# Grace Ev. Lutheran Church August 26, 2012







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.

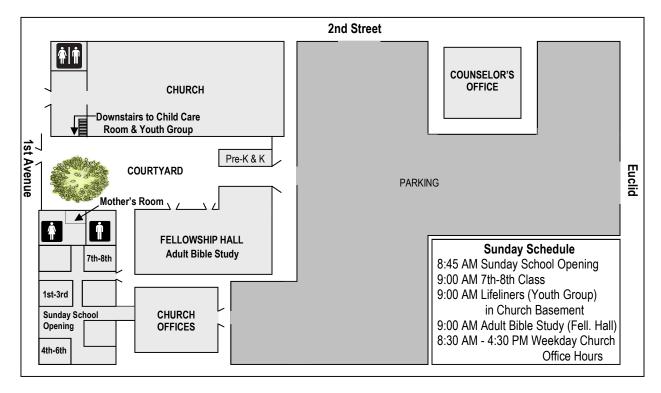
Hymns are found in our hymnal, *Christian Worship*, which is the red book in the pew rack in front of you.

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



## Taste and See

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

PRESERVICE MUSIC: 10:00 AM— The Gift of Love Arr. by Lloyd Larson

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.

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

#### 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

## Oh, Taste and See



#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: Let us pray. Lord God, your Son came among us to serve and not to be served, and to give his life for the sins of the world. Lead us by his love to serve those to whom the world offers no comfort and little help. Through us give hope to the hopeless, love to the unloved, peace to the troubled, and rest to the weary; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

#### C: Amen.

#### SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM (10:00 AM)

- M: In obedience to the command of our Lord and trusting in his promise, you have brought Ezekiel to be baptized. Jesus told us: "Let the little children come to me and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these." It is in baptism that God grants the new life of forgiveness, joy, and peace to little children. By the power of God's Word, this gracious water of life washes away sin, delivers from death and the devil, and gives eternal salvation to all who believe.
- M: Receive the sign of the cross on the head and heart (+) to mark you as a redeemed child of Christ.

Ezekiel Anders Yngve, I baptize you in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. The Almighty God—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit—has forgiven all your sins. By your baptism, you are born again and made a dear child of your Father in heaven. May God strengthen you to live in your baptismal grace all the days of your life. Peace be with you.

Please stand

#### **EXHORTATION**

M: Brothers and sisters in Christ:

Our Lord commands that we teach his precious truths to all who are baptized. Christian love therefore urges all of us, especially parents and sponsors, to assist in whatever manner possible so that Ezekiel may remain a child of God until death. If you are willing to carry out this responsibility, then answer: Yes, as God gives me strength.

- C: Yes, as God gives me strength.
- M: Let us pray: Merciful Father in heaven, we thank you for the blessing of baptism by which you offer and grant the forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation. Help us to regard our baptism as the robe of righteousness we are to wear all the days of our life. Look with special favor on Ezekiel and grant him a rich measure of your Spirit that he may grow in faith and godly living. Make us willing to carry out our responsibilities to those who have been baptized, so that all of us may finally come to the blessed joys of heaven, through Jesus our Lord.

C: Amen.

Please be seated

#### THE WORD

#### **FIRST LESSON**

If there is a poor man among your brothers in any of the towns of the land that the LORD your God is giving you, do not be hardhearted or tightfisted toward your poor brother. Rather be openhanded and freely lend him whatever he needs. Be careful not to harbor this wicked thought: "The seventh year, the year for canceling debts, is near," so that you do not show ill will toward your needy brother and give him nothing. He may

## Deuteronomy 15:7-11

then appeal to the LORD against you, and you will be found guilty of sin. Give generously to him and do so without a grudging heart; then because of this the LORD your God will bless you in all your work and in everything you put your hand to. There will always be poor people in the land. Therefore I command you to be openhanded toward your brothers and toward the poor and needy in your land.

The Psalms of the Old Testament Scriptures were sung by God's people and became the first hymnbook of the Early Christian Church. PSALM OF THE DAY PSALM 133-134





- 1. How good and pleas- / ant it is\* when brothers live together in / unity.
- 2. For there the Lord bestows his / blessing,\* even life for- / evermore.

#### Refrain

- 3. Praise the Lord, all you servants / of the Lord\* who minister in the house / of the Lord.
- 4. Lift up your hands in the sanctu- / ary\* and / praise the Lord.
- 5. May the Lord, the maker of heav- / en and earth\* bless you from / Zion.
- 6. Glory be to the Father and / to the Son\* and to the Holy / Spirit, as it was in the be- / ginning,\* is now, and will be forever. / Amen.

Refrain

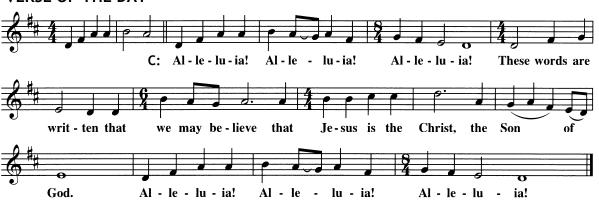
#### SECOND LESSON

Now about food sacrificed to idols: We know that we all possess knowledge. Knowledge puffs up, but love builds up. The man who thinks he knows something does not yet know as he ought to know. But the man who loves God is known by God. So then, about eating food sacrificed to idols: We know that an idol is nothing at all in the world and that there is no God but one. For even if there are so-called gods, whether in heaven or on earth (as indeed there are many "gods" and many "lords"), yet for us there is but one God, the Father, from whom all things came and for whom we live; and there is but one Lord, Jesus Christ, through whom all things came and through whom we live. But not everyone knows this. Some people are still so accustomed to idols that when they eat such food they think of it as

#### 1 Corinthians 8:1-13

having been sacrificed to an idol, and since their conscience is weak, it is defiled. But food does not bring us near to God; we are no worse if we do not eat, and no better if we do. Be careful, however, that the exercise of your freedom does not become a stumbling block to the weak. For if anyone with a weak conscience sees you who have this knowledge eating in an idol's temple, won't he be emboldened to eat what has been sacrificed to idols? So this weak brother, for whom Christ died, is destroyed by your knowledge. When you sin against your brothers in this way and wound their weak conscience, you sin against Christ. Therefore, if what I eat causes my brother to fall into sin, I will never eat meat again, so that I will not cause him to fall.

#### **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.

Please stand

**GOSPEL** 

Also a dispute arose among them as to which of them was considered to be greatest. Jesus said to them, "The kings of the Gentiles lord it over them; and those who exercise authority over them call themselves Benefactors. But you are not to be like that. Instead, the greatest among you should be like the youngest, and the one who rules like the one who serves. For who is greater, the one who is at the table or

the one who serves? Is it not the one who is at the table? But I am among you as one who serves. You are those who have stood by me in my trials. And I confer on you a kingdom, just as my Father conferred one on me, so that you may eat and drink at my table in my kingdom and sit on thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel."

Luke 22:24-30

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

After the Gospel, the congregation sings:



Please be seated

HYMN OF THE DAY

O Master of the Loving Heart Christian Worship #491

**SERMON** 

1 Corinthians 8:1-13
A Meal That Threatened Faith

Please stand

The Apostles' Creed developed in the Early Christian Church as a personal confession of faith. It is so named because it confesses the faith taught by the Apostles of Jesus.

#### **APOSTLES' CREED**

C: I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Please be seated

#### **OFFERING**

OFFERTORY MUSIC:
10:00 AM—
Son of God, Eternal
Savior
Arr. by Valerie
Floeter

Piano: Kathy Parra Clarinet: Missy Wiechmann 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!

7:45 AM — Please continue on page 8 with the Prayer of the Church.

## INSTALLATION OF SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS by Pastor Kassulke, Grace's Youth & Family Pastor

Teachers present themselves before the altar.

- M: Dear friends in Christ, you have been called as teachers in the Sunday School program of this congregation. You are doing the work the Lord has committed to his Church: to teach the gospel of Jesus Christ, to make disciples of all nations, and to feed the lambs of the Lord Jesus. You do this work on behalf of Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church and in association with the parents who entrust their children to your instruction and care.
- M: Your work is both a great privilege and a serious responsibility. To equip yourselves for this blessed work, it is necessary that you faithfully study God's Word, devote yourselves to prayer for those entrusted to your care, and carefully prepare for the lessons you will teach. It is also of great importance in the teaching of the Savior's little ones that you set an example by leading Christian lives.

#### **PROMISE**

M: I now ask you in the presence of God and this congregation:

Are you willing to accept this responsibility and to do your work faithfully, according to the ability God has given you? If so, answer: Yes, and I ask God to help me.

R: Yes, and I ask God to help me.

#### **INSTALLATION**

M: I now install you as Sunday School teachers of Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church, in the name of the Father, and of the Son (†), and of the Holy Spirit.

The minister shakes the hands of those being installed, addressing each by name.

M: May God grant you his Holy Spirit and give you wisdom and strength to carry out your duties to his glory and for the good of his children.

#### EXHORTATION TO THE CONGREGATION

M: Members of Grace, I urge you to regard these teachers as servants of Jesus Christ, teachers of the gospel, and God's gifts to his Church. Support them in their work, pray for them, and bring your children to Sunday School so that you and your families may receive the eternal blessings the Lord promises to those who hear and learn his Word.

#### **PRAYER**

M: Let us pray.

Gracious Savior, you bless every effort to bring children up in the Christian faith. We ask you to give wisdom, kindness, and perseverance to teachers who feed your lambs. Teach them your truth so that they may teach others. Cause the children entrusted to their care to be eager to learn about their Savior. May your goodness go out into all the earth so that people in this community and everywhere may hear it and believe it, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

M: May the almighty God—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit—bless and keep you. Go in the peace of the Lord.

Please stand

#### PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

- **M:** Lord God, our maker and preserver, we praise and thank you for all that you give us day after day.
- C: We are not worthy of all the mercies you show us.
- **M:** You have given us your precious Word to nourish our souls and to protect us from the temptations of the devil, the world, and our sinful nature.
- C: We thank you for those who teach and preach your saving truth at this place and everywhere. Grant them a rich measure of patience, wisdom, and love.
- **M:** Heavenly Father, we pray that you shield us from every kind of danger: sudden catastrophe, terrors of crime, and the pain of disease. Watch over those who travel by land, sea, and air. Keep our loved ones from whatever perils may threaten them.
- C: Heal those who are sick, cheer those who are sad, calm those who are distressed, and comfort all who are old and infirm.
- M: Bless our land, our people, and those who hold offices of high trust. Keep our government and schools upright and strong for the advancement of good citizenship and useful vocations, that we may enjoy your gifts of peace, security, and well-being.

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."

C: Grant your blessing to every nation on earth. Where there are wars, may there be peace. Where there is hatred, let it be healed. Where there is poverty, danger, or disaster, come with your almighty power to help and restore.

Special prayers and intercessions may follow.

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

Silent prayer.

- M: We bring these requests before you in the name of Jesus our Lord, and ask you to hear us. Take all that we have, our bodies and minds, our time and skills, our ministries and offerings, and use them to your glory.
- C: We give ourselves to you that we may serve you in whatever way is pleasing in your sight. 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.

Please be seated

**HYMN** 

This Is My Will Christian Worship #497

Please stand

#### **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 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.



#### **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.

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.

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)."



Please be seated

**ANNOUNCEMENTS** 

**CLOSING HYMN** 

Forgive Us, Lord Christian Worship #482

**POSTLUDE** 

Be Thou My Vision Arr. by Victor Labenske

#### THOSE ASSISTING IN WORSHIP TODAY

Preacher	Pastor Ron Koehler
Worship Leader	Pastor Nathan Kassulke (10:00 AM)
Accompanists	Stephanie Kania (7:45 AM)
	Kathy Parra (10:00 AM)
Ushers	Vic Thornton, Vernon Neal (7:45 AM)
	Jon Dongoske, Ed Ethington, Rick Street (10:00 AM)
Sound & Recording Tech.	Jeremy Snavely (10:00 AM)

## **Give Offerings from Your Smart Phone**

Grace Lutheran Church now offers a mobile version of our online giving page to make it easy for you to give anytime from your smart phone. Simply scan the image you see here using your phone's QR code reader.



Don't have a smart phone? Not a problem – you can still give online – just go to <a href="www.gracetucsonwels.com">www.gracetucsonwels.com</a> and locate the "Online Giving" button. You can make your offerings (one-time or recurring) by credit/debit card or by transferring funds from your checking or savings account. Our new, secure electronic giving program offers convenience for you and much-needed donation consistency for our congregation.

If you prefer, you may also enroll in online giving 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).



## 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 26-Sept 2

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

#### **TODAY**

Tuesday

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Worship Services7:45 & 10:00a
Coffee Fellowship following both services
Children's Sunday School8:45a
Youth Confirmation Class8:45a
Adult Bible Studies:
<ul> <li>The Life of Christ: Bonus Parables! (Fellowship Hall)9:00a</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Grow in Grace Class (Conference Room in Office)9:00a</li> </ul>
Lifeliners (High School Group): Bible Study9:00a
Grace-Vail Bible Study at Cottonwood Elementary9:00a
Grace-Vail Sunday School at Cottonwood Elem9:00a
Grace-Vail Worship at Cottonwood Elementary 10:00a
Sunday School Teachers' Meeting11:15a
WELS TCM Welcome Back Party! 6:00p
Monday
Bible Study at Vail Golf Club9:30a

Memorial Service for Lynda Nessinger at Grace........... 5:00p

#### Wednesday

Wednesday	
Midweek Bible Studies: Church History	10:00a
Midweek Bible Studies: <i>Church History</i> NO Grace-Vail Bible Study	•
Thursday NO Women's Bible Study	
Worship Choir	
Sunday 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:	
• Evangelism Mentoring Team: Donovan & Ruth	9:00a
• Grow in Grace Class (Conference Room in Office)	9:00a

## Check out the NEW GRACE WEBSITE at www.GraceTucsonWELS.com!

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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

#### **TODAY**

#### **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.

#### **Altar Flowers**

The flowers beautifying our worship this morning have been given by Robert Chappell in memory of his father, Charles Chappell.

#### You Are Invited

You are invited to a coffee fellowship this morning in the courtyard following both services. Fellowship after 10:00 AM worship is hosted by the Weinstein family. We hope you'll take advantage of this opportunity to greet your brothers and sisters in Christ.

## **NEXT SUNDAY**

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

Genesis 2:15-17, 3 Revelation 22:1-7 John 5:24-30

#### Sermon Text & Theme

Revelation 22:1-7
Miracle Fruit from a Miracle Tree
in a Miracle Place

#### **Called Home to Heaven**

Lynda Nessinger was called to her heavenly home last Sunday, August 19. Her memorial service will be at Grace this Tuesday, August 28 at 5:00 PM.

## Women's Bible Study Resumes September 6

Pastor Koehler's class on Genesis is taking a short break and will resume on Thursday, September 6 at 9:00 AM. All ladies of Grace and their friends are invited to join us!

## Welcome Back Party for College Students Tonight!

The University of Arizona and Pima Community College started classes this past week. We welcome our college students, whether you are new or returning, and pray that God would bless your year. We hope you will join us frequently throughout your college career, and may even be able to help you out with a parking permit! You are invited to join us for our WELS Tucson Campus Ministry Welcome Back Party **TONIGHT at 6:00 PM**. Please speak with Pastor Kassulke if you have any questions about our Campus Ministry.

## **Register for Sunday School Today**

A new year of Sunday School begins next Sunday, September 2. We would like all parents of children ages 3 through sixth grade to register them for Sunday School (this can be as easy as verifying your information if we have it already). There are now two ways to register: register online at <a href="https://www.GraceTucsonWELS.com/SundaySchool">www.GraceTucsonWELS.com/SundaySchool</a> (enter the needed information into the online form and press "Submit") or in person or over the phone with Janet Kania. Janet will be available in the Courtyard at Grace University after both worship services or can be reached at home at (520) 323-1447. **Please register by today if at all possible.** 

## **Worship Choir This Week**

Worship Choir started up this past week but it's not too late to join. If EVER you have considered joining choir here at Grace, this is the time! We invite ALL members confirmation age and up! Practice is this Thursday, August 30 at 6:30 PM in the Grace-University basement! WELS college students interested may also join. We'd love to have you!

#### **Grace's New Music Coordinator**

We are happy to announce that Beth Kassulke will be serving as Grace's new Music Coordinator. We will be blessed by Beth's considerable training and experience in music and worship. We thank her for her willingness to serve the Lord and our congregation. We also thank all of you who helped us determine how to go forward with this new position and those who have given gifts to fund it for the remainder of 2012. If you have questions about how Beth will be helping us with music and worship at both sites, feel free to ask her! Beth will be working in the church office most Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9am-2pm. If you would like to contact her, you can call the church office during that time, email her at <a href="mailto:music@gracetucsonwels.com">music@gracetucsonwels.com</a>, or call her at home at other times (293-2935).



## **Handbell Preview Night**

Are you curious about our beautiful handbells? Would you like to try ringing them without committing to handbell choir? Maybe you have experience ringing and would like a refresher. All members of Grace are invited to a Handbell Preview Night on Tuesday, September 4 at 5:30 PM in the basement. We'll learn and practice ringing basics and try out some simple songs! Please contact Beth Kassulke if you plan to attend at <a href="mailto:music@gracetucsonwels.com">music@gracetucsonwels.com</a> or 293-2935. We hope you can join us!

## **Women of Grace Fall Meeting/Brunch**

The Women of Grace Fall meeting will be Saturday, September 15 at 10:00 AM in the Grace-University Fellowship Hall. The meeting will also include the election of officers. If you are interested in serving the congregation and Women of Grace, please consider becoming an officer. The offices to be elected are President, Vice President, and Treasurer. Contact Lois Thornton (323-8772) or Sue Sargent (647-3049) if you have any questions or are interested in one of the positions. Please bring your favorite lunch food to share (finger sandwiches, casseroles, salads, etc). We hope you will come! Remember, Women of Grace is for all confirmed women who are members of our congregation.

## **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 October 1. Three payment options are available. For more details go to <a href="https://www.grandcanyonlwms.org">www.grandcanyonlwms.org</a> or check out the flyers in the courtyard display case. You may also call Diane Kramm if you have any questions at 440-8564.

## **Deer Valley Women's Retreat**

The women of Deer Valley invite you to a one-day Women's Retreat at Deer Valley Lutheran Church in Phoenix on September 22 from 8:30 AM-2:00 PM. The theme this year is "What's Cookin'?", and the guest speaker is Deacon Mike Mundstock, Youth and Family Minister at Deer Valley. A continental breakfast and luncheon is included in the day. The suggested door donation is \$5. Register online at <a href="https://www.deervalley.org">www.deervalley.org</a> or call 623-581-1198 by September 16.

## **Grace-Vail Wednesday Bible Study Cancelled This Week**

The Grace-Vail Wednesday Bible study will be cancelled this week while Pastor Rieke is out of town.

## **Christian Fellowship Group**

"Sing to him a new song; play skillfully, and shout for joy" (Psalm 33:3). Christian Fellowship Group is inviting everyone to come Saturday, September 8 to the Grace-University Fellowship Hall at 10:00 AM to hear music and songs presented by some of our very own talented Grace members! Members are asked to bring a snack to share. The Christian Fellowship Group provides people 55 and older with an opportunity to enjoy the company of others on a very informal basis. They are hosting this special event and all ages are welcome to attend!

# COME OUT & CHEER!



ALA Coyote Varsity Football at Pusch Ridge Christian Academy, Tucson

## Friday, September 7 at 7pm

Pusch Ridge is located at 9500 N. Oracle Road, Tucson 85704

## ARIZONA LUTHERAN ACADEMY

is a Christian high school located in Phoenix. It is supported by 26 WELS churches from across the state of Arizona. ALA hosts students from Benson, Safford, Sahuarita, Tucson, and other cities in Arizona



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#### **SOUTHERN ARIZONA PLAYERS**

Tyler Koehler (Grace, Tucson) Quarterback
Ben Bernthal (Peace, Sahuarita) WR/RB/K

Come on out to show your support for your WELS High School and for the players from our area!

Let's fill the stands!

## **Sunday School Teachers**

The following teachers, installed in the 10:00 AM worship service today, will begin serving next Sunday, September 2: Nancy Miles and Amy Rudd (PK-K) Christa Goldie and Denise Hansen (1-2) Karen Grorud and Erika Hanson (3-4)

Substitute teachers will be used in the 5-6 grade classroom while permanent teachers are being sought. If you would like to know more about teaching or have an interest in teaching in the future, please speak to Pastor Kassulke.

We would also like to thank those who served as Sunday School teachers during our summer session: Meghan Heinz and Missy Wiechmann (PK-K)
Lisa Goldie and Karen Grorud (1-3)
Tyler Koehler and Jay Pauley (4-6).

## **Church and Facility Security**

During these summer months, please remember to <u>turn off lights</u>, <u>reset thermostats</u>, and <u>lock doors</u> behind you when you leave the church property. Thank you!

