

This Week at Grace

The church office is open Monday-Friday from 9:00am to 12:00pm.

TODAY, March 17

9:30-10:15am Growing in Grace: *Chosen by God*  
10:30-11:45am Worship Service in the Sanctuary  
12:00-1:30pm Mission Luncheon with Lainey Miller  
4:30-6:00pm Grace Kids  
4:30-6:00pm Kuehn Home Fellowship Group  
6:00-7:00pm Youth Group  
6:00-7:30pm Plybon-Cox Home Fellowship Group

MONDAY, March 18

6:30-8:00pm Session Meeting

TUESDAY, March 19

9:30-10:00am Church Staff Meeting  
11:30-12:30pm Kville Men’s Bible Study  
6:30-8:00pm Bechtold Home Fellowship Group

WEDNESDAY, March 20

9:30-11:00am Women’s Morning Bible Study

6:30-7:30pm Worship Rehearsal  
6:30-8:00pm Women’s Evening Bible Study

THURSDAY, March 21

9:00-9:30am Carryout for Cougars

FRIDAY, March 22

7:00-8:00am Men’s Prayer Group  
9:00-10:00am Women’s Prayer Group  
11:30-12:30pm High Point Men’s Bible Study

SATURDAY, March 23

9:00-1:30pm Church Spring Cleanup Workday

SUNDAY, March 24 Palm Sunday

9:30-10:15am Growing in Grace: *Chosen by God*  
10:30-11:45am Worship Service in the Sanctuary  
4:30-6:00pm Easter Egg Hunt

Church Leadership and Contacts

**Session**

Tommy Cox, Larry Clagett, Jim Plybon, Kevin McClain (Clerk),  
Randy Edwards (Pastor/Moderator),  
Don Bechtold (sabbatical)

**Diaconate**

Larry Burrows, David Collins, Karl Freeman, and John Hughes

**Church Staff**

Office Manager: Mona Underhill, ext 1  
Director of Worship and Education, Michael Kuehn, ext 2  
Pastor/Teaching Elder: Randy Edwards, ext 3  
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Grace Kernersville is a member of the Piedmont  
Triad Presbytery and is a congregation of the  
Presbyterian Church in America.



GPC Financial Report as of March 10, 2024

General Fund Budget	Monthly	Annual
	\$ 29,487	\$ 353,841
General Fund Offerings this Month/Year	\$ 13,577	\$ 53,474
		Received Year to Date
Building Repairs and Improvements		\$ 1,700
Ministry Funds	Account Balance	Received Year to Date
Missions Faith Fund	\$ 5,595	\$ 451
Mercy Ministries Fund	\$ 4,899	\$ 1,080

If you have questions about the budget, please see a Finance Team Member.



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.

The Fifth Sunday of Lent

March 17, 2024

Preparation and Praise

CALL TO WORSHIP – Ps. 34:1-3 (NIV)

Leader: I will extol the Lord at all times;

All: his praise will always be on my lips.

Leader: I will glory in the Lord;

All: let the afflicted hear and rejoice.

Leader: Glorify the Lord with me;

All: let us exalt his name together.

Rejoice

Come and stand before your maker,  
Full of wonder, full of fear.  
Come behold his power and glory,  
Yet with confidence draw near.  
For the one who holds the heavens  
And commands the stars above,  
Is the God who bends to bless us  
With an unrelenting love.

*Rejoice, Come and lift your hands  
And raise your voice; He is worthy of all praise.  
Rejoice, Sing the mercies of your king  
And with trembling rejoice.*

We are children of the promise,  
The beloved of the Lord,  
Won with everlasting kindness,

Bought with sacrificial blood,  
Bringing reconciliation  
To a world that longs to know,  
The affections of a father,  
Who will never let them go.

Chorus

All our sickness, all our sorrows,  
Jesus carried up the hill.  
He has walked this path before us,  
He is walking with us still.  
Turning tragedy to triumph,  
Turning agony to praise,  
There is blessing in the battle,  
So take heart and stand amazed.

Rejoice, When you cry to him

He hears your voice,

He will wipe away your tears.

Rejoice, In the midst of suffering.

He will help you sing...

Rejoice, Come and lift your hands

And raise your voice,

He is worthy of all praise.

Rejoice, Sing the mercies of your king,

And with trembling, rejoice.

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My Worth is Not in What I Own

My worth is not in what I own,

Not in the strength of flesh and bone,

But in the costly wounds of love at the cross.

My worth is not in skill or name,

In win or lose, in pride or shame,

But in the blood of Christ that flowed at the cross.

I rejoice in my Redeemer,

Greatest treasure, Wellspring of my soul.

I will trust in Him, no other,

My soul is satisfied in Him alone.

As summer flowers we fade and die,

Fame, youth, and beauty hurry by,

But life eternal calls to us at the cross.

I will not boast in wealth or might,

Or human wisdom's fleeting light,

But I will boast in knowing Christ at the cross.

Chorus

Two wonders here that I confess:

My worth and my unworthiness.

My value fixed, my ransom paid, at the cross.

Chorus

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Our Common Confession

CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Read Corporately)

ALL: Most merciful God, whose Son, Jesus Christ, was tempted in every way, yet was without sin, we confess before you our own sinfulness. We make so many mistakes. We turn away from you so often. We need you so much. Thank you that you so loved the world that you sent Jesus to die on the cross to save us from our sins. Renew us by your Holy Spirit, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON – Joel 2:13, 1 John 3:1 (ESV, NIV)

Return to the Lord your God, for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love... See what great love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God! And that is what we are!

THE APOSTLES’ CREED

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended into hell.\* The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

Month at a Glance			
17 <sup>th</sup>	Growing in Grace/Worship Services Mission Luncheon following Worship Grace Kids/Youth Group Kuehn Home Fellowship Group Plybon-Cox Home Fellowship Group	28 <sup>th</sup>	Carryout for Cougars Maundy Thursday Services
18 <sup>th</sup>	Session Meeting	29 <sup>th</sup>	Kernersville Community Cross Walk Good Friday Services
19 <sup>th</sup>	Church Staff Meeting Kville Men’s Bible Study Bechtold Home Fellowship Group	31 <sup>st</sup>	Easter Worship
20 <sup>th</sup>	Women’s Morning/Evening Bible Study Worship Rehearsal	Apr 1	Easter Monday-Office Closed
21 <sup>st</sup>	Carryout for Cougars	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Church Staff Meeting K’ville Men’s Bible Study Bechtold’s Home Fellowship Group
22 <sup>nd</sup>	Men & Women’s Prayer Groups HP Men’s Bible Study	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Women’s Morning/Evening Bible Study Worship Rehearsal
23 <sup>rd</sup>	Spring Clean-up Rain date	5 <sup>th</sup>	Men & Women’s Prayer Groups
24 <sup>th</sup>	Growing in Grace/Worship Services Easter Egg Hunt	6 <sup>th</sup>	Deacon’s Meeting
26 <sup>th</sup>	Church Staff Meeting Bechtold Home Fellowship Group	7 <sup>th</sup>	Growing in Grace/Worship Services Mission Luncheon following Worship Youth Game Night Kuehn Home Fellowship Group Plybon-Cox Home Fellowship Group
27 <sup>th</sup>	Women’s Morning/Evening Bible Study Worship Rehearsal	8 <sup>th</sup>	Missions Committee Meeting
		9 <sup>th</sup>	Church Staff Meeting Bechtold Home Fellowship Group

Sunday Servants				
Date	TODAY	Mar 24	Mar 31	Apr 7
Nursery	Tammy Burrows	Jennifer Edwards	Katie Orlick	Diane Zobrosky
Infant – 2yrs	Natalie Burrows	Claudia Plybon	Daniel Orlick	Ellie Brieady
Kingdom Kids	Lori Dell’Arena	Mary Freeman	Jim Vogl	Duncan Vincent
2-5yrs	Phoebe Dell’Arena	Donna Cox	Adrienne Vogl	Carol Vincent
Children’s Church				
4yrs-2nd	Darlene Clagett	Ted & Amy Mead	Matt & Anna Norman	Mike Lis Lyric Lis
Greeters	Mark & Terrica Smith	Larry & Tammy Burrows	Mark & Terrica Smith Rick & Linda Mainhart	Bonnie Smith Dennie Kohler
Visitation	Angelica Steelman	Angelica Steelman	Angelica Steelman	Katie Wingate
Worship Team	Michael Kuehn John Hughes Karl Freeman Patrick Freeman	Michael Kuehn Carolyn Clatfelter Karl Freeman	Michael Kuehn John Hughes Karl Freeman Kim Lis	TBD
Tech Team	Natalie Burrows Dennis Kohler Cheryl Voss	Lucas Galbier Patrick Freeman Dennis Kohler	Natalie Burrows Patrick Freeman Dennis Kohler	Lucas Galbier Dennis Kohler

**WOMEN’S PRAYER** meets each Friday from 9:00-10:00am in the church library. Join together to pray for the needs of the congregation and for one another.

**GROWING IN GRACE** meets each Sunday morning in the Fellowship Hall from 9:30-10:15am.

**GRACE KIDS** meets tonight at 4:30pm. **EASTER EGG HUNT** next week.

**GRACE YOUTH** (middle and high school) meets tonight from 6:00-7:00pm.

**KERNERSVILLE AND HIGH POINT MEN’S BIBLE STUDY LUNCH** meet every other week in Kernersville and High Point. Our next Kernersville meeting will be March 19 at 11:30am in the Fellowship Hall. Our next High Point gathering will be March 22 at 11:30am at La Hacienda. See Pastor Randy for more details.

**WOMEN’S SPRING BIBLE STUDY** is on Wednesdays and continues weekly through May 8. The morning (9:30-11:00am) **and** evening (6:30-8:00pm) studies will be held at the home of Janie Hughes (414 Chesham Dr, Kernersville). Sign-up is available through Church Center

**PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION** for 2024-25 school year is happening now. Registration forms are on the table in the lobby.

**WEE CARE CEREAL DRIVE** for Crisis Control Ministry is being sponsored by Grace House Preschool from March 1-31. Grace Presbyterian is invited to help fill the boxes that are found in the hallways.

**RECRUITMENT** for volunteer assistants in our children’s church. Please let Carla Collins or Michael Kuehn know if you are able to serve.

**HOLY WEEK SERVICES** Maundy Thursday service, March 28th at 7:00pm; Good Friday service, March 29th at 7:00pm.

**GOOD FRIDAY CROSS WALK** We will meet at the Old Food Lion Building (Piney Grove Shopping Center) at 11:30. The walk will begin at noon with Instructions and Station 1 readings, proceeding to Mt Gur Cemetery for the final station.

**MISSION LUNCHEON** There will be pizza and salad lunch reception following the service today. Lainey Miller who is with Wycliffe Bible Translators and who will giving the morning missions minute will be our guest. Please to join us for lunch and fellowship

March/April Birthdays and Anniversaries			
19 <sup>th</sup>	Mark Pardue	17 <sup>th</sup>	Danielle Elliott
20 <sup>th</sup>	Sigourney McClain	18 <sup>th</sup>	Rickie Steelman
26 <sup>th</sup>	Anna Wiebking	20 <sup>th</sup>	Cheryl Voss
27 <sup>th</sup>	Grace Norman	22 <sup>nd</sup>	Daniel Orick
	<b>April Birthdays</b>	26 <sup>th</sup>	Emma Hicks
1 <sup>st</sup>	Levi Burton	30 <sup>th</sup>	David Collins
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Lucy Vincent		<b>April Anniversaries</b>
9 <sup>th</sup>	Jim Plybon	10 <sup>th</sup>	Matt and Anna Norman
13 <sup>th</sup>	Lori Lower	22 <sup>nd</sup>	Ryan and Britney Avery
15 <sup>th</sup>	Tommy Cox	25 <sup>th</sup>	Jim and Adrienne Volg
16 <sup>th</sup>	Oscar Vincent		

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church,\*\* the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

*\*That is, Jesus Christ experienced the condemnation of judgment on the cross. \*\*The church through all time and every age.*

**Great is Thy Faithfulness**

Great is Thy faithfulness, O God my Father,  
There is no shadow of turning with Thee.  
Thou changest not,  
Thy compassions, they fail not,  
As Thou hast been, Thou forever wilt be.

*Great is Thy faithfulness,  
Great is Thy faithfulness.  
Morning by morning new mercies I see.  
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided,  
Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord unto me.*

Sun, moon, and stars in their courses above  
Join with all nature in manifold witness,  
To Thy great faithfulness, mercy and love.

*Chorus*  
  
Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,  
Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide.  
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow  
Blessings all mine with ten thousand beside.  
  
*Chorus*

Summer and winter and springtime and harvest,

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**The Life of the Church**

**PASSING OF THE PEACE**

Leader: May the peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

*Children are dismissed at this time. Nursery is available in Room 121 for Infants to 2 years old. Kingdom Kids is available for ages 2-5 years in room 126. 5 years-5<sup>th</sup> Grade may go to Children’s Church in Room 135. Please take a moment and welcome one another in the name of the Lord.*

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

*Please take a moment and fill out Grace Kernersville’s Connection Card. Scanning this QR code with your smart phone’s camera, will open a link to the online Connection Card. There you may note your attendance, update your personal information, submit prayer requests, sign up for Grace’s weekly e-newsletter, and sign up for Grace’s Google-Groups email listing.*



**The Preaching of the Word**

**SCRIPTURE READING – Psalm 98 (ESV)**

Oh sing to the LORD a new song, for he has done marvelous things! His right hand and his holy arm have worked salvation for him. <sup>2</sup> The LORD has made known his salvation; he has revealed his righteousness in the sight of the nations. <sup>3</sup> He has remembered his steadfast love and faithfulness to the house of Israel. All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.

<sup>4</sup> Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth; break forth into joyous song and sing praises! <sup>5</sup> Sing praises to the LORD with the lyre, with the lyre and the sound of melody! <sup>6</sup> With trumpets and the sound of the horn make a joyful noise before the King, the LORD! <sup>7</sup> Let the sea roar, and all that fills it; the world and those who dwell in it! <sup>8</sup> Let the rivers clap their hands; let the hills sing for joy together <sup>9</sup>

before the LORD, for he comes to judge the earth. He will judge the world with righteousness, and the peoples with equity.

SERMON: Prayers for Pilgrims: A Prayer for the World Pastor Randy Edwards

Our Response

This is My Father’s World

This is my Father's world,  
And to my list'ning ears,  
All nature sings and 'round me rings,  
The music of the spheres.  
This is my Father's world,  
I rest me in the thought,  
Of rocks and trees of skies and seas,  
His hand the wonders wrought.

This is my Father's world,  
The birds their carols raise.  
The morning light, the lily white,  
Declare their Maker's praise.

This is my Father's world,  
He shines in all that's fair.  
In the rust'ling grass I hear Him pass,  
He speaks to me ev'rywhere.

This is my Father's world, O let me ne'er forget,  
That though the wrong seems oft so strong,  
God is the Ruler yet.  
This is my Father's world, The battle is not done,  
Jesus who died shall be satisfied,  
And earth and heaven be one.

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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.

OFFERING

At this time, we will be taking up an offering for our General Fund. When giving to a specific fund, please note in your check memo how you would like Grace to direct your gift. Also, you may text any dollar amount to 84321 to give. First time donors will follow a quick, self-guided setup process to tie their mobile phone to your donor account, and a payment source. After that, donating is as easy as sending a text.

May Our God Be Known for His Grace (Psalm 67)

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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BENEDICTION – Colossians 3:16, 17 (ESV)

Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom, singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, with thankfulness in your hearts to God. And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

Announcements and News

DOWNLOAD THE CHURCH CENTER APP from your handheld device’s app store to register for events, view the church calendar and directory as well as make donations.

THIS WEEK @ GRACE KERNERSVILLE is Grace’s weekly E-Newsletter and is sent each Thursday morning. You may subscribe on our church website or email the church office at officehelper@gracekernersville.org.

GRACE KERNERSVILLE’S GOOGLE GROUPS PAGE is an email group to which Grace posts weekly prayer requests and urgent announcements. To subscribe, send an email to officehelper@gracekernersville.org

LORD’S SUPPER Grace Kernersville receives the sacrament of the Lord’s Supper on the first Sunday of each month.

JOIN THE WORSHIP MINISTRY Are you interested in joining the worship ministry as a musician, vocalist, or audio-visual team member? Contact Michael Kuehn.

GRACE KERNERSVILLE’S PODCAST may be found on most streaming services. Check out the “Media” tab on the church website to listen online or subscribe. Please “like” or “follow” to appease the algorithm overlords.

INCLEMENT WEATHER in the event of inclement weather, GPC will hold services if the leadership can arrive safely. Cancellations will be posted to Twitter, Facebook, googlegroups email, and local news stations.

MEN’S PRAYER meets each Friday from 7:00-8:00am in the church library. Join us as we pray for one another and for God’s kingdom to grow in Kernersville and in our world.