



Kris Perkins

- M.Div. – Gordon-Conwell, 1997
- B.A. Psychology, B.A. Religion – Lafayette College, 1988

Married to Laura 28 years; 4 children – Amanda 24, Isaiah 21, Josiah 18, Tabitha 8

"I have a heart to foster a contagious love among the people whom God has entrusted to me to lead – a love for one another that is Christ-centered, Christ-honoring, and Christ-revealing."

It is with great enthusiasm that the Triangle Grace Church Pastor Nominating Committee introduces our candidate for Senior Co-Pastor, Kris Perkins. He comes to us with a wide range of experience in church leadership — from preaching and teaching to children’s, youth, and family ministries to missions, hospitality, counseling, and worship leadership.

Kris attended Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary, and in his final year was asked to join an interim leadership team at Hamilton Congregational Church (South Hamilton, MA) when both their senior pastor and their youth pastor accepted calls from other churches. Through a contact at Hamilton Congregational, Kris was hired to serve as the first Family Minister at Park Street Church in Boston, MA. There he was responsible for overseeing all aspects of ministry for infants, children, youth, married couples, and parents.

When Kris arrived at Park Street, the church was long-known for its strong preaching ministry, its commitment to missions, its impact on campus life at the local universities, and its outreach to the international community, but it was not a church known for its family ministry. His role at Park Street was to address this issue and develop a thriving ministry to families. Initially he was the youth director, the nursery director, the children’s ministry director, and the family life director all rolled into one! Under Kris’s supervision, structures were put into place, new leadership was recruited, and a wider vision for family ministry was cast. As a result, numbers grew and retention strengthened. Additionally, an evangelical preschool, an evangelical elementary school, and an evangelical middle school/high school were launched and continue to bear enormous fruit in Boston.

As the family ministry grew, additional church resources were entrusted to Kris to hire a youth director, a children’s director, a nursery director, and a vacation Bible school director as well as internship monies to recruit seminary students to contribute in significant ways to the family programs of the church. Through God’s enabling, Park Street is now known as a go-to church for family ministries in the metro Boston area.

In 2010 Kris transitioned to the role of 1 of 2 associate ministers of the church. He continued to provide oversight for family ministries and was also asked to offer wider leadership for the church and staff. This included providing pastoral care for the ministers, implementing directional decisions for the life of the church, crafting Sunday worship services, hiring and reviewing staff, developing leadership retreats, and addressing other growth points within the church.

Kris is now looking forward to leading a midsize church whose members have a heart to grow in their love for God, local outreach, student involvement, community life, and numerical size. The committee gives all thanks to God for His faithfulness throughout the search process. We pray you will affirm our recommendation to call Kris to join us in the next exciting season of ministry at Triangle Grace Church.