Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost Friends & Family Sunday



Grace Lutheran Church October 14, 2012





830 N. First Ave Tucson, AZ 85719

Worshiping Sunday Morning at 7:45 & 10:00

Welcome to Grace!

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



9950 E. Rees Loop Tucson, AZ 85747

Worshiping Sunday Morning at 10:00

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As We Gather

We welcome you in the name of Jesus Christ, the Lord and the Savior of all mankind. We are delighted that you have chosen to spend this hour of worship with us and pray that your faith will be strengthened and your spirit lifted as we exalt the Lord our God.

A Prayer Before Worship

Almighty Father, your creation is beyond description and your power beyond measuring. In your wisdom and love you knit us together in our mothers' wombs and counted out days for our use. May our praise answer for your goodness; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord. Amen.

A Few Notes About Our Service

The Order of Worship

God does not restrict us to specific orders of worship. We are free to worship him in many different ways. From ancient times Christians have chosen to use a "liturgy" to guide them in worship. The word "liturgy" means service. Liturgies are orders of worship which provide a solemn setting for songs and expressions of praise, repentance of sins, attentiveness to God's word, public profession of our faith, prayer, and support for his kingdom.

Sundays after Pentecost

We have entered into the non-festival half of the Church Year. We never leave behind Christ and his work for us which was the center of our attention in the festival half of the Church Year; but now the emphasis has shifted to the result of his work through the Word: the work of defining faith, of creating it and inspiring its fruits in the church collectively and in each of us individually.

SERVICE OF WORD AND SACRAMENT

Christian Worship

WELCOME

HYMN Our Father, by Whose Name Christian Worship #501 1 Our Fa - ther, by whose name All fa - ther - hood is known, 2 O Christ, your - self With - in a child an earth - ly home, 3 O Ho - lv Spir - it, bind Our hearts in ni -In love di - vine you claim Each fam - 'ly your own. With heart still un - de - filed You did to man - hood come. And teach find The us how to love from self set free. Bless moth - ers, fa - thers, guard - ing well, With con-stant love Our chil-dren bless in 'ry ev place That they may be our hearts such love in crease That ev - 'ry home by sen - ti - nel, The homes in

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Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me a sinner.

We come before the true God only because of his mercy and not because we deserve to come. We confess our unworthiness and rejoice to hear the assurance of forgiveness.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

- **M:** God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit.
- C: Amen.

PRAYER AND PRAISE

Kyrie—We sing our penitential confession to our Triune God— Father, Son and Holy

Spirit, asking for his

mercy. The name **Kyrie**is shortened from the
Greek **Kyrie Eleison**,
which means "Lord
have mercy."

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



M: For the steadfast assurance that nothing can separate us from your love and for the courage to stand firm against the assaults of Satan and every evil, hear our prayer, 0 Christ.



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



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



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



PRAYER OF THE DAY

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M: Let us pray. Almighty God, in your bountiful goodness keep us safe from every evil of body and soul. Make us ready, with cheerful hearts, to do whatever pleases you; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

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WE READ FROM SCRIPTURE

The First Lesson is frequently a reading from the Old Testament. It shares a common theme with the Second Lesson (often from one of the epistles) and the Gospel.

FIRST LESSON Genesis 2:18-24

The LORD God said, "It is not good for the man to be alone. I will make a helper suitable for him." Now the LORD God had formed out of the ground all the beasts of the field and all the birds of the air. He brought them to the man to see what he would name them; and whatever the man called each living creature, that was its name. So the man gave names to all the livestock, the birds of the air and all the beasts of the field. But for Adam no suitable helper was found. So the LORD

God caused the man to fall into a deep sleep; and while he was sleeping, he took one of the man's ribs and closed up the place with flesh. Then the LORD God made a woman from the rib he had taken out of the man, and he brought her to the man. The man said, "This is now bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh; she shall be called 'woman,' for she was taken out of man." For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be united to his wife, and they will become one flesh. (NIV)

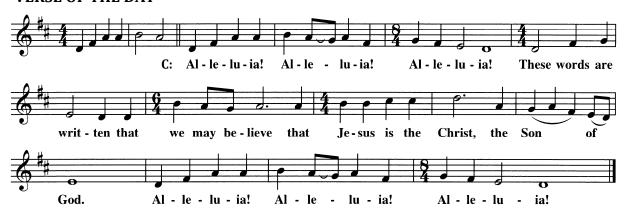
SECOND LESSON

"Submit to one another out of reverence for Christ. Wives, submit to your husbands as to the Lord. For the husband is the head of the wife as Christ is the head of the church, his body, of which he is the Savior. Now as the church submits to Christ, so also wives should submit to their husbands in everything. Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for herto make her holy, cleansing her by the washing with water through the word, and to present her to himself as a radiant church, without stain or wrinkle or any other blemish, but holy and blameless. In this same way, husbands ought to love their wives as their own bodies. He who loves his wife loves himself. After all, no one ever hated his own body, but he feeds

Ephesians 5:21-6:4

and cares for it, just as Christ does the church—for we are members of his body. For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be united to his wife, and the two will become one flesh. This is a profound mystery—but I am talking about Christ and the church. However, each one of you also must love his wife as he loves himself, and the wife must respect her husband. Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right. Honor your father and mother—which is the first commandment with a promise that it may go well with you and that you may enjoy long life on the earth. Fathers, do not exasperate your children; instead, bring them up in the training and instruction of the Lord." (NIV)

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.

STAND

GOSPEL

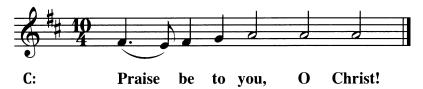
Some Pharisees came and tested him by asking, "Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife?" "What did Moses command you?" he replied. They said, "Moses permitted a man to write a certificate of divorce and send her away." "It was because your hearts were hard that Moses wrote you this law," Jesus replied. "But at the beginning of creation God 'made them male and female. For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be united to his wife, and the two will become one flesh. So they are no longer two, but one. Therefore what God has joined together, let man not separate." When they were in the house again, the disciples asked Jesus about this.

Mark 10:2-16

He answered, "Anyone who divorces his wife and marries another woman commits adultery against her. And if she divorces her husband and marries another man, she commits adultery." People were bringing little children to Jesus to have him touch them, but the disciples rebuked them. When Iesus saw this, he was indignant. He said to them, "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. (NIV)

The congregation stands and sings a song of praise out of respect for the words of Christ, our King.

After the Gospel, the congregation sings:



BE SEATED

Christian Worship #601



Copies of the sermon are available in the back at the information table and will be posted on the Grace website.

SERMON

Mark 10:2-16 God Has a Plan for Your Family

OUR CONFESSION OF FAITH

"That if you confess with your mouth, 'Jesus is Lord,' and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you confess and are saved." -Romans 10:9, 10

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.

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.

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

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

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

STAND

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

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

Special prayers and intercessions may follow.

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

Silent prayer.

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

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."

"Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us." We pray in this petition that our Father in heaven would not look upon our sins or because of them deny our prayers; for we are worthy of none of the things for which we ask, neither have we deserved them, but we ask that he would give them all to us by grace; for we daily sin much and surely deserve nothing but punishment. So we too will forgive from the heart and gladly do good to those who sin against us.

LORD'S PRAYER

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

THE SACRAMENT

M: The Lord be with you.



M: Lift up your hearts.



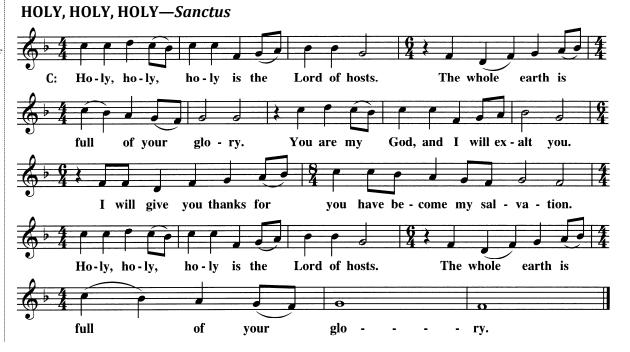
M: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



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.

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."

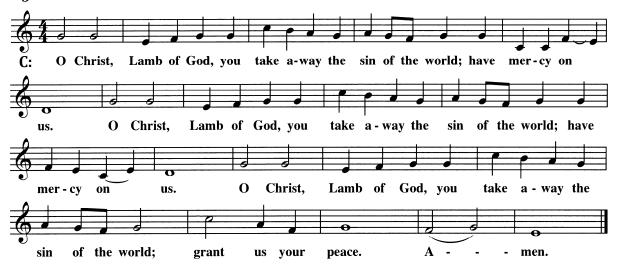
Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

The peace of the Lord be with you always.



O CHRIST, LAMB OF GOD

Agnus Dei



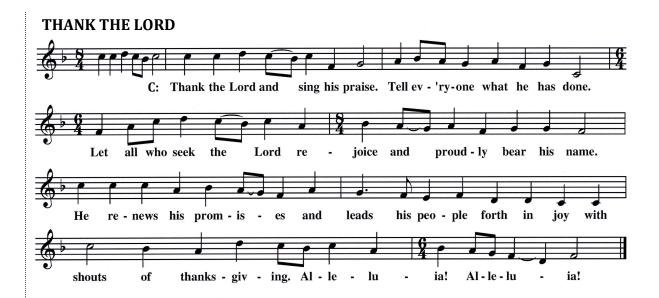
Jesus is the Lamb of God who was offered as a sacrifice for sin once for all. The words of this song are based on John 1:29, where John the Baptist refers to Jesus this way.

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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 the pastor 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.



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



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

THE 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 on you and be gracious to you.

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



BE SEATED

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CLOSING HYMN

For Christian Homes, O Lord, We Pray

Christian Worship #500



5 And when you call us all to rest, Then will we have a home more blest, See all our care and sorrow cease, And find with Christ eternal peace. Text by: R. Armstrong, M. Jeske stanza 2 © 1993 NPH. Reprinted under OneLicense.net #A-710199.

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THOSE ASSISTING IN WORSHIP TODAY

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Worshiping at
9950 E. Rees Loop
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9:00 AM—Bible Class &
Sunday School
10:00 AM—Worship
Service

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Grace-Vail Announcements and Upcoming Events

Read Ahead for Next Sunday:

2 Kings 5:14-27 Hebrews 13:1-6 Mark 10:17-27

Nursery Available

Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these." Therefore, we welcome children in our worship service. If, however, you feel the need to calm or feed your young children, we do have a nursery available. Follow the signs through the south entrance doors to find it.

Vail Canvassing Blitz this Saturday

There is a canvassing blitz for Grace-Vail this Saturday, October 20, starting at 9:30 AM. This is a great way to share information about our site and also a way to share the love of Christ. We will be meeting here at Cottonwood Elementary School (9950 E. Rees Loop) at 9:30 AM this Saturday, October 20.



Wednesday Bible Class Cancelled

There will be no Wednesday evening Hebrews Bible Class this week. Pastor Rieke is at a conference in Phoenix from Tuesday to Thursday.

Grace Polo Shirts

We are excited to announce that polo shirts with the Grace logo will be offered for sale at both Grace-University and Grace-Vail. Youth, Ladies, and Men sizes will be available in two styles and five colors (white, light blue, royal blue, royal purple, and lime green). Sample shirts of each style and all colors will be at both sites to help you make your selection. Prices: Poly/Cotton - Youth \$14.50, Ladies & Men \$17.00; Polyester Cool/Wicking polo \$24.00. (Prices are slightly higher for XX and larger sizes.) Today is the final day to take orders. Payment should be made when shirts are ordered. Shirts will be available for pick up Sunday, 11/4.

We especially hope that all of the people who volunteer to work at the Vail Country Fair on Saturday, 11/10, will be able to wear the new polo shirt during our outreach to the Vail community. If you have questions see Diane Kramm or Sue Sargent.

Financial Peace University

Financial Peace University (FPU) started at Grace-Vail this past week. It's not too late to join if you would still like to get valuable information about wisely managing the money God has entrusted to you. Class is held on Thursday evenings at 7:00 PM right here at Cottonwood Elementary in room 409. The cost of a membership is \$95 per family. If you have purchased a membership before, there is no additional cost, though there is an option to upgrade to new materials if you would like. If you have any questions please see Pastor Rieke.

Grace-University Announcements and Upcoming Events

Thank You

Thank you for joining us for our Friends and Family Sunday at Grace-University. It is always our pleasure to have the opportunity to share God's word and to worship him. If you are a guest with us today and do not have a church home of your own, we invite you to join us on a regular basis. We would also be happy to speak to you about making Grace your church.

Anyone who is interested in receiving more information about Grace should feel free to take a Guest Packet. These are available at the entrances to church and also in the Fellowship Hall and contain a number of helpful brochures and information sheets regarding our church. It is also appreciated if you fill out the friendship register so that we have a record of your visit with us and can send you a personal note of thanks.

Please join us after this morning's worship service to enjoy some cookies and coffee or other refreshments. Take the time to meet those worshiping with you today. The pastors and members of Grace would be pleased to answer any questions you may have as well.

Finally, we'd also like to thank everyone who assisted with our "Spanferkelfest" Pig Roast event this past Friday. To all who helped set up for the event, bring food, serve food, clean up, entertain us, or help in any other way, we are very grateful and appreciate your hard work. A special thank you to Rick Street who cooked the pig for our festivities. Thank you also to everyone who came out to enjoy it!



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New Men's Group

New opportunities for study, encouragement and fellowship for men who are at least 21 years old are coming soon! Watch for information on the first gathering of GRACE IRON MEN.

Area Reformation Service

Please join the WELS churches of Tucson/Vail/Marana for the Area Reformation Service, celebrating the unity that we have in Christ and his Word. The service will be held at Grace-University on Sunday, November 4 at 3:00 PM. Our Reformation preacher is retired pastor and professor Joel Gerlach, who formerly served Grace and now lives in Milwaukee, WI. A dessert fellowship will be provided following worship. We hope you will join us!

This Week at Grace (10/14/12 - 10/21/12)

Grace—University

Grace—Vail

TODAY FRIENDS & FAMILY SUNDAY Worship Services	Bible Study & Discussion
NO Handbell Practice	Saturday Vail Canvassing Blitz Sunday Bible Study & Discussion Sunday School Worship Service "Meet & Greet" Fellowship
NO Women's Bible Study	Support the Lifeliners The Lifeliners, members of our higgroup, are selling Entertainment Coand Bible Verse Calendars (\$8 or 2 ftable in the Courtyard to make y proceeds support Lifeliner activities.
Adult Bible Studies: • The Life of Christ: Jesus' Miracles (Fellowship Hall) 9:00a	WELS TCM Bible Study Tonigh

Bible Study & Discussion Sunday School Worship Service "Meet & Greet" Fellowshipa	9:00a 10:00a
Monday Bible Study at Vail Golf Club: Book of Acts	9:30a
Wednesday NO Bible Study at the Prigges	
Thursday Financial Peace University at Cottonwood Elen	17:00p
Saturday Vail Canvassing Blitz	9:30a
Sunday Bible Study & Discussion Sunday School Worship Service "Meet & Greet" Fellowshipa	9:00a 10:00a

Support the Lifeliners

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

WELS TCM Bible Study Tonight

WELS Tucson Campus Ministry will be meeting tonight at 7:00 PM in the Student Center located in the Grace-University basement. The topic will be Does the Bible Contradict Itself? We invite all college students and others of approximately college age to join us.



WELS TCM Bible Study: Is Jesus a Republican?.....7:00p

Grace Pastors Serving in New Ways

Pastor Kassulke has been appointed by our AZ-CA District President to serve as the Circuit Pastor for our Saguaro Circuit (Tucson, Marana and Vail congregations). The circuit pastor serves as the "pastors' pastor" and he assists the District President in matters of doctrine and practice in the area. In addition, he conducts regular meetings of the pastors in the circuit for the purpose of study, business and fellowship.

Pastor Koehler stepped down from the position of Circuit Pastor because he was asked to begin serving on the AZ-CA District Mission Board (DMB). The DMB works with and encourages our district's mission congregations and their pastors. They also work to find new areas for our mission work to expand. The DMB is made up of laymen and pastors from our district, who each have pastors and mission congregations for whom they serve as "shepherds." Pastor Koehler will be joining Grace member Jesse Huggins who has been serving on the DMB for the last 12 years.