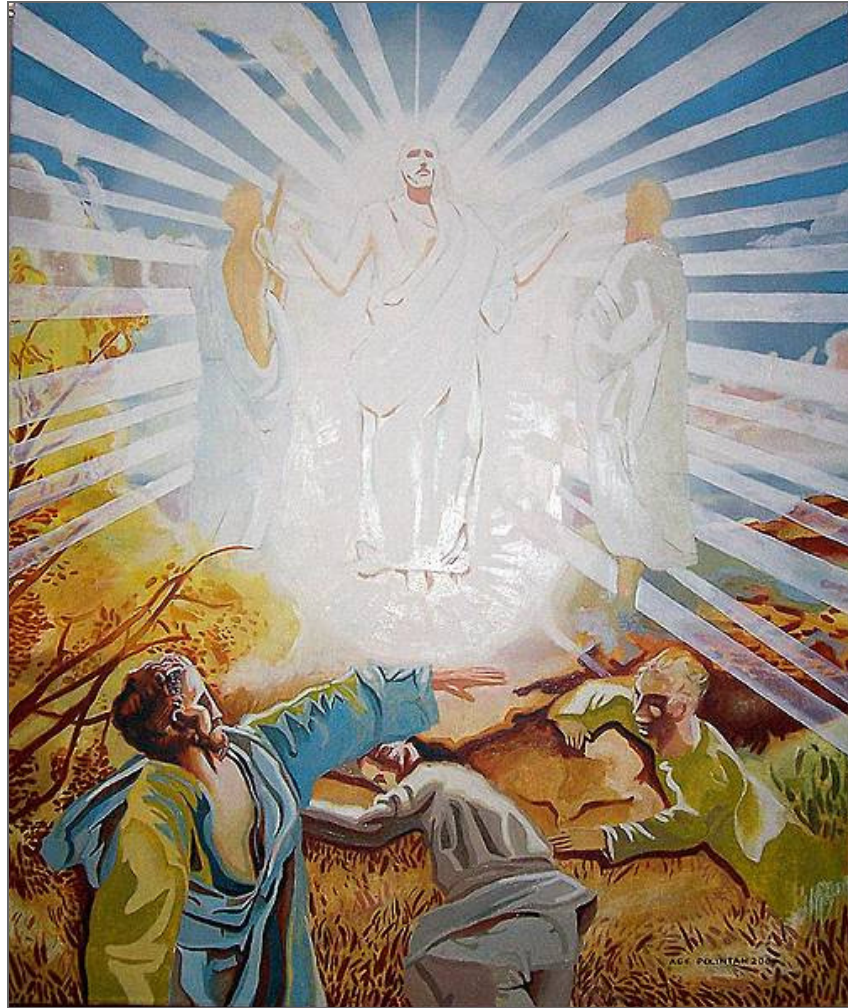


Last Sunday after the Epiphany Transfiguration Sunday



Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church
February 19, 2012

DIVINE SERVICE I

Christian Worship Supplement

WELCOME

HYMN

How Good, Lord, to Be Here
Christian Worship #95

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

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

C: Lord, have mer - cy on us. Christ, have mer - cy on us. Lord have mer - cy on us. A - men.

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.

GLORY TO GOD

Gloria in Excelsis

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

C: Glo-ry to God in the high - est, and peace to his peo-ple on earth. Lord God,
heav - en - ly King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we
give you thanks, we praise you for your glo-ry! Glo - ry to God in the
high - est and peace to his peo - ple on earth. *(music)* Lord Je - sus
Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sin of the world; have mer - cy on us. You are seat - ed at the
right hand of the Fa - ther; re - ceive our prayer, re - ceive our prayer.
Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and peace to his peo - ple on earth. For
you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,
you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it in the
glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and
peace to his peo - ple on earth. Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God!

PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

M: Let us pray. Lord God, before the suffering and death of your one and only Son, you revealed his glory on the holy mountain. Grant that we who bear his cross on earth may behold by faith the light of his heavenly glory and so be changed into his likeness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

BE SEATED

THE WORD

FIRST LESSON

2 Kings 2:1-12

When the LORD was about to take Elijah up to heaven in a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal. Elijah said to Elisha, “Stay here; the LORD has sent me to Bethel.” But Elisha said, “As surely as the LORD lives and as you live, I will not leave you.” So they went down to Bethel. The company of the prophets at Bethel came out to Elisha and asked, “Do you know that the LORD is going to take your master from you today?” “Yes, I know,” Elisha replied, “but do not speak of it.” Then Elijah said to him, “Stay here, Elisha; the LORD has sent me to Jericho.” And he replied, “As surely as the LORD lives and as you live, I will not leave you.” So they went to Jericho. The company of the prophets at Jericho went up to Elisha and asked him, “Do you know that the LORD is going to take your master from you today?” “Yes, I know,” he replied, “but do not speak of it.” Then Elijah said to him, “Stay here; the LORD has sent me to the Jordan.” And he replied, “As surely as the LORD lives and as

you live, I will not leave you.” So the two of them walked on. Fifty men of the company of the prophets went and stood at a distance, facing the place where Elijah and Elisha had stopped at the Jordan. Elijah took his cloak, rolled it up and struck the water with it. The water divided to the right and to the left, and the two of them crossed over on dry ground. When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, “Tell me, what can I do for you before I am taken from you?” “Let me inherit a double portion of your spirit,” Elisha replied. “You have asked a difficult thing,” Elijah said, “yet if you see me when I am taken from you, it will be yours—otherwise not.” As they were walking along and talking together, suddenly a chariot of fire and horses of fire appeared and separated the two of them, and Elijah went up to heaven in a whirlwind. Elisha saw this and cried out, “My father! My father! The chariots and horsemen of Israel!” And Elisha saw him no more.

VOICES OF GRACE (10:00 AM)

God Made Manifest
(see words on page 6)

SECOND LESSON

2 Corinthians 4:3-6

And even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing. The god of this age has blinded the minds of unbelievers, so that they cannot see the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. For we do not preach ourselves, but

Jesus Christ as Lord, and ourselves as your servants for Jesus’ sake. For God, who said, “Let light shine out of darkness,” made his light shine in our hearts to give us the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Christ.

VERSE OF THE DAY

Mark 9:7b

M: Alleluia. A voice came from the cloud: “This is my Son, whom I love. Listen to him.” Alleluia.

GOSPEL

Mark 9:2-9

After the announcement of the Gospel, the congregation sings:

After six days Jesus took Peter, James and John with him and led them up a high mountain, where they were all alone. There he was transfigured before them. His clothes became dazzling white, whiter than anyone in the world could bleach them. And there appeared before them Elijah and Moses, who were talking with Jesus. Peter said to Jesus, “Rabbi, it is good for us to be here. Let us put up three shelters—one for you, one for Moses and one for

Elijah.” (He did not know what to say, they were so frightened.) Then a cloud appeared and enveloped them, and a voice came from the cloud: “This is my Son, whom I love. Listen to him!” Suddenly, when they looked around, they no longer saw anyone with them except Jesus. As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus gave them orders not to tell anyone what they had seen until the Son of Man had risen from the dead.

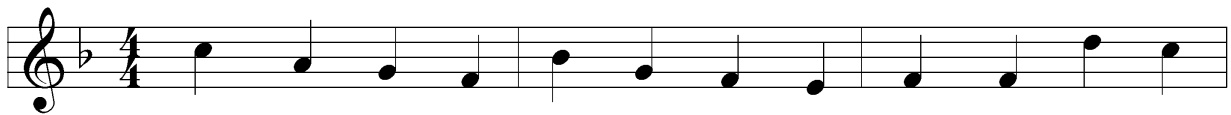
After the Gospel, the congregation sings:

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.

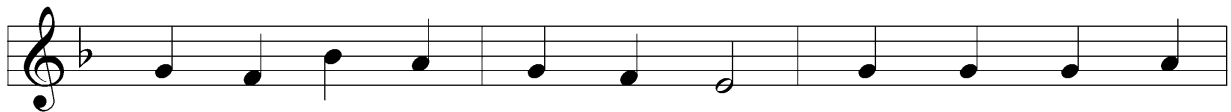
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness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



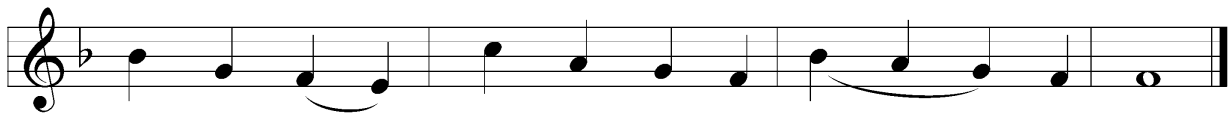
1 Je - sus, take us to the moun-tain Where, with Pe - ter,
 2 What do you want us to see there That your close com -
 3 What do you want us to hear there That your dear dis -
 4 Take us to that oth - er moun-tain Where we see you
 5 We who have be - held your glo - ry, Ris - en and as -



James, and John, We are daz - zled by your glo - ry,
 pan - ions saw? Your di - vin - i - ty re - vealed there
 ci - ples heard? Once a - gain the voice from heav - en
 glo - ri - fied, Where you shout - ed, "It is fin - ished!"
 cend - ed Lord, Can - not help but tell the sto - ry,



Light as blind - ing as the sun. There pre - pare us
 Fills us with the self - same awe. Clothed in flesh like
 Says of the in - car - nate Word: "Lis - ten, lis - ten,
 Where for all the world you died. Hear the stunned cen -
 All that we have seen and heard, Say with Pe - ter,



for the night By the vi - sion of that sight.
 ours you go, Matched to meet our dead - liest foe.
 ev - 'ry - one; This is my be - lov - ed Son!"
 tu - ri - on: "Tru - ly this was God's own Son!"
 James, and John: "You are God's be - lov - ed Son!"

The hymn writer reminds us that the glimpse of glory seen in Jesus' transfiguration foreshadows the ultimate glory of Christ displayed at Calvary, hidden under the cross.

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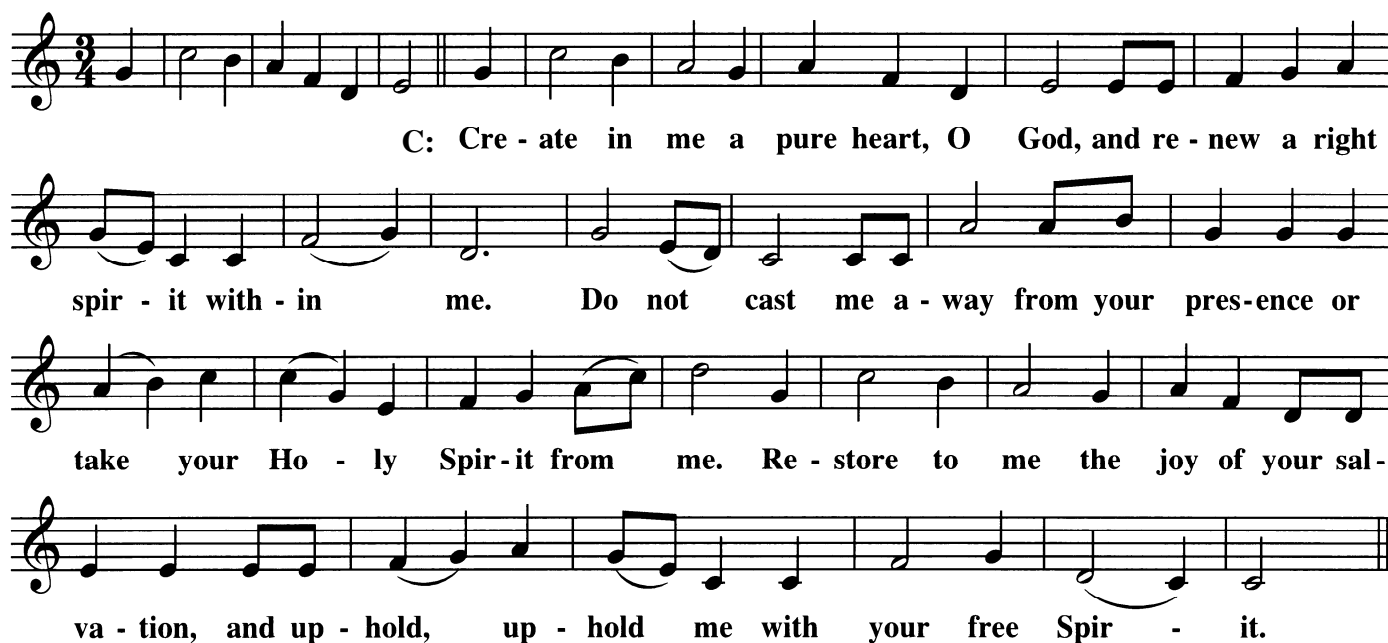
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SERMON

Mark 9:2-9
Eyewitnesses to Glory

STAND

After the sermon, please join in singing the response below following a brief introduction:



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.

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BE SEATED

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 pew and pass it along. Thank You!

OFFERTORY MUSIC

(7:45 AM)

God Made Manifest

Sung by Voices of Grace

Songs of thankfulness and praise, Jesus, Lord to You we raise,
manifested by the star to the sages from afar;
branch of royal David's stem in Your birth at Bethlehem;
songs of praise to You addressed, God in flesh made manifest.

Manifest at Jordan's stream, Prophet, Priest, and King supreme;
and at Cana, wedding guest, in your Godhead manifest;
manifest in pow'r divine, changing water into wine;
songs of praise to You addressed, God in flesh made manifest.

Manifest in making whole weakened limbs and fainting soul;
manifest in valiant fight, laying waste to evil's might;
manifest in gracious will, ever bringing good from ill;
songs of praise to You addressed, God in flesh made manifest.

Manifest on sacred height, dazzling face, O wondrous sight!
Moses and Elijah share with the Son of Glory there.
Cloud and voice and mystery point the way to Calvary.
Love and mercy conquer death; God in flesh made manifest.

(10:00 AM)

Thine is the Glory

By Brian Glyncannon & G.F. Handel

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM with CONFIRMATION (10:00 AM)

Grace offers a series of classes for adults called Grow in Grace classes. In these classes the pastors cover the basic teachings of Holy Scripture, the Christian faith, and explain the doctrines and practices of our Lutheran church. Those who have a possible interest in becoming members at Grace are encouraged to speak with one of the pastors about these classes.

M: AJ, in coming to be baptized, you are doing what is God-pleasing. We are reminded of how Ananias said to the apostle Paul after his conversion to faith, “Get up, be baptized and wash your sins away.” By the power of the Word, the Holy Spirit has led you to believe that new life in Christ is yours. Now in Holy Baptism the Lord Jesus assures you of your salvation. That you may give public testimony of your faith, I therefore ask you:

Do you believe that you were born in sin and therefore eternally lost?

R: Yes, I believe.

M: Do you believe in the triune God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

R: Yes, I believe.

M: Do you believe that this triune God planned and carried out your salvation?

R: Yes, I believe.

M: Do you believe that God grants you the forgiveness of sins in Holy Baptism?

R: Yes, I believe.

M: Do you desire to be baptized?

R: Yes, I do.

M: Receive the sign of the cross to mark you as a redeemed child of Christ.

Adrien Josef Di Domizio, I baptize you in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

The Almighty God—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit—has forgiven all your sins. By your baptism, you are born again and made a dear child of your Father in heaven.

May God strengthen you to live in your baptismal grace all the days of your life. Peace be with you.

M: AJ, having been baptized in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and having been instructed in the basic teachings of the Bible, you are here to make a public profession of your Christian faith. The apostle Paul, writing to the Romans, said: “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. Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.” Therefore, lift up your heart to the God of all grace and joyfully answer these questions:

M: Do you this day, in the presence of God and of this congregation, confirm your faith in the triune God?

R: I do.

M: Do you reject the devil along with all his lies and empty promises?

R: I do.

M: Do you believe in God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit?

R: Yes, I believe in God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit.

M: Do you believe all the canonical books of the Bible to be the inspired Word of God?

R: I do.

M: Do you believe that the teaching of the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod, as you have learned it in the Grow in Grace Class, is faithful and true to the Word of God?

R: I do.

M: Do you intend to continue steadfast in this teaching and to endure all things, even death, rather than fall away from it?

R: I do, and I ask God to help me.

M: Do you intend faithfully to conform all your life to the teachings of God's Word, to be faithful in the use of the Word and sacrament, and in faith and action remain true to God—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit—as long as you live?

R: I do, and I ask God to help me.

M: AJ, may God the Father who created you, may God the Son who redeemed you, may God the Holy Spirit who sanctified you keep you faithful unto life everlasting.

Your church now welcomes you into communicant membership, with all the rights, benefits, and responsibilities that this entails, and invites you to receive the Sacrament of the Lord's body and blood. Accept this invitation with deep reverence and holy joy. Regard your communing at the Lord's Table as a precious privilege given you by God through his Church; receive this Sacrament thankfully and often. The almighty and most merciful God—Father, Son [†], and Holy Spirit—bless and keep you.

STAND

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH—TRANSFIGURATION

M: We praise you, O Father, for the precious gift of your Son and for his glorious transfiguration on the holy mountain. Give us the firm resolve to listen to your Son, the eager readiness to believe his promises, and the joyful willingness to heed his commandments. By the sign of Moses and Elijah, show us that blessed are the dead who die in faith, for they shall know the power of Christ's resurrection.

O God and Father, let your Holy Spirit find a dwelling in our poor bodies and transform our weak, sinful lives into the radiance of goodness, purity, and righteousness. Transform our minds, our understanding, our judgments, yes, our whole persons to reflect the mind of Christ. Take our sickness and pain, our disappointments and despair, our sorrows and mourning, our pride and anger, our selfishness and envy, our hate and fear: take all these, O Father, and transform them by the healing touch of Jesus into noble impulses, pure motives, kind thoughts, constructive deeds, high courage, and true faith.

Special prayers and intercession may be spoken here.

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

Silent prayer.

M: Look on your Church, O Lord, here and in every place, and grant that we and all who bear the name of Christ may daily offer up to you the acceptable sacrifices of repentance, thanksgiving, and loving obedience. Hear our prayer, and by your mercy grant our petitions for Christ's sake. 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.**

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 lived among us as a human being and revealed his glory as your only Son, full of grace and truth. Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:

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.

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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
God, you take a - way the sin of the world;
grant us your peace. A - - - men. A - - - men.

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DISTRIBUTION

Our church practices "Member Communion." If you are a guest today and are a confirmed member of another WELS church, we invite you to the Lord's Table with us. If you are a guest today and are not a member of one of our Wisconsin Synod churches, we ask that you would speak to one of the pastors after church today or at some other time to discuss receiving the Lord's Supper with us in the future.

DISTRIBUTION MUSIC

(7:45 AM)

Oh, Wondrous Type! Oh, Vision Fair
Arranged by Valerie Floeter & CW #96

(10:00 AM)

Go, My Children, With My Blessing
Arranged by Valerie Floeter
Played by Sarah Oberhofer

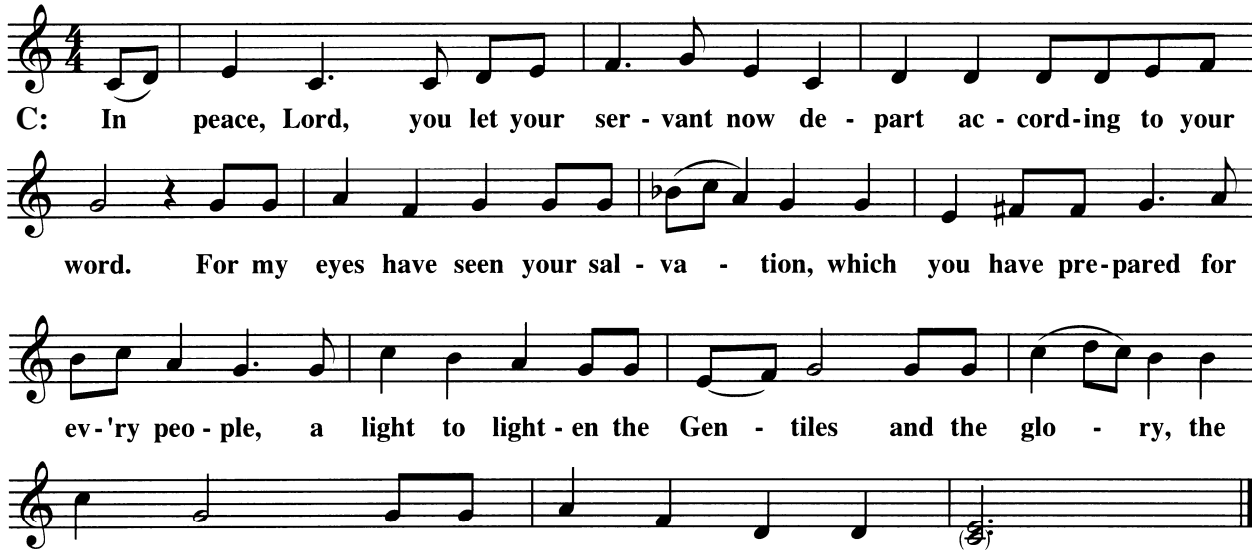
STAND

THANKSGIVING

SONG OF SIMEON

Nunc Dimittis

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



C: In peace, Lord, you let your ser - vant now de - part ac - cord - ing to your word. For my eyes have seen your sal - va - tion, which you have pre - pared for ev - 'ry peo - ple, a light to light - en the Gen - tiles and the glo - ry, the glo - ry of your peo - ple Is - ra - el.

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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.

BE SEATED

ANNOUNCEMENTS

FAREWELL TO ALLELUIA

M: Brothers and sisters in Christ, when we next gather for worship, it will be Ash Wednesday, the first day of Lent. On that day we will begin our solemn journey to the Savior's cross. While the joy of faith remains undiminished throughout the year, our rejoicing during Lent is muted and quiet. For centuries, therefore, the Christian churches have omitted their most jubilant songs during this season, including the word "Alleluia," which means, "Praise the Lord."

Now for a time we say farewell to Alleluia. We do this to prepare ourselves for the quieter days of Lent. The Alleluias will return on Easter dawn, as we gather to shout our praise to the risen Lord.

HYMN

Alleluia Song of Triumph Christian Worship #122 (hymn tune)



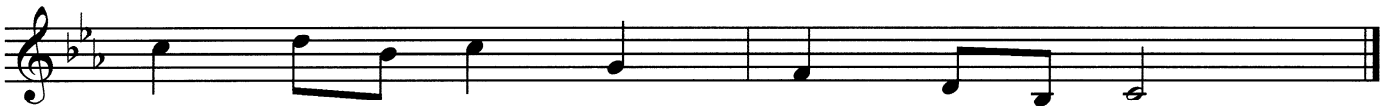
1 Al - le - lu - ia, song of tri - umph, sound of joy that
2 Al - le - lu - ia we are sing - ing, voic - ing hymns in
3 Al - le - lu - ia can - not al - ways be our song while
4 May our hymns be filled with long - ing — hear us, Ho - ly



can - not die; Al - le - lu - ia is the an - them ev - er dear to
pure ac - cord, With Christ's ho - ly Church u - ni - ted, jus - ti - fied, re -
here be - low; Al - le - lu - ia our trans - gres - sions make us for a
Tri - ni - ty — As we look to your blest Eas - ter, here, and then e -



choirs on high; Saints a - dorned in robes of glo - ry
deemed, re - stored, And with all his faith - ful peo - ple
while fore - go. For the sol - emn time is com - ing
ter - nal - ly, When we shall once more be sing - ing



join the great an - gel - ic cry.
raise our songs to praise the Lord.
when our tears for sin must flow.
Al - le - lu - ia joy - ful - ly!

POSTLUDE

(7:45 AM)

Christ, the Word of God Incarnate
Arr. by Valerie Floeter

(10:00 AM)

The Regal Trumpet
By David Paxton

THOSE ASSISTING IN WORSHIP THIS MORNING

Preacher Pastor Sam Clemons
Worship Leader Pastor Ron Koehler (10:00 AM)
Confirming Pastor Pastor Nathan Kassulke (10:00 AM)
Communion Assistants Pastor Nathan Kassulke & Pastor Colin Rieke, *Grace's Mission Pastor to Vail*
Voices of Grace Director Beth Kassulke
Accompanists Stephanie Kania (7:45 AM)
Teri Guenther (10:00 AM)
Sound & Recording Tech Jeremy Snavely (10:00 AM)



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To Aid You in Worship...

- LARGE PRINT BULLETINS ARE AVAILABLE IN THE NARTHEX. ASK A GREETER OR USHER FOR A COPY.
- *For those with young children:* A private Mother's Room is located across the courtyard in the Ladies' Restroom. Parents of young children may also use the Child Care Room in the basement at any time to quiet and care for them (the service can be heard in both locations).
- Sermon copies & service CDs are available in the narthex.

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.

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.

Baptized & Confirmed

AJ Di Domizio will be baptized and confirmed during 10:00 AM worship this morning. We welcome him to Grace and ask God's blessings on him!

Read Ahead for Next Sunday:

Genesis 22:1-18
Romans 8:31-39
Mark 1:12-15

Next Sun. Sermon Text & Theme:

Psalm 3
From the Lord comes deliverance

Divine Call Received

Dear members of Grace,

I have received a divine call from Immanuel Lutheran Church in North Richland Hills, TX (a suburb of Ft. Worth), to serve as their pastor. I will be deliberating whether to accept this call or to continue in my current call at Grace. This decision will be based on where I believe I can best use the talents God has given me in service to his kingdom. I invite you to share with me any questions and comments you may have, and I ask you to keep me and my family, as well as Grace and Immanuel, in your prayers.

In the name of Jesus, the Lord of the Church, Pastor Kassulke

State of Grace Presentation Today

The 2011 Annual Report is available for pick-up at both church exits and in the Fellowship Hall this morning. During the Bible class hour today Pastor Koehler will highlight portions of the report and field comments and questions.

Voters' Meeting

The next voters' meeting is **this Tuesday, February 21 at 7:00 PM.** Pastor and Council reports can be found at both exits and in the Fellowship Hall. The report keeps members informed and helps voters prepare for the meeting.

Christian Fellowship Group

Christian Fellowship Group will meet on Saturday, March 10, at 10:00 AM in the Fellowship hall. Grace's "Nutrition Guru", Linda Morris, will be the guest speaker and present on "Healthy Eating & Nutrition." Please come for coffee and healthy snacks! *The Christian Fellowship Group provides people 55 and older with an opportunity to enjoy the company of others on a very informal basis.*

Today

- Worship Services/Communion 7:45 & 10:00a
- Children's Sunday School..... 8:45a
- Youth Confirmation Class..... 8:45a
- Adult Bible Classes:
 - *State of Grace Presentation* (F. Hall) 9:00a
 - *Grow in Grace Class* (Conference Room in Office) 9:00a
- Lifeliners (High School Group): *Bible Study*..... 9:00a
- Coffee Fellowship following 10 AM Worship
- WELS Tucson Campus Ministry Bible Study 7:00p

Monday

- Bible Study at Vail Golf Club: *Book of Acts*..... 9:30a
- NO** English as a Second Language Classes
- Bible Study at the Rieke's: *Book of Acts* 7:00p

Tuesday

- Handbells Practice in the Church Basement.....5:30p
- English as a Second Language Classes6:30p
- Voters' Meeting**..... 7:00p

Wednesday

- Ash Wednesday Worship with Communion**.....10:00a
- Lenten Supper in the Fellowship Hall**.....6:00-6:45p
- Ash Wednesday Worship with Communion**.....7:00p

Thursday

- Women's Bible Class: *Prayer* 9:00a
- Wind Ensemble.....5:30p
- Worship Choir6:30p
- Men's Bible Study7:30p

Saturday

- Vail Canvassing Blitz in Rita Ranch**.....1:00p

Sunday

- Worship Services..... 7:45 & 10:00a
- Children's Sunday School 8:45a
- Youth Confirmation Class..... 8:45a
- Adult Bible Classes:
 - *The Life of Christ: The Calling of the Twelve* (F. Hall) ... 9:00a
 - *Grow in Grace Class* (Conference Room in Office)..... 9:00a
- Lifeliners (High School Group): *Bible Study* 9:00a
- Coffee Fellowship following 10 AM Worship.....
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Financial Seminar and Lunch

On Sunday, March 4, representatives from Thrivent Financial for Lutherans will be hosting a financial seminar and lunch at the Marriott Hotel just a block from Grace-University. It will begin at 11:45 AM. The theme is *Scarcity to Security to Generosity*. Along with lunch, there will be a brief presentation to all attendees, then we will be split into three groups: age 25-45—*More Than Money Matters*, 46-59—*My Retirement Matters*, 60 plus—*My Legacy Matters*. Those sessions are planned to be 45 minutes long. Availability is limited and you are asked to register through Thrivent. Representatives are at Grace **TODAY** to register you.

You may also register online at <https://service.thrivent.com/forms/events/find.php?st=3#events>. Scroll down to the workshops listed in Tucson on March 4 and click on the "Details" button of the workshop you would like to attend (see the categories above by age group). You may also email Irene Madrid, Thrivent's Office Professional, at irene.madrid@thrivent.com or call her at 520-529-1589 to RSVP. This is a free service provided to you by Grace and Thrivent and there will be NO selling of products. This is designed solely to help you manage your finances and exercise good management of the gifts God has given you.

Tuition Tax Credit Donations

As you prepare your 2011 tax return in the coming months, don't forget about the Arizona Tuition Tax Credit. State law allows you to make a donation in support of Lutheran education and to claim the same amount as a credit on your state tax return. Basically, this means that you get to decide how money that would otherwise be paid in taxes gets used. A donation made before April 15 and before you file your taxes may be claimed on the 2011 return, so you can also determine your tax liability before making a donation. Donations are made through a Student Tuition Organization (STO) such as the HELP Scholarship Foundation (www.helpscholarships.org). You may even recommend your donation for a specific student. Donations are eligible for the tax credit up to \$500 for a single person or \$1000 for a married couple in 2011, with a slight increase to \$503 and \$1006 in 2012. Please contact the church office if you have questions.



Support Our Military With Valentine Love

Women of Grace will be sending Valentine cards to military members with connections to Grace and four care packages to those who are deployed. Share the joy by adding your own card to the mailing and donating items for the care packages. Cards with your personal messages will be sent to: Richelle (Breitkreitz) Kiessling, Zachary Kiessling, Matt Goldie, Nicole Peterson, David Dyjak, Kevin Bonavita, Wade Rasmussen, and Joel Kassulke. Please put their names on the envelopes.

Care packages and Valentine cards will go to Grace member Kathryn Bonavita; Rusty King, husband of member Beverly Wagner-King; Corey Scholle, husband of Lauren (Grorud) and son-in-law of Greg and Karen Grorud; and Jared Kassulke, brother of Pastor Kassulke. All are serving in Afghanistan where it is currently winter.

Suggested items for the care packages: Baby wipes, lip balm with SPF, hand lotion, body wash, hot chocolate mix, soup mix, paperback books, magazines, crossword puzzles, word search books, dried fruit, sealed snacks, chewing gum, sunflower seeds, hand/foot warmers, candy, jelly beans. *Check out web sites for more suggestions. Simply Google "military care packages."*

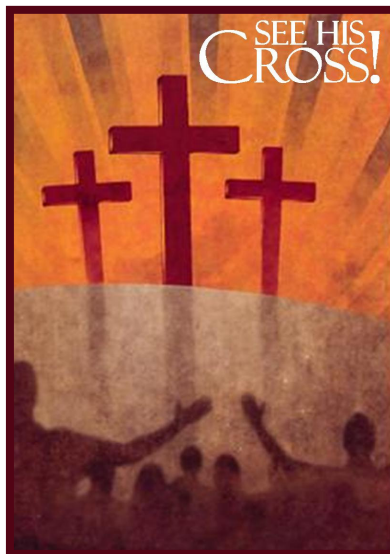
Today is the last day to put cards and care package items in the red decorated box in the courtyard.

Sunday Morning Worship CDs

Audio CDs of today's 10:00 AM worship service are available for pick-up in the main entryway of church under the glass bulletin board. Printed sermon copies are available there as well. You can also visit our Grace website at www.GraceTucsonWELS.com. On the website, you can watch service videos and follow along with the service folder, hear audio sermons, read or print sermons, work through some online Bible studies, and find current schedules and information. Some website items are only available to Grace members through your personal login, so be sure to sign up if you have not done so already.

Thank You

The O'Donald family would like to thank you for your thoughts, cards, and prayers for Bill following his cancer surgery and extended hospitalization.



SEE HIS CROSS! SURPRISING WORDS FROM OUR SAVIOR'S PASSION

God's plan for our salvation was always clear. Jesus had to make the journey to the cross and resurrection in order to forgive our sins. This Lenten season, follow Jesus on that journey from Ash Wednesday to his glorious resurrection on Easter Sunday. See how each event along the Savior's path fulfilled God's plan.

Ash Wednesday February 22 "Put Your Sword Away!"

Worship Times: 10:00 AM and 7:00 PM

Lenten Supper: 6:00 PM

Lenten Suppers

You are invited to join us for supper at 6:00 PM before the evening Lenten service. We do need volunteers to host the meals (individuals, families, groups, or any combination). Please sign up in the Fellowship Hall if you'd like to help in this way! There is also an additional sheet with more information about hosting a meal. Available dates: Feb 22, Mar 7, and Mar 21.