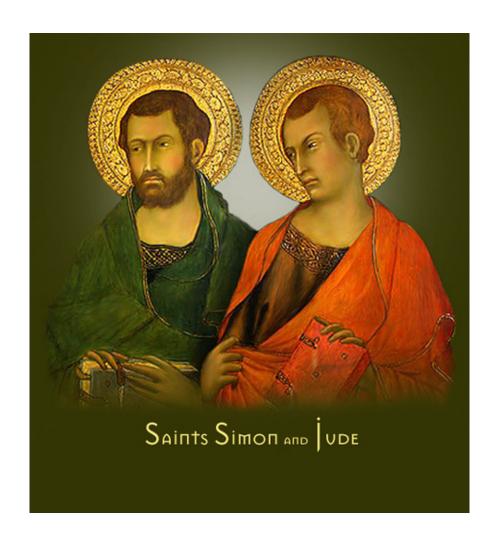
Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost



Grace Lutheran Church October 28, 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

Father, when your Son hung on the cross, he cried out to you in agony and grief. You gave him the strength to endure so that death might be destroyed and life restored. Have mercy on us all our days and preserve us in true faith unto life everlasting; through your Son, Jesus Christ 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

For All Your Saints, O Lord

Christian Worship #555



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: God invites us to come into his presence and worship him with humble and penitent hearts. Therefore, let us acknowledge our sinfulness and ask him to forgive us.

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.

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.

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.

PRESERVICE MUSIC—

Setting by Anne Krentz

On Eagles' Wings

Organ

1

PRAYER AND PRAISE

LORD, HAVE MERCY Kyrie

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.



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 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, O 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

M: Let us pray. O God, we thank you for the glorious company of the apostles and, especially for Saint Simon and Saint Jude. We pray that, as they were faithful and zealous in their mission, so may we with ardent devotion make known the love and mercy of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, 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 Jeremiah 26:7-16

The priests, the prophets and all the people heard Jeremiah speak these words in the house of the LORD. But as soon as Ieremiah finished telling all the people everything the LORD had commanded him to say, the priests, the prophets and all the people seized him and said, "You must die! Why do you prophesy in the LORD's name that this house will be like Shiloh and this city will be desolate and deserted?" And all the people crowded around Jeremiah in the house of the LORD. When the officials of Judah heard about these things, they went up from the royal palace to the house of the LORD and took their places at the entrance of the New Gate of the LORD's house. Then the priests and the prophets said to the officials and all the people, "This man should be sentenced to death because he has prophesied against this city. You have heard it with your own ears!" Then Ieremiah said to all the officials and all the people: "The LORD sent me to prophesy against this house and this city all the things you have heard. Now reform your ways and your actions and obey the LORD your God. Then the LORD will relent and not bring the disaster he has pronounced against you. As for me, I am in your hands; do with me whatever you think is good and right. Be assured, however, that if you put me to death, you will bring the guilt of innocent blood on yourselves and on this city and on those who live in it, for in truth the LORD has sent me to you to speak all these words in your hearing." Then the officials and all the people said to the priests and the prophets, "This man should not be sentenced to death! He has spoken to us in the name of the LORD our God." (NIV)

SECOND LESSON Jude 1-4, 17-23

Jude, a servant of Jesus Christ and a brother of James, To those who have been called, who are loved by God the Father and kept by Jesus Christ: Mercy, peace and love be yours in abundance. Dear friends, although I was very eager to write to you about the salvation we share, I felt I had to write and urge you to contend for the faith that was once for all entrusted to the saints. For certain men whose condemnation was written about long ago have secretly slipped in among you. They are godless men, who change the grace of our God into a license for immorality and deny Jesus Christ our only Sovereign and Lord.

But, dear friends, remember what the apostles of our Lord Jesus Christ foretold. They said to you, "In the last times there will be scoffers who will follow their own ungodly desires." These are the men who divide you, who follow mere natural instincts and do not have the Spirit.But you, dear friends, build yourselves up in your most holy faith and pray in the Holy Spirit. Keep yourselves in God's love as you wait for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ to bring you to eternal life. Be merciful to those who doubt: snatch others from the fire and save them: to others show mercy, mixed with fearhating even the clothing stained by corrupted flesh. (NIV)

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

VERSE OF THE DAY John 15:16a

M: Alleluia. You did not choose me, but I chose you to go and bear fruit. Alleluia.

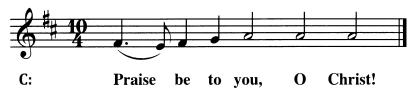
GOSPEL John 14:21-27

Whoever has my commands and obeys them, he is the one who loves me. He who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I too will love him and show myself to him." Then Judas (not Judas Iscariot) said, "But, Lord, why do you intend to show yourself to us and not to the world?" Jesus replied, "If anyone loves me, he will obey my teaching. My Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our home with him. He who does not love me will

not obey my teaching. These words you hear are not my own; they belong to the Father who sent me. All this I have spoken while still with you. But the Counselor, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you all things and will remind you of everything I have said to you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid." (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

HYMN OF THE DAY

By All Your Saints Still Striving Christian Worship #552 st. 1, 2, 3



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

The Nicene Creed was first developed in 325 at

Nicea. It was written to reaffirm the Biblical

teaching of the divinity

of Jesus, God's Son. Like

confession of what the

the Apostles' and Athanasian Creeds, the

Nicene Creed is a

Bible teaches.

the First Council of

SERMON Jude 1-4, 17-23

Be a Contender, not a Pretender!

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.

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.

OFFERTORY MUSIC— Sing With all the Saints in Glory CWS #776 **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.

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: Strengthen us through this heavenly food; increase our trust in Christ and our love for one another.
- **M:** Great God and Lord, without your continuing help we easily waver in our faith, lose courage, and grow careless in our watchfulness. The times and days are perilous. Give us strength to face the evils of each day with fresh confidence. Open our lips to speak of your grace, and move us to use the gifts that you give us to share your Word of salvation with all people. Protect and prosper the family, the school, the government, and all good institutions that you have established for the benefit of society. Remember in mercy those who are sick and suffering, and bring your healing to troubled homes and lives.
- C: Move us to pray for those in need and to help them with deeds of kindness.

Special prayers and intercessions may follow.

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

Silent prayer.

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

C: Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

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

THE SACRAMENT

M: The Lord be with you.



M: Lift up your hearts.



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

"But deliver us from evil" In conclusion, we pray in this petition that our Father in heaven would deliver us from every evil that threatens body and soul, property and reputation, and finally when our last hour comes, grant us a blessed end and graciously take us from this world of sorrow to himself in heaven.

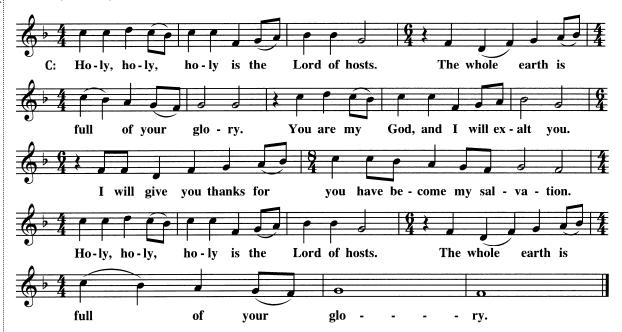


C: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

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.

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY—Sanctus



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."

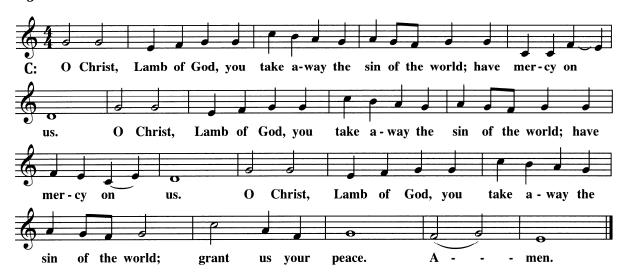
Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

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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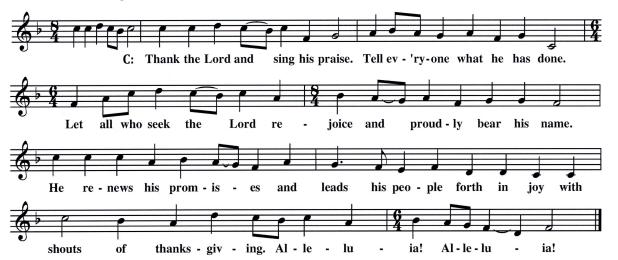
DISTRIBUTION

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.

STAND

THANK THE LORD



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 (see page 11)

Almighty Father, Bless the Word

Christian Worship #323

POSTLUDE

Savior, Again to Thy Dear Name *Arr. by Valerie Floeter*

THOSE ASSISTING IN WORSHIP TODAY

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Worshiping at 9950 E. Rees Loop Tucson, AZ 85747 9:00 AM—Bible Class & Sunday School 10:00 AM—Worship Service

Phone: 343-9881 Pastor:

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Grace-Vail Announcements and Upcoming Events

Read Ahead for Next Sunday:

Daniel 3:16-28 Revelation 14:6, 7 Mark 13:5-11

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.

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 next 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!



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!

Grace-University Announcements and Upcoming Events

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. For those worshiping at Grace-Vail, Pastor Rieke has your statement. 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.

Thrivent Thank You and Chapter Elections

Grace would like to thank Thrivent Financial for Lutherans for donating pens to Grace. We also would like to thank the Saguaro chapter of Thrivent who also supports our ESL program. For our Thrivent members, the chapter elections will be held <u>next Sunday</u>, <u>November 4 at Grace-University</u>. The chapter needs volunteers for several positions in order to keep their funding. The positions are Vice President, Director of Congregational Advocates, Communications Director and Assistant Financial Director. If anyone is interested in one of these positions they can write their name in on the ballot. Call Deb Sloyan if you have any questions at 622-5116.



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Upcoming Thanksgiving Worship Services

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 22 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.

You will find business card sized invitations for our Thanksgiving services at the Grace-University exits, in the Fellowship Hall, and on the Grace-Vail welcome table.



New Men's Group

The first meeting of GRACE IRON MEN will be on Monday, November 12 at 6:00 PM in the Grace Fellowship Hall. Men 21 years of age and older are invited to participate in this first gathering, GRIDIRON MONDAY. Meet with your brothers in Christ for Monday Night Football and Pizza. \$5 to help with costs would be very much appreciated. GRACE IRON MEN will offer new opportunities for study, encouragement and fellowship throughout the year.

This Week at Grace (10/28/12 - 11/4/12)

TODAY

Grace—University

Grace—Vail

TODAY Worship Services
Children's Sunday School8:45a
Youth Confirmation Class 8:45a
Lifeliners (High School Group): <i>Bible Study</i> 9:00a Adult Bible Study:
 The Life of Christ: Jesus' Miracles (Fellowship Hall) 9:00a
WELS TCM: Luther Reformation Movie6:00p
Monday
English as a Second Language Classes6:30p
Tuesday
Handbell Practice5:30p
English as a Second Language Classes6:30p
Wednesday Midweek Bible Study: Church History10:00a Midweek Bible Study: Church History7:00p
Thursday
Women's Bible Study: Genesis9:00a
Wind Ensemble5:00p
Boy & Girl Pioneers6:30p
Grow in Grace Class (Conference Room in Office)7:30p
Saturday
Reformation Rehearsal9:30a
Sunday REFORMATION SUNDAY Worship Services / Communication 7:45 & 10:000
Worship Services/Communion7:45 & 10:00a Coffee Fellowship following both services
Children's Sunday School8:45a
Youth Confirmation Class
Lifeliners (High School Group): Bible Study9:00a
Adult Bible Study:

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Area Reformation Service at Grace3:00p

NO WELS Tucson Campus Ministry.....

Bible Study & Discussion	9:00a 10:00a
Monday Bible Study at Vail Golf Club: Book of Acts	9:30a
Wednesday Bible Study at the Prigges: Book of Hebrews	7:00p
Thursday Financial Peace University at Cottonwood Elem	7:00p
Sunday REFORMATION SUNDAY Bible Study & Discussion	9:00a 10:00a

Donations Needed

On November 15, a trip will be made to take donated items to our Apache believers in San Carlos, Peridot, and Bylas. Please consider donating your gently used clothing (all ages, coats too), toys, children's books, and Basha's and Walmart Scrip cards. We want to fill the trailer! Call Russ & Sandy Weir (795-0062), Bill & Dorothy Rauh (296-8840), Cinda Drescher or Geri DeRosa (615-6059) if you have questions or need help unloading your donations.

Redeemer Pastor Installation

Redeemer Lutheran, our sister church in Tucson, will be installing Pastor Adam Mueller in a special worship service on Sunday, November 25 at 3:00 PM. Everyone is welcome to attend.

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.

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.