

# Grace Ev. Lutheran Church

## July 29, 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.

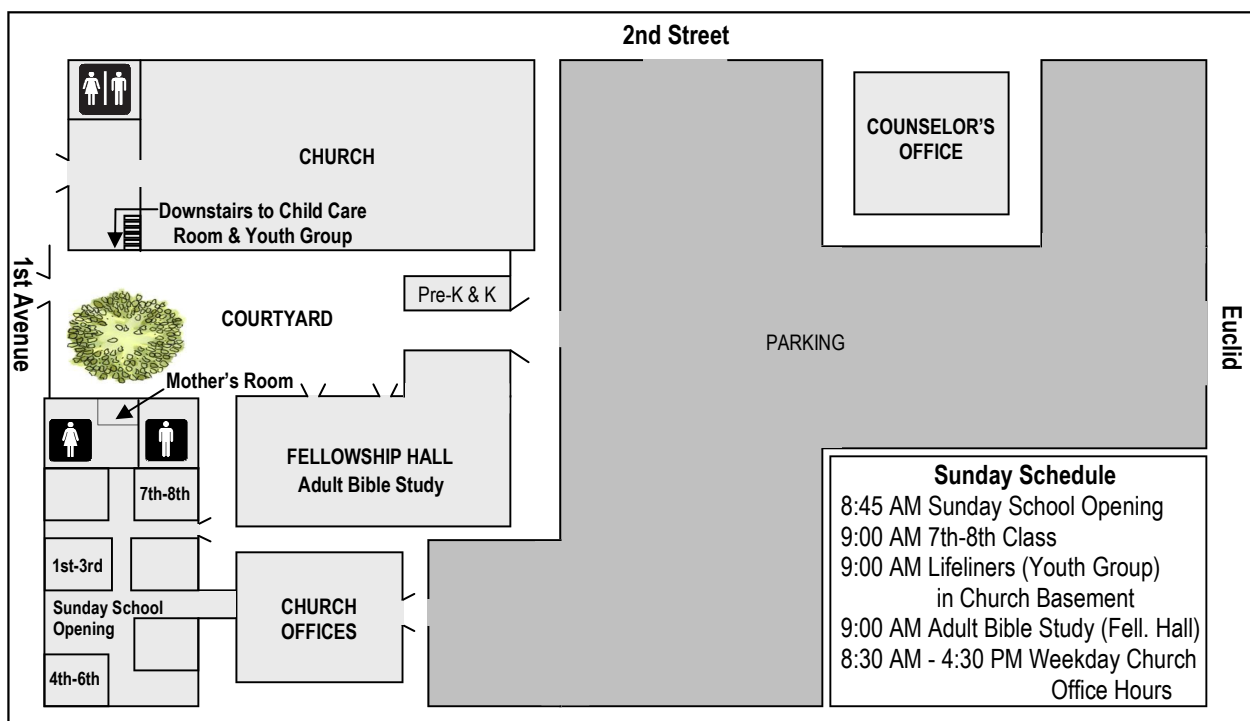
**Large print** worship folders are available in the entryway. You may also ask an usher or greeter to get one for you.

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.

*Genesis 1:31*

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.

*Genesis 2:16-17*

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.

*Genesis 3:8*

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."

*Genesis 3:14-15*

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.

*Romans 5:12*

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.

*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.*

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.

*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**

Your

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

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*rit.*

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

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

*rit.*

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

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

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

**M:** Let us pray. Father of lights, every good and perfect gift comes from you. Inspire us to think those things that are true and long for those things that are good, that we may always make our petitions according to your gracious will; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C:** Amen.

Please be seated

## **AFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM (10:00 AM)**

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

**C:** Amen.

**M:** Our Lord Jesus Christ gave his Church the command to baptize when he said: “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you.”

Scripture makes plain the universal need for Baptism. As children of Adam, we belong to a fallen race. From our parents we inherit a sinful nature and would be lost forever unless delivered by our Lord Jesus Christ. He willingly took on himself the curse of sin and by his death on the cross redeemed us and all people.

Christ’s almighty Word gives Baptism its power to save. The apostle Peter declares, “Baptism now saves you.” Scripture also clearly teaches that the power and promise of Baptism is intended for young and old alike. On the day of Pentecost the apostle testified, “The promise is for you and your children and for all who are far off—for all whom the Lord our God will call.” By water and the Spirit, we are born again and united with Christ and his people as members of the Church.

In having children baptized, parents do what is God-pleasing. Jesus himself invited little children to become a part of his kingdom when he said: “Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these. I tell you the truth, anyone who will not receive the kingdom of God like a little child will never enter it.” And he took the children in his arms, put his hands on them, and blessed them.

**M:** Receive the sign of the cross on the head and heart (†) to mark you as a redeemed child of Christ.

**M:** Before the Lord and his Church, I ask you, was Asher baptized in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit?

**PARENTS:** Yes, Asher was baptized in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**M:** The Almighty God—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit—has forgiven all your sins. By your baptism, you have been 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.

## EXHORTATION

**M:** Brothers and sister 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 Asher 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.

## PRAYER

**M:** Let us pray. Holy God, mighty Lord, gracious Father, through your stern judgment the unbelieving world was destroyed by the flood, but according to your great mercy, you saved Noah and his family. You engulfed stubborn Pharaoh and his army in the waters of the Red Sea but led your people through those same waters to safety on dry land. In the waters of the Jordan your own Son was baptized and anointed with the Spirit. By these signs you foreshadowed the precious, cleansing bath which you give us in Holy Baptism.

Clinging to your command and promise, we ask that you would look with favor on Asher David Lane. Through the water of Baptism all sin inherited from Adam, and any other evil he may do, was drowned in him. Set him apart from the unbelieving world and hold him safe and secure in the holy ark of the Church. Keep him always fervent in spirit and joyful in hope so that he may honor your holy name and at last receive, together with all your people, the promised inheritance of eternal life, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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 baptisms as the robe of righteousness we are to wear all the days of our lives. Look with special favor on Asher 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.

## THE WORD

### FIRST LESSON

**2 Kings 4:42-44**

A man came from Baal Shalishah, bringing the man of God twenty loaves of barley bread baked from the first ripe grain, along with some heads of new grain. "Give it to the people to eat," Elisha said. "How can I set this before a hundred men?" his servant

asked. But Elisha answered, "Give it to the people to eat. For this is what the LORD says: 'They will eat and have some left over.'" Then he set it before them, and they ate and had some left over, according to the word of the LORD.

*Five thousand folks met on a hill to hear what Jesus said.  
Though they were hungry, no one knew just how they would be fed.  
Five loaves, two fish, a meager meal, were all that could be found,  
then Jesus calmly told the crowd to sit upon the ground.*

*They sat and waited, wond'ring what good this Man would do,  
their hunger great, their number large, and fish and loaves so few.  
But as they sat, He thanked His God, then passed the lunch around.  
And in that meal, a miracle, a banquet now was found.*

*So, as the hunger in our souls may cause us to despair,  
we search, we struggle for the answer. Is it anywhere?  
We hear the Savior's invitation, "Come, sit down and rest."  
And then He serves us heav'nly food to nourish and to bless.*

*From death to life, we have been raised through mercy and through grace.  
And God has seated us with Christ in realms of heav'nly space.  
Now seated by the Savior's side, we're nourished and restored,  
For we are served the bread of life by our most gracious Lord.*

## SECOND LESSON

## Colossians 2:9-15

For in Christ all the fullness of the Deity lives in bodily form, and you have been given fullness in Christ, who is the head over every power and authority. In him you were also circumcised, in the putting off of the sinful nature, not with a circumcision done by the hands of men but with the circumcision done by Christ, having been buried with him in baptism and raised with him through your faith in the power of God, who raised him

from the dead. When you were dead in your sins and in the uncircumcision of your sinful nature, God made you alive with Christ. He forgave us all our sins, having canceled the written code, with its regulations, that was against us and that stood opposed to us; he took it away, nailing it to the cross. And having disarmed the powers and authorities, he made a public spectacle of them, triumphing over them by the cross.

## VERSE OF THE DAY



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!

*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

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

## GOSPEL

**Matthew 14:13-21**

When Jesus heard what had happened, he withdrew by boat privately to a solitary place. Hearing of this, the crowds followed him on foot from the towns. When Jesus landed and saw a large crowd, he had compassion on them and healed their sick. As evening approached, the disciples came to him and said, "This is a remote place, and it's already getting late. Send the crowds away, so they can go to the villages and buy themselves some food." Jesus replied, "They do not need to go away. You give them something to eat." "We have here

only five loaves of bread and two fish," they answered. "Bring them here to me," he said. And he directed the people to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish and looking up to heaven, he gave thanks and broke the loaves. Then he gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the people. They all ate and were satisfied, and the disciples picked up twelve basketfuls of broken pieces that were left over. The number of those who ate was about five thousand men, besides women and children.

*After the Gospel, the congregation sings:*



**C:            Praise be to you,    O Christ!**

*Please be seated*

## HYMN OF THE DAY

**Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness**  
*Christian Worship #353*

## SERMON

**Matthew 14:13-21**  
**More than Enough**

*Please stand*

## 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*

*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.*



## 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 (10:00 AM)

**Une Jeune Pucelle**  
*Arr. by Charles Callahan*

*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.

**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.*

*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."*

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: 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

**My Shepherd Will Supply My Need**  
*Christian Worship #374*

*Please stand*

- M: O Lord God, our heavenly Father, pour out the Holy Spirit on your faithful people. Keep us strong in your grace and truth, protect and comfort us in all temptation, and bestow on us your saving peace, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C: A - men.

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

## 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.

*Please be seated*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CLOSING HYMN

Now, the Hour of Worship O’er  
Christian Worship #330

POSTLUDE (10:00 AM)

Trumpet Tune  
Arr. by Drummond Wolff

THOSE ASSISTING IN WORSHIP TODAY

Preacher ..... Pastor Nathan Kassulke

Worship Leader..... Pastor Sam Clemons (10:00 AM)

Accompanists .....Stephanie Kania (7:45 AM)  
Tina Christianson (10:00 AM)

Voices of Grace Director ..... Beth Kassulke (10:00 AM)

Ushers ..... Vic Thornton, Vernon Neal (7:45 AM)  
Rick Street, Jon Dongoske, Ed Ethington (10:00 AM)

Sound & Recording Tech..... Jeff Weinstein (10:00 AM)



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

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



## This Week at Grace • July 29-Aug 5

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

### TODAY

Worship Services ..... 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  
Farewell Potluck for Vicar Scheuerlein at Redeemer.... 12:30p

### Monday

**Bible Study at Vail Golf Club** ..... 9:30a

### Wednesday

Grace Extension Meeting ..... 9:00a  
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

### Sunday

Worship Services/Communion..... 7:45 & 10:00a  
Coffee Fellowship following both services .....  
Children's Sunday School ..... 8:45a  
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**Grace-Vail Worship at Cottonwood Elementary** ..... 10:00a  
Teacher Installation Service at Redeemer ..... 3:00p

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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.

## Altar Flowers

The flowers beautifying our worship this morning have been given by the Brearcliffe Family in recognition of William's birthday and baptism 15 years ago.

## Affirmation of Baptism

The baptism of Asher David Lane, son of Reagan and John Henry Lane, born June 2, will be affirmed this morning during the 10:00 AM worship service.

## You Are Invited

You are invited to a coffee fellowship this morning in the courtyard following both services hosted by Eric & Erika Hanson. 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*

Exodus 12:1-14  
1 Corinthians 11:23-29  
Matthew 26:26-29

### *Sermon Text & Theme*

Matthew 26:26-29  
*This Sacred Meal*

## Redeemer Farewell Potluck for Vicar Scheuerlein

Redeemer Lutheran Church (8845 N. Silverbell Rd) will be hosting a farewell potluck for Vicar Seth Scheuerlein **TODAY at 12:30 PM**. Vicar Scheuerlein will be returning to Wisconsin to complete his senior year at Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary. You are invited to attend and to bring a dish for the potluck according to the guidelines that follow.

If your last name begins with:

A-G	Various Salads
H-P	Main Dish
Q-Z	Dessert

## Redeemer New Teacher Installation Service

Please join your brothers and sisters in Christ next Sunday, August 5, 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. 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.*

## 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 will assist with canvassing, follow-up, preparing for special events, or other needed work.

Don has been in Tucson since Thursday and has been working with Pastor Rieke. Watch for more information and ways you can help with the work that we are doing together!

## **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 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 Wednesday, August 8. Thank you.

## **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 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.

## **Church and Facility Security**

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

## **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!

## **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).

## **Calling All Books!**

If you've checked out a book from the Grace-University library and are still reading it, by all means keep it. But, if you have a Grace library book and have just forgotten to return it, please bring it back to the library and put it on the desk and it will be properly shelved. If you have any questions please contact Judy Ethington at 971-5839.

## **A Request for Your Help**

Below are a few paragraphs by Tonya, 12-year old Addison's mother, explaining their situation.

In May of 2011, our daughter, Addison, fell ill with a bacterial infection. Addie spent 5 months in the Pediatric ICU, and during that time was so ill that on several occasions doctors and nurses were certain she would die. She did not die. Now, almost a year and a half since she first got sick, our Addison is a living, breathing miracle. She required a lung transplant to survive, and has been undergoing intensive physical therapy to regain her strength and health. While struggling to survive, she suffered a stroke and nerve damage that affected her ability to walk and use her hands, and caused her to be blind in one eye. Despite all of this, Addison remains the bright, happy, intelligent girl she always was. God answered our prayers, and gave her back to us, when no one thought it possible.

During Addie's hospital stay, insurance covered the millions of dollars in medical expenses, but since bringing her home last October, Insurance Co-pays, out of pocket expenses, and therapy not covered by insurance have left our family with over \$60,000 in debt and unpaid medical bills. Addison still needs more therapy, but we have used all of the therapy allowed by our insurance company. Any help with these expenses would be very much appreciated.

Donations can be made out to "Redeemer - Addison Fund" and mailed to Redeemer Ev. Lutheran Church, 8845 N. Silverbell Road, Tucson, AZ 85743.

