

# Fourth Sunday of Easter Good Shepherd Sunday



Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church  
April 21, 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.

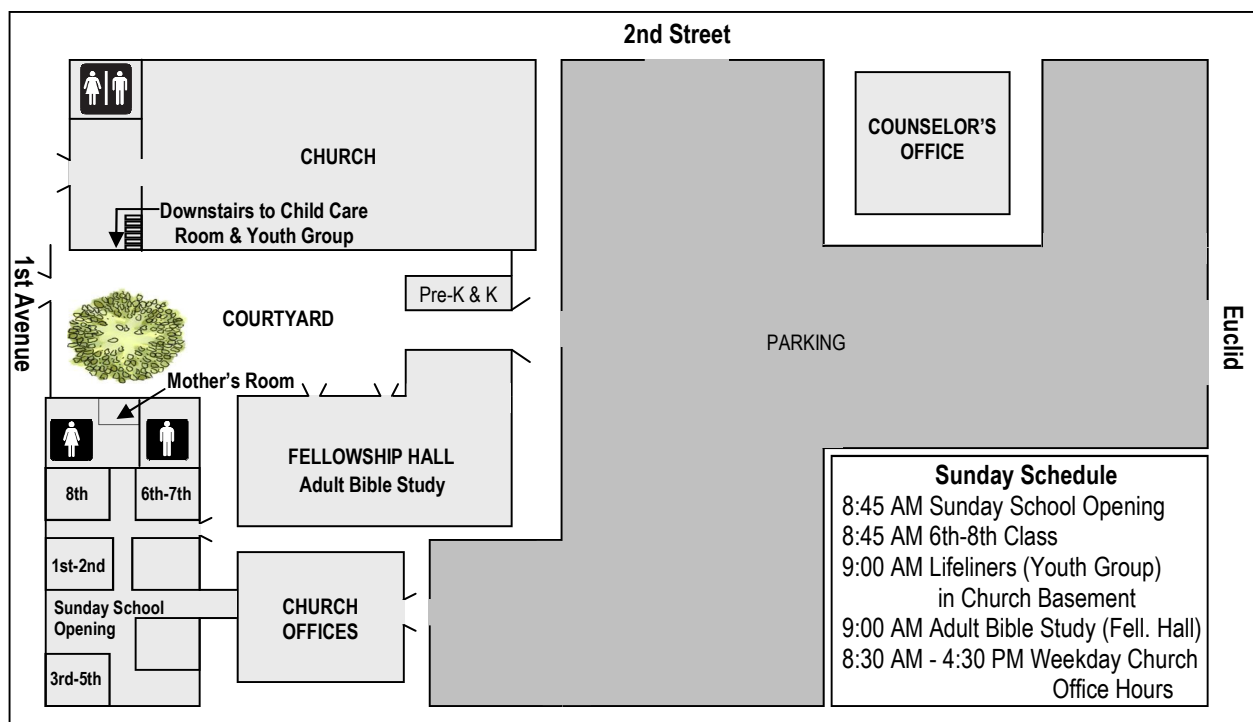
**Hymns** are found in our hymnal, *Christian Worship*, which is the red book in the pew rack in front of you.

**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](http://www.GraceTucsonWELS.com)



**DIVINE SERVICE II**  
*Christian Worship Supplement*

**PRESERVICE MUSIC:**

**7:45 & 10:00 AM—**  
*Savior, Like a  
Shepherd Lead Us*  
Arr. by Victor  
Labenske

**WELCOME**

**HYMN**

**O Savior, Precious Savior**  
*Christian Worship #368*

*Please stand*

**INVOCATION**

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

**C:** Amen.

**CONFESSION**

**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.

*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.*

**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**

*Mark 10:47*

**Kyrie**

**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

Luke 2:14

### *Gloria in Excelsis*

*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  
2. Our grate - ful thanks to you we bring, For your great  
3. O Lamb of God, to you we pray. You take all  
4. You, Christ, are ho - ly \_\_\_\_\_ Lord a - lone; The Fa - ther's

Lord, we glo - ri - fy; We praise you for your peace and  
glo - ry, heav'n - ly King, For all, O Fa - ther, you have  
hu - man sin a - way. Have mer - cy, Lord; Re - ceive our  
glo - ry 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 Lord Jesus Christ, you are the Good Shepherd who laid down your life for the sheep. Lead us now to the still waters of your life-giving Word that we may abide in your Father's house forevermore; for you live and reign with him and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

*Please be seated*

## FIRST LESSON

### Ezekiel 34:25-31 (NIV)

“I will make a covenant of peace with them and rid the land of wild beasts so that they may live in the desert and sleep in the forests in safety. I will bless them and the places surrounding my hill. I will send down showers in season; there will be showers of blessing. The trees of the field will yield their fruit and the ground will yield its crops; the people will be secure in their land. They will know that I am the LORD, when I break the bars of their yoke and rescue them from the hands of those who enslaved them. They will no longer be plundered

by the nations, nor will wild animals devour them. They will live in safety, and no one will make them afraid. I will provide for them a land renowned for its crops, and they will no longer be victims of famine in the land or bear the scorn of the nations. Then they will know that I, the LORD their God, am with them and that they, the house of Israel, are my people, declares the Sovereign LORD. You my sheep, the sheep of my pasture, are people, and I am your God, declares the Sovereign LORD.”

*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.*

## WORSHIP CHOIR (10:00 AM)

### My Shepherd

*My Shepherd will supply my need; Jehovah is His name;  
In pastures fresh He makes me feed, beside the living stream.*

*He brings my wand'ring spirit back, when I forsake His ways;  
And leads me, for His mercy's sake, in paths of truth and grace.*

*The King of love my Shepherd is, whose goodness faileth never.  
I nothing lack if I am His, and He is mine forever.*

*And so through all the length of days, Thy goodness faileth never;  
Good Shepherd, may I sing Thy praise within Thy house forever.*

*Arr. by Anna Laura  
Page & Jean Anne  
Shafferman*

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## SECOND LESSON

### Revelation 7:9-17 (NIV)

After this I looked and there before me was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, tribe, people and language, standing before the throne and in front of the Lamb. They were wearing white robes and were holding palm branches in their hands. And they cried out in a loud voice: “Salvation belongs to our God, who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb.” All the angels were standing around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures. They fell down on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, saying: “Amen! Praise and glory and wisdom and thanks and honor and power and strength be to our God for ever and ever. Amen!” Then one of the elders

asked me, “These in white robes—who are they, and where did they come from?” I answered, “Sir, you know.” And he said, “These are they who have come out of the great tribulation; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. Therefore, “they are before the throne of God and serve him day and night in his temple; and he who sits on the throne will spread his tent over them. Never again will they hunger; never again will they thirst. The sun will not beat upon them, nor any scorching heat. For the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd; he will lead them to springs of living water. And God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.”

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

## VERSE OF THE DAY

*Romans 10:17*



C: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Faith comes from hear - ing the mes - sage, and the mes - sage is heard through the

Word of Christ. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

*Please stand*

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

## GOSPEL

**John 10:22-30 (NIV)**

**M:** The Gospel according to John chapter ten.

**C:** Glory be to you, O Lord.

Then came the Feast of Dedication at Jerusalem. It was winter, and Jesus was in the temple area walking in Solomon's Colonnade. The Jews gathered around him, saying, "How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Christ, tell us plainly." Jesus answered, "I did tell you, but you do not believe. The miracles I do in my Father's name speak for me, but

you do not believe because you are not my sheep. My sheep listen to my voice; I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; no one can snatch them out of my hand. My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all; no one can snatch them out of my Father's hand. I and the Father are one."

**M:** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C:** Praise be to you, O Christ.

*Please be seated*

## HYMN OF THE DAY

**Jesus, Shepherd of the Sheep**  
*Christian Worship #436*

## SERMON

**John 10:22-30**  
**Your Shepherd Knows You**

*Please stand*

## 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.

*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:** God of all grace, we thank you for the gift of eternal life in your Son. By the resurrection of Jesus from the dead and by the faithful testimony of the apostles, you have assured us that our faith stands on a sure and solid foundation.

Though we do not see Jesus with our physical eyes, help us see him with the eyes of faith. Through your Holy Spirit, breathe on your Church that it may faithfully proclaim the gospel of our risen Savior with courage and diligence in all lands and to all people. Grant that we also may be illumined by the heavenly light of your Word, and so keep us in the one and only true faith.

Preserve us from all assaults on our souls, deliver us from doubt and despair, and preserve us from worldly wisdom and false teaching.

Forgive the sins of your people. Strengthen the doubting and faithless. Bring back the forgetful and wayward, and comfort the anxious and the distressed.

*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.*



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

## OFFERTORY MUSIC:

**7:45 AM—**  
Belmont  
Setting by Henry V.  
Gerike

**10:00 AM—**  
Have No Fear Little  
Flock  
By Ralph C. Schultz

*Special prayers and intercessions may follow.*

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

*Silent prayer.*

M: As we go from this holy place today, grant peace and rest to us all. We pray this in the name of Christ our Lord. Amen.

7:45 AM - Please continue on page 8 with the Prayer of Thanksgiving.

## 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 rose from the dead in glorious triumph to bring forgiveness to the world and everlasting life to all who believe. Therefore with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:

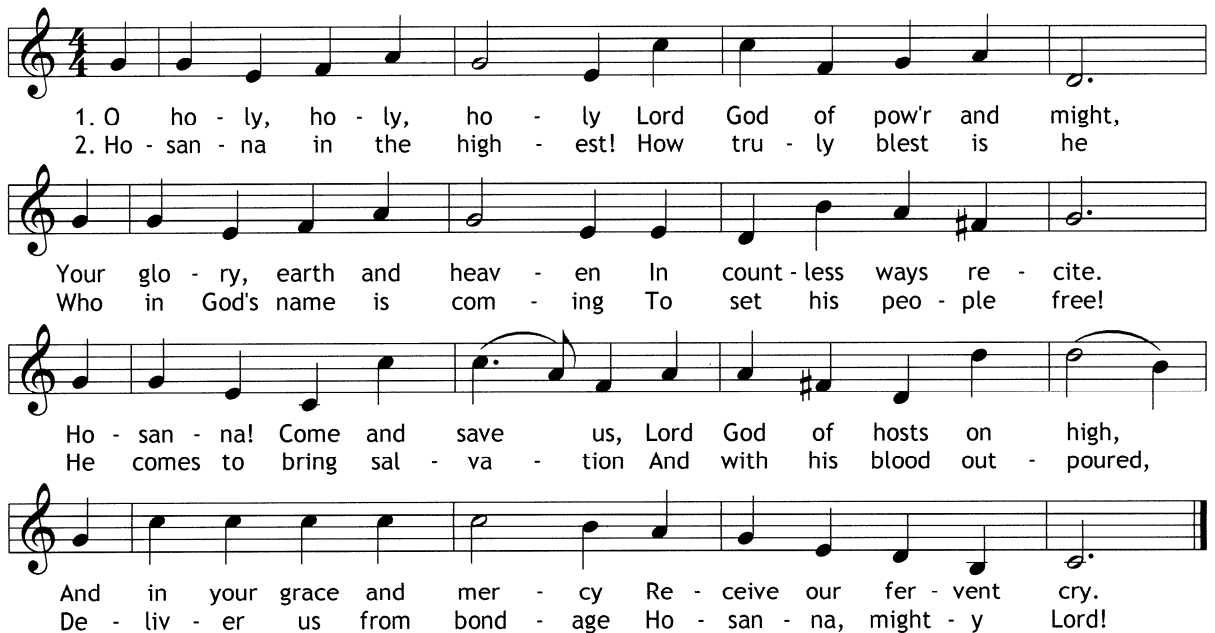
### HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

*Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9*

#### Sanctus

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

*Sung to the tune of  
"The Day of  
Resurrection,"  
Christian Worship  
#166*



1. O ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of pow'r and might,  
2. Ho - san - na in the high - est! How tru - ly blest is he

Your glo - ry, earth and heav - en In count - less ways re - cite.  
Who in God's name is com - ing To set his peo - ple free!

Ho - san - na! Come and save us, Lord God of hosts on high,  
He comes to bring sal - va - tion And with his blood out - poured,

And in your grace and mer - cy Re - ceive our fer - vent cry.  
De - liv - er us from bond - age Ho - san - na, might - y Lord!

## PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

**M:** Blessed are you, O Lord of heaven and earth. We praise and thank you for sending your Son, Jesus Christ, and we remember the great acts of love through which he has ransomed us from sin, death, and the devil's power.

By his incarnation, he became one with us.  
By his perfect life, he fulfilled your holy will.  
By his innocent death, he overcame hell.  
By his rising from the grave, he opened heaven.

Invited by your grace and instructed by your Word, we approach your table with repentant and joyful hearts. Strengthen us through Christ's body and blood, and preserve us in the true faith until we feast with him and all his ransomed people in glory everlasting.

**C:** 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.

*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.*

## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

*Matthew 26:26-28*

*1 Corinthians 11:24, 25*

**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."

**M:** The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C:** Amen.

## LAMB OF GOD

*Agnus Dei*

John 1:29

C: Lamb of God, you take a - way the  
sin of the world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God,  
you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on  
us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the  
world; grant us your peace. A - men.

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.

*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 HYMN (10:00 AM)**

**Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus**  
*Christian Worship #452*

**DISTRIBUTION MUSIC (10:00 AM)**

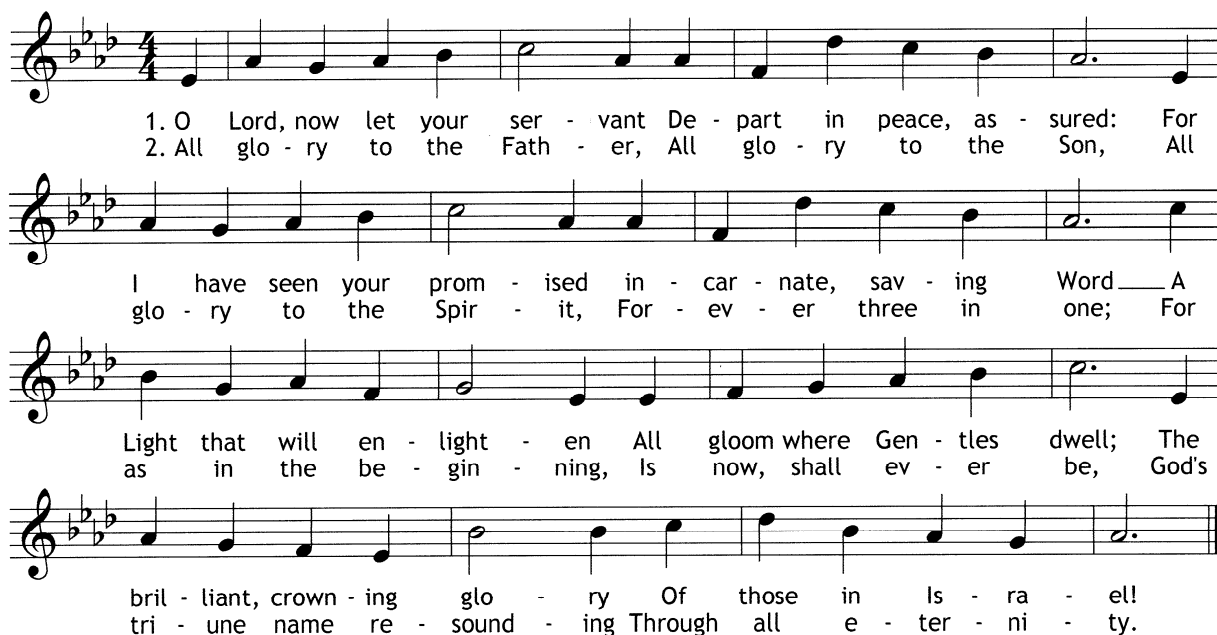
**My Shepherd Knows**  
*By John Purifoy*

*Please stand*

**SONG OF SIMEON**  
**Nunc Dimittis**

Luke 2:29-32

*Please join in singing the response below following a brief introduction.*  
*(Sung to the tune of "Come unto Me, Ye Weary," Christian Worship #336)*



1. O Lord, now let your ser - vant De - part in peace, as - sured: For  
2. All glo - ry to the Fath - er, All glo - ry to the Son, All

I have seen your prom - ised in - car - nate, sav - ing Word — A  
glo - ry to the Spir - it, For - ev - er three in one; For

Light that will en - light - en All gloom where Gen - tles dwell; The  
as in the be - gin - ning, Is now, shall ev - er be, God's

bril - liant, crown - ing glo - ry Of those in Is - ra - el!  
tri - une name re - sound - ing Through all e - ter - ni - ty.

**PRAYER**

**M:** We give you thanks, O Lord, for the foretaste of the heavenly banquet that you have given us to eat and to drink in this sacrament. Through this gift you have fed our faith, nourished our hope, and strengthened our love. By your Spirit, help us to live as your holy people until that day when you will receive us as your guests at the wedding supper of the Lamb, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C:** Amen.

**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** (see page 11)

**The Lord's My Shepherd**  
*Christian Worship Supplement #766*

**POSTLUDE:**

**7:45 AM—**  
*The Lord's My Shepherd; I'll Not Want*  
CW 360

**10:00 AM—**  
*Let Us Ever Walk With Jesus*  
By Melvin Rotermund

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## 766

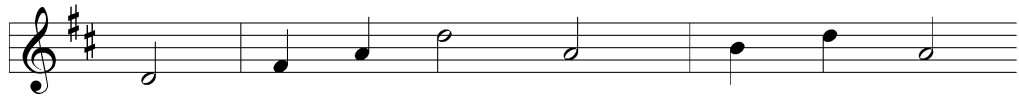
## The Lord's My Shepherd



1 The Lord's my Shep - herd; I'll not want.  
 2 My soul he doth re - store a - gain  
 3 Yea, though I walk in death's dark vale,  
 4 My ta - ble thou hast fur - nish - ed  
 5 Good - ness and mer - cy, all my life,



He makes me down to lie  
 And me to walk doth make  
 Yet will I fear no ill;  
 In pre - sence of my foes;  
 Shall sure - ly fol - low me,



In pas - tures green; he lead - eth me  
 With - in the paths of right - eous - ness,  
 For thou art with me, and thy rod  
 My head thou dost with oil a - noint,  
 And in God's house for - ev - er - more



The qui - et wa - ters by.  
 E'en for his own name's sake.  
 And staff me com - fort still.  
 And my cup o - ver - flows.  
 My dwell - ing place shall be.



He lead - eth me, he lead - eth me  
 With - in the paths of right - eous - ness,  
 For thou art with me, and thy rod  
 My head thou dost with oil a - noint,  
 And in God's house for - ev - er - more



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*The well-known themes of Psalm 23 are set to the popular tune BROTHER JAMES' AIR.*

Text: *Psalter*, Edinburgh, 1650

Tune: BROTHER JAMES' AIR (86 86 86) J. L. Macbeth Bain, c. 1840–1925, adapt.



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

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



## This Week at Grace • Apr 21-Apr 28

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

### TODAY

Worship Services/Communion ..... 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: Demon Possession*..... 9:00a  
**Grace-Vail Bible Study Cottonwood Elementary** ..... 9:00a  
**Grace-Vail Sunday School at Cottonwood Elem.** ..... 9:00a  
**Grace-Vail Worship at Cottonwood Elementary** ..... 10:00a  
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

Pastors' Saguaro Circuit Meeting @ Redeemer..... 1:00p  
Handbell Practice ..... 5:30p  
English as a Second Language Classes ..... 6:30p

### Wednesday

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

### Thursday

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

### Saturday

Boy Pioneer Outing ..... 8:00a

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## THOSE ASSISTING IN WORSHIP TODAY

Preacher .....	Pastor Sam Clemons
Worship Leader .....	Pastor Ron Koehler (10:00 AM)
Accompanists .....	Kathy Parra (7:45 AM), Teri Guenther (10:00 AM)
Communion Assistants .....	Pastor Nathan Kassulke (10:00 AM) Member Ministry Elder Jason Watson (10:00 AM)
Worship Choir Director .....	Teri Guenther (10:00 AM)
Vocal Quartet .....	Dylan Guenther, Teri Guenther, Beth Kassulke, Jeremy Snaveley (10:00 AM)
Handbells .....	Dylan Guenther, Beth Kassulke (10:00 AM)
Ushers .....	Vic Thornton (7:45 AM) Rick Street, Mark Christianson, Jon Dongoske (10:00 AM) Taylor Parra, Danny Koehler (10:00 AM)
Sound & Recording Tech .....	Chris Stuhr (10:00 AM)

### 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. 9 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 Hawkins in celebration of the 32 years God blessed Bruce and Trucynda. She is forever thankful for the years given to them.

### 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 Jenn Miller and Julyd Hallemeyer. 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*

1 Samuel 20:12-17  
1 Corinthians 13:1-13  
John 13:31-35

#### *Sermon Text & Theme*

1 Corinthians 13:1-13  
*How Important is Love?*

### **ALA Presents: *Les Misérables***

Arizona Lutheran Academy (ALA) students will be performing *Les Misérables* April 26-28 at Arizona Lutheran Academy (6036 South 27th Avenue, Phoenix). The performances on April 26 & 27 begin at 7:00 PM and at 3:00 PM on April 28. Tickets will be sold at the door: Adults (\$8), students (K-12, \$5).

\*Grace members Nathanael Dyjak, Sarah Oberhofer and Ariana Weinstein will be performing in the musical.

*Arizona Lutheran Academy is our Lutheran high school located in Phoenix.*

## Youth Confirmation

This year's Youth Confirmation is Sunday, May 5. Six eighth graders (Elizabeth Colton, Eliana Combs, Olivia Holz, Maya Parra, Bryce Taylor, Abigail Walshaw) will be confirmed in the 10:00 AM worship service. Please be prepared as we anticipate that the church will be quite full that morning. All are invited to congratulate the confirmands with a cake reception following the service.

## Arizona Lutheran Academy Golf Classic

The 20th Annual ALA Golf Classic will be Saturday, May 11 at the Vistal Golf Club (7th St and South Mountain Parkway, Phoenix) starting at 7:30 AM. The deadline to register for the tournament is May 3. Registration forms and more details on the tournament can be found in the Fellowship Hall. You may also register online at [ALAcoyotes.org](http://ALAcoyotes.org). Contact Doug Meyer at 602-268-8686 ext. 15 or Meyer@ALAcoyotes.org if you have any questions. The tournament is a fundraiser for the ALA Athletic Department.

## Leadership Conference

Grace is hosting a simulcast of the "LEADLIVE" Leadership Conference on Saturday, May 4, 6:30 AM - 1:30 PM. This conference is conducted by Wisconsin Lutheran College's Center for Christian Leadership. Current, future, and potential leaders at Grace are invited and encouraged to attend. There is no cost to attend, but you are welcome to contribute an item for brunch or snacks during breaks (fruit, pastries, egg dishes, etc.). To help us plan for this event, please register online at the Grace website ([www.gracetucsonwels.com](http://www.gracetucsonwels.com)), on the sign-up sheet in the Fellowship Hall or by calling the church office (623-6633).

## 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.

**May 4, May 18**



March 2 Canvassing Group

## Spiritual Growth Pastor for LWMS Grand Canyon Circuit – East

On April 13, Pastor Rieke was elected to serve as the Spiritual Growth Pastor for our Lutheran Women's Missionary Society Circuit. He will help to arrange mission speakers and organize the Fall and Spring Rallies for the Grand Canyon Circuit - East. This is just one of the ways that your pastors have been asked to serve outside of Grace Lutheran Church.

## Life of David Bible Study

Join us on Wednesday evenings from 7-8 PM at the Prigge home (5391 S Black Falls Dr) to study the life of King David. Enjoy the friendly small group atmosphere as we see the struggles and triumphs of the king after the Lord's heart. Everyone is invited (including kids).



## Mission to the Children Invitation

Mission to the Children is extending an invitation to members of the local Tucson WELS Churches to join them at a Fiesta in Sonora for a one or two day visit May 4 and 5. **A passport is required.** If interested, please contact Mary Ann Rosas at 520-591-0799 by April 28. The events and itinerary are posted in the Grace-University courtyard display case.

### Wednesday Church History Bible Studies

Pastor Clemons resumed his Wednesday Church History Bible study last week. If you are interested in learning about how God works through history and discovering the origins of Protestant denominations this Bible study is for you! Class this week is Wednesday, April 24 at 10:00 AM and 7:00 PM in the Grace-University Fellowship Hall.

### Work Day at Grace-University

Grace will be having a Work Day Thursday, May 9 starting at 8:00 AM. Work will focus on the Sanctuary entrance doors. We need a few volunteers to help scuff and re-varnish the doors in preparation for the hot summer days. Tools will be supplied. Questions? Call Dave Breitreitz at 298-9758.

### WELS Tucson Campus Ministry Cookout

WELS Tucson Campus Ministry is hosting its annual end of the year cookout in the courtyard here at Grace on Sunday, May 5 at 6:00 PM. All college students and other college age individuals are invited to attend. Graduating high school seniors, please join us as our special guests.

### Wiffle Ball Thank You!

Thank you to everyone who participated in our first Wiffle ball and Chili and Cornbread cook-off last Sunday at Grace-Vail. Thank you to all those who brought chili and cornbread, they were delicious. Congratulations to our winners, Jake Kassulke (chili) and Kristin Rieke (cornbread). A big thank you also goes out to Boz Lomasney for organizing this fun fellowship event! If you missed it, we hope you can join us next year.

## Come Along for the Trip of a Lifetime!



**June 3-7**  
**9 AM - 11:30 AM**  
**Age 3 - Grade 8**

**Visit [www.GraceTucsonWELS.com](http://www.GraceTucsonWELS.com)**  
**for more information.**

### Church Picnic

Please plan to join us at Grace-University on Sunday, June 9 after the 10:00 AM worship service for our annual Church Picnic. The June 9 worship service will also serve as our VBS closing service. Members of Grace are asked to bring a side dish and a dessert to share. Grace will provide grilled hot dogs and hamburgers. Volunteer help is also needed.

**We are encouraging members of Grace who attend worship at Grace-Vail on June 9 (also at 10:00), to help tear-down and clean up after the service, and then to join us for food and fellowship at the Picnic.**