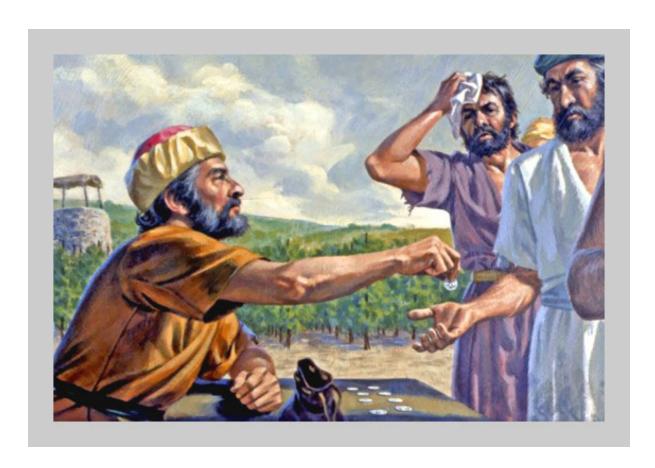
Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost October 16, 2011



'You also go and work in my vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right.' -Matthew 20:4



From the fullness of his GRACE we have all received one blessing after another.

John 1:16



SERVICE OF WORD AND SACRAMENT

Christian Worship

WELCOME

HYMN

Songs of Praise the Angels Sang Christian Worship #222

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. Lord God, you call us to work in your kingdom and leave no one standing idle. Help us to order our lives by your wisdom and to serve you in willing obedience; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



THE WORD

FIRST LESSON Jonah 4:5-11

Jonah went out and sat down at a place east of the city. There he made himself a shelter, sat in its shade and waited to see what would happen to the city. Then the LORD God provided a vine and made it grow up over Jonah to give shade for his head to ease his discomfort, and Jonah was very happy about the vine. But at dawn the next day God provided a worm, which chewed the vine so that it withered. When the sun rose, God provided a scorching east wind, and the sun blazed on Jonah's head so that he grew faint. He wanted to die, and said, "It would be

better for me to die than to live." But God said to Jonah, "Do you have a right to be angry about the vine?" "I do," he said. "I am angry enough to die." But the LORD said, "You have been concerned about this vine, though you did not tend it or make it grow. It sprang up overnight and died overnight. But Nineveh has more than a hundred and twenty thousand people who cannot tell their right hand from their left, and many cattle as well. Should I not be concerned about that great city?"

CHOIR (10:00 AM)

Here We Stand Lord

Romans 9:6b-16

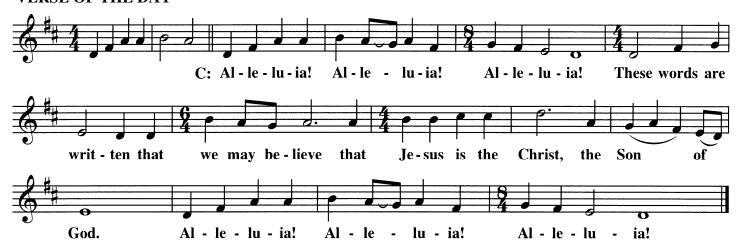
Words by Nancy Price & Don Besig Music by Don Besig

SECOND LESSON

For not all who are descended from Israel are Israel. Nor because they are his descendants are they all Abraham's children. On the contrary, "It is through Isaac that your offspring will be reckoned." In other words, it is not the natural children who are God's children, but it is the children of the promise who are regarded as Abraham's offspring. For this was how the promise was stated: "At the appointed time I will return, and Sarah will have a son." Not only that, but Rebekah's children had one and the same father, our father Isaac. Yet, before the twins were born or had

done anything good or bad—in order that God's purpose in election might stand: not by works but by him who calls—she was told, "The older will serve the younger." Just as it is written: "Jacob I loved, but Esau I hated." What then shall we say? Is God unjust? Not at all! For he says to Moses, "I will have mercy on whom I have mercy, and I will have compassion on whom I have compassion." It does not, therefore, depend on man's desire or effort, but on God's mercy.

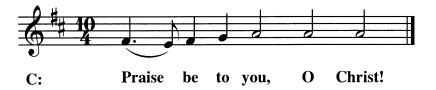
VERSE OF THE DAY



STAND

GOSPEL Matthew 20:1-16

"For the kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire men to work in his vineyard. He agreed to pay them a denarius for the day and sent them into his vineyard. About the third hour he went out and saw others standing in the marketplace doing nothing. He told them, 'You also go and work in my vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right.' So they went. He went out again about the sixth hour and the ninth hour and did the same thing. About the eleventh hour he went out and found still others standing around. He asked them, 'Why have you been standing here all day long doing nothing?' 'Because no one has hired us,' they answered. He said to them, 'You also go and work in my vineyard.' When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his foreman, 'Call the workers and pay them their wages, beginning with the last ones hired and going on to the first.' The workers who were hired about the eleventh hour came and each received a denarius. So when those came who were hired first, they expected to receive more. But each one of them also received a denarius. When they received it, they began to grumble against the landowner. 'These men who were hired last worked only one hour,' they said, 'and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the work and the heat of the day.' But he answered one of them, 'Friend, I am not being unfair to you. Didn't you agree to work for a denarius? Take your pay and go. I want to give the man who was hired last the same as I gave you. Don't I have the right to do what I want with my own money? Or are you envious because I am generous?' So the last will be first, and the first will be last."



BE SEATED

HYMN OF THE DAY

Salvation unto Us Has Come Christian Worship #390

SERMON

Matthew 20:1-16 God Deals With Us Unfairly

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

7:45 AM

We Give Thee but Thine Own Setting by Rebecca Kramer

10:00 AM

I Will Seek You

Words & Music by Matthew Lockwood

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.

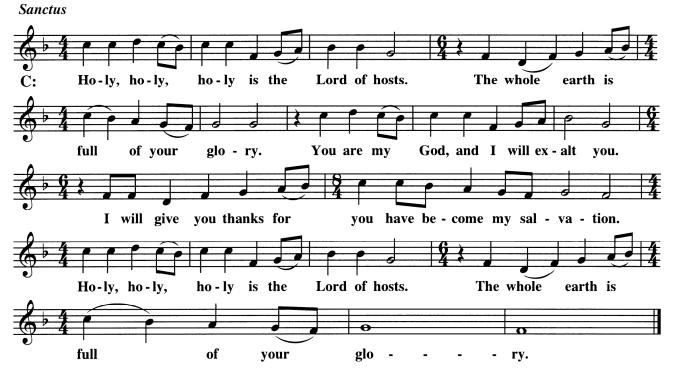


M: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



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.





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."

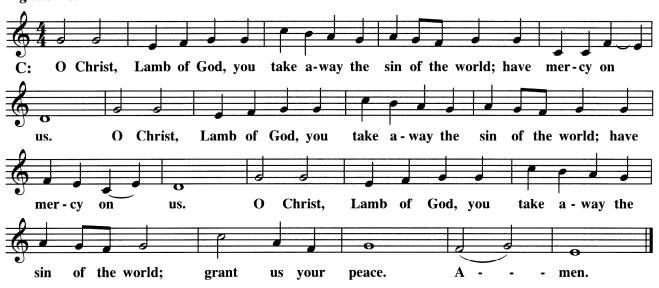
Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

The peace of the Lord be with you always.



O CHRIST, LAMB OF GOD

Agnus Dei



BE SEATED

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 HYMN (10:00 AM—see page 11)

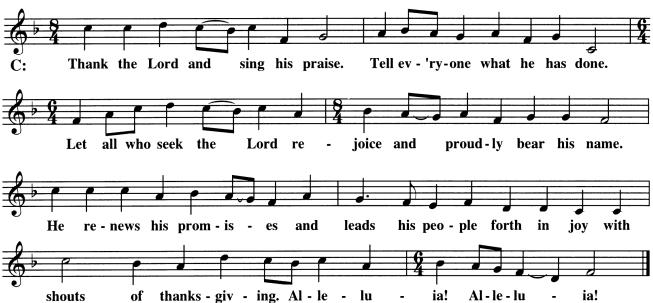
Take and Eat

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DISTRIBUTION MUSIC

THANKSGIVING





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.



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ANNOUNCEMENTS

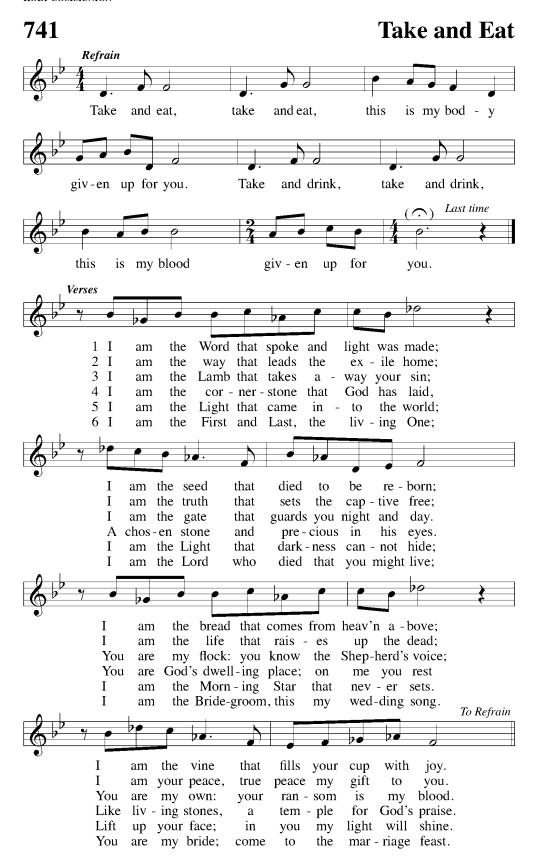
CLOSING HYMN

Lord of the Living Harvest *Christian Worship #559*

POSTLUDE 7:45 AM Great Is Thy Faithfulness
Arr. by William M. Runyan

THOSE ASSISTING IN WORSHIP TODAY

Preacher	Pastor Colin Rieke, Grace's Mission Pastor to Vail
Worship Leader	
Communion Assistants	
Accompanists	Kathy Parra (7:45 AM)
	Elaine Goldie (10:00 AM)
Offertory Music	Jim Goldie (guitar), Lisa Goldie (piano) (10:00 AM)
Offertory Vocalists	Jesse Huggins, Justine Huggins, Russ Weir (10:00 AM)
Ushers	Vernon Neal, Vic Thornton (7:45 AM)
	Rick Street (10:00 AM)
Sound & Recording Tech	Jeremy Snavely (10:00 AM)



Martin Luther reminds us in his Small Catechism that the power of the Sacrament is not our "eating and drinking . . . but the words 'Given' and 'poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins.'" This hymn underscores the powerful and creative Word of our Savior.

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- 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.

Holy Communion

There are before-communion and after-communion prayers in our Christian Worship hymnal on p. 11, and a personal preparation guide on p.156 to help prepare you to receive the Lord's Supper. Guests and visitors, please see p. 8 in today's worship folder under "Distribution" for information about our practice of Member Communion.

Altar flowers have been given by Rick & Kristy Schmidt in celebration of their wedding anniversary.

Read Ahead for Next Sunday:

Isaiah 49:1-6 2 Timothy 1:8-10, 2:1-2 Matthew 28:16-20

Next Sun. Sermon Text & Theme:

Isaiah 49:1-6 Jesus Is the Light

You Are Invited

You are invited to a coffee fellowship following 10:00 AM worship today hosted by the Pioneers. The Pioneers will also be handing out mission boxes to anyone who would like to support this year's kids c.a.r.e. offering recipient: PAL (Partners in Apache Learning).

Walking Together Sunday

Next Sunday, October 23 is Walking Together Sunday, an annual celebration of what we, by God's grace, accomplish as we work together with other congregations in the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod. This year's focus for Walking Together Sunday is how our ministerial education schools are providing workers for the harvest in one of the most populous countries in the world.

Walking Together Sunday will include a "special emphasis" worship service that highlights our Synod's work in a special, high priority mission field. Pastor Clemons will lead the 9:00 AM Bible Class in a study of Matthew 22:1-14. You will find a Walking Together envelope in your bulletin this morning and again next Sunday, October 23 to provide members an opportunity to give a special gift to the Synod on Walking Together Sunday.

Anniversary Table in the Courtyard

There is an anniversary table set up in the courtyard this morning 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 each. The monetary gifts gathered from sales of these items, and any other donations will go to our 100th Anniversary mission project, which is to add a second worship site for Grace in Vail, Arizona.

This Week's Schedule (10/16/11 - 10/23/11)

Today -Worship Services/Communion	Thursday -NO WomFinancial -Worship (-Men's Fel
• The Life of Christ: The Child Jesus	Saturday -Vail Cany -Boy Pione -Girl Pione -Christian
-WELS Tucson Campus Ministry Bible Study 7:00p	Sunday V
Monday -Financial Peace University in Vail12:00p -English as a Second Language Classes6:30p	-Worship S -Children's -Youth Co -Adult Bib
Tuesday -English as a Second Language Classes6:30p -Pastoral Conference in Las Vegas, NV (Pastors Koehler, Kassulke & Clemons will be attending Tues, Wed, & Thurs)	• Walking • NO Grow -Lifeliners -Coffee Fe
Wednesday - NO Midweek Bible Classes	- Baby Sho -WELS Tuc

-NO Women's Bible Study -Financial Peace University at Grace -Worship Choir -Men's Fellowship in the Fellowship Hall	6:30p
Saturday -Vail Canvassing Blitz in Rita Ranch9:00a	ı-12∙∩∩n
-Boy Pioneer HikeGirl Pioneer Cabin Camping	
-Christian Fellowship Potluck at Grace	
Sunday WALKING TOGETHER SUNDAY	
-Worship Services7:45 8	k 10:00a
-Children's Sunday School	
-Youth Confirmation Class	8:45a
Walking Together Bible Study	9:00a
NO Grow in Grace Class	
-Lifeliners (High School Group): <i>Bible Study</i> -Coffee Fellowship Following 10 AM Worship	
-Baby Shower for Kristin Rieke at Grace -WELS Tucson Campus Ministry: Luther Movie	2:00p
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Classes Cancelled this Week

Due to the Pastors' Conference in Nevada this week, there will be no Wednesday Bible classes or Thursday morning Bible study.

Men's Fellowship This Week

Men's Fellowship will meet for an informal gathering over pizza and soda this Thursday at 7:30 PM. All men of the congregation are invited to join us, to get to know each other better, and to support and encourage one another. We meet on the second and fourth Thursday of each month for Bible study as well.

Christian Fellowship Group Potluck

Christian Fellowship will meet this Saturday, October 22, for a noon potluck in the church Fellowship Hall. Please bring a dish to pass. The Christian Fellowship Group provides people 55 and older with an opportunity to enjoy the company of others on a very informal basis.

Baby Shower for Kristin Rieke

There will be a baby shower for Kristin Rieke and her daughter Grace Elizabeth next Sunday, October 23 at 2:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall. Kristin is registered at Baby's R Us, Target, Cottonbabies.com, justsimplybaby.com. Registry Name: Kristin Rieke, Password: rieke



Fall Work Day

Grace will be having a Fall Work Day Saturday, November 5 starting at 7:00 AM. If you have any questions call Dave Breitkreitz at 298-9758.



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 second canvassing 'blitz' in Rita Ranch on Saturday, October 22 @ 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 22 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	Canvassing Blitz		
Today, 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		

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.

Thank You

Ron Salgado and his family would like to thank you for your prayers, cards and loving Christian support.



Area Reformation Service October 30 3:00 pm



The Area Reformation Service of the Tucson 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. <u>We need people to bring dessert-type goodies (cookies, cakes, etc.) and to help with set-up and clean-up.</u> There will be sign-up sheets in the Fellowship Hall if you'd like to help.