

THIS WEEK AT GRACE

A message from the Pastor Ken,

April 16, 2018



Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? Luke 24:38

Jesus comes to stand among the disciples after his resurrection. But the disciples are terrified of him. They think he's a ghost and that he has come to haunt them. Many people live in terror of being ambushed by God. For many, God is unapproachable and distant. They live in terror of God's judgment. The Easter story we preach is of a risen savior who comes to stand among the disciples and who opens their minds to understand the scriptures. Do we live in terror of a God who we think is ready to pounce on us in judgment? Or do we worship a God who eats a meal with us? What happened to the first disciples in the 50 days following Easter morning, happens to us. Jesus stands among us and gives us a new understanding of life!

EBENEZER AVENUE ELEMENTARY STAFF APPRECIATION LUNCH - Grace will be hosting lunch for the teachers and staff at our neighborhood school, Ebenezer Elementary on **Wednesday, May 2**. This is a project of the Outreach Committee. If you are interested in helping provide food or hosting guests, contact either Bill Karlson <wkarlson7@gmail.com> or Sig Huitt <sighuitt@gmail.com>.

HELP! - Hospitality is looking meager these days folks. If you enjoy having a bit of a snack with your coffee at 9:45 am Sunday mornings, please sign up to host. The sign up sheet is on the table in the Fellowship Hall. Questions? - see Irene Pointon (point@comporium.net, cell: 704-517-5403)

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. 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.

NEW MEMBER CLASSES - Join Pastor Ken on **April 22, 9:45am until 10:45am**, in the Common Area for Grace's final New Member Class of this series. Grace will welcome persons on Sunday, April 29.

SENIORS@GRACE - Seniors@Grace are on the road for **Thursday April 26** so the Fellowship Hall can get ready for the yard sale. We are off to **Fuji Japan** for a yummy lunch. Come and join us for hibachi, sushi or a bento box lunch. **11:30 AM at 2455 Cherry Road Rock Hill**. Come for food and fellowship. Sign up on the Tear and Share.

FIFTH SUNDAY WORSHIP AND POT LUCK BRUNCH - **Sunday, April 29**, is the fifth Sunday in April. Grace will have one worship service at 10:00 am, followed by a **covered dish** pot luck brunch immediately after in the Fellowship Hall. Please bring a covered dish to share: coffee, tea and juice provided. New members will be recognized that day as well with a cake reception. Please sign up on Sunday's Tear and Share so we set up enough seating. Just visiting, or forgot your dish? Please, just come and enjoy brunch and fellowship.

GRACE CALENDAR

MONDAY - April 16

4:30 PM Nursery (Conf)
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 - April 17

9:00 AM York County Quilters Class (FH)
5:30 PM Chrysalis (Conf)
6:30 PM WELCM (WH)
6:30 PM AA (101)
7:30 PM Softball (Hargett Park)

WEDNESDAY - April 18

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

THURSDAY - April 19

7:30 AM Centering Prayer (Common)
12:00 PM Walk by Grace (Front Steps)
6:30 PM LIFT (Pam Kirby's Home)
7:30 PM Softball (Hargett Park)

FRIDAY - April 20

5:30 PM AA (101)

SATURDAY - April 21

8:30 AM Confirmation Class (107, 108, 110, 111)

SUNDAY - April 22

NYG YARD SALE PRICING (FH)

8:30 AM Contemporary Worship Service
9:45 AM Coffee Fellowship (FH)
9:45 AM New Member Class (Common)
9:45 AM Sunday School
9:45 AM New Member Team Meeting (FH)
11:00 AM Traditional Worship Service
2:30 PM Upstate Conf (Holy Communion, Spartanburg)
4:30 PM GYM (Youth)
7:00 PM AA (101)

April 22, 2018 Worship Assistants

Hospitality:

Coffee Only

Muggers:

Kathy Schwandt

Nursery:

Tammie Harbert

Tabulators:

Martha Hester and Larry Wunsch

Altar Guild:

Nora Sliney and Ellen Cafarella

Home Communion Ministers:

Huitt; Gignac/Lynes; Sliney/Westbrook

8:30 AM

Lector: Steve Johnson

Communion Assistant: Earl Gatlin

Petitioner: Floyd Ritchie

Acolyte: Mary Vettorel

Greeter: Sig Huitt

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

11:00 AM

Lector: TBD

Communion Assistant: Chris Cassidy

Petitioner: Eric Schmidt

Crucifer: Cameron Cassidy

Acolytes: Charlotte DeMartino,
Erin DeMartino

Greeter: Sue & Karlo Waataja

Ushers: Wally Seigler, Walker Stockley,
Larry Wunsch

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APRIL 2018

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New Member Class - April 22, 9:45 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

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

Youth Sunday - May 13

Confirmation Class - May 19, 8:30 AM

Seniors@Grace - May 24, 11:30 AM

JUNE/JULY 2018

National Youth Gathering -
Houston, Texas - June 27 - July 1, 2018