

THIS WEEK AT GRACE

A message from the Pastor Ken,

March 26, 2018



And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death- even death on a cross. Philippians 2:7-8

We call it “the passion,” which from the Latin means a time of suffering or enduring. During Holy Week we recount the final events of Jesus’ life that lead to his death on the cross. On Palm/Passion Sunday we read the passion narrative from the Gospel of John. On Good Friday we will read it from the Gospel of Mark. Why do we spend time focusing our attention in reading a story of such tragedy? Because it is through Jesus’ suffering and death that we experience the message of the gospel. The road to being saved by God’s grace and redeemed by the blood of the Lamb of God goes through the cross. There’s no other way. May God lead us through the cross, so that we experience the life that is promised to us on Easter morning!

CRUCIFERS AND ACOLYTES - needed for **Easter Sunday at ALL SERVICES**. Please contact Debbie Gignac (803-324-0081) **TODAY** if you can help.

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. Visitors, we welcome you to join us for this annual Easter tradition.

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. A card collection space is available in the Parish Admin’s office starting this week.

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 in the Fellowship Hall. Contact Art Harris (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 26

6:30 PM Cub Scouts (Youth)
7:00 PM Grace Alone Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
7:00 PM Boy Scout Troop #540 (106-107)

TUESDAY - March 27

10:00 AM Newcomers Bible Study (Conf)
1:00 PM Staff (Prayer)
1:30 PM Newcomers KnitWits (Common)
5:30 PM Worship and Music (106)
6:30 PM Public Relations (Conf)
6:30 PM WELCM (WH)
6:30 PM SCWW (107)
6:30 PM AA (101)
7:30 PM Bridge Group (102)
7:30 PM Softball (Hargett Park)

WEDNESDAY - March 28

9:30 AM Grace-C Quilters (103)
6:30 PM AA (101)
7:00 PM Parish Choir (Music)

THURSDAY - March 29

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

FRIDAY - March 30

5:30 PM AA (101)
7:00 PM Good Friday Tenebrae (Sanctuary)

SATURDAY - March 31

9:00 AM Sanctuary Clean Up (Sanc)

SUNDAY - April 1

EASTER SUNDAY

FAMILY PROMISE

8:00 AM Contemporary Worship Service
9:00 AM Easter Breakfast
9:30 AM Festival Worship Service
11:00 AM Traditional Worship Service
4:30 PM NO GYM (Youth)
7:00 PM AA (101)

April 1, 2018 Worship Assistants

Hospitality:

Easter Breakfast

Muggers:

n/a

Nursery:

Katie Romero

Tabulators:

Carla Harrison and Bob Stonebraker

Altar Guild:

Melissa Tucker and Frances Stockley

8:00 AM

Lector: Floyd Ritchie

Communion Assistant: Sara Johnson

Petitioner: Pam Kirby

Crucifer: **NEED 1**

Acolytes: Noah Gamerl, **NEED 1**

Ushers: Bob Schavey, Eddie Hinson, Bob Wasserman, Floyd Ritchie

9:30 AM

Lector: Eric Schmidt

Communion Assistant: Nora Sliney

Petitioner: Pam Kirby

Crucifer: **NEED 1**

Acolytes: **NEED 2**

Ushers: Bob Schavey, Eddie Hinson, Bob Wasserman, Floyd Ritchie

11:00 AM

Lector: Larry Winsch

Communion Assistant: Debbie Gignac

Petitioner: Dee Westbrook

Crucifer: **NEED 1**

Acolytes: **NEED 2**

Ushers: Wally Seigler, Walker Stockley, Larry Winsch

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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