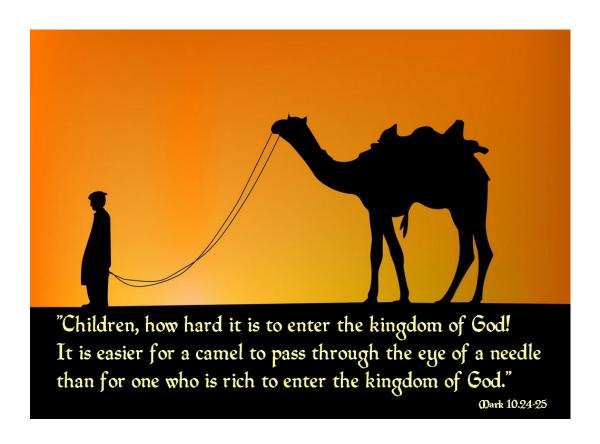
Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost



Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church October 21, 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

Eternal God and Father, keep us mindful of the shortness and frailty of this present life. Give us hearts of wisdom that we may cling in faith to Jesus, our Savior, and use the time of our pilgrimage on earth to serve him with joyful hearts, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. 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.

Dialogue

The Lutheran liturgies contain a series of dialogues between the worship leader and the assembled congregation, and between the congregation and God. The movements of the worship leader are significant; they point the direction of our worship. When the worship leader faces the altar, it signifies that the leader and congregation are speaking to God with prayers or praises. At other times when the leader faces the congregation he is acting as God's spokesman who brings God's word to God's people.

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 THE WORD

Christian Worship

PRESERVICE MUSIC:

Sara Band By G. F. Handel

WELCOME

HYMN

All Depends on Our Possessing

Christian Worship #421



5 If on earth my days he lengthen, He my weary soul will strengthen; All my trust in him I place. Earthly wealth is not abiding, Like a stream away is gliding; Safe I anchor in his grace.

STAND

INVOCATION

Minister: The grace of our Lord (+) Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship

of the Holy Spirit be with you.

Congregation: And also with you.

CONFESSION OF SINS

M: We have come into the presence of God, who created us to love and serve him as his dear children. But we have disobeyed him and deserve only his wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our sins to him and plead for his mercy.

C: Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from birth. In countless ways I have sinned against you and do not deserve to be called your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior, I pray: Have mercy on me according to your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin, and take away my guilt.

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 1 forgiveness.

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.

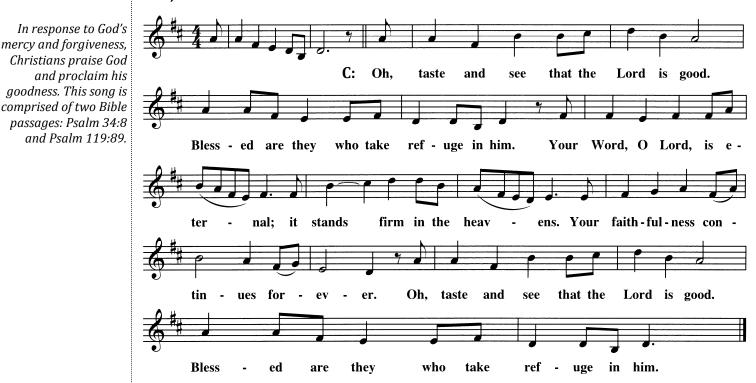
ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

- **M:** God, our heavenly Father, has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, he has removed your guilt forever. You are his own dear child. May god give you strength to live according to his will.
- C: Amen.

PRAYER AND PRAISE

M: In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.

OH, TASTE AND SEE



PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: Let us pray.

Grant, O merciful Lord, to your faithful people pardon and peace that they may be cleansed from all their sins and serve you with a quiet mind; 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

FIRST LESSON 2 Kings 5:14-27

So he went down and dipped himself in the Jordan seven times, as the man of God had told him, and his flesh was restored and became clean like that of a young boy. Then Naaman and all his attendants went back to the man of God. He stood before him and said, "Now I know that there is no God in all the world except in Israel. Please accept now a gift from your servant." The prophet answered, "As surely as the LORD lives, whom I serve, I will not accept a thing." And even though Naaman urged him, he refused. "If you will not," said Naaman, "please let me, your servant, be given as much earth as a pair of mules can carry, for your servant will never again make burnt offerings and sacrifices to any other god but the LORD. But may the LORD forgive your servant for this one thing: When my master enters the temple of Rimmon to bow down and he is leaning on my arm and I bow there also—when I bow down in the temple of Rimmon, may the LORD forgive your servant for this." "Go in peace," Elisha said. After Naaman had traveled some distance, Gehazi, the servant of Elisha the man of God, said to himself, "My master was too easy on Naaman, this Aramean, by not accepting from him what he brought. As surely as the LORD lives, I will run after him and get something from him." So Gehazi hurried after Naaman.

When Naaman saw him running toward him, he got down from the chariot to meet him. "Is everything all right?" he asked. "Everything is all right," Gehazi answered. "My master sent me to say, 'Two young men from the company of the prophets have just come to me from the hill country of Ephraim. Please give them a talent of silver and two sets of clothing." "By all means, take two talents," said Naaman. He urged Gehazi to accept them, and then tied up the two talents of silver in two bags, with two sets of clothing. He gave them to two of his servants, and they carried them ahead of Gehazi. When Gehazi came to the hill, he took the things from the servants and put them away in the house. He sent the men away and they left. Then he went in and stood before his master Elisha. "Where have you been, Gehazi?" Elisha asked. "Your servant didn't go anywhere." Gehazi answered. But Elisha said to him, "Was not my spirit with you when the man got down from his chariot to meet you? Is this the time to take money, or to accept clothes, olive groves, vineyards, flocks, herds, or menservants and maidservants? Naaman's leprosy will cling to you and to your descendants forever." Then Gehazi went from Elisha's presence and he was leprous, as white as snow. (NIV)

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.

PSALM 90

M: Lord, you have been our dwelling place

C: throughout all generations.

M: Before the mountains were born or you brought forth the earth and the world,

C: from everlasting to everlasting you are God.

M: For a thousand years in your sight are like a day that has just gone by,

C: or like a watch in the night.

M: You have set our iniquities before you,

C: our secret sins in the light of your presence.

M: You turn mortals back to dust.

C: You sweep them away in the sleep of death.

The Psalms of the Old Testament Scriptures were sung by God's people and became the first hymnbook of the Early Christian Church. **M:** The length of our days is seventy years—or eighty, if we have the strength;

C: yet their span is but trouble and sorrow.

M: Teach us to number our days aright,

C: that we may gain a heart of wisdom.

M: Satisfy us in the morning with you unfailing love,

C: that we may sing for joy and be glad all our days.

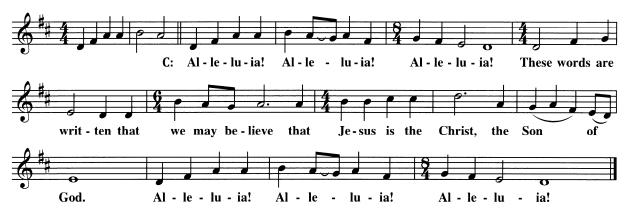
ALL: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

SECOND LESSON Hebrews 13:1-6

Keep on loving each other as brothers. Do not forget to entertain strangers, for by so doing some people have entertained angels without knowing it. Remember those in prison as if you were their fellow prisoners, and those who are mistreated as if you yourselves were suffering. Marriage should be honored by all, and the marriage bed kept pure, for God will

judge the adulterer and all the sexually immoral. Keep your lives free from the love of money and be content with what you have, because God has said, "Never will I leave you; never will I forsake you." So we say with confidence, "The Lord is my helper; I will not be afraid. What can man do to me?" (NIV)

VERSE OF THE DAY



Today's Verse of the Day

The Verse of the Day is a familiar or significant Scripture text framed

with alleluias.

is John 20:31.

STAND

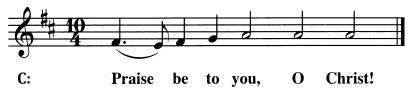
The congregation stands and sings a song of praise out of respect for the words of Christ, our King. GOSPEL Mark 10:17-27

As Jesus started on his way, a man ran up to him and fell on his knees before him. "Good teacher," he asked, "what must I do to inherit eternal life?" "Why do you call me good?" Jesus answered. "No one is good—except God alone. You know the commandments: 'Do not murder, do not commit adultery, do not steal, do not give false testimony, do not defraud, honor your father and mother." "Teacher," he declared, "all these I have kept since I was

a boy." Jesus looked at him and loved him. "One thing you lack," he said. "Go, sell everything you have and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven. Then come, follow me." At this the man's face fell. He went away sad, because he had great wealth. Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, "How hard it is for the rich to enter the kingdom of God!" The disciples were amazed at his words. But Jesus said again, "Children, how hard

it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God." The disciples were even more amazed, and said to each other, "Who then can be saved?" Jesus looked at them and said, "With man this is impossible, but not with God; all things are possible with God." (NIV)

After the Gospel, the congregation sings:



BE SEATED

HYMN OF THE DAY (see page 9)

Lord of Glory, You Have Bought Us Christian Worship #486

SERMON

Mark 10:17-27 God Asks Us To Do The Impossible

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

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

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.

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

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:

Good Christian, Men, Rejoice Arr. by David Johnson 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:** 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.

- **M:** We bring these requests before you in the name of 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.

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"Lead us not into temptation" God surely tempts no one to sin, but we pray in this petition that God would guard and keep us, so that the devil, the world, and our flesh may not deceive us or lead us into false belief, despair, and other great and shameful sins; and though we are tempted by them, we pray that we may overcome and win the victory.

God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending

Let All the People Praise You (page 96-97)



STAND

M: Almighty God, we thank you for teaching us the things you want us to believe and do. Help us by your Holy Spirit to keep your Word in pure hearts that we may be strengthened in faith, guided in holiness, and comforted in life and in death, 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 (see page 10)

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

Christian Worship #334

POSTLUDE

Oh Blest the Lord My Soul

Arr. by Theodore Beck

THOSE ASSISTING IN WORSHIP TODAY

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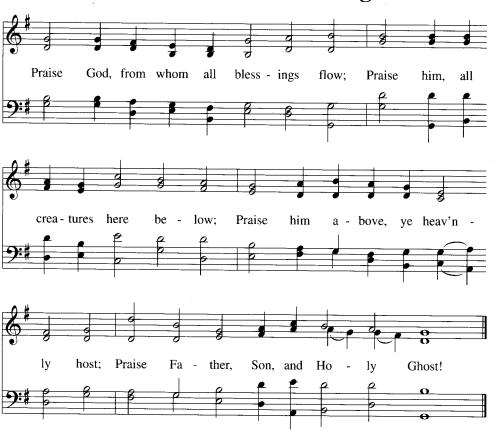
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Grace-Vail Announcements and Upcoming Events

Read Ahead for Next Sunday:

2 Chronicles 26:16-23 1 Corinthians 9:7-12, 19-23 Mark 10:35-45

You are invited

Thank you for joining us in worship this morning. We invited you to join us for a time of "meet and greet" after the service. Enjoy some coffee and cookies while you get to know those worshiping with you this morning.

Help with Take-Down and Clean-Up

If you have extra time following the service and would like to help break down the worship area and put equipment away, it would be appreciated. The more hands we have helping, the faster it gets done. Please speak with Pastor Rieke or Jason Watson (the guy working the sound table) if you have questions.

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.

Don't Settle For Less!

Who hasn't tried to get the best deal from time to time? Whether it's shopping for groceries or buying a house, we all like to get the best value for our money. In the book of Hebrews, God tells us not to settle for less *spiritually* either. Accepting anything other than Christ is just settling for less. Join us as we study the book of Hebrews and learn not to settle for less. Class is this Wednesday, October 24 at 7:00 PM at Eric and Julie Prigge's house (5391 S. Black Falls Dr). Sign up at the information table so we know how many to expect!

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!

Grace-University Announcements and Upcoming Events

Baptism

Luke Ryan Cole, son of Lori and Justin Cole, born on October 11, will be made a forgiven child of God through the Sacrament of Holy Baptism in 10:00 AM worship this morning at Grace-University.

Quarterly Offering Statements Available

Those who use the offering envelopes for their giving to the Lord will find a quarterly offering statement envelope with their name on it on the table in the Grace-University courtyard. Please pick yours up today. We would ask that you not pick up anyone's envelope but your own. Our computer software makes it very easy to generate these statements for you on a quarterly basis. We hope you'll appreciate the opportunity to check for any recording errors we may have made and perhaps use it to review your gifts of love to your Savior.

Singers Needed!

The Worship Choir is in need of more vocalists, especially altos. If you are interested in participating or have questions about choir, please contact Teri Guenther at 235-1177. The Worship Choir meets Thursdays at 6:30 PM in the Grace-University basement.



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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.

Roast Beef Dinner and Book Fair—November 9

We will have our annual Roast Beef Dinner Friday, November 9 from 4:30-6:00 PM in the Grace Fellowship Hall. This year we'll also be having a book fair along with the dinner. Books from Northwestern Publishing House (WELS) will be displayed. Order for yourself, for a friend or do a little Christmas shopping!

We definitely will need help with cooking, serving and clean-up. Sign-up sheets are available in the Fellowship Hall and on the worship table at Grace-Vail if you'd like to help or can bring a pie.

This Week at Grace (10/21/12 - 10/28/12)

TODAY

Grace—University

Grace—Vail

TODAY
Worship Services/Communion7:45 & 10:00a
Coffee Fellowship following both services
Children's Sunday School8:45a
Youth Confirmation Class8:45a
Lifeliners (High School Group): Bible Study9:00a
Adult Bible Studies:
• The Life of Christ: Jesus' Miracles (Fellowship Hall) 9:00a
WELS TCM Bible Study: Is Jesus a Republican?7:00p
Monday
English as a Second Language Classes6:30p
Tuesday
Handbell Practice5:30p
Council Meeting6:15p
English as a Second Language Classes6:30p
Wednesday
Midweek Bible Study: Church History10:00a
Wind Ensemble5:00p
Midweek Bible Study: Church History7:00p
Bible Study at the Prigges: Book of Hebrews7:00p
Thursday
Women's Bible Study: <i>Genesis</i>
Worship Choir6:30p
Grow in Grace Class (Conference Room in Office)7:30p
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Bible Study & Discussion
Monday Bible Study at Vail Golf Club: Book of Acts9:30a
Wednesday Bible Study at the Prigges: <i>Book of Hebrews</i> 7:00p
Thursday Financial Peace University at Cottonwood Elem 7:00p
Sunday9:00aBible Study & Discussion9:00aSunday School9:00aWorship Service10:00a"Meet & Greet" Fellowshipafter worship

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.

Redeemer Children Singing at Grace

Sunday, November 18, children from Redeemer, our local WELS elementary school, will be singing in the 10:00 AM worship service here at Grace. We currently have 11 children from Grace who attend Redeemer.

Upcoming Thanksgiving Worship Services

WELS TCM: Luther Reformation Movie6:00p

You are invited to a special <u>Thanksgiving Eve</u> worship service on Wednesday, November 21 at 7:00 PM at Grace-University. This is a perfect opportunity to invite a friend or family member to attend. Following worship, there will be a dessert fellowship in the Fellowship Hall and courtyard. Members are asked to bring a pie or dessert. Sign-up sheets will be available soon.

Grace-Vail will also be holding a special <u>Thanksgiving Day</u> service on Thursday, November 23 at 10:00 AM at Cottonwood Elementary (9950 E. Rees Loop). If you haven't been out to our second site, Thanksgiving morning might be the perfect opportunity to try it out and invite your friends and family members.

Christian Fellowship Group

The Christian Fellowship group will meet on Saturday, November 17 (note this is the <u>third</u> Saturday of the month) at noon at Cody's Beef 'n' Beans (2708 E Fort Lowell Rd) for a social lunch. The room is private, the food is great, and the fellowship is friendly. All are invited to join us. Please RSVP to Lauri Colton, 743-9246 by November 15. The Christian Fellowship Group provides people 55 and older with an opportunity to enjoy the company of others on a very informal basis.