

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. **GRACE KERNERSVILLE'S GOOGLE GROUPS PAGE** is an email group to which Grace posts weekly prayer requests and urgent announcements. You may subscribe to each by emailing the church office at officehelper@gracekernersville.org. **LORD'S SUPPER** Grace Kernersville receives the Lord's Supper on the first Sunday of each month. Please be preparing your hearts to receive the sacrament.

MEN'S PRAYER meets on Friday mornings from 7:00-8:00am in the Church Library.

WOMEN'S PRAYER meets on Friday mornings from 9:00-10:00am in the Church Library.

GROWING IN GRACE continues each Sunday from 9:30-10:15am. Our current study is the second part of a Ligonier Ministries' video series taught by Dr. Sinclair Ferguson titled, Who Is the Holy Spirit?

CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL continues each week from at 9:30-10:15am in room 124.

GRACE KIDS meets from 4:30-6:00pm tonight. See Carla Collins for more information.

GRACE YOUTH meets from 6:00-7:15pm tonight. See Michael for more information.

LUNCH TUESDAY MEN'S BIBLE STUDY continues semi-monthly gatherings in both High Point and Kernersville from Noon to 1:00pm. The Kernersville Group meets on March 24. The High Point group meets on March 17

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY (YAMS) Grace Men's Ministry continues its nine week study by Third Mill on the Book of Acts each Wednesday at 7:00pm in the church fellowship hall. See Don Bechtold or Kevin McClain with any questions.

CARRYOUT FOR COUGARS continues each week to deliver weekend backpack meals for children at Cash Elementary who are facing food insecurity. Meals are bagged and delivered each Thursday at 9:00am. If you would like to participate or have questions, please see Brea McClain.

EASTER LILLIES Order now through March 29 to help decorate the church for Easter. Flyers are available on the table in the lobby.

KCMF CROSSWALK is held on Good Friday at 11:30am at 617 N. Main Street in the Piney Grove Shopping Center. The walk will continue to Mt. Gur Cemetery.

EASTER EGG HUNT will be held at 4:30 on March 29. Please bring one bag of WRAPPED candy for each child participating by Wednesday, March 25th. Volunteers are needed. Please see Michael or Carla for any questions.

HOLY WEEK SERVICES: Grace will be remembering Holy Week and walking through the events of Jesus Passion. We begin next Sunday, by remembering Jesus' Triumphal Procession into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday. And we will follow with a service for Maundy Thursday in which we will receive the sacrament of the Lord's Supper on April 2 at 7:00pm in the sanctuary. On Friday, April 3, we will remember Jesus' trial, crucifixion, death and burial with a Tenebrae Service at 7:00pm in the sanctuary, and we will celebrate Jesus resurrection on Easter morning, April 5 at 10:30 in the sanctuary. Please note there will be no Growing in Grace class or Sunday school on Easter morning.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY! Mark Gadbois (3/23), Anna Wiebking (3/26), Katie Wingate (3/27), Grace Norman (3/27), Les Cranfill (3/30)

Sunday Servants



	Today	March 29	April 5	April 12
Nursery	Alli Underhill	Matthew Burton	No Nursery	Brea McClain
Infant - 2yrs	Mona Underhill	Stephanie Burton		Corwin McClain
Little Lambs 2-3 yrs	Chris Hollis Christine Hollis	Katie Orlick Daniel Orlick	No Class	Diane Zobrosky Ellie Brieaddy
Kingdom Kids 4yrs-K	David Collins Grace Norman	Donna Cox Mary Freeman	No Class	Jenni Carter A J Carter
Children's Church 1-3 Grade	Darlene Clagett Angelica Steelman	Matt Norman Anna Norman	No Class	Mike Lis Lyric Lis
Greeters	Mark & Terrica Smith	Bonnie Smith Dennie Kohler	Rick & Linda Mainhart	Larry and Tammy Burrows
Visitation	Danielle Elliott	Danielle Elliott	Diane Zrobosky	Diane Zrobosky
Ushers	Larry Burrows Mark Smith A J Carter Daniel Orlick	David Collins Ryan Avery Joshua Elliott Mike Orlick	David Collins Les Cranfill Mark Malinovsky Matthew Burton	David Collins Joshua Elliott Dick Clatfelter Mark Smith
Worship Team	Michael Kuehn Karl Freeman John Hughes Jodi Pardue	Michael Kuehn Karl Freeman	John Hughes Karl Freeman Jodi Pardue	Michael Kuehn Patrick Freeman Karl Freeman John Hughes Anna Norman
Tech Team	Patrick Freeman Dennis Kohler	Dennis Kohler Kevin McClain Cheryl Voss	Patrick Freeman Dennis Kohler	Lucas Galbier Dennis Kohler Cheryl Voss

This Week at Grace

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

SUNDAY, March 22 9:30-10:15am Growing in Grace 10:30-11:45am Worship Service, Sanctuary 4:30-6:00pm Grace Kids 4:30-6:00pm Kuehn Home Fellowship Group 6:00-7:15pm Youth Group 6:00-7:00pm Cox-Plybon Home Fellowship Group	WEDNESDAY, March 25 6:30-7:30pm Worship Rehearsal 7:00-8:00pm YAMS Book of Acts FRIDAY, March 27 7:00-8:00am Men's Prayer in the Library 9:00-1:00am Women's Prayer in the Library
TUESDAY, March 24 12:00-1:00pm Men's Tuesday Lunch (Kernersville) 1:30-2:30pm Bechtold Home Fellowship Group	SUNDAY, March 29, Palm Sunday 9:30-10:15am Growing in Grace 10:30-11:45am Worship Service, Sanctuary 4:30-5:30pm Family Easter Egg Hunt

Church Leadership and Contacts

Office Manager	Assistant Pastor of Worship & Education	Pastor and Teaching Elder	Grace House Preschool Director
Mona Underhill, x1	Michael Kuehn, x2	Randy Edwards, x3	Tammy Burrows, x4
Session	Diaconate		
Don Bechtold, Larry Clagett, Tommy Cox, Jim Plybon (Clerk), Adam Wingate, and Randy Edwards (Pastor/Moderator). Kevin McClain (sabbatical)	Deacon of the Month: John Hughes Larry Burrows, David Collins, John Hughes, and Karl Freeman		
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GPC Financial Report as of Mar 15, 2026

	Monthly	Annual
General Fund Budget	\$ 31,348	\$ 376,179
General Fund Offerings	\$ 22,947	\$ 72,465
Building Improvements (\$175,000 Goal)	Received towards Goal:	\$ 2,860
Ministry Funds	Account Balance	Received Year to Date
Missions Faith Fund	\$ 2,625	\$ 465
Mercy Ministries Fund	\$ 4,227	\$ 1,000

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.

Fifth Sunday in Lent

March 22, 2026

CALL TO WORSHIP – Psalm 62:5-8 (NIV)

Yes, my soul, find rest in God; my hope comes from him.

Truly he is my rock and my salvation; he is my fortress, I will not be shaken.

My salvation and my honor depend on God; he is my mighty rock, my refuge.

Trust in him at all times, you people; pour out your hearts to him, for God is our refuge.

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.

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.

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

Chorus

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!

Chorus

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Great are You Lord

You give life, You are love,
You bring light to the darkness.
You give hope, You restore
Every heart that is broken
And great are You Lord!

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*It's Your breath in our lungs,
So we pour out our praise,
We pour out our praise.*

Chorus

And all the earth will shout Your praise,
Our hearts will cry
These bones will sing,
Great are You Lord!

It's Your breath in our lungs

So we pour out our praise to You only

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Our Common Confession

CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

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)

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 APOSTLE’S 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, he descended into Hades. ** The church through all time and every age*

Mountains of Mercy

Mountains of mercy, Streams of grace
Flow down to me.

All of my debts, All that I owe
Has been paid by Thee.

*What love is this that flows as blood
To save a wretch like me
Though a proper gift I ne’er could give
Still you give to me.*

Maker of Heaven, Creator of earth,
Sent His only Son.

The perfect Lamb has paid it all,
No matter what I’ve done.

*What love is this upon a cross,
That stood at Calvary,
Though my works could never save,
Still you died for me*

How could you my dark heart know?
And still love and want me so?

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The Life of the Church

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM Ava Valerie Avery, daughter of Ryan and Britney Avery
For to you is the promise, and to your children, and to all that are afar off, even as many as the Lord our God shall call unto him. And I will establish my covenant between me and thee and thy seed after thee throughout their generations for an everlasting

covenant, to be a God unto thee and to thy seed after thee. Believe on the Lord Jesus, and thou shalt be saved, thou and thy house. (Acts 2:39; Gen. 17:7; Acts 16:31)

Questions for the Parents

1. Do you acknowledge your child’s need of the cleansing blood of Jesus Christ, and the renewing grace of the Holy Spirit?
2. Do you claim God’s covenant promises in (his) behalf, and do you look in faith to the Lord Jesus Christ for her salvation, as you do for your own?
3. Do you now unreservedly dedicate your child to God, and promise, in humble reliance upon divine grace, that you will endeavor to set before her a godly example, that you will pray with and for her, that you will teach her the doctrines of our holy religion, and that you will strive, by all the means of God’s appointment, to bring her up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord?

Question for the Congregation

Do you as a congregation undertake the responsibility of assisting the parents in the Christian nurture of this child?


PASSING OF THE PEACE

Leader: *May the peace of Christ be with you.*

All: **And also with you.**

After the baptism, children may be dismissed. Nursery (Infants to 2 years old) is Room 121; Little Lambs (Ages.2-3) Room 123; Kingdom Kids (Ages 4-K) is Room 124; Children’s Church (1st-3rd Grade) is 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 – Luke 18:1-14 (ESV)

And he told them a parable to the effect that they ought always to pray and not lose heart. ² He said, “In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor respected man. ³ And there was a widow in that city who kept coming to him and saying, ‘Give me justice against my adversary.’ ⁴ For a while he refused, but afterward he said to himself, ‘Though I neither fear God nor respect man, ⁵ yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will give her justice, so that she will not beat me down by her continual coming.’” ⁶ And the Lord said, “Hear what the unrighteous judge says. ⁷ And will not God give justice to his elect, who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long over them? ⁸ I tell you, he will give justice to them speedily. Nevertheless, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?”

⁹ He also told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous, and treated others with contempt: ¹⁰ “Two men went up into the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. ¹¹ The Pharisee, standing by himself, prayed thus: ‘God, I thank you that I am not like other men, extortioners, unjust, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. ¹² I fast twice a week; I give tithes of all that I get.’ ¹³ But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even lift up his eyes to heaven, but beat his breast, saying, ‘God, be merciful to me, a sinner!’ ¹⁴ I tell you, this man went down to his house justified, rather than the other. For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but the one who humbles himself will be exalted.”

SERMON – In Hostile Country: The Prayer Parables Pastor Randy Edwards

God Be Merciful to Me

God be merciful to me,
On Thy grace I rest my plea;
Plenteous in compassion Thou,
Blot out my transgressions now;
Wash me, make me pure within,
Cleanse, O cleanse me from my sin.

My transgressions I confess,
Grief and guilt my soul oppress;
I have sinned against Thy grace
And provoked Thee to Thy face;
I confess Thy judgment just,
Speechless, I Thy mercy trust.


I am evil born in sin,
Thou desirest truth within;
Thou alone my Savior art,
Teach Thy wisdom to my heart;
Make me pure, Thy grace bestow,
Wash me whiter than the snow.

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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. Use the QR Code to the left to access Grace Kernersville’s Church Center Giving page where you may give online Grace Kernersville’s Church Center Giving page where you may give online.*

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.

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BENEDICTION — 2 Thessalonians 3:5 (ESV)

May the Lord direct your hearts to the love of God and to the steadfastness of Christ.

Broken, humbled to the dust,
By Thy wrath and judgment just;
Let my contrite heart rejoice
And in gladness hear Thy voice;
From my sins O hide Thy face,
Blot them out in boundless grace.

Gracious God my heart renew,
Make my spirit right and true;
Cast me not away from Thee,
Let Thy Spirit dwell in me;
Thy salvation's joy impart,
Steadfast make my willing heart.

Sinners then shall learn from me
And return O God to Thee;
Savior, all my guilt remove,
And my tongue shall sing Thy love.
Touch my silent lips, O Lord,
And my mouth shall praise accord.