

This Week at Grace

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

SUNDAY, April 14

9:30-10:15 Growing in Grace
 10:30-11:45am Worship Service in the Sanctuary
 4:30-6:00pm Grace Kids
 4:30-6:00pm Kuehn Home Fellowship Group
 6:00-7:30pm Youth Group

MONDAY, April 15

6:30-8:30pm Session Meeting

TUESDAY, April 16

6:30-8:00pm Bechtold Home Fellowship Group

WEDNESDAY, April 17

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, April 18

9:00-9:30am Carryout for Cougars
 6:30-7:30pm GHPS Spring Program

FRIDAY, April 19

7:00-8:00am Men's Prayer
 9:00-10:00am Women's Prayer

SUNDAY, April 21

9:30-10:15 Growing in Grace
 10:30-11:45am Worship Service in the Sanctuary
 4:30-6:00pm Grace Kids
 4:30-6:00pm Kuehn Home Fellowship Group
 6:00-7:30pm Youth Group
 6:00-7:30pm Plybon-Cox Fellowship Group

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

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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 24, 2024

	Monthly	Annual
General Fund Budget	\$ 29,487	\$ 353,841
General Fund Offerings this Month/Year	\$ 27,848	\$ 67,746
		Received Year to Date
Building Repairs and Improvements		\$ 1,700
Ministry Funds	Account Balance	Received Year to Date
Missions Faith Fund	\$ 5,660	\$ 516
Mercy Ministries Fund	\$ 4,909	\$ 1,090

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.

Eastertide

April 14, 2024

Preparation and Praise

CALL TO WORSHIP – Psalm 27:4 (NIV) *Read responsively*

Leader: One thing I ask from the Lord, this only do I seek:

All: that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life,

Leader: to gaze on the beauty of the Lord

All: and to seek him in his temple.

Be Thou My Vision

Be Thou my vision O Lord of my heart
 Naught be all else to me, Save that Thou art
 Thou my best thought, By day or by night
 Waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light

Riches I heed not, Nor man's empty praise
 Thou mine inheritance, Now and always
 Thou and Thou on - ly, First in my heart
 High King of heaven, My treasure Thou art

Be Thou my wisdom, And Thou my true Word
 I ever with Thee, And Thou with me Lord
 Thou my great Father, I Thy true son
 Thou in me dwelling, And I with Thee one

High King of heaven, My victory won
 May I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's Sun
 Heart of my own heart, Whatever befall
 Still be my vision, O Ruler of all

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Laden with Guilt

Laden with guilt and full of fears,
 I fly to Thee, my Lord,
 And not a glimpse of hope appears,
 But in Thy written Word
 The volumes of my Father's grace
 Does all my griefs assuage

Here I behold my Savior's face
 In every page.

This is the field where, hidden, lies
 The pearl of price unknown
 That merchant is divinely wise
 Who makes the pearl his own

Here consecrated water flows
 To quench my thirst of sin
 Here the fair tree of knowledge grows,
 No danger dwells within.

Oh may Thy counsels, mighty God,
 My roving feet command,
 Nor I forsake the happy road
 That leads to Thy right hand.

This is the judge that ends the strife,
 Where wit and reason fail
 My guide to everlasting life
 Through all this gloomy vale

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Our Common Confession

CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Read Corporately)

ALL: Almighty God, in raising Jesus from the grave, you shattered the power of sin and death. We confess that we remain captive to doubt and fear, bound by the ways that lead to death. If, at times, we deny you, God forgive. When the risks of discipleship and witnessing are high, and we are nowhere to be found: God forgive. When we wash our hands of responsibility: God forgive. Lord, bring new life where we are worn and tired; new love where we have turned hard-hearted; and the freedom of your Holy Spirit where we are prisoners of ourselves. In the name of Jesus, the Risen One, we pray. Amen

ASSURANCE OF PARDON – Romans 8:1-2 (NIV)

Therefore, there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus, because through Christ Jesus the law of the Spirit who gives life has set you free from the law of sin and death.

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.

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.*

Nothing but the Blood

What can wash away my sin
 Nothing but the blood of Jesus
 What can make me whole again
 Nothing but the blood of Jesus

*No other fount I know
 Nothing but the blood of Jesus*

For my pardon this I see
 Nothing but the blood of Jesus
 For my cleansing this my plea
 Nothing but the blood of Jesus

*O precious is the flow
 That makes me white as snow*

April Birthdays and Anniversaries

	April Birthdays	26 th	Emma Hicks
15 th	Tommy Cox	30 th	David Collins
16 th	Oscar Vincent		April Anniversaries
17 th	Danielle Elliott	22 nd	Ryan and Britney Avery
18 th	Rickie Steelman	25 th	Jim and Adrienne Vogl
20 th	Cheryl Voss		
22 nd	Daniel Orlick		

Month at a Glance

14 th	Growing in Grace/Worship Services Kuehn Home Fellowship Group Grace Kids/Youth Group Plybon-Cox Home Fellowship Group		Kuehn Home Fellowship Group Plybon-Cox Home Fellowship Group K'ville Men's Bible Study Bechtold Small Group
15 th	Session Meeting	23 rd	
16 th	Bechtold Home Fellowship Group	24 th	Women's Morning/Evening Bible Study Worship Rehearsal
17 th	Women's Morning/Evening Bible Study Worship Rehearsal	25 th	Carryout for Cougars
18 th	Carryout for Cougars	26 th	Men and Women's Prayer Group HP Men's Bible Study
19 th	Men and Women's Bible Study	28 th	Growing in Grace/Worship Services Grace Kids/Youth Group Plybon-Cox Home Fellowship Group
21 st	Growing in Grace/Worship Services Grace Kids/Youth Group		

Sunday Servants

<u>Date</u>	<u>TODAY</u>	<u>Apr 21</u>	<u>Apr 28</u>	<u>May 5</u>
Nursery	Danielle Wiebking	Katie Orlick	Brea McClain	
Infant – 2yrs	Karen Idol	Daniel Orlick	Corwin McClain	
Kingdom Kids	Dave Wiebking	Jim Vogl	Debbie Potts	
2-5yrs	Anna Wiebking	Adrienne Vogl	Phoebe Dell'Arena	
Children's Church	Krystal Keener	Ted & Amy Mead	Darlene Claggett	Mike Lis Lyric Lis
4yrs-2nd				
Greeters	Bonnie Smith Dennie Kohler	Mary Freeman Dennie Kohler	Mark & Terrica Smith	Mark & Terrica Smith
Visitation	Katie Wingate	Katie Wingate	Katie Wingate	Diane Zobrosky
Worship Team	Michael Kuehn Patrick Freeman Karl Freeman Kim Lis	Michael Kuehn Carolyn Clatfelter Karl Freeman	Michael Kuehn Karl Freeman John Hughes Kim Lis	Michael Kuehn John Hughes
Tech Team	Natalie Burrows Dennis Kohler Cheryl Voss	Patrick Freeman Lucas Galbier Dennis Kohler	Natalie Burrows Dennis Kohler Cheryl Voss	Lucas Galbier Dennis Kohler

Announcements

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. Please be preparing your hearts to do so.

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.

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.

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 YOUTH (middle and high school) resumes tonight, April 7 for a Game Night at the church at 6pm.

KERNERSVILLE AND HIGH POINT MEN'S BIBLE STUDIES meet every other week in Kernersville and High Point. Our next Kernersville meeting will be April 23 at 11:30am in the Fellowship Hall. Our next High Point gathering will be April 26 at 11:30am in High Point. See Pastor Randy for more details.

WOMEN'S SPRING BIBLE STUDY is on Wednesdays and continues weekly through May 8. The morning study is held from 9:30-11:00am, and the evening study is held from 6:30-8:00pm. Both studies meet at the home of Janie Hughes (414 Chesham Dr, Kernersville). See Church Center for more info.

CHILDREN'S CHURCH needs volunteer assistants for one week per month. Please let Carla Collins or Michael Kuehn know if you are able to serve.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING There will be a Congregational Meeting immediately following the service on May 5 to vote to affirm the call of Ruling Elder Don Bechtold to the office of elder following his year sabbatical.

BYFAITH MAGAZINE, the Presbyterian Church in America's monthly magazine, is now exclusively online. Go to: byFaithonline.com to subscribe, read or use the daily devotions.

SPRING FOLLY OUTREACH BOOTH Grace Kernersville is hosting an outreach booth at this year's Spring Folly on March 4 and 5. Volunteers are need to sign up for two hour hosting slots to share the love of Jesus, to info about our Church, Preschool, and Backpack Feeding Program, to share, and to help with our giant Kerplunk game,

*O precious is the flow
That makes me white as snow
No other fount I know
Nothing but the blood of Jesus*

Nothing can for sin atone
Nothing but the blood of Je - sus
Naught of good that I have done
Nothing but the blood of Jesus

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Chorus

This is all my hope and peace
Nothing but the blood of Jesus
This is all my righteousness
Nothing but the blood of Jesus

Chorus

PASSING OF THE PEACE

Leader: May the peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

Please take a moment and welcome one another in the name of the Lord.

The Life of the Church

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

After the message, children are dismissed. 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-5th Grade may go to Children's Church in Room 135.

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.



MISSIONS MINUTE

Kernersville Spring Folly Outreach Booth

The Preaching of the Word

SCRIPTURE READING – Philippians 3:1-11 (ESV)

Finally, my brothers, rejoice in the Lord. To write the same things to you is no trouble to me and is safe for you.

² Look out for the dogs, look out for the evildoers, look out for those who mutilate the flesh. ³ For we are the circumcision, who worship by the Spirit of God and glory in Christ Jesus and put no confidence in the flesh— ⁴ though I myself have reason for confidence in the flesh also. If anyone else thinks he has reason for confidence in the flesh, I have more: ⁵ circumcised on the eighth day, of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; ⁶ as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless. ⁷ But whatever gain I had, I counted as loss for the sake of Christ. ⁸ Indeed, I count everything as loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things and count them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ ⁹ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but that which comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God that depends on faith— ¹⁰ that I may know him and the power of his resurrection, and may share his

sufferings, becoming like him in his death,¹¹ that by any means possible I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

SERMON: Joyful Living: A Safeguard for You

Pastor Randy Edwards

Our Response

Yet not I but Through Christ in Me

What gift of grace is Jesus my redeemer
There is no more for heaven now to give
He is my joy my righteousness and freedom
My steadfast love my deep and boundless peace
To this I hold my hope is only Jesus
For my life is wholly bound to his
Oh how strange and divine I can sing all is mine
Yet not I but through Christ in me

No fate I dread I know I am forgiven
The future sure the price it has been paid
For Jesus bled and suffered for my pardon
And he was raised to overthrow the grave
To this I hold my sin has been defeated
Jesus now and ever is my plea
Oh the chains are released I can sing I am free
Yet not I but through Christ in me

The night is dark but I am not forsaken
For by my side the Saviour he will stay
I labour on in weakness and rejoicing
For in my need his power is displayed
To this I hold my Shepherd will defend me
Through the deepest valley he will lead
Oh the night has been won and I shall overcome
Yet not I but through Christ in me

With every breath I long to follow Jesus
For he has said that he will bring me home
And day by day I know he will renew me
Until I stand with joy before the throne
To this I hold my hope is only Jesus
All the glory evermore to him
When the race is complete still my lips shall
Repeat, Yet not I but through Christ in me

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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.



Jude 24, 25

Now to Him who is able to keep you,
Who is able to keep you from stumbling
And to make you stand in the presence
Of His glory, blameless with great joy.
To the only God our Savior
Through Jesus Christ, our Lord,
Be all glory, majesty, dominion, and power,
Before all time and now and forever.
Amen and amen,
Amen and amen,
Amen and amen,
Amen and amen and amen.

Men:

Now to Him who is able to keep you,
Who is able to keep you from stumbling
And to make you stand in the presence
Of His glory, blameless with great joy.

Women:

Amen and amen...

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BENEDICTION – Hebrews 13:20-21 (NIV '84)

May the God of peace, who through the blood of the eternal covenant brought back from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great Shepherd of the sheep, equip you with everything good for doing his will, and may he work in us what is pleasing to him, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

Women:

To the only God our Savior
Through Jesus Christ, our Lord,
Be all glory, majesty, dominion, and power,
Before all time and now and forever.

Men:

Amen and amen...

All:

Amen and amen,
Amen and amen,
Amen and amen,
Amen and amen and amen.