

# Grace Ev. Lutheran Church

## August 5, 2012

### Taste & See

*Taste and see that the LORD is good;  
blessed is the one who takes refuge in him.  
Psalm 34:8*





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.

We are very pleased that you have joined us for worship today at Grace-University! We pray that this time will be a blessing for you as God comes to you with his Word and promises and as you offer him your thanks and praise.

## Worship Notes

The **order of service** we follow is printed out in this worship folder. You'll notice that the service is a dialogue between God and us, his people. The pastor speaks to God along with the congregation and also speaks the Word of God to the people.

**Hymns** are found in our hymnal, *Christian Worship*, which is the red book in the pew rack in front of you.

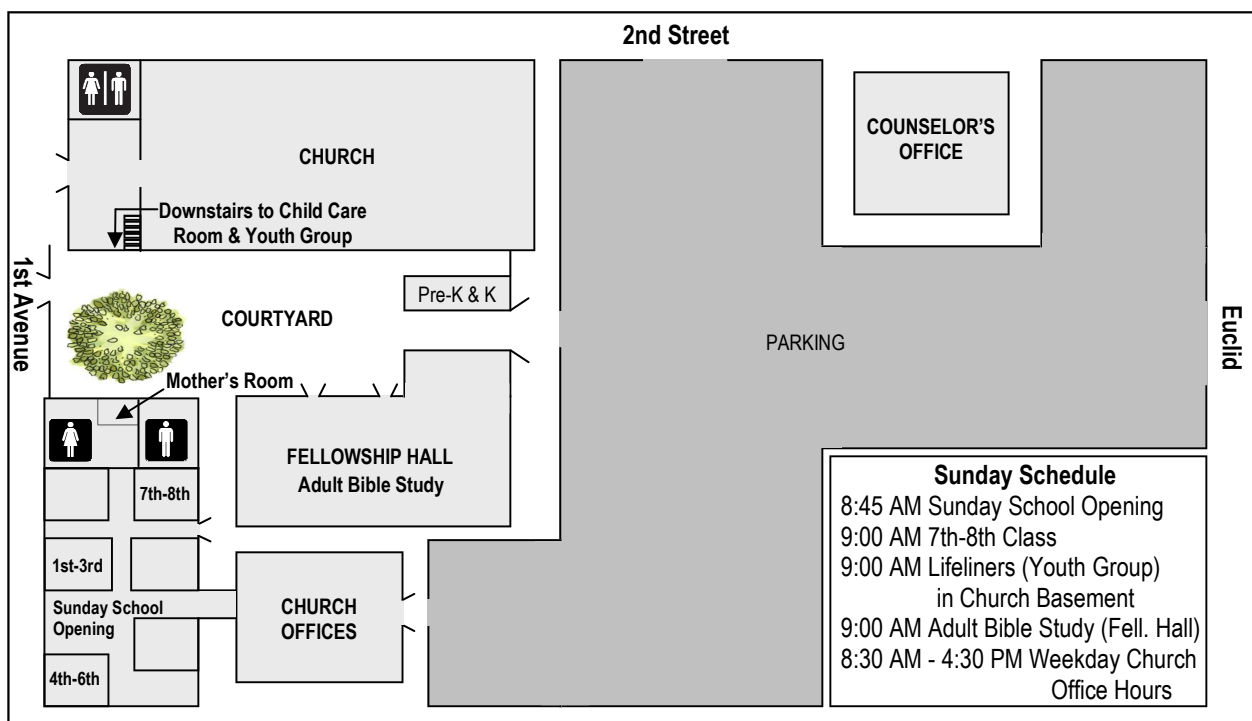
**Large print** worship folders are available in the entryway. You may also ask an usher or greeter to get one for you.

We believe that many blessings come from having families worship together and we love to have **children in worship!** If you need to calm a restless child, you may:

- stand for a few moments in the back entryway, sometimes that's all that's needed
- go down the stairs to the left in the front entryway—they will lead down to the Child Care Room where you will still be able to hear the service
- visit the private Mother's Room across the courtyard in the women's restroom—you will be able to hear the service there also

Printed copies of the sermon are available in the entryway along with CDs of the entire worship service for those who would like to review or take to a friend or family member. You may also find sermons and services in print, audio and video on our website:

[www.GraceTucsonWELS.com](http://www.GraceTucsonWELS.com)



# Taste and See

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*Please stand*

MINISTER: In the name of the Father and of the Son (†) and of the Holy Spirit.

CONGREGATION: Amen.

M: In the beginning, God created a perfect world. He created perfect people and provided them all that they needed for their bodies and lives.

C: God saw all that he had made, and it was very good.

M: So that they might worship him, God gave Adam and Eve the command to avoid eating the fruit of one special tree.

C: You are free to eat from any tree in the garden; but you must not eat from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, for when you eat of it you will surely die.

M: Tempted by Satan, Adam and Eve ate from this tree. The perfect creation was ruined. Their relationship with God was devastated.

C: Then the man and his wife heard the sound of the Lord God as he was walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and they hid from the Lord God among the trees of the garden.

M: But God gave to Adam and Eve the promise of a Savior, one who would set right forever what they had done wrong.

C: So the Lord God said to the serpent, "...I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and hers; he will crush your head, and you will strike his heel."

M: All of Adam and Eve's natural descendants, including each of us, have been conceived and born in sin in the image of our sinful parents.

C: Sin entered the world through one man, and death through sin, and in this way death came to all men, because all sinned.

M: We confess our sinful condition and our sins of thought, word, and deed:

C: Holy and merciful Lord, I confess that I am by nature dead in sin. I have disobeyed you in many ways by doing what you forbid and by failing to do what you command. Have mercy on me, a sinner.

M: As God promised first to Adam and Eve, he sent his own beloved Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Jesus lived a perfect life for us and died an innocent death to save us. Having heard your confession, I as God's called servant forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Taste and see that the Lord is good; blessed is the one who takes refuge in him.

## PRESERVICE MUSIC:

**7:45 AM-**  
*Hallelujah! What a Savior!*  
Arr. by Victor Labenske

**10:00 AM-**  
*What is This Bread?*  
Setting by Ralph Schultz

*Genesis 1:31*

*Genesis 2:16-17*

*Genesis 3:8*

*Genesis 3:14-15*

*Romans 5:12*

*God promises forgiveness of sins in his Word. As repentant sinners, we are assured of this forgiveness by the pastor, with the same certainty as if this were coming from God himself.*

*Psalm 34:8*

# Oh, Taste and See

In response to God's  
mercy and  
forgiveness,  
Christians praise  
God and proclaim  
his goodness.

This arrangement of  
"Oh, Taste and See"  
was written by  
Grace member  
Kathy Parra.

This song is  
comprised of two  
Bible passages:  
Psalm 34:8 and  
Psalm 119:89

**ALL**

Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good.  
Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good.

**WOMEN**

Bless-ed are they who take re - fuge in him.

**MEN**

Your Word, O Lord, \_\_\_ is e - ter - nal; \_\_\_

**WOMEN**

It stands \_\_\_ firm in the heav - - ens. Your

**ALL**

faith - ful - ness con - ti - - - nues for - ev - - - -  
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**ALL**

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## PRAYER OF THE DAY

**M:** Let us pray. Lord Jesus Christ, in the sacrament of Holy Communion you give us your true body and blood as a remembrance of your suffering and death on a cross. Grant us so firmly to believe your words and promise that we may always partake of this sacrament to our eternal good; for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C:** Amen.

Please be seated

## THE WORD

### FIRST LESSON

### Exodus 12:1-14

The LORD said to Moses and Aaron in Egypt, “This month is to be for you the first month, the first month of your year. Tell the whole community of Israel that on the tenth day of this month each man is to take a lamb for his family, one for each household. If any household is too small for a whole lamb, they must share one with their nearest neighbor, having taken into account the number of people there are. You are to determine the amount of lamb needed in accordance with what each person will eat. The animals you choose must be year-old males without defect, and you may take them from the sheep or the goats. Take care of them until the fourteenth day of the month, when all the people of the community of Israel must slaughter them at twilight. Then they are to take some of the blood and put it on the sides and tops of the doorframes of the houses where they eat the lambs. That same night they

are to eat the meat roasted over the fire, along with bitter herbs, and bread made without yeast. Do not eat the meat raw or cooked in water, but roast it over the fire—head, legs and inner parts. Do not leave any of it till morning; if some is left till morning, you must burn it. This is how you are to eat it: with your cloak tucked into your belt, your sandals on your feet and your staff in your hand. Eat it in haste; it is the LORD’s Passover. “On that same night I will pass through Egypt and strike down every firstborn—both men and animals—and I will bring judgment on all the gods of Egypt. I am the LORD. The blood will be a sign for you on the houses where you are; and when I see the blood, I will pass over you. No destructive plague will touch you when I strike Egypt. “This is a day you are to commemorate; for the generations to come you shall celebrate it as a festival to the LORD—a lasting ordinance.

### VOICES OF GRACE (10:00 AM)

O Lord, Bread of Life  
Words by Patrick M. Lieberman

*O Lord, bread of life, we come to your table and praise your name;  
O Lord, we take your cup in thanks and celebration, your name we proclaim,  
you set us free, we rest in thee,  
O Lord, you died that we may live for all eternity.*

*O Lord of peace and love, I eat your bread and drink your cup, come live in me;  
O Lord from God above, your blood was shed upon the tree,  
you set me free, I rest in thee,  
O Lord, you died that I may live for all eternity. Amen.*

## SECOND LESSON

1 Corinthians 11:23-29

For I received from the Lord what I also passed on to you: The Lord Jesus, on the night he was betrayed, took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, "This is my body, which is for you; do this in remembrance of me." In the same way, after supper he took the cup, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood; do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me." For whenever you eat this bread and drink

this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes. Therefore, whoever eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty of sinning against the body and blood of the Lord. A man ought to examine himself before he eats of the bread and drinks of the cup. For anyone who eats and drinks without recognizing the body of the Lord eats and drinks judgment on himself.

## VERSE OF THE DAY

*The Verse of the Day is a familiar or significant Scripture text framed with alleluias.*

*Today's Verse of the Day is John 20:31.*

C: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! These words are  
writ - ten that we may be - lieve that Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of  
God. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

*Please stand*

## GOSPEL

Matthew 26:26-29

While they were eating, Jesus took bread, gave thanks and broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my body." Then he took the cup, gave thanks and offered it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you. This is my blood of the

covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins. I tell you, I will not drink of this fruit of the vine from now on until that day when I drink it anew with you in my Father's kingdom."

*After the Gospel, the congregation sings:*

C: Praise be to you, O Christ!

*Please be seated*

*The congregation stands out of respect for the words of Christ our King.*

**HYMN OF THE DAY**

**Lamb of God, We Fall before You**  
*Christian Worship #354*

**SERMON**

**Matthew 26:26-29**  
**No Ordinary Meal**

*Please stand*

**NICENE CREED**

**C: 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.**

*The Nicene Creed was first developed in 325 at the First Council of Nicea. It was written to reaffirm the Biblical teaching of the divinity of Jesus, God's Son. Like the Apostles' and Athanasian Creeds, the Nicene Creed is a confession of what the Bible teaches.*

*Please be seated*

**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 row and pass it along. Thank you!*

**OFFERTORY MUSIC**

**7:45 AM**

**You Satisfy the Hungry Heart**  
*Christian Worship Supplement #744*

**10:00 AM**

**Commune With Me**  
*Arr. by Don Wyrzten*

*Please stand*

*Christians stand for congregational prayer showing the freedom of God's children to come boldly into his presence. The Christian theologian Augustine (400 AD) adds, "We pray standing...as a sign of the Resurrection."*

## 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.

*7:45 AM – Please continue on page 8 with the Words of Institution.*

## THE SACRAMENT

**M:** The Lord be with you.



**C:** And al - so with you.

*Matthew 6 and Luke 11 record how Jesus taught his disciples to pray. We use his example prayer as part of our public worship, trusting that he will hear and answer our prayers.*



M: Lift up your hearts.



C: We lift them up to the Lord.

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

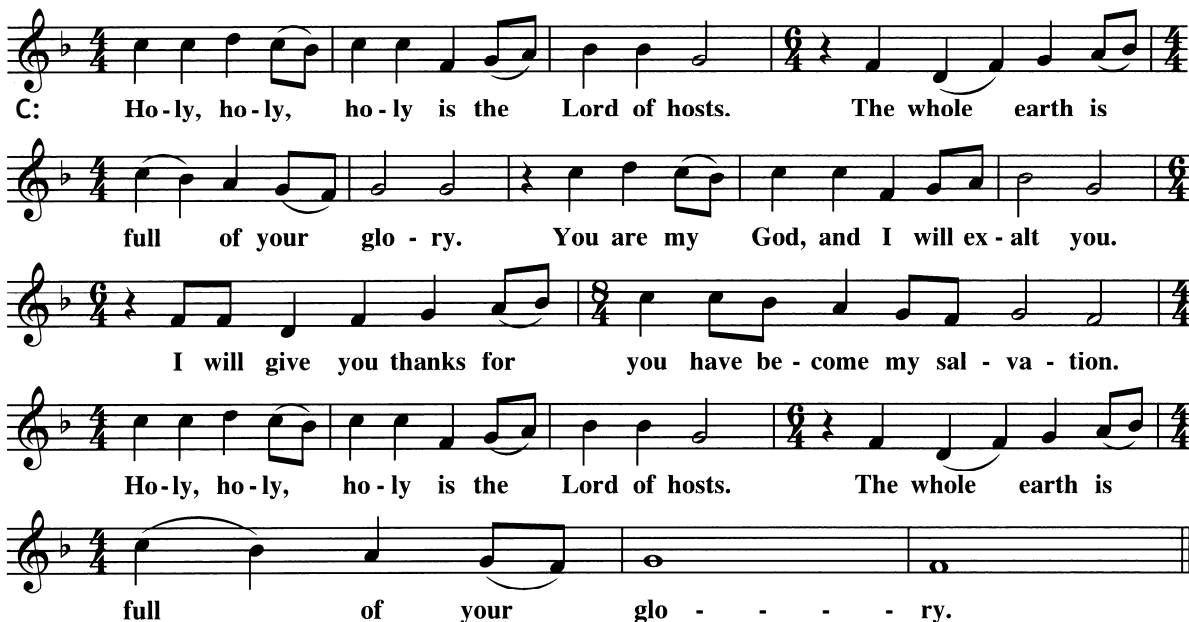


C: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

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.

## HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

*Sanctus*



*This ancient worship song is based on songs of praise recorded in Isaiah 6 and Psalm 118.*

## 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.



C: A - - men.

Jesus is the Lamb of God who was offered as a sacrifice for sin once for all. The words of this song are based on John 1:29, where John the Baptist refers to Jesus this way.

## O CHRIST, LAMB OF GOD

*Agnus Dei*

C: O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on  
us. O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have  
mer-cy on us. O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a-way the  
sin of the world; grant us your peace. A - - - men.

We provide **gluten-free communion wafers** for those with wheat allergy, gluten-sensitivity or celiac disease. These wafers are stored and handled separately to avoid cross-contamination. They are "bread" as Scripture requires and are consecrated along with the rest of the bread. For those requiring gluten-free wafers, please take one from the container on the stand located at the front rail as you approach for communion. Simply hold it so that the pastor can see it at the time of distribution.

**Grape juice** is available for those who for health or medical reason require it instead of wine. Please speak with a pastor about providing grape juice for you on future Sundays.

*Please be seated*

## DISTRIBUTION

The Bible teaches that the Lord's Supper is a unique communion of Christ and the individual believer as well as a coming together of people who hold to the same beliefs. Because of these Scriptural truths, we practice **Member Communion** at Grace. Those who are confirmed members of Wisconsin Synod congregations (WELS) are invited to receive the Lord's Supper with us.

If you are not a WELS member but have an interest in receiving Holy Communion, please speak with one of our pastors after church today or at another time. We are aware that there are a number of other teachings about Holy Communion, and we want it to be a blessing for you, so we would look forward to sharing with you what God says about this Sacrament.

**DISTRIBUTION MUSIC (10:00 AM)**

**Blessed Assurance**  
By Melody Bober

**DISTRIBUTION HYMN (10:00 AM)**

**The Death of Jesus Christ, Our Lord**  
Christian Worship #135

*Please stand*

# THANKSGIVING

## THANK THE LORD

C: Thank the Lord and sing his praise. Tell ev - 'ry-one what he has done.  
Let all who seek the Lord re - joice and proud - ly bear his name.  
He re - news his prom - is - es and leads his peo - ple forth in joy with  
shouts of thanks - giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

## PRAYER

M: Father, Son and Holy Spirit, this day you have allowed us to taste and see that you are good. The blessing of your Word and Sacrament has enlightened our hearts and minds with the good news of your love and salvation. Be with us as we go out into the world to share this with others so that they too may taste and see your salvation.

C: A - men.

## BLESSING

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 upon you and be gracious to you.

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

C: A - men. A - men. A - men.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

## CLOSING HYMN

To God Be the Glory  
Christian Worship #399

*The blessing of Aaron has been spoken over God's people for over 3,500 years. The Lord said, "So I will put my name on [them], and I will bless them." Numbers 6:27*

POSTLUDE

7:45 AM

Amazing Grace  
Arr. by Hal Leonard

10:00 AM

Freu dich Sehr, O Meine Seele  
By Johann Pachelbel

## THOSE ASSISTING IN WORSHIP TODAY

Preacher ..... Pastor Sam Clemons  
Worship Leader ..... Pastor Ron Koehler (10:00 AM)  
Communion Assistants ..... Pastor Nathan Kassulke (10:00 AM)  
Member Ministry Elder Jason Watson (10:00 AM)  
Accompanists ..... Kathy Parra (7:45 AM)  
Elaine Goldie (10:00 AM)  
Voices of Grace Director ..... Beth Kassulke (10:00 AM)  
Distribution Music ..... Sarah Oberhofer (10:00 AM)  
Ushers ..... Vic Thornton, Vernon Neal (7:45 AM)  
Rick Street, Jon Dongoske, Ed Ethington (10:00 AM)  
Sound & Recording Tech ..... Jeremy Snavelly (10:00 AM)

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## Electronic Giving

Grace Lutheran Church is pleased to announce the introduction of *Simply Giving - Online*, a new electronic option for making regular, as well as one-time, special offerings. Contributions can now be debited automatically from your checking or savings account or processed using your credit or debit card. Our new, secure electronic giving program offers convenience for you and much-needed donation consistency for our congregation.

If you are currently giving on a weekly basis, you will no longer need to write out 52 checks a year or prepare 52 envelopes. And, when travel, illness or other circumstances prevent you from attending services, this program will allow your offerings to continue on an uninterrupted basis.

Using *Simply Giving - Online* also allows you to view your giving history from anywhere you have access to the Internet. To sign up for *Simply Giving - Online*, simply follow these steps:

1. Visit our church's website at [www.gracetucsonwels.com](http://www.gracetucsonwels.com),
2. Click on the "Online Giving" button,
3. Click on the Create Profile button\*, then
4. Follow the onscreen instructions to create an online profile and to schedule your recurring (or one-time special) offerings.

You may also enroll by completing an authorization form available from the church office. If you have any questions, please feel free to talk with the Council's Financial Secretary, Doug Lemke (520.275.1685).

\* Please note: For those of you already enrolled in *Simply Giving* prior to August 1, 2012, and interested in having online access, please provide your email address to the church office ***before*** you create an online profile to manage and view your offerings. Providing us your email address will allow us to link your prior offerings with the online profile.



**Grace is one congregation  
at TWO places!**

**Enjoy worship, Bible study  
and activities at both  
Grace-University and Grace-Vail.**



## This Week at Grace • Aug 5-12

\*Unless otherwise noted, calendar events take place at Grace-University. Grace-Vail events are shown in red.

### TODAY

Worship Services/Communion ..... 7:45 & 10:00a  
Coffee Fellowship following both services .....  
Children's Sunday School ..... 8:45a  
Youth Confirmation Class ..... 8:45a  
Adult Bible Studies:  
• *The Life of Christ: Jesus' Parables* (Fellowship Hall) .... 9:00a  
• *Grow in Grace Class* (Conference Room in Office) ..... 9:00a  
Lifeliners (High School Group): *Bible Study* ..... 9:00a  
**Grace-Vail Bible Study at Cottonwood Elementary** ..... 9:00a  
**Grace-Vail Worship at Cottonwood Elementary** ..... 10:00a  
Teacher Installation Service at Redeemer ..... 3:00p

### Monday

**Bible Study at Vail Golf Club** ..... 9:30a  
Nominating Committee Meeting ..... 6:30p

### Tuesday

Saguaro Circuit Meeting at Grace ..... 1:00p

### Wednesday

Midweek Bible Studies: *Church History* ..... 10:00a  
Midweek Bible Studies: *Church History* ..... 7:00p

### Thursday

Women's Bible Study: *Genesis* ..... 9:00a  
Financial Peace University ..... 6:30p

### Saturday

Christian Fellowship Group at Grace ..... 10:00a

### Sunday

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*Grow in the grace  
and knowledge of our  
Lord and Savior Jesus  
Christ. To him be glory  
both now and forever!  
Amen.  
2 Peter 3:18*

## For Our Guests

If you are visiting Grace today, we are happy that you joined us for Worship. Please help yourself to a Guest Packet as you leave this morning. You'll find them in the church entryway.

## 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. If you are a guest with us today, please see p. 9 in today's worship folder under "Distribution" for information about our practice of Member Communion.

## Altar Flowers

The flowers beautifying our worship this morning have been given by Bill & Lisa Toben in memory of Minnie Toben.

## You Are Invited

You are invited to a coffee fellowship this morning in the courtyard following both services hosted by Rick & Kristy Schmidt. We hope you'll take advantage of this opportunity to greet your brothers and sisters in Christ.

## Redeemer New Teacher Installation Service this Afternoon

Please join your brothers and sisters in Christ for an afternoon of celebrating the goodness of God in blessing Redeemer with three new teachers. Pastor Koehler will preach for the 3:00 PM Installation Service this afternoon. A reception will follow in the Ministry Center. The new teachers are Mrs. Valerie Follendorf (1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> grades and Special Education) and two new Martin Luther College graduates, Miss Jessica Seiltz (3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> grades and Music) and Miss Megan Watson (3 year-old Preschool and Music Director). *Redeemer is our WELS grade school in Tucson. Eleven children from Grace will be attending Redeemer this fall.*

## NEXT SUNDAY

### *Next week's Scripture Lessons for Devotional Reading this Week*

Job 19:23-27  
1 Corinthians 15:12-20  
Luke 24:36-49

### ***Sermon Text & Theme***

Luke 24:36-49  
*A Resurrection Fish Story*



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## Intersection Closed

Along with the ongoing construction on University Ave. for the installation of the modern streetcar, the intersection of University and Euclid Ave. will be closed Wednesday, August 8 through Monday morning, August 13. Those who normally drive through this intersection on their way to Grace should plan time to take another route next Sunday, August 12.

## Mission to the Children's "Communion with a Passport"

Mission to the Children is offering an opportunity to visit our Mexican Lutheran Church in Sasabe, Sonora, Mexico for a church communion service with your international brothers and sisters in Christ. The visit will include a meal prepared by the women of the church. The date is next Sunday, August 12 and the service is at 2:00 P.M. We plan to leave in the Mission to the Children van from Grace-University at 12:30 P.M. and return by 6:30 P.M.

It is not necessary to know Spanish to attend. However, a valid passport is required. A donation of \$12 is suggested, but not required. If you desire to attend this event of "Communion with a Passport," please RSVP to Mary Ann Rosas at 520-591-0799 by this Wednesday, August 8. Thank you.



## Evangelism Mentoring Team

Don and Ruth Kemerley, WELS members from Ohio, have assisted several mission churches as an Evangelism Mentoring Team. In this role, they spend up to several weeks at a time during the course of a year at the mission church. There they assist with canvassing, follow-up, preparing for special events, or other needed work. Don and Ruth will be in Tucson at the end of August, and the beginning of September to work with Grace, and especially our Vail site. Watch for more information about their time here and for how you can help with the work that we are doing together!

## Thanks to the 100!

100 Grace members participated in the Member Feedback Meetings held on July 15 at both Grace sites. We appreciate your involvement in the discussion and the direction you gave us. Based on the overwhelming support for the idea of a paid, part-time Music Coordinator to serve both sites and suggestions you proposed, the church council would like to go forward in this way:

1. Begin receiving donations to the Music Fund immediately. Some have indicated that they will support this right away so that we can get a person started as soon as possible. If you would like to do this, please include your donation in your regular envelope with "Music Fund—Coordinator" written on the front. A regular envelope with "Music Fund—Coordinator" written on it will also work. *\*Please do this over and above your regular offerings as we are currently working with a deficit.*
2. Any Grace member interested in the position may submit a resume to the church office by tomorrow, August 6th. There should be enough information in the MFM handout to explain what the position entails, but any questions may be directed to Pastor Koehler. Copies of that handout are available in the Fellowship Hall at Grace-University or may be emailed to those interested. The Pastors and Council will consider the applicants and ask someone to serve as our new Music Coordinator once we have money and commitments to cover the remainder of 2012. We are not planning to ask the congregation to use the Perpetual Memorial Fund or the General Bequest Fund as we begin this new position.
3. The council will be considering how to handle the cost of this position for 2013. They appreciate your continued advice and encouragement.

## Lutheran Women's Missionary Society (LWMS) Fall Retreat

The fall retreat for the LWMS Grand Canyon Circuit is coming soon! It will be held at the Chapel Rock Resort in Prescott, AZ November 2-4. The registration deadline is August 15. Three payment options are available. See the August newsletter for details or go to [www.grandcanyonlwms.org](http://www.grandcanyonlwms.org). You may also call Diane Kramm if you have any questions at 440-8564.

## Christian Fellowship Group

Saturday, August 11 at 10:00 AM Grace member, Judy Ethington, will talk about the new updates that have been ongoing in the Grace-University church library. She will discuss what the updates are and what they will mean for us. She'll also help us learn how to use our library more fully. Following her presentation we will have lunch and members are asked to bring "picnic" food (sandwiches, veggies, chips, fruit, etc.) to share. Drinks, desserts, and "ants" will be provided and all are welcome! *The Christian Fellowship Group provides people 55 and older with an opportunity to enjoy the company of others on a very informal basis.*

## WELS Tucson Campus Ministry

WELS TCM is still on hiatus for the summer, but mark your calendars for the Welcome Back Party on August 26 at 6:00 PM. All college students or anyone of approximately college age is encouraged to attend. Information will be available regarding our semester schedule for Bible studies and activities, as well as food and fun, and an opportunity to sign up for parking permits for the semester. Contact Pastor Kassulke in the office if you have any questions (623-6633).

