

THIS WEEK AT GRACE

A message from the Pastor Ken,

March 19, 2018



Unless a grain of wheat falls to the earth and dies, it remains a single grain. But if it dies, it bears much fruit. John 12:24

We know all too well the story of Jesus dying on the cross – giving us life. To be human means to accept the harsh reality –that there comes a time when we leave this earth and die. It’s something that we face from the very beginning of the Season of Lent as part of our journey, on Ash Wednesday, “Remember you are dust and to dust you shall you return.” The story of Jesus tells us that out of the experience of dying can come unthinkable life with purpose and meaning. Jesus is the seed that gives up his life in order to give us life. So, may we as God’s people, live as if we’ve been died for!

EASTER EGG EGGSTRAVAGANZA HUNT - is **Saturday, March 24 at 10:00 am**. The event will end with a lunch of hot dogs, other goodies. Candy donations welcome. Contact Tammie Harbert (803-980-5114) for info .

FAMILY PROMISE AT GRACE - falls during **Holy Week , Palm Sunday until Easter Sunday, March 25-April 1**. Sign Up Sheets are posted, with several roles still in need of filling. Please sign up this week!

SANCTUARY CLEAN UP FOR EASTER - The Worship and Music committee will be meeting at **9:00 am March 31, 2018** to clean the Sanctuary before Easter. If you are able and available to help, bring your brooms, mops and dust clothes to help.

EASTER BREAKFAST - Please join us for Easter Breakfast on **Sunday, April 1, from 9:00 - 11:00 AM in the Fellowship Hall**. A free-will offering is taken to cover the cost of the food. We will be serving quiche/ breakfast casseroles, hash browns, fruit, mini muffins, orange juice, tea and coffee. We always have a big turnout for Easter Breakfast; please sign up on the Tear and Share or call the office indicating how many people will be attending. Also, if you would like to donate a quiche/breakfast casserole for the breakfast, please indicate that as well. If you bring a quiche to share, please make sure it is heated before you bring it.

FAREWELL AND GODSPEED FOR PASTOR REBECCA - will be on **Sunday, April 8 at 9:45 AM** in the **Fellowship Hall**. Please join us for cake and coffee as we say farewell to Pastor Rebecca, Jim, and Baby Phillips.

REALM - We encourage everyone to create an account with our new Realm software system. By now all active Grace members should have gotten an email from Realm inviting them to set up such an account. If you have not gotten such an email, please check your spam or junk folder. The emails are automated and are identified as spam by some programs. Instructions for setting up your account can be found at : http://www.gracerockhill.com/fileadmin/Staff_Upload/setuprealm.pdf If you did not get such an invitation or are having any difficulties in setting up your account, please contact our local Realm administrator Bob Stonebraker at stonebraker946@gmail.com or [803-980-1834](tel:803-980-1834).

CONFIRMATION CLASS - the next confirmation class meets **Saturday, April 21 at 8:30 am**.

NYG FUNDRAISER DAY - On **Saturday, April 28**, GYM is hosting a **yard and BBQ sale** here at church. If you have unwanted items in your home, please set them aside for the sale. We will be collecting items at the church April 15th-20th in the Youth Room. We can arrange pick up if you let us know before April 11! Youth will be taking pre-orders and pre-payment for the Barbeque in the Fellowship Hall, beginning March 25 (price will be on order forms). Contact Adele Evans (704) 591-3864 or Art Harris (artharris56@gmail.com).

GYM “Links to Mission” GOLF TOURNAMENT - is **Saturday, May 12 at Waterford Golf Club** in Rock Hill, **shotgun start at 1:00 PM**. Registration and information in the Fellowship Hall. Contact Art Harris for details (artharris56@gmail.com).

CALL COMMITTEE UPDATE - The call committee has begun visiting and interviewing candidates. Keep praying for all involved in the process. Prayer and patience.

HEARTSAVER CPR CLASS - Please sign the tear and share if you have interest in taking Heartsaver CPR classes at Grace, offered by the Parish Nurse and Health Cabinet.

GRACE CALENDAR

MONDAY - March 19

Pastor Ken Vacation

1:30 PM Newcomers KnitWits (Common)
6:00 PM York County Quilters (FH)
6:30 PM Cub Scouts (Youth)
7:00 PM Grace Alone Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
7:00 PM Boy Scout Troop #540 (106-107)

TUESDAY - March 20

Pastor Ken Vacation

5:30 PM Chrysalis (Conf)
6:30 PM WELCM (WH)
6:30 PM AA (101)

WEDNESDAY - March 21

Pastor Ken Vacation

9:30 AM Grace-C Quilters (103)
6:15 PM Soup Dinner - New Member/Stewardship (FH)
6:30 PM AA (101)
7:00 PM Holden Evening Prayer (Sanc)
7:30 PM Parish Choir (Music)

THURSDAY - March 22

7:30 AM Centering Prayer (Common)
12:00 PM Walk by Grace (Front Steps)

FRIDAY - March 23

5:30 PM AA (101)

SATURDAY - March 14

10:00 AM Easter Eggstravaganza (Grounds, FH, Kit)

SUNDAY - March 25

PALM SUNDAY

FAMILY PROMISE

8:30 AM Contemporary Worship Service
9:45 AM Coffee Fellowship
9:45 AM Sunday School
11:00 AM Traditional Worship Service
4:30 PM NO GYM (Youth)
7:00 PM AA (101)

March 25, 2018 Worship Assistants

Hospitality:

Sara and Steve Johnson

Muggers:

Robin Ketner and Doug Gay

Nursery:

Leslie Dunnett

Tabulators:

Bea and Jack Lockwood

Altar Guild:

Melissa Tucker and Frances Stockley

8:30 AM

Lector: Doug Gay

Communion Assistant: Bob Schavey

Petitioner: Pam Kirby

Crucifer: Dustin Stegall

Acolyte: Mary Vettorel, Tyler Stegall

Greeter: Kendall Anderson

Ushers: Tom Sturniolo, Jack Lockwood,

Jim Alfors, ShirLee Alfors

11:00 AM

Lector: Doug Ludwig

Communion Assistant: Debbie Gignac

Petitioner: April Hershey

Crucifer: Michael Wheeler

Acolyte: Emily Wheeler, Dawson Harbert

Greeter: Dewain Theissen

Ushers: Craig Ketner, Bob Goodbar,

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MARCH 2018

Easter Eggstravaganza - Sat, Mar 24, 10:00 AM

Family Promise - March 25 - April 1

Maundy Thursday - March 29, 7:00 PM

Good Friday - March 30, 7:00 PM

Sanctuary Clean Up - March 31, 9:00 AM

APRIL 2018

Easter - April 1 - 8:00, 9:30, 11:00 AM

Easter Breakfast - April 1 - 9:15 AM - FH

New Member Class - April 8, 15, 22, 9:45 AM

Confirmation Class - April 21, 8:30 AM

NYG Garage Sale Pricing - April 22-27 - FH

Seniors@Grace - April 26 -On the Road!

NYG Garage Sale - April 28 - Fellowship Hall

Fifth Sunday Worship -April 29, 10:00 AM

Pot Luck Brunch/New Mem Recep - April 29

MAY 2018

GYM "Links to Mission"- May 12 - Waterford GC

Youth Sunday - May 13

Confirmation Class - May 19, 8:30 AM

JUNE/JULY 2018

National Youth Gathering -

Houston, Texas - June 27 - July 1, 2018