



April 2018

Key Events

April 1
Easter Sunday & Grace Baptisms, 10:30am

April 8
Core Theology Course & Apologetics Fellowship Resume, 9am

April 13
Corrigan/Johnson HC serving dinner at The GATE, 5:30 - 8pm

April 20
EPIC Celebrate Life Benefit

April 25
Young Life Golf Tournament

April 29
Compassion Sunday

May 11
Grace serving dinner @ The GATE

June 3
Senior Sunday

June 18-22
Erasing the Lines

June 24 - 28
Vacation Bible School

Service Times:
9:00 (203 Upstairs)
10:30 (Sanctuary)

327 Academy Heights Rd.
Kinston, NC 28504
(252) 522-5799



Throughout April,
we continue our sermon
series in Exodus:
Redeemed for God's Renown.



Easter Sunday: April 1

The highlight of our year, we celebrate the resurrection of our Savior and rejoice with those being baptized into new life. Sunday evening events and groups are canceled in observance of the Holiday.

EPIC Pregnancy Clinic Updates

- **Baby bottles:** Over \$2,000 was raised via the Baby Bottle Campaign at Grace this year! Thanks to all who gave generously!
- **Celebrate Life Benefit: April 20**
We are hosting a night of worship with special guest, Katie Alford from Greenville, as part of a fundraising event on April 20th for EPIC.

Compassion Sunday: April 29

Grace partners with Compassion International to provide sponsorships for children in impoverished countries. We will highlight this partnership in the worship service. Be part of this important mission!

A Look Ahead:

- Erasing the Lines: June 18 - 22. More info to come about this in-town mission experience.
- SAVE THE DATE: VBS! Sunday, June 24th 5-8pm; Mon-Thurs, June 25th-28th 9a-12p Contact Kelly Taylor to Volunteer!
- Summer Grove is right around the corner....let's give the Grove teachers a break...contact Kelly to sign up for a Sunday or two to lead Summer Grove.

Student Ministry

Senior Sunday - June 3: If you have a high school graduate, please contact Ben so they can be recognized on that day. [ben@gracekinston.org]

Erasing the Lines - June 18-22: Registration info TBA

Visit our website or QR code
for info on all events.
www.gracekinston.org



CONNECT TO GRACE

Children's Ministry

Parents of young children, please visit the Children's Welcome Center for important information. Classes for newborns through age 3 begin at 10:30am. (The Seed Patch)

Children ages 4 through 5th grade are dismissed during the worship service to their classes (The Grove). If you are interested in serving, please call Kelly at 559.9229.

Club 345

This is a fun-filled ministry for grades 3-5. They meet each Sunday evening at church from 6-7:30pm to dive into Scripture and enjoy deepening friendships through games and great fellowship. Contact kent@gracekinston.org.

The Mill (Student Ministry)

The Mill Gathered: students in grades 6-12 gather at Grace on Sundays at 6:00pm (upstairs) for a time of Bible study, discussion, fellowship, and prayer. Come and join in the fun!

The Mill Scattered: The Mill facilitates one-on-one/small group mentorship between its students and older, mature Christians of the same gender. To learn more about being mentored, or if you are interested in serving as a mentor, contact Ben at the church office (522-5799).

Early Career Ministry

Seeking to connect recent high school graduates, college students, and 20-somethings beginning their careers and families to the life of Christ and the body of Grace. To learn more about this ministry, including dates of upcoming functions, contact Austin at the church office (522-5799).

HouseChurch

A small group of adults growing together in Christ. Looking to join a HouseChurch? Contact Susan McKnight (522.5799) or any leader listed below.

Sunday Groups:

9:00am Jarman/Foster (521.5332)
6:00pm Fader (252.286.7096)

Monday:

7:00pm Edwards (560.9473)

Tuesday:

7:00pm Outland/Burge (522.5892)

Wednesday Groups:

7:00pm Austin/ Albritton (527.0146)
7:00pm Tilghman/Henderson (521.9077)
7:30pm McArthur (747.8473) (Snow Hill)
7:30pm Owens/Henderson (468.4714)
8:00pm Johnson/ Corrigan (521.3533)

Missions Spotlight: Eastern Pregnancy Information Clinic



Our local Crisis Pregnancy Center ministers to families who often in crisis and facing difficult decisions. They hold out the hope of life for every child and point each client to Christ. They offer parenting classes, baby supplies (clothing, diapers, etc), and use ultrasound to show the miracle of life God is shaping inside each expectant mom. Many at Grace pitched in to help raise funds via the baby bottle campaign earlier this year and gave over \$2,000!

We are also hosting a night of worship with special guest, Katie Alford from Greenville as part of the fundraising event on April 20th. Come join us, and continue to pray for each client the EPIC team is able to impact!

Jason McKnight - Lead Pastor

Kent Henderson - Associate Pastor

Ben Hendrix- Pastor of Student Ministry

Kelly Taylor - Director of Children's Ministry

Austin Gannett- Pastor of Early Career and Church Planting

Susan McKnight- Director of Mobilization and Housechurch

April Goff - Administrator [admin@gracekinston.org]

*email addresses= first name @gracekinston.org

FINANCIAL UPDATE

As of March 29, 2018

General Giving:	\$145,143
Budget:	<u>\$169,200</u>
Excess/(Shortfall):	\$ (24,058)

V2020 Financial Update:

2016-17 Received:	\$416,433
2018 Received	<u>\$ 23,965</u>
Total V2020 Giving:	\$440,398

Mortgage 01/01/18	\$ 289,006
Mortgage 04/01/18	<u>\$ 243,465</u>
Principal Reduction	\$ 45,541

Online Giving

Give online securely at gracekinston.org.

GFC Website:

Visit us at www.gracekinston.org to watch a sermon, connect to serving, see upcoming events and learn more about GFC! There are also links to Jason's blog, Facebook and Instagram.