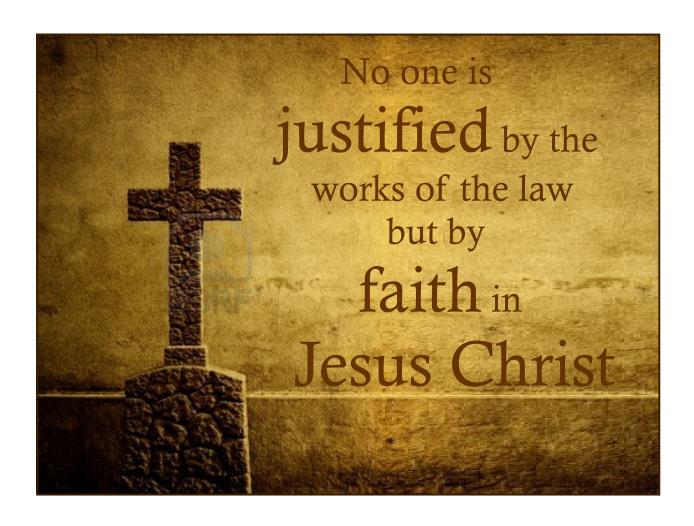
Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost October 2, 2011







SERVICE OF WORD AND SACRAMENT

Christian Worship

WELCOME

HYMN God Himself Is Present
Christian Worship #224

STAND

MINISTER: The grace of our Lord (+) Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

CONGREGATION: And also with you.

CONFESSIONS OF SINS

- **M:** God invites us to come into his presence and worship him with humble and penitent hearts. Therefore, let us acknowledge our sinfulness and ask him to forgive us.
- C: Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful, and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.
- M: God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit.
- C: Amen.

PRAYER AND PRAISE

LORD, HAVE MERCY

Kyrie

M: For all that we need in life and for the wisdom to use all your gifts with gratitude and joy, hear our prayer, O Lord.



M: For the steadfast assurance that nothing can separate us from your love and for the courage to stand firm against the assaults of Satan and every evil, hear our prayer, O Christ.



M: For the well-being of your holy Church in all the world and for those who offer here their worship and praise, hear our prayer, O Lord.



M: Merciful God, maker and preserver of life, uphold us by your power and keep us in your tender care:



M: The works of the Lord are great and glorious; his name is worthy of praise.

O LORD, OUR LORD



PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: Let us pray. Let your continual mercy, O Lord, cleanse and defend your Church; and because it cannot continue in safety without your help, protect and govern it always by your goodness; for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



THE WORD

FIRST LESSON Ezekiel 33:7-11

"Son of man, I have made you a watchman for the house of Israel; so hear the word I speak and give them warning from me. When I say to the wicked, 'O wicked man, you will surely die,' and you do not speak out to dissuade him from his ways, that wicked man will die for his sin, and I will hold you accountable for his blood. But if you do warn the wicked man to turn from his ways and he does not do so, he will die for his sin, but you will have saved

yourself. Son of man, say to the house of Israel, 'This is what you are saying: Our offenses and sins weigh us down, and we are wasting away because of them. How then can we live?' Say to them, 'As surely as I live, declares the Sovereign LORD, I take no pleasure in the death of the wicked, but rather that they turn from their ways and live. Turn! Turn from your evil ways! Why will you die, O house of Israel?'"

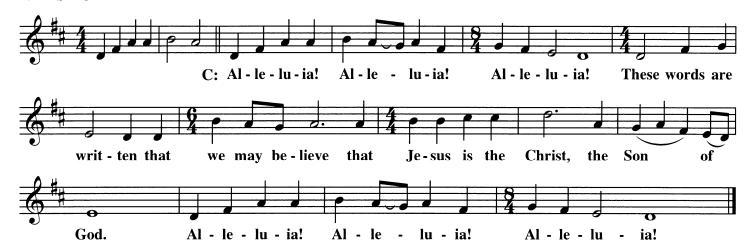
SECOND LESSON

But when Cephas (Peter) came to Antioch, I opposed him to his face because he stood condemned. For he regularly ate with the Gentiles before certain men came from James. However, when they came, he withdrew and separated himself, because he feared those from the circumcision party. Then the rest of the Jews joined his hypocrisy, so that even Barnabas was carried away by their hypocrisy. But when I saw that they were deviating from the truth of the gospel, I told Cephas in front of everyone, "If you, who are a Jew, live like a Gentile and not like a Jew, how can you compel Gentiles to live like Jews?" We who are Jews by birth and not "Gentile sinners" know that no one is justified by the works of the law but by faith in Jesus Christ. And we have believed in Christ Jesus so that

Galatians 2:11-21 (NIV 2011)

we might be justified by faith in Christ and not by the works of the law, because by the works of the law no human being will be justified. But if we ourselves are also found to be "sinners" while seeking to be justified by Christ, is Christ then a promoter of sin? Absolutely not! If I rebuild the system I tore down, I show myself to be a lawbreaker. For through the law I have died to the law, so that I might live for God. I have been crucified with Christ and I no longer live, but Christ lives in me. The life I now live in the body, I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me. I do not set aside the grace of God, for if righteousness comes through the law, then Christ died for nothing.

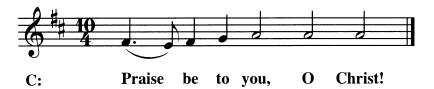
VERSE OF THE DAY



GOSPEL Matthew 18:15-20

"If your brother sins against you, go and show him his fault, just between the two of you. If he listens to you, you have won your brother over. But if he will not listen, take one or two others along, so that 'every matter may be established by the testimony of two or three witnesses.' If he refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church; and if he refuses to listen even to the church, treat him as you would a pagan

or a tax collector. I tell you the truth, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. Again, I tell you that if two of you on earth agree about anything you ask for, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. For where two or three come together in my name, there am I with them."



BE SEATED

HYMN OF THE DAY

Son of God, Eternal Savior Christian Worship #492

SERMON Galatians 2:11-21

The Troubled State of the Church of God

- 1. It Requires A Savior
- 2. It Requires Bold Believers

STAND

NICENE CREED

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary, and became fully human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate. He suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

OFFERING Members of Grace respond to their Savior's love with offerings that are given joyfully, generously, regularly, and in a way that is proportionate to how the Lord has blessed them. Their cheerful gifts support the mission and ministry of our congregation. If you are a guest today, please know that we do not expect you to contribute to our congregation's work. However, if you would like to give an offering to the Lord in response to his love to you, we are happy to receive it and put it to work in God's kingdom.

Please fill out the Friendship Register located in the red folder at the end of the pew and pass it along. Thank You!

OFFERTORY MUSIC

STAND

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

- M: Gracious God and Father, we praise you for the countless blessings, which we receive from your hand: the beauties of creation and the bounties of the earth, the joy of life and the pleasure of friendship, the good of work and the gift of rest, the privilege to share happiness and sorrow with one another. Above all we praise and thank you for your saving Word and for your Son's body and blood, which you give us to eat and to drink in the sacrament. Through these means of grace, you send the Holy Spirit into our hearts and unite us to Jesus and to the whole Christian Church on earth.
- C: Strengthen us through this heavenly food; increase our trust in Christ and our love for one another.
- M: Great God and Lord, without your continuing help we easily waver in our faith, lose courage, and grow careless in our watchfulness. The times and days are perilous. Give us strength to face the evils of each day with fresh confidence. Open our lips to speak of your grace, and move us to use the gifts that you give us to share your Word of salvation with all people. Protect and prosper the family, the school, the government, and all good institutions that you have established for the benefit of society. Remember in mercy those who are sick and suffering, and bring your healing to troubled homes and lives.
- C: Move us to pray for those in need and to help them with deeds of kindness.

Special prayers and intercessions may follow.

M: Hear us, Lord, as we bring you our private petitions.

Silent prayer.

- M: Now, eternal God and Father, keep us in the saving faith and so enable us to overcome all things through our Lord Jesus Christ.
- C: Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

C: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

THE SACRAMENT

M: The Lord be with you.



M: Lift up your hearts.

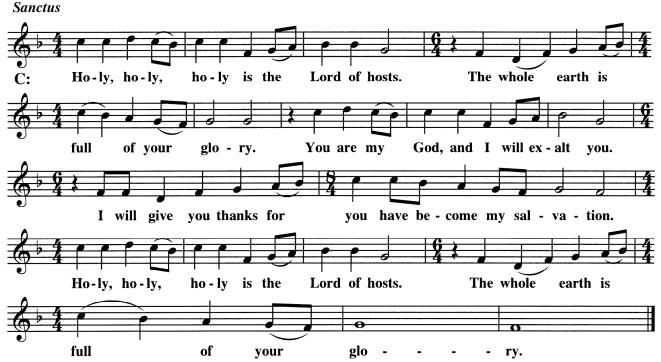


M: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



M: Praise to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In love he has blessed us with every spiritual blessing. He sends the Holy Spirit to testify that we are his children and to strengthen us when we are weak. Now have come the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Christ. To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be praise and thanks and honor and glory for ever and ever.





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WORDS OF INSTITUTION

M: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

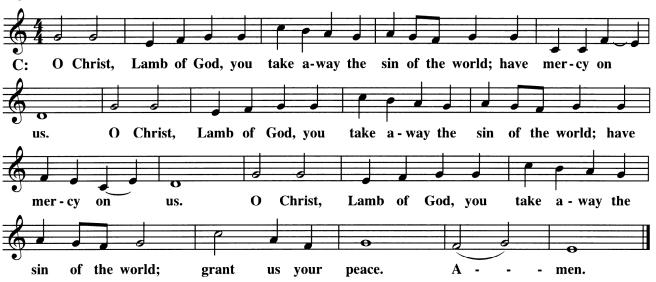
Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

The peace of the Lord be with you always.



O CHRIST, LAMB OF GOD

Agnus Dei



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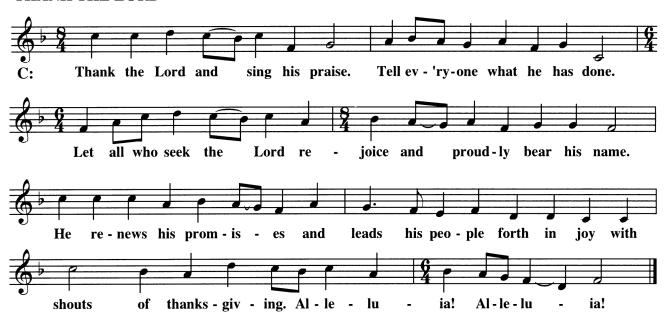
DISTRIBUTION

Our church practices "Member Communion." If you are a guest today and are a confirmed member of another WELS church, we invite you to the Lord's Table with us. If you are a guest today and are not a member of one of our Wisconsin Synod churches, we ask that you would speak to one of the pastors after church today or at some other time to discuss receiving the Lord's Supper with us in the future.

DISTRIBUTION MUSIC

THANKSGIVING

THANK THE LORD



M: Hear the prayer of your people, O Lord, that the lips which have praised you here may glorify you in the world, that the eyes which have seen the coming of your Son may long for his coming again, and that all who have received in his true body and blood the pledge of your forgiveness may be restored to live a new and holy life, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



M: Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another. Serve the Lord with gladness.

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and (+) give you peace.



BE SEATED

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CLOSING HYMN

Love in Christ Is Strong and Living *Christian Worship #490*

POSTLUDE

THOSE ASSISTING IN WORSHIP TODAY

| Preacher | Pastor Ron Koehler | | | | |
|------------------------|---|--|--|--|--|
| Worship Leader | Pastor Colin Rieke, Grace's Mission Pastor to Vaid | | | | |
| Communion Assistants | Pastor Nathan Kassulke, Pastor Mark Hallemeyer (10:00 AM) | | | | |
| Accompanists | Stephanie Kania (7:45 AM) | | | | |
| | Elaine Goldie (10:00 AM) | | | | |
| Distribution Music | Lisa Goldie (10:00 AM) | | | | |
| Ushers | | | | | |
| | Jon Dongoske, Rick Street (10:00 AM) | | | | |
| Sound & Recording Tech | | | | | |



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To Aid You in Worship...

- LARGE PRINT
 BULLETINS ARE
 AVAILABLE IN THE
 NARTHEX. ASK A
 GREETER OR USHER FOR
 A COPY.
- For those with young children: A private Mother's Room is located across the courtyard in the Ladies' Restroom. Parents of young children may also use the Child Care Room in the basement at any time to quiet and care for them (the service can be heard in both locations).
- Sermon copies & service CDs are available in the narthex.

Welcome to Grace!

Our mission at Grace is to teach the inspired and inerrant Word of God, to proclaim that Jesus Christ is the crucified and risen Savior of the world and to nurture believers for lives of Christian service.

Altar flowers have been given by the Hawkins Family in memory of Chick Hawkins, dear husband and father.

Read Ahead for Next Sunday:

Deuteronomy 11:16-21 2 Timothy 1:3-10 John 17:1, 13-26

Next Sun. Sermon Text & Theme:

2 Timothy 1:3-10 Treasure Your Great Heritage

You Are Invited

You are invited to a coffee fellowship following 10:00 AM worship today hosted by the Guenthers & Kramms. Please join us in the courtyard.

Roast Beef Dinner / Branches Band Concert / Craft Fair—Oct 14

Come, bring a friend, and enjoy good food and fellowship on Friday, October 14 from 4:30-6:00 PM in the Grace Fellowship Hall, then stay for the concert by the WELS group Branches Band at 7:00 PM in the church. While you wait for the concert, make sure to check out the items at our Craft Fair that will be held in conjunction with the meal.

The menu includes: roast beef, mashed potatoes and gravy, salad, dinner rolls, and an assortment of desserts. If you would like to bring a dessert or bag of potatoes, help prepare the meal, or clean up, please sign up on the sheets in the Fellowship Hall.

*There will be a free-will gift offering for the Women of Grace at the dinner and for Branches Band at the concert.

Walking Together Sunday

Sunday, October 23 is Walking Together Sunday. We will examine the benefits of our membership within the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod. There will also be an opportunity for you to give a special gift to the Synod that day.

Support the Lifeliners

The Lifeliners, members of our high school youth group, are selling Entertainment Coupon Books (\$30) and Bible Verse Calendars (\$8 or 2 for \$15). Visit their table in the Courtyard to make your purchase. All proceeds support Lifeliner activities, including the 2012 WELS International Youth Rally.

This Week's Schedule (10/2/11 - 10/9/11)

| Today Weightin Complete (Compression 7.45 & 10.00) |
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| -Worship Services/Communion7:45 & 10:00a |
| -Children's Sunday School8:45a -Youth Confirmation Class8:45a |
| -Adult Bible Classes: |
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| • The Life of Christ: The Child Jesus9:00a |
| • Grow in Grace Class (Conference Room in Office) 9:00a |
| -Lifeliners (High School Group): Bible Study 9:00a |
| -Coffee Fellowship Following 10 AM Worship |
| -Vail Canvassing Workshop in Fellowship Hall11:11a |
| -WELS Tucson Campus Ministry Bible Study7:00p |
| Monday |
| -Financial Peace University in Vail12:00p |
| -English as a Second Language Classes6:30p |
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| Wednesday |
| -Grace Extension Meeting9:00a |
| -Midweek Bible Class: Church History10:00a |
| -Handbells Practice in the church basement5:30p |
| -Wind Ensemble5:30p |
| -Midweek Bible Class: Church History6:45p |
| -Bible Study in Vail: Prepared to Answer7:00p |
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| Thursday -Women's Bible Study: Prayer |
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| Friday -Runge/Hartman Wedding4:00p |
| Saturday -Vail Canvassing Blitz in Rita Ranch 9:00a-12:00p |
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| <u>Sunday</u> |
| -100th Anniversary Service 10:00a |
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| -100th Anniversary Service |

Prescriptions

Many of us purchase prescriptions on a regular basis! Did you know you can get <u>Scrip</u> for CVS and Walgreens and you can use <u>Scrip</u> for the grocery store and WalMart/Sam's Club pharmacies as well? Benefit our church, Arizona Lutheran Academy and our children by purchasing <u>Scrip</u> from Vic and Lois Thornton (after early service and after Bible Class) or Debbie Koehler (after second service) at the <u>Scrip</u> table in the courtyard today! Not sure what <u>Scrip</u> is? Just ask!

New Bible Study in Vail

Pastor Rieke is leading a Bible study at the home of Eric & Julie Prigge (5391 S. Black Falls Dr, 85747) on Wednesdays at 7:00 PM. They are going through the book "Prepared to Answer." Each class is a different subject, so come when you can!

Women's Bible Study on Prayer

Join Pastor Koehler and your sisters in Christ Thursdays at 9:00 AM for a series of discussions on Prayer. We are using the People's Bible Teaching book *Prayer—An Audience with the King* as our guide. If you've ever wondered HOW to pray, WHY to pray, WHAT prayer is (and is not!), this is the class for you. Your prayer life is very important to God. Come hear him tell you why.

Prayer Partners

There is interest in starting a prayer chain at Grace. We are now seeking the names of members who would like to be Prayer Partners. Prayer Partners could be any member who would like to pray for the needs of others. People with prayer requests would be able to submit those requests to a coordinator who would notify the Prayer Partners of the request by e-mail or phone. If you're interested in being a Prayer Partner contact Pastor Clemons or call the church office (623-6633).



Canvassing in Vail

Today after the 10:00 AM service Pastor Rieke will hold a Canvassing Workshop in the Fellowship Hall for our upcoming canvassing 'blitz' for Grace-Vail. This workshop will go through our canvassing strategy in Vail, and also show how painless knocking on doors can be. This will be in preparation for our first canvassing 'blitz' in Rita Ranch on Saturday, October 8 @ 9:00AM. We will have at least 5 canvassing blitzes before our first monthly service on December 11. Anybody is welcome to attend, and by attending the Canvassing Workshop you are not committing to anything. But following the workshop Pastor Rieke will look for commitments for the October 8 blitz. This is a great way to serve and have some fun at the same time, hopefully many can make it. Listed below are more of the upcoming workshops and blitzes:

| Canvassing Workshop | <u>Canvassing Blitz</u> | | |
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| Today, October 2 @ 11:11AM | Saturday, October 8 @ 9:00AM | | |
| Sunday, October 16 @ 11:11AM | Saturday, October 22 @ 9:00AM | | |
| Sunday, October 30 @ 11:11AM | Saturday, November 5 @ 9:00AM | | |
| Sunday, November 13 @ 11:11AM | Saturday, November 19 @ 9:00AM | | |
| Sunday, November 27 @ 11:11AM | Saturday, December 3 @ 9:00AM | | |



Area Reformation Service October 30 3:00 pm



The Area Reformation Service of the six Tucson area WELS churches will be held at Grace on **Sunday, October 30 at 3:00 PM**. Our Reformation preacher is retired pastor Silas Krueger, who formerly served Redeemer Lutheran Church in Tucson and now lives in Carlsbad, CA. Our guest organist is Mark Davidson from Milwaukee, WI.

As the host church, we are providing the dessert fellowship that follows the worship service. We need people to bring dessert-type goodies (cookies, cakes, etc.) and to help with set-up and clean-up. There will be sign-up sheets on the bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall if you'd like to help.

Pastor Clemons Called to be a Christian Giving Counselor

The Wisconsin Synod Conference of Presidents has issued a Divine Call to Pastor Clemons to serve as a Christian Giving Counselor for the Arizona-California and South Central Districts.

Christian Giving Counselors work for the WELS Ministry of Christian Giving. There are two types of Gift Planning Counselors in our Synod. Current Giving Counselors specialize in gifts that help fund the Synod immediately. Deferred Giving Counselors specialize in gifts that help the Synod in the future. Pastor Clemons' Call is to be a Current Giving Counselor.

Acceptance of the Call would necessitate a move to Phoenix in order to be closer to a major airport.

Until a decision is reached Pastor Clemons holds two calls—one to continue as the Visitation Pastor at Grace and one to be a Christian Giving Counselor. Please keep him and Mary in your prayers as he considers whether to continue to serve the Lord here at Grace or to accept the Call to serve the Synod as a Giving Counselor. As always, your thoughts or questions regarding this Call are welcome.

Anniversary Service & Special Bible Class

Next Sunday, October 9 at 10:00 AM is a special 100th anniversary service. Our Synod President, Rev. Mark Schroeder, will preach that morning. He will also have a special question/answer meeting prior to 10:00 AM worship. This meeting will be held in the church at 9:00 AM in place of the regular Bible Class, so come with questions. The anniversary service will be our only scheduled worship service on October 9 (no 7:45 AM worship). The meal following the service will be catered by El Molinito. There are sign-up sheets in the courtyard this morning for those attending the meal.

Anniversary Table in the Courtyard

Members of the Anniversary Committee will be manning an anniversary table in the courtyard this morning. They will have the sign-up sheets for the anniversary meal (please sign up today!) along with 100th Anniversary keepsakes to commemorate this special occasion. A history of the Grace congregation is available for \$10 (which is our printing cost). Anniversary cookbooks (each comes with a dish cloth) and Christmas ornaments are also available for a suggested donation of \$10. Be sure to stop by and sign up for the El Molinito catered meal on October 9!

A Simple and Convenient Way to Give

This Fall, consider signing up for electronic giving. Grace relies on the generous offerings of the Lord's people and electronic giving offers an easy way to give on a recurring basis. Please contact the church office for details, 623-6633.