice in knowing the God of grace!

Let the nations sing and be glad  
for the Lord is coming with justice.  
Let the nations sing and be glad  
for our God is coming with peace.  
Now let all the ends of the earth  
fill with holy wonder and joy,  
for our God is coming to reign as king!

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