

# THIS WEEK AT GRACE

A message from the Pastor Ken,

April 23, 2018



*“Surely, goodness and mercy will follow me all the days of my life and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.” Psalm 23:6*

In this last verse of Psalm 23, the word in Hebrew for “follow” is *radaph* and means TO PURSUE or TO CHASE SOMETHING DOWN. Surely goodness and mercy shall PURSUE (or CHASE) ME all the days of my life...” This translation changes the meaning of this Bible verse to the idea that goodness and mercy, God’s goodness and mercy, WILL CHASE ME DOWN my whole life long! We are being chased by what some call the hound of heaven! What a wonderful reminder that God’s goodness, grace, and mercy is chasing or pursuing us, not just once in a while (when things seem to be going good or at certain times in our lives) but our WHOLE LIFE LONG!

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**CALL COMMITTEE UPDATE** - The call committee continues to visit and interview candidates. The committee urges all members of Grace to pray faithfully that the Holy Spirit will guide all who are involved in the process of finding a pastor. Prayer and Patience.

**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](mailto:wkarlson7@gmail.com)> or Sig Huitt <[sighuitt@gmail.com](mailto: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](mailto:point@comporium.net), cell: 704-517-5403)

**REALM** - 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](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 Realm administrator Bob Stonebraker at [stonebraker946@gmail.com](mailto: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. Contact Adele Evans (704) 591-3864 or Art Harris ([artharris56@gmail.com](mailto: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](mailto:artharris56@gmail.com)).

**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.

**SYRIAN FRIENDSHIP DINNER** - You are cordially invited to attend the Syrian Friendship Dinner on **Saturday, April 28 at 5:00 PM** at **Oakland Avenue Presbyterian Church Activities Center**. The Dinner and program will raise funds for and awareness of the work of educating Syrian children living in refugee camps in Lebanon as well as for children who remain in Syria and need help to afford school. Tickets are \$20 at the door.

**FIFTH SUNDAY WORSHIP AND POT LUCK MEAL** - **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 meal 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 a meal and fellowship.

## GRACE CALENDAR

### MONDAY - April 23

#### NYG PRICING (FH)

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

### TUESDAY - April 24

#### NYG PRICING (FH)

10:00 AM Newcomers Bible Study (Conf)  
1:30 PM Newcomers Knitwits (Common)  
5:30 PM Worship & Music (106)  
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 - April 25

#### NYG PRICING (FH)

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

### THURSDAY - April 26

#### NYG PRICING (FH)

7:30 AM Centering Prayer (Common)  
11:30 AM Seniors@Grace (Fuji Japan)  
7:00 PM Racial Reconciliation (Common)  
7:30 PM Softball (Hargett Park)

### FRIDAY - April 27

#### NYG PRICING (FH)

5:30 PM AA (101)

### SATURDAY - April 28

8:30 AM NAT'L YOUTH GATHERING YARD SALE AND BBQ

### SUNDAY - April 29

10:00 AM Fifth Sunday Worship Service  
11:00 AM Covered Dish Pot Luck Meal  
4:30 PM NO GYM (Youth)  
7:00 PM AA (101)

## April 29, 2018 Worship Assistants

### **Hospitality:**

Covered Dish Pot Luck Meal

### **Muggers:**

Martha Hester and Larry Winsch

### **Nursery:**

Leslie Dunnett

### **Tabulators:**

Martha Hester and Larry Winsch

### **Altar Guild:**

Nora Sliney and Ellen Cafarella

### **10:00 AM**

*Lector:* Steve Johnson

*Communion Assistant:* Debbie Gignac

*Petitioner:* Kathy Schwandt

*Crucifer:* Michael Wheeler

*Acolyte:* Connor Johnson, Emily Wheeler

*Greeter:* Jackie Wille, Dewain Thiessen

*Ushers:* Larry Winsch, Wally Seigler,  
Bob Wasserman, Floyd Ritchie

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#### **APRIL 2018**

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  
Seniors@Grace - May 24, 11:30 AM

#### **JUNE/JULY 2018**

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