

Ninth Sunday after Pentecost



Grace Lutheran Church
July 29, 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

www.GraceTucsonWELS.com

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

Lord Jesus Christ, Shepherd of the Church, in the waters of baptism you have given us new life and at your table you nourish us with the food of salvation. Lead us along safe paths through the darkness of this world, dispel the terrors of death, and bring us at last to your house, where you dwell with the Father 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.

PRESERVICE MUSIC

SERVICE OF THE WORD

Christian Worship

WELCOME

HYMN

To Your Temple I Draw Near

Christian Worship #226



1 To your tem - ple I draw near; Lord, I love to wor - ship here.
2 I through Christ am rec - on - ciled; I through Christ be - come your child.
3 While your glo - rious praise is sung, Touch my lips, un - loose my tongue,
4 While the prayers of saints as - cend, God of love, to mine at - tend.



Here are sac - ra - ment and Word; Here be - liev - ers meet their Lord.
Ab - ba, Fa - ther, give me grace In your courts to seek your face.
That my joy - ful soul may bless Christ the Lord, my right - eous - ness.
Hear me, for your Spir - it pleads; Hear, for Je - sus in - ter - cedes.

5 While I listen to your law,
Fill my soul with holy awe
Till your gospel brings to me
Life and immortality.

6 While your ministers proclaim
Peace and pardon in your name,
Through their voice, by faith, may I
Hear you speaking from the sky.

7 From your house, when I return,
May my heart within me burn,
And at evening let me say,
"I have walked with God today."

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 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.

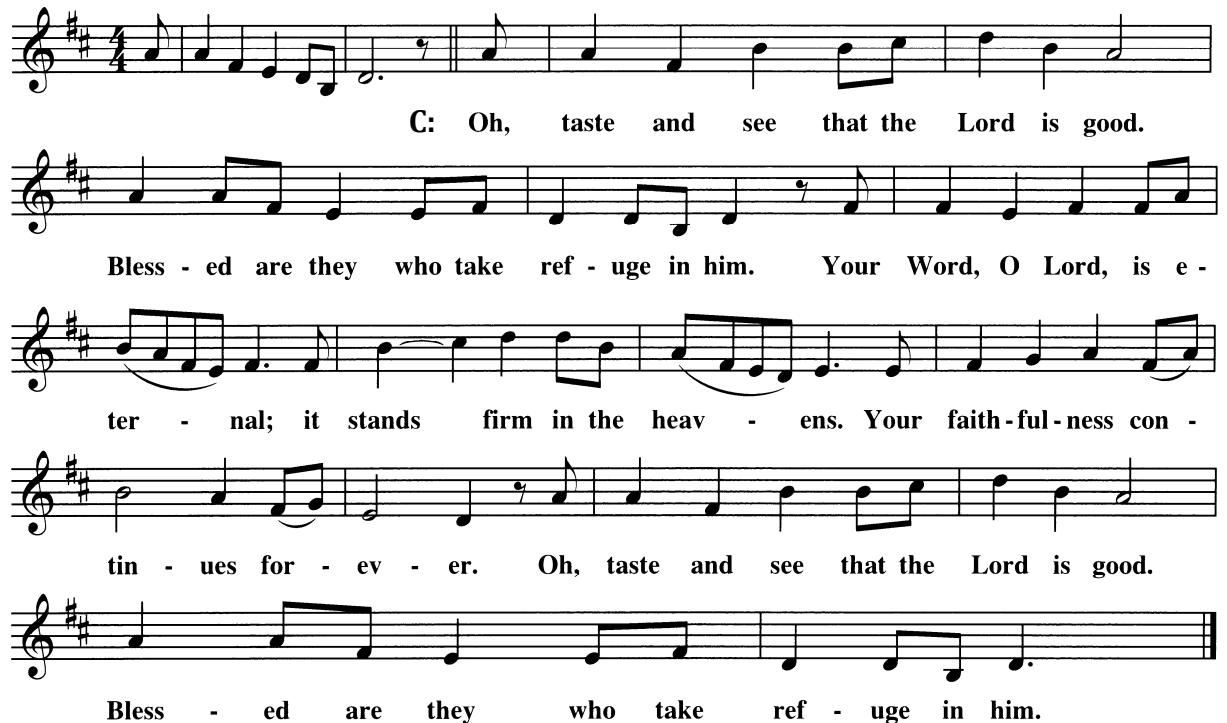
C: Amen.

PRAYER AND PRAISE

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

OH, TASTE AND SEE

In response to God's mercy and forgiveness, Christians praise God and proclaim his goodness. This song is comprised of two Bible passages: Psalm 34:8 and Psalm 119:89.



C: Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good.

Bless - ed are they who take ref - uge in him. Your Word, O Lord, is e -

ter - nal; it stands firm in the heav - ens. Your faith - ful - ness con -

tin - ues for - ev - er. Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good.

Bless - ed are they who take ref - uge in him.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: Let us pray. Grant us, Lord, the spirit to think and do what is right that we, who cannot do anything that is good without you, may by your help be enabled to live according to your will; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C: A - men.

BE SEATED

WE READ FROM SCRIPTURE

FIRST LESSON

Numbers 27:12-23

Then the LORD said to Moses, "Go up this mountain in the Abarim range and see the land I have given the Israelites. After you have seen it, you too will be gathered to your people, as your brother Aaron was, for when the community rebelled at the waters in the Desert of Zin, both of you disobeyed my command to honor me as holy before their eyes." (These were the waters of Meribah Kadesh, in the Desert of Zin.) Moses said to the LORD, "May the LORD, the God of the spirits of all mankind, appoint a man over this community to go out and come in before them, one who will lead them out and bring them in, so the LORD's people will not be like sheep without a shepherd." So the LORD said to Moses, "Take Joshua son of Nun, a man in

whom is the spirit, and lay your hand on him. Have him stand before Eleazar the priest and the entire assembly and commission him in their presence. Give him some of your authority so the whole Israelite community will obey him. He is to stand before Eleazar the priest, who will obtain decisions for him by inquiring of the Urim before the LORD. At his command he and the entire community of the Israelites will go out, and at his command they will come in." Moses did as the LORD commanded him. He took Joshua and had him stand before Eleazar the priest and the whole assembly. Then he laid his hands on him and commissioned him, as the LORD instructed through Moses.

"And we also thank God continually because, when you received the word of God, which you heard from us, you accepted it not as the word of men, but as it actually is, the word of God, which is at work in you who believe."

-1 Thessalonians 2:13

PSALM 23

M: The LORD is my shepherd,

C: **I shall not be in want.**

M: He makes me lie down in green pastures;

C: **he leads me beside quiet waters.**

M: He restores my soul;

C: **he guides me in paths of righteousness for his name's sake.**

M: Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil,

C: **for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.**

M: You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies.

C: **You anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.**

M: Surely goodness and love will follow me all the days of my life,

C: **and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.**

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 13:7, 8, 17-21

Remember your leaders, who spoke the word of God to you. Consider the outcome of their way of life and imitate their faith. Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever.

Obey your leaders and submit to their authority. They keep watch over you as men who must give an account. Obey them so that their work will be a joy, not a burden, for that would be of no advantage to you. Pray for us. We are sure that we

have a clear conscience and desire to live honorably in every way. I particularly urge you to pray so that I may be restored to you soon. May the God of peace, who through the blood of the eternal covenant brought back from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great Shepherd of the sheep, equip you with everything good for doing his will, and may he work in us what is pleasing to him, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

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.



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!

STAND

GOSPEL

Mark 6:30-34

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

The apostles gathered around Jesus and reported to him all they had done and taught. Then, because so many people were coming and going that they did not even have a chance to eat, he said to them, "Come with me by yourselves to a quiet place and get some rest." So they went away by themselves in a boat to a

solitary place. But many who saw them leaving recognized them and ran on foot from all the towns and got there ahead of them. When Jesus landed and saw a large crowd, he had compassion on them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd. So he began teaching them many things.

After the Gospel, the congregation sings:



C: Praise be to you, O Christ!

BE SEATED

HYMN OF THE DAY

Speak, O Savior; I Am Listening Christian Worship #283



1 Speak, O Sav - ior; I am lis - t'ning, As a ser - vant
2 Oh, what bless - ing to be near you And to lis - ten
3 Lord, your words are wa - ters liv - ing Where I quench my
4 As I pray, dear Je - sus, hear me; Let your words in

to his lord. Let me show re - spect and hon - or
to your voice! Let me ev - er love and fear you;
thirst - y needs. Lord, your words are bread life - giv - ing;
me take root. May your Spir - it e'er be near me

To your ho - ly, pre - cious Word, That each day, my
Let your Word still be my choice. Man - y hard - ened
On your words my spir - it feeds. Lord, your words will
That I bear a - bun - dant fruit. May I dai - ly

whole life through, I may serve and fol - low you. Let your
sin - ners, Lord, Flee in ter - ror at your Word, But to
be my light Through death's cold and drear - y night; Yes, they
sing your praise, From my heart glad an - thems raise, Till my

Word e'er be my plea - sure And my heart's most pre - cious trea - sure.
all who feel sin's bur - den You give peace and words of par - don.
are my sword pre - vail - ing And my cup of joy un - fail - ing.
high - est praise is giv - en In the end - less joy of heav - en.

SERMON

Mark 6:30-34 Come Find Rest in Jesus

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

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.

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.

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: 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.

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."

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.**

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.

BE SEATED

HYMN (see page 9)

In Christ Alone
Christian Worship Supplement #752

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.



C: A - men.

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.

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



C: A - men. A - men. A - men.

BE SEATED

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CLOSING HYMN

God Be with You till We Meet Again

Christian Worship #327

*Written in 1882 as a
Christian good-bye,
written for no person or
occasion, but was
deliberately composed
as a Christian hymn on
the basis of the
etymology of "good
bye," which is "God be
with you."*

1 God be with you till we meet a-gain, By his coun-sels guide, up-hold you,
2 God be with you till we meet a-gain, 'Neath his wings pro- tect-ing hide you,

With his sheep se-cure-ly fold you — God be with you till we meet a-gain.
Dai - ly man-na still pro- vide you — God be with you till we meet a-gain.

Refrain

Till we meet, Till we meet, Till we meet at Je - sus' feet.

Till we meet, Till we meet — God be with you till we meet a - gain.

THOSE ASSISTING IN WORSHIP TODAY

Worship Leader.....Pastor Colin Rieke
Accompanist.....Elaine Goldie
Sound Technician.....Jason Watson

1 In Christ a - lone my hope is found.
 2 In Christ a - lone— who took on flesh,
 3 There in the ground his bod - y lay,
 4 No guilt in life, no fear in death,

He is my light, my strength, my song;
 Full - ness of God in help - less babe.
 Light of the world by dark - ness slain;
 This is the pow'r of Christ in me;

This cor - ner - stone, this sol - id ground,
 This gift of love and right - eous - ness,
 Then burst - ing forth in glo - rious day
 From life's first cry to fi - nal breath,

Firm through the fierc - est drought and storm.
 Scorned by the ones he came to save.
 Up from the grave he rose a - gain!
 Je - sus com - mands my des - tin - y.

What heights of love, what depths of peace,
 Till on that cross, as Je - sus died,
 And as he stands in vic - tor - y,
 No pow'r of hell, no scheme of man

When fears are stilled, when striv - ings cease!
 The wrath of God was sat - is - fied;
 Sin's curse has lost its grip on me.
 Can ev - er pluck me from his hand;

My Com - for - ter, my all in all,
 For ev - 'ry sin on him was laid.
 For I am his and he is mine—
 Till he re - turns or calls me home,

(Fine)

Here in the love of Christ I stand.
 Here in the death of Christ I live.
 Bought with the pre - cious blood of Christ.
 Here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand.

Tune: In Christ Alone
 (88 88 D)

Text, Tune: Keith Getty, b.
 1974 and Stuart Townen, b.
 1963 © 2002 Thankyou
 Music; admin. EMI CMG
 Publishing. International
 copyright secured. All rights
 reserved. Reprinted under
 CCLI #3095236.



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:

Colin M. Rieke
revcmr@gracetucsonwels.com

Grace-Vail Announcements and Upcoming Events

Read Ahead for Next Sunday:

2 Kings 4:42-44
2 Corinthians 9:8-11
John 6:1-15

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 worshipping with you this morning.

Help with Tear-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.

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!

Grace-University Announcements and Upcoming Events



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 at Grace-University.

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

**830 N. First Avenue
Tucson, AZ 85719**

Phone: 623-6633

Fax: 623-1514

Administrative Assistant:

Cora Kosanke
office@gracetucsonwels.com

Pastors:

Ronald G. Koehler III
revrgk3@gracetucsonwels.com

Nathan P. Kassulke
revnpk@gracetucsonwels.com

Samuel M. Clemons
revsmc@gracetucsonwels.com

Counselor:

Cinda Drescher
cinda@gracetucsonwels.com

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 (1st and 2nd grades and Special Education) and two new Martin Luther College graduates, Miss Jessica Seiltz (3rd and 4th 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.*

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.

This Week at Grace (7/29/12 - 8/5/12)

Grace—University

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

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
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
Teacher Installation Service at Redeemer 3:00p

Grace—Vail

TODAY

Bible Study & Discussion 9:00a
Worship Service 10:00a
"Meet & Greet" Fellowship after worship

Monday

Bible Study at Del Lago Golf Club: *Book of Acts*..... 9:30a

Sunday

Bible Study & Discussion 9:00a
Worship Service 10:00a
"Meet & Greet" Fellowship after worship

facebook



www.facebook.com/GraceTucsonWELS

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 Grace-University church property. 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. You may also call Diane Kramm if you have any questions at 440-8564.

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! *The Christian Fellowship Group provides people 55 and older with an opportunity to enjoy the company of others on a very informal basis.*

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.

