

Saints Triumphant

Third Sunday of End Time



Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church
November 18, 2012





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

We are very pleased that you have joined us for worship today at Grace-University! We pray that this time will be a blessing for you as God comes to you with his Word and promises and as you offer him your thanks and praise.

Worship Notes

The **order of service** we follow is printed out in this worship folder. You'll notice that the service is a dialogue between God and us, his people. The pastor speaks to God along with the congregation and also speaks the Word of God to the people.

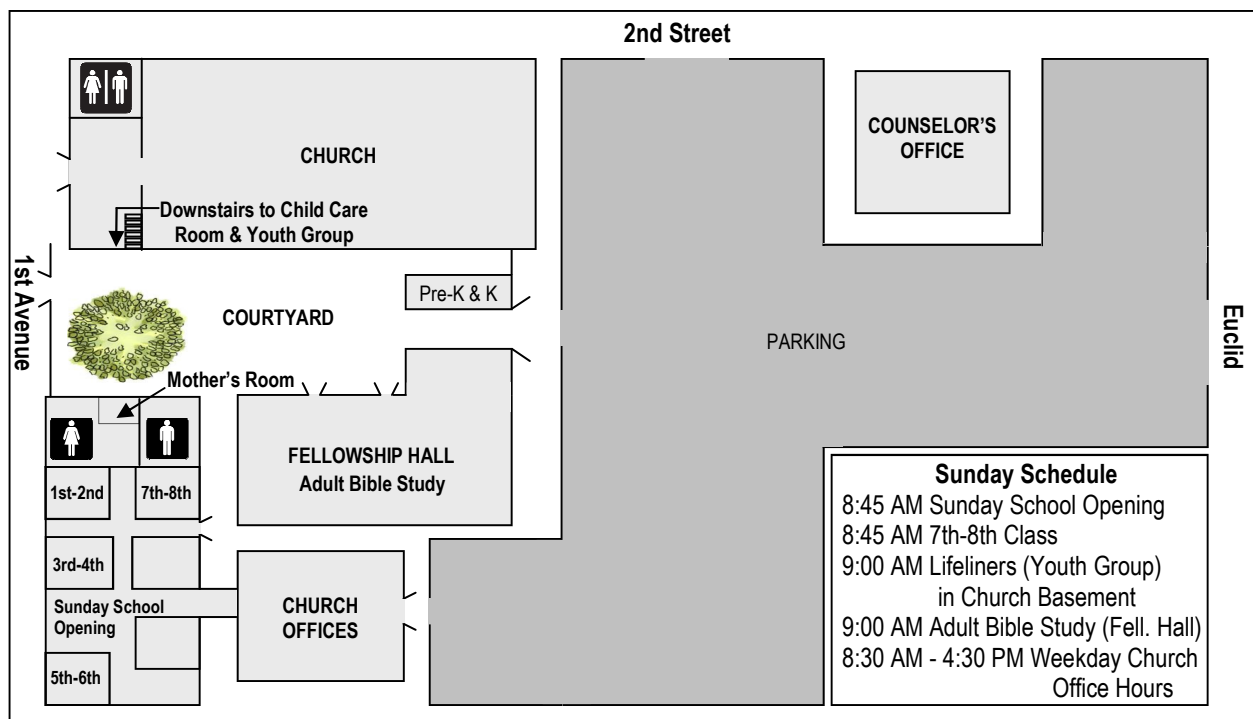
Hymns are found in our hymnal, *Christian Worship*, which is the red book in the pew rack in front of you.

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

We believe that many blessings come from having families worship together and we love to have **children in worship!** If you need to calm a restless child, you may:

- stand for a few moments in the entryway, sometimes that's all that's needed
- go down the stairs to the left in the entryway—they will lead down to the Child Care Room where you will still be able to hear the service
- visit the private Mother's Room across the courtyard in the women's restroom—you will be able to hear the service there also

Printed copies of the sermon are available in the entryway along with CDs of the entire worship service for those who would like to review or take to a friend or family member. You may also find sermons and services in print, audio and video on our website: www.GraceTucsonWELS.com



DIVINE SERVICE I

Christian Worship Supplement

REDEEMER SCHOOL CHILDREN (10:00 AM)

There is a higher throne than all this world has known,
Where faithful ones from ev'ry tongue will one day come.
Before the Son we'll stand, made faultless through the Lamb;
Believing hearts find promised grace; salvation comes.

Refrain:

Hear heaven's voices sing; their thund'rous anthem rings.
Through em'rald courts and sapphire skies their praises rise.
All glory, wisdom, pow'r, strength, thanks, and honor are
To God our King who reigns on high forevermore.

And there we'll find our home, our life before the throne.
We'll honor him in perfect song where we belong.
He'll wipe each tear-stained eye as thirst and hunger die.
The Lamb becomes our Shepherd-King; we'll reign with him.

Refrain

WELCOME

HYMN

O'er the Distant Mountains Breaking
Christian Worship #220

Please stand

Minister: In the name of the Father and of the Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit.
Congregation: Amen.

CONFESSION OF SINS

M: Beloved in the Lord: let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

C: 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.

LORD, HAVE MERCY

Kyrie



PRESERVICE:

7:45 AM—
For All the Saints
Arr. by Cindy Berry

10:00 AM—
Blessed Are They
Setting by Anne
Krentz Organ

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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.

- 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

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

The vocalists will sing the verses, the congregation may join in the refrains.

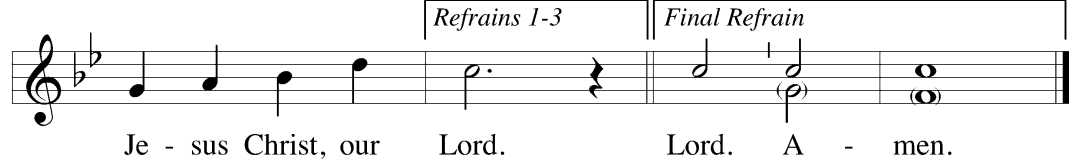
Thanks Be to God!

Refrain



Thanks be to God! He gives us the vic - to - ry through

Refrains 1-3 | *Final Refrain*



Je - sus Christ, our Lord. Lord. A - men.

- 1 Blessed are they who washed their robes
and have made them white in the blood of the Lamb.
They are before the throne of God and serve him,
and serve him day and night in his temple.

Refrain

- 2 Never will they hunger or thirst;
the sun will not beat upon them,
For the Lamb will be their shepherd;
he will lead them to springs of living water.

Refrain

- 3 Blessed are they who washed their robes
and have made them white in the blood of the Lamb.
He who sits on the throne will spread his tent over them,
and then their God will wipe away ev'ry tear from their eyes.

Final Refrain

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Text (verses): Revelation 7:14-17, alt.
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PRAYER OF THE DAY

- M: The Lord be with you.
- C: And also with you.

M: Let us pray.

Almighty God and Savior, you have set the final day and hour when we shall be delivered from this world of sin and death. Keep us ever watchful for the coming of your Son that we may sit with him and all your holy ones at the marriage feast in heaven; through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

Please be seated

THE WORD

FIRST LESSON

Daniel 12:1-3

At that time Michael, the great prince who protects your people, will arise. There will be a time of distress such as has not happened from the beginning of nations until then. But at that time your people—everyone whose name is found written in the book—will be delivered. Multitudes who sleep in the

dust of the earth will awake: some to everlasting life, others to shame and everlasting contempt. Those who are wise will shine like the brightness of the heavens, and those who lead many to righteousness, like the stars for ever and ever. (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 OF THE DAY

PSALM 118

Refrain

This is the day that the Lord has made; let us re-joyce,
let us re-joyce and be glad in it.

*Refrain text: Psalm 118:24.
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The choir will sing the verses, the congregation may join in the refrains.

SECOND LESSON

1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

Brothers, we do not want you to be ignorant about those who fall asleep, or to grieve like the rest of men, who have no hope. We believe that Jesus died and rose again and so we believe that God will bring with Jesus those who have fallen asleep in him. According to the Lord's own word, we tell you that we who are still alive, who are left till the coming of the Lord, will certainly not precede those who have fallen asleep. For the Lord

himself will come down from heaven, with a loud command, with the voice of the archangel and with the trumpet call of God, and the dead in Christ will rise first. After that, we who are still alive and are left will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. And so we will be with the Lord forever. Therefore encourage each other with these words. (NIV)

VERSE OF THE DAY

Revelation 7:15a

M: Alleluia. They are before the throne of God and serve him day and night in his temple. Alleluia.

Words by Lynn Shaw
Bailey
Setting by Lynn
Shaw Bailey and
Becki Slagle Mayo

WORSHIP CHOIR (10:00 AM)

From Generation to Generation
with O God, Our Help in Ages Past

Reading (from Psalms):

From generation to generation, God's faithfulness endures. The Lord is my Shepherd, I have all that I need. The counsel of the Lord stands firm. God's promises last from generation to generation. Tell it to your children and let your children tell it to their children, and their children to the next generation. Your Word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path. Lord, you have been our dwelling place throughout all generations. God, you have made us. We are your people, the sheep of your pasture. We will praise you forever. Give thanks to the Lord, for the Lord is good, and the love of God endures forever. Surely goodness and mercy will follow me all the days of my life. You, O Lord, reign forever, and your faithfulness continues from generation to generation to generation. Surely goodness and mercy will follow me all the days of my life. And we will dwell in the house of the Lord forever, together.

From father to daughter, from mother to son, God's story of love is passed on.
From hearts of the faithful, the truth of God's Word has been made known.

From generation to ev'ry generation, we have heard the story.
From ages past to days that come at last, we find hope in God's grace and glory.
God's faithfulness will always endure, God's love is sure.

The saints of the ages have answered the call. God's story of love has been told.
The gift of salvation is given for all, both young and old.

O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come,
Our shelter from the stormy blast, and our eternal home.

From generation to ev'ry generation, we have heard the story.
From ages past to days that come at last, we find hope in God's grace and glory.
God's faithfulness will always endure, God's love is sure.

Please stand

GOSPEL

Mark 13:24-27

After the announcement of the Gospel, the congregation sings:



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

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“But in those days, following that distress, ‘the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light; the stars will fall from the sky, and the heavenly bodies will be shaken.’ At that time men will see the

Son of Man coming in clouds with great power and glory. And he will send his angels and gather his elect from the four winds, from the ends of the earth to the ends of the heavens.” (NIV)

After the Gospel, the congregation sings:



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.

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.

Please be seated

HYMN OF THE DAY

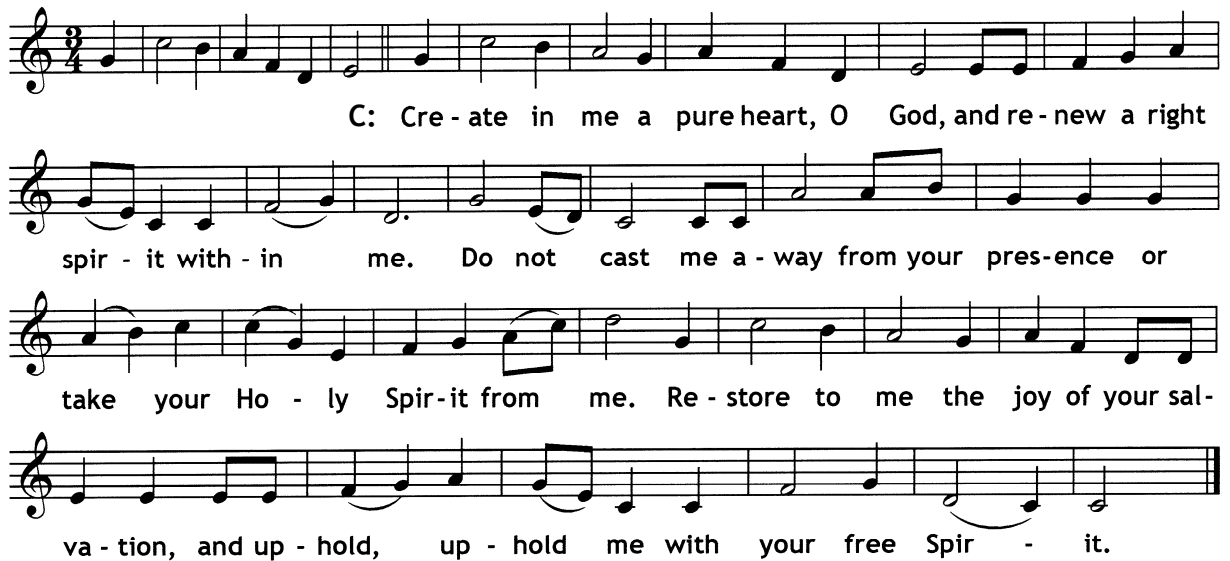
The Day Is Surely Drawing Near
Christian Worship #207

SERMON

Mark 13:24-27
THEY'RE COMING FOR YOU!

Please stand

After the sermon, please join in singing the response below:



C: Cre - ate in me a pure heart, O God, and re - new a right
spir - it with - in me. Do not cast me a - way from your pres - ence or
take your Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re - store to me the joy of your sal -
va - tion, and up - hold, up - hold me with your free Spir - it.

Please be seated



If you prefer, use your smart phone to give online by scanning this QR code.

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

(7:45 AM)

Lord, When Your Glory I Shall See
Christian Worship #219

(10:00 AM)

Lord, When Your Glory I Shall See
Arranged by Koiné

Please stand

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH—SAINTS TRIUMPHANT

M: Lord of eternity and King of saints, all the heavens adore you. Saints and angels sing before you.

C: We too join them to praise your majesty.

M: You clothe us with garments of splendor. You bless us with grace and mercy in this life and eternal glory forever. What undeserved love you show us!

C: We thank you, Lord, that you have made us your saints.

M: Encourage us by your gracious promises. Forgive our failures to live as you desire. Strengthen the faith of all who are weak and wandering.

C: Give us power to live as your faithful people.

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:** Your saints will triumph forever in new heavens and a new earth. The sound of weeping and crying will be heard no more. We anticipate with joy an eternity of perfect fellowship with you.
- C:** **Be with us as we work and witness for Christ, so that many more people can join us before your throne.**

Special prayers and intercessions may follow.

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

Silent prayer.

- M:** Lord of life, the day is coming when you will come down from heaven with the voice of the archangel and the trumpet call of God. On that glorious day, the saints triumphant will rise in bright array, clothed in your perfect righteousness.
- C:** **Give us strength until that day when we will share fully in the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. 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.

7:45 AM - Please continue on page 9 with the Words of Institution.

THE SACRAMENT

PREFACE

M: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

M: Lift up your hearts.

C: **We lift them up to the Lord.**

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

C: **It is good and right so to do.**


M: It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who preserves his Church to the end of time when he will come again as king to judge all people and take his own to glory. Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:

This ancient
worship song is
based on songs of
praise recorded in
Isaiah 6 and Psalm
118.

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

Sanctus

Please join in singing the response below following a brief introduction:



C: Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er, God of might:
heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho-san - na in the high -
est. Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san -
na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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.

C: Amen.

O CHRIST, LAMB OF GOD

Agnus Dei

Please join in singing the response below following a brief introduction:



C: O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have
mer - cy on us. O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sin of the world; have mer - cy on us. O Christ, Lamb of

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.



Please be seated

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 one of our pastors 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.

DISTRIBUTION MUSIC (10:00 AM)

Be Still My Soul
Piano: Sarah Oberhofer

DISTRIBUTION HYMN (10:00 AM)

Draw Near and Take the Body of the Lord
Christian Worship #309

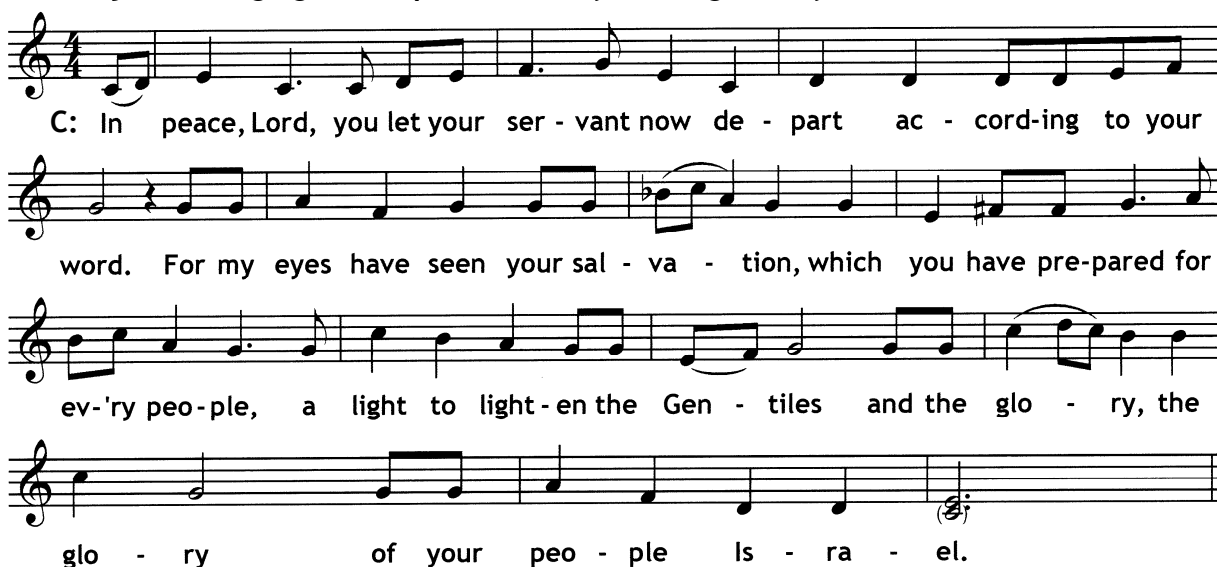
Please stand

THANKSGIVING

SONG OF SIMEON

Nunc Dimittis

Please join in singing the response below following a brief introduction:



We provide **gluten-free communion wafers** for those with wheat allergy, gluten-sensitivity or celiac disease. These wafers are stored and handled separately to avoid cross-contamination. They are "bread" as Scripture requires and are consecrated along with the rest of the bread. For those requiring gluten-free wafers, please take one from the container on the stand located at the front rail as you approach for communion. Simply hold it so that the pastor can see it at the time of distribution.

Grape juice is available for those who for health or medical reason require it instead of wine. Please speak with a pastor about providing grape juice for you on future Sundays.

M: O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good.
C: And his mercy endures forever.

M: We give thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us with this Holy Supper. We pray that through it you will strengthen our faith in you and increase our love for one another. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

M: 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.

C: Amen.

Please be seated

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CLOSING HYMN *(see page 12)* **Jerusalem the Golden**
Christian Worship Supplement #728

POSTLUDE (7:45 AM) **Wake, Awake, for Night is Flying**
Christian Worship #206

(10:00 AM) **Wachet Auf**
By J. S. Bach

THOSE ASSISTING IN WORSHIP TODAY

Preacher Pastor Ron Koehler
Worship Leader Pastor Sam Clemons
Communion Assistants Pastor Kassulke,
Elder Spiritual Needs Mark Christianson
Accompanists Stephanie Kania (7:45 AM)
Elaine Goldie (10:00 AM)
Vocalists Greg Grorud & Craig Lipke (7:45 AM)
Teri Guenther (10:00 AM)
Worship Choir Director Teri Guenther (10:00 AM)
Readers Ferdie Kramm, Bryan Guenther, Naomi Kassulke (10:00 AM)
Handbells Katelyn Lipke, Jenna Denzler, Cora Kosanke (10:00 AM)
Trumpets Pastor Koehler, Pastor Kassulke (10:00 AM)
Sound & Recording Tech Jeremy Snavelly (10:00 AM)

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

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728

Jerusalem the Golden

1 Je - ru - sa - lem the gold - en, With
2 Oh, sweet and bless - ed coun - try, The
3 The Christ is ev - er with them; The

milk and hon - ey blest— The sight of it re -
home of God's e - lect! Oh, sweet and bless - ed
day - light is se - rene. The pas - tures of the

fresh - es The wea - ry and op - pressed: I
coun - try That ea - ger hearts ex - pect, Where
bless - ed Are ev - er rich and green. There

know not, oh, I know not What joys a - wait us
they who with their lead - er Have con - quered in the
is the throne of Da - vid; And there from care re -

there, What ra - dian - cy of glo - ry, What
fight For - ev - er and for - ev - er Are
leased, The shout of them that tri - umph, The

bliss be - yond com - pare: To sing the hymn un -
clad in robes of white. Je - sus in mer - cy
song of them that feast. To God en - throned in

end - ing With all the mar - tyr throng, A -
bring us To that dear land of rest Where
glo - ry The Church's voic - es blend, The

midst the halls of Zi - on Re - sound - ing full with song.
sings the host of heav - en Your glo - rious name to bless.
Lamb for - ev - er bless - ed, The Light that knows no end.

This twelfth century hymn, first conceived by Bernard of Cluny, depicts an idyllic, heavenly scene. The hymn is gloriously set to the English folk tune THAXTED.

Text: Bernard of Cluny, 12th century
Tune: THAXTED (76 76 76 D) Gustav Holst, 1874–1934, alt.



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

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



This Week at Grace • Nov 18-Nov 25

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

TODAY

Worship Services/Communion7:45 & 10:00a
Coffee Fellowship following both services.....
Children's Sunday School.....8:45a
Youth Confirmation Class.....8:45a
Lifeliners (High School Group): *Bible Study*9:00a
Adult Bible Study:
• *The Life of Christ: Jesus' Miracles* (Fellowship Hall)9:00a
Grace-Vail Bible Study at Cottonwood Elementary9:00a
Grace-Vail Sunday School at Cottonwood Elem.9:00a
Grace-Vail Worship at Cottonwood Elementary 10:00a
WELS TCM Bible Study: *Thoughts on Thanksgiving*..... 7:00p

Monday

Bible Study at Vail Golf Club: *Book of Acts*9:30a
English as a Second Language Classes6:30p

Tuesday

Handbell Practice.....5:30p
Council Meeting.....5:30p
Worship Choir6:30p
English as a Second Language Classes6:30p

Wednesday

NO Midweek Bible Studies
NO Bible Study at the Priggies
Thanksgiving Worship at Grace-University
(dessert to follow)..... 7:00p

Thursday **THANKSGIVING DAY** (Church Office Closed)

NO Women's Bible Study
NO Financial Peace University in Vail
NO Grow in Grace Class
Thanksgiving Worship at Grace-Vail..... 10:00a

Sunday

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Grace-Vail Sunday School at Cottonwood Elem.9:00a
Grace-Vail Worship at Cottonwood Elementary 10:00a
Installation of Adam Mueller at Redeemer..... 3:00p
NO WELS TCM Bible Study.....

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For Our Guests

If you are visiting Grace today, we are happy that you joined us for Worship. Please help yourself to a Guest Packet as you leave this morning. You'll find them in the church entryway.

Holy Communion

There are before-communion and after-communion prayers in our Christian Worship hymnal on p. 11, and a personal preparation guide on p.156 to help prepare you to receive the Lord's Supper. If you are a guest with us today, please see p. 10 in today's worship folder under "Distribution" for information about our practice of Member Communion.

Altar Flowers

The flowers beautifying our worship this morning have been given by Trucynda, Bryent and Tiffanie Hawkins in loving memory of Bruce and all the love and joy he brought to their lives.

You Are Invited

You are invited to a coffee fellowship this morning in the courtyard following both services. Fellowship after 10:00 AM worship is hosted by Craig, Laura, Katelyn and Travis Lipke. We hope you'll take advantage of this opportunity to greet your brothers and sisters in Christ.



During this time of year, the sun shines through the stained glass windows and directs its light on the church pews. Feel free to move during the service if the sun is bothering you. For more information about what the symbols and pictures in the windows represent, please take a pamphlet from the main entryway.

NEXT SUNDAY

Next week's Scripture Lessons for Devotional Reading this Week

Daniel 7:13-14
Revelation 1:4b-8
John 18:33-37

Sermon Text & Theme

Revelation 1:4b-8
Every Eye Will See the King

Thank You

We are very thankful to the students of Redeemer Lutheran School and their teachers for beautifying our worship in the 10:00 AM service today. Redeemer is our local WELS Elementary School and is associated with our sister congregation in Marana. Grace currently offers financial support to 11 of our active members who are students at Redeemer. For more information about Redeemer, please visit their website at www.RedeemerTucson.org, or speak to our Youth and Family Pastor, Pastor Kassulke, or one of the other Redeemer parents.

Thanksgiving Worship Services this Week

You are invited to a special Thanksgiving Eve worship service this 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.

Grace-Vail will also be holding a special Thanksgiving Day service this 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.

The services will be very similar to each other. The same sermon will be preached at both locations. You are welcome to attend either (or both) of these services!

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

Installation Service

We rejoice with our sister church in Marana, Redeemer Lutheran, that God has provided them with a new full time pastor. Pastor Adam Mueller will be installed in a special worship service next Sunday, November 25 at 3:00 PM. Officiating at the service will be Pastor Aaron Mueller, AZ-CA District President Jon Buchholz and Vacancy Pastor John Sullivan. Please join with members of area congregations in welcoming Pastor Mueller and his family to Redeemer. A welcome dinner will be served in the Ministry Center immediately following the installation service.

New Cards in the Fellowship Hall

There are new cards and Christmas card boxes available for purchase on the south wall of the Fellowship Hall. Feel free to stop by and check them out! If you have any questions please contact Lisa Lenius at 308-4266.

Christmas Cantata

Sunday, December 16 at 7:00 PM the Grace Worship Choir will present "Shout the Good News!" This work shares the Christmas message in Scripture and song. Join us in the Grace Fellowship Hall for a lasagna dinner at 5:00 PM before the concert. Dinner is served until about 6:30 PM. The concert will begin at 7:00 in the Church. You are invited to contribute to a freewill offering. The offering will be used to offset the cost of the dinner and of this and future musical performances. There is a sign-up sheet in the Fellowship Hall and on the Grace-Vail welcome table for any women of Grace who would like to help with various aspects of the dinner.

Christmas Tea at Holy Cross

Ladies, mark your calendars for December 1. Holy Cross Ladies Guild will be hosting a Christmas Tea from 12:00-2:00 PM located at Holy Cross Lutheran Church (241 N. Harrison Road). There will be great fellowship, wonderful refreshments, and entertainment. Our Christmas Project is for the Bylas-Peridot school that needs kitchen supplies and library books. A free-will donation will go for that project. Please RSVP by November 29, to Karen Manning at 241-0909.

Christmas for Kids at Both Grace Locations

Make plans to join us for our annual Christmas for Kids at Grace-Vail on Saturday, December 1 from 9:30 AM-1:00 PM and at Grace-University Saturday, December 8 from 9:30 AM-1:00 PM. Registration forms can be found online at www.GraceTucsonWELS.com/c4k, on the table in the Fellowship Hall, and on the Grace-Vail welcome table.



Advent Services and Suppers

Midweek Advent Services will be held on December 5, 12 and 19 at Grace-University at 10:00 AM and 7:00 PM. *Advent Through the Fathers' Eyes* is our theme as we consider the Savior's coming into the world through the eyes of God the Father and Jesus' earthly father, Joseph. These services are designed to help us prepare our hearts for the celebration of our Savior's birth on Christmas.

You are invited to join your brothers and sisters in Christ for supper at 6:00 PM in the fellowship hall prior to each of these services. We need volunteers to host the meals (individuals, families, groups, or any combination). There are information sheets in the Fellowship Hall which explain how to host one of these meals. Please sign up in the Fellowship Hall or call the church office if you would like to serve in this way.