

Third Sunday of Easter



Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church
April 14, 2013



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.

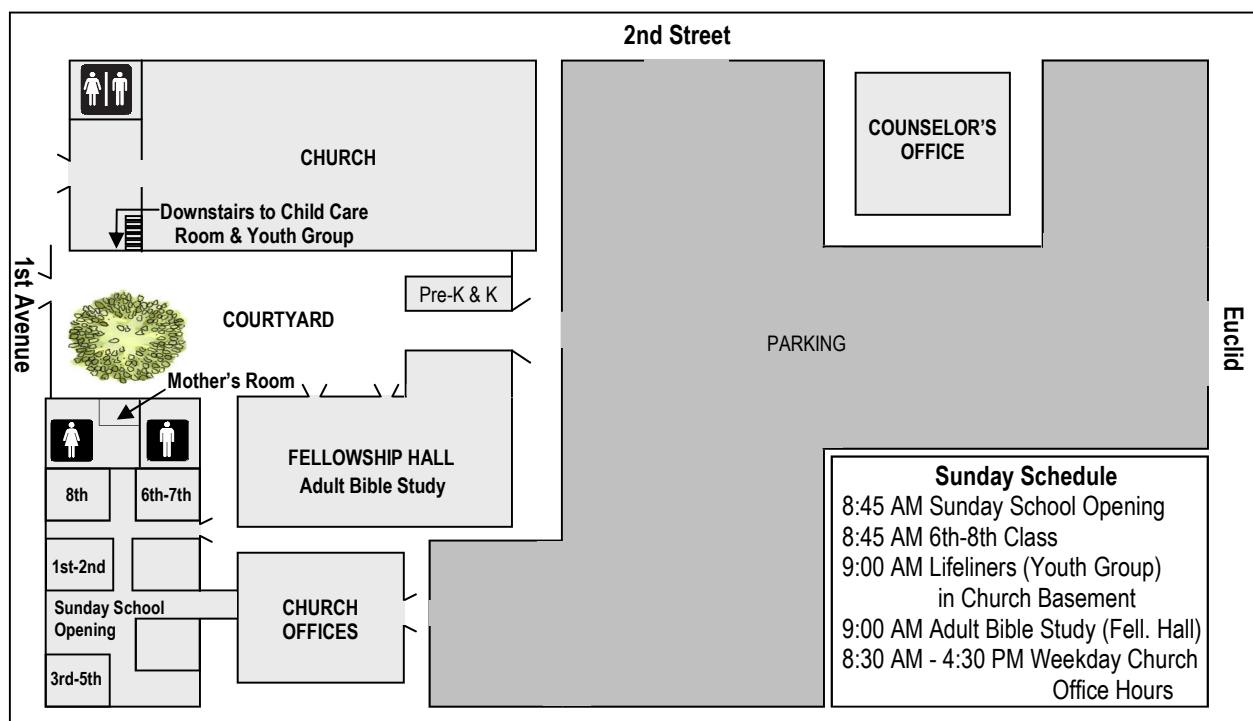
Hymns are found in our hymnal, *Christian Worship*, which is the red book in the pew rack in front of you.

Large print hymn sheets 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. CDs of the entire worship service will be made upon request from the sound technician in the balcony. It only takes a few minutes to copy. You may also find sermons and services in print, audio and video on our website: www.GraceTucsonWELS.com



DIVINE SERVICE II
Christian Worship Supplement

PRESERVICE MUSIC:

10:00 AM—
Northridge
Setting by Carl
Ziebell

WELCOME

HYMN

Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing
Christian Worship #340

Please stand

INVOCATION

Minister: In the name of the Father and of the Son (†) and of the Holy Spirit.

Congregation: Amen.

CONFESSION OF SINS

M: Dear friends, let us approach God with a true heart and confess our sins, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to forgive us.

C: Lord of life, I confess that I am by nature dead in sin.
For faithless worrying and selfish pride,
For sins of habit and sins of choice,
For the evil I have done and the good I have failed to do,
You should cast me away from your presence forever.
O Lord, I am sorry for my sins. Forgive me, for Jesus' sake.

ABSOLUTION

M: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again. In his great mercy, God made us alive in Christ even when we were dead in our sins. Hear the word of Christ through his called servant:

I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son (†) and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

LORD, HAVE MERCY—Kyrie

Mark 10:47

M: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

For the well-being of all people everywhere, that they may receive from you all they need to sustain body and life, hear our prayer, O Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

M: For the spread of your life-giving gospel throughout the world, that all who are lost in sin may be brought to faith in you, hear our prayer, O Christ.

C: Christ, have mercy.

Kyrie is the Greek word for Lord. The expression "Lord, have mercy" is one of the oldest worship responses in the Christian Church.

M: For patience and perseverance in this life, that we may not lose the hope of heaven as we await your return, hear our prayer, O Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

M: Lord of life, live in us that we may live for you.

C: Amen.

GLORY BE TO GOD *Gloria in Excelsis*

Luke 2:14

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

(Sung to the tune of "I Know that My Redeemer Lives," Christian Worship #152)

1 All glo - ry be - to God on high! Your name, O Lord, we
2 Our grate - ful thanks to you we bring, For your great glo - ry,
3 O Lamb of God, to you we pray. You take all hu - man
4 You, Christ, are ho - ly — Lord a - lone; The Fa - ther's glo - ry

glo - ri - fy; We praise you for your peace and
heav'n - ly King, For all, O Fa - ther, you have
sin a - way. Have mer - cy, Lord; Re - ceive our
you made known. We by your Spir - it sing a -

grace, Your fav - or toward our fall - en race.
done Through Je - sus Christ, your on - ly Son.
prayer; From God's right hand, your mer - cy share.
gain: "All glo - ry be to God!" A - men.

THE WORD

SALUTATION

M: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: Let us pray. O God, by the humiliation of your Son you lifted up this fallen world from the despair of death. By his resurrection to life, grant your faithful people gladness of heart and the hope of eternal joys; through your Son, Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

Please be seated

FIRST LESSON

Meanwhile, Saul was still breathing out murderous threats against the Lord's disciples. He went to the high priest and asked him for letters to the synagogues in Damascus, so that if he found any there who belonged to the Way, whether men or women, he might take them as prisoners to Jerusalem. As he neared Damascus on his journey, suddenly a light from heaven flashed around him. He fell to the ground and heard a voice say to him, "Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me?" "Who are you, Lord?" Saul asked. "I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting," he replied. "Now get up and go into the city, and you will be told what you must do." The men traveling with Saul stood there speechless; they heard the sound but did not see anyone. Saul got up from the ground, but when he opened his eyes he could see nothing. So they led him by the hand into Damascus. For three days he was blind, and did not eat or drink anything. In Damascus there was a disciple named Ananias. The Lord called to him in a vision, "Ananias!" "Yes, Lord," he answered.

Acts 9:1-19a (NIV)


The Lord told him, "Go to the house of Judas on Straight Street and ask for a man from Tarsus named Saul, for he is praying. In a vision he has seen a man named Ananias come and place his hands on him to restore his sight." "Lord," Ananias answered, "I have heard many reports about this man and all the harm he has done to your saints in Jerusalem. And he has come here with authority from the chief priests to arrest all who call on your name." But the Lord said to Ananias, "Go! This man is my chosen instrument to carry my name before the Gentiles and their kings and before the people of Israel. I will show him how much he must suffer for my name." Then Ananias went to the house and entered it. Placing his hands on Saul, he said, "Brother Saul, the Lord—Jesus, who appeared to you on the road as you were coming here—has sent me so that you may see again and be filled with the Holy Spirit." Immediately, something like scales fell from Saul's eyes, and he could see again. He got up and was baptized, and after taking some food, he regained his strength.

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 *(The congregation may join in the refrains)*

PSALM 67

Refrain



Let the peo - ple praise you. Lord, let all sing praise.



Let the peo - ple praise you. Lord, let all sing praise.

God of mercy, God of grace, Show the brightness of your face;
Shine upon us, Savior, shine, Fill us with your light divine.

Refrain

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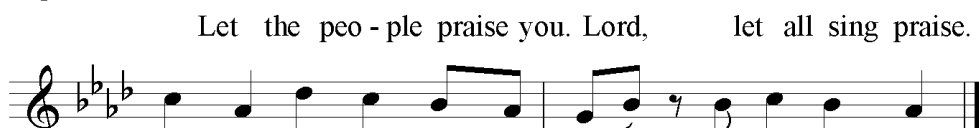
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Refrain



Let the peo - ple praise you. Lord, let all sing praise.



Let the peo - ple praise you. Lord, let all sing praise.

Let the people praise you, Lord, Be by all that live adored;
At your feet their tribute pay, And your holy will obey.

Refrain

Let the nations shout and sing, Glory to their Savior bring;
All below and all above, Sing your praise with joy and love.

Refrain

Let the people praise you, Lord, Earth shall then its fruits afford;
Shine upon us, Savior, shine, Fill us with your light divine.

Refrain

SECOND LESSON

Then I looked and heard the voice of many angels, numbering thousands upon thousands, and ten thousand times ten thousand. They encircled the throne and the living creatures and the elders. In a loud voice they sang: "Worthy is the Lamb, who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and strength and honor and glory and

Revelation 5:11-14 (NIV)

praise!" Then I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and on the sea, and all that is in them, singing: "To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be praise and honor and glory and power, for ever and ever!" The four living creatures said, "Amen," and the elders fell down and worshiped.

VERSE OF THE DAY

Luke 24:32

M: Alleluia. Alleluia. Christ is risen! He is risen indeed! Alleluia. Our hearts were burning within us while he talked with us on the road and opened the Scriptures to us. Alleluia.

REFRAIN:

*All hail the pow'r of Jesus' name! Let angels prostrate fall;
Bring forth the royal diadem and crown Him Lord of all, and crown him Lord of all!*

*How sweet the name of Jesus sounds in a believer's ear!
It soothes my sorrows, heals my wounds and drives away my fear.
It makes the wounded spirit whole, and calms the troubled breast;
It satisfies the hungry soul, and gives the weary rest. REFRAIN*

*Dear name, the rock on which I build, my shield and hiding place,
My never-ending treasury, filled with boundless stores of grace,
Jesus, my Shepherd, Brother, Friend, my Prophet, Priest, and King,
My Lord, my life, my way, my end, accept the praise I bring. REFRAIN*

*Weak is the effort of my heart and cold my warmest thought;
But when I see You as You are, I'll praise You as I ought.
Till then I would Your love proclaim with every fleeting breath;
And may the music of Your name Refresh my soul in death. REFRAIN*

Please stand

GOSPEL

John 21:1-14 (NIV)

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

M: The Gospel according to John chapter twenty-one.

C: Glory be to you, O Lord.

Afterward Jesus appeared again to his disciples, by the Sea of Tiberias. It happened this way: Simon Peter, Thomas (called Didymus), Nathanael from Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two other disciples were together. "I'm going out to fish," Simon Peter told them, and they said, "We'll go with you." So they went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing. Early in the morning, Jesus stood on the shore, but the disciples did not realize that it was Jesus. He called out to them, "Friends, haven't you any fish?" "No," they answered. He said, "Throw your net on the right side of the boat and you will find some." When they did, they were unable to haul the net in because of the large number of fish. Then the disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, "It is the Lord!" As soon as Simon Peter heard him say, "It is the

Lord," he wrapped his outer garment around him (for he had taken it off) and jumped into the water. The other disciples followed in the boat, towing the net full of fish, for they were not far from shore, about a hundred yards. When they landed, they saw a fire of burning coals there with fish on it, and some bread. Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish you have just caught." Simon Peter climbed aboard and dragged the net ashore. It was full of large fish, 153, but even with so many the net was not torn. Jesus said to them, "Come and have breakfast." None of the disciples dared ask him, "Who are you?" They knew it was the Lord. Jesus came, took the bread and gave it to them, and did the same with the fish. This was now the third time Jesus appeared to his disciples after he was raised from the dead.

M: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise be to you, O Christ.

Please be seated

HYMN OF THE DAY

This Joyful Eastertide
Christian Worship #160

SERMON

John 21:1-14
Be Encouraged by the Risen Christ

Please stand

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.

Please 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 row and pass it along. Thank You!

Please stand

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH—EASTER SEASON

M: O Lord God, our strength, our song, and our salvation, you fulfilled your promises by the resurrection of your Son, Jesus Christ, from the dead.

C: Thanks be to God! You give us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

M: In your compassion you sent Christ, the Good Shepherd, who laid down his life to rescue the lost.

C: Drive out all doubt and gloom that we may delight in your glorious triumph.

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.



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**OFFERTORY
MUSIC:**

**10:00 AM—
Alleluia No. 1
Setting by Matthew
Manthe**

M: Lift our eyes heavenward to see him who lives to make intercession for the saints, and grant us confidence in the greatness of his power. Keep before us the vision of your redeemed people standing before your throne and singing the song of victory.

C: **Worthy is the Lamb who was slain to receive wisdom and power and honor and glory and praise.**

M: Make us instruments of your peace as we bring the good news of hope and new life to those around us. Guide us in the use of all that you have entrusted to us: our time, our talents, and our treasures.

C: **Risen Lord, live in us that we may live for you.**

M: Merciful Lord Jesus, grant healing to the sick, and strengthen the faith of the suffering and the dying. Assure them of your abiding presence, and comfort them with the hope of eternal life.

Special prayers and intercessions may follow.

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

Silent prayer.

M: Gracious Father, you have restored to us the joy of your salvation. With happy hearts, we come before you and say:

C: **Alleluia! Thanks be to God! Amen.**

LORD'S PRAYER

Matthew 6:9-13

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.**

Please be seated

HYMN

Alleluia, Alleluia, Give Thanks
Christian Worship #154

Please stand

M: Blessed Lord, you have given us your Holy Scriptures for our learning. May we so hear them, read, learn, and take them to heart, that being strengthened and comforted by your Holy Word, we may cling to the blessed hope of everlasting life, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: **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.

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

BLESSING

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

Christ High-Ascended
Christian Worship #558

THOSE ASSISTING IN WORSHIP TODAY

Preacher Pastor Ron Koehler
Worship Leader Pastor Sam Clemons (10:00 AM)
Accompanists Stephanie Kania (7:45 AM), Tina Christianson (10:00 AM)
Psalm Vocalists Jay & Missy Wiechmann (7:45 AM)
Voices of Grace Director Beth Kassulke (10:00 AM)
Hand Drum Taylor Parra (10:00 AM)
Ushers Vic Thornton (7:45 AM)
Dave Breitzkreitz, Ed Ethington, Dylan Guenther (10:00 AM)
Tyler Koehler, Ferdie Kramm, Josiah Weinstein (10:00 AM)
Sound & Recording Tech Jeremy Snavelly (10:00 AM)

Wiffle Ball Tournament & Chili Cook-Off Today!

This afternoon at 1:00 PM, Grace-Vail will be hosting a wiffle ball tournament and chili cook-off at Cottonwood Elementary (9950 E. Rees Loop). There will be a choice of Scrip gift cards for prizes in both the chili and cornbread cook-off. Please arrive by 1:00 PM if you'd like to play in the wiffle ball game so teams can be divided up. Hope to see you there!

Arizona Lutheran Academy Baseball Game in Tucson Tomorrow

Tomorrow, April 15 at 4:00 PM, the Arizona Lutheran Academy baseball team will be playing against Desert Christian at Desert Christian (7525 E Speedway Blvd). Grace member Danny Koehler plays for ALA. Come out and support him and our WELS high school!

English as a Second Language Childcare Volunteers Needed

The ESL program staff is looking for one more childcare volunteer on Tuesday evenings from 6:30-8:30 PM. Please call Betty Hauser (795-3311) or the Church Office (623-6633) if you're interested. Classes will run until May 14.

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at TWO places!**

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



This Week at Grace • Apr 14-Apr 21

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

TODAY

Worship Services.....7:45 & 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 (Fellowship Hall):
• *The Life of Christ: Jesus' Miracles*9:00a
Grace-Vail Bible Study Cottonwood Elementary9:00a
Grace-Vail Sunday School at Cottonwood Elem.9:00a
Grace-Vail Worship at Cottonwood Elementary 10:00a
Grace-Vail Wiffle Ball Tournament/Chili Cook-off.. 1:00p
WELS Tucson Campus Ministry Bible Study..... 7:00p

Monday

Bible Study at Vail Golf Club.....9:30a
English as a Second Language Classes 6:30p

Tuesday

Handbell Practice 5:30p
Council Meeting.....6:15a
English as a Second Language Classes 6:30p

Wednesday

Midweek Bible Study: *Church History*..... 10:00a
Bible Study at the Prigge's 7:00p

Wednesday (continued)

Midweek Bible Study: *Church History*7:00p

Thursday

Women's Bible Study: *Philippians* 9:00a
Worship Choir.....6:30p
Boy Pioneer Meeting6:30p

Saturday

Grace-Vail Canvassing at Rancho del Lago 9:30a
Christian Fellowship Potluck/Guest Speaker 12:00p
Boy Pioneer Outing

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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.

Altar Flowers

The flowers beautifying our worship this morning have been given by Ron & Norma Stevens in memory of Norma's mother, Vieno Huber.

You Are Invited

You are invited to a coffee fellowship this morning in the courtyard following both services. We hope you'll take advantage of this opportunity to greet your brothers and sisters in Christ.

NEXT SUNDAY

Next week's Scripture Lessons for Devotional Reading this Week

Ezekiel 34:25-31
Revelation 7:9-17
John 10:22-30

Sermon Text & Theme

John 10:22-30
Your Shepherd Knows You

Leadership Conference

On Saturday, May 4, Grace will be hosting a simulcast of Wisconsin Lutheran College's "LEADLIVE" Leadership Conference. Topics presented will include "Developing Leaders," "Creating Mission Mindedness," and "Getting Things Done." Learn more at www.wlc.edu/leadership. Because of the time difference, the Conference will run 6:30 AM until 1:30 PM Tucson time. Current, future, and potential church leaders, both men and women, are invited to attend. Please watch for more details!

Upcoming Canvassing Dates at Grace-Vail

Below are the upcoming canvassing dates at Grace-Vail. This is a great way to share information about our second site and also a way to share the love of Christ. If you are interested in canvassing or have questions about it please give Pastor Rieke a call (343-9881). We will be meeting at the Rancho del Lago Golf Club (14155 E Via Rancho del Lago) at 9:30 AM and will canvass until 12:00 PM each Saturday. Lunch will also be provided.

April 20, May 4, May 18



March 2 Canvassing Group

Apache Clothing Drive Ending

Please help bring the Apache Clothing Drive to its end for now with its fourth delivery on April 18, sponsored by the Christian Fellowship Group. **Donations of clothing and Scrip gift cards will be received until this Wednesday, April 17.** Please talk to Russ & Sandy Weir (795-0062), Bill & Dorothy Rauh (296-8840) and Cinda Drescher or Geri DeRosa (615-6059) for arranging a drop-off at church. Scrip is also welcomed. Thanks so much!

Join the Christian Fellowship Group this Saturday, April 20 at noon in the Fellowship Hall for an informational meeting/potluck and hear more about our new service project in support of *New Beginnings*, a home for mothers run by Christian Life Resources.