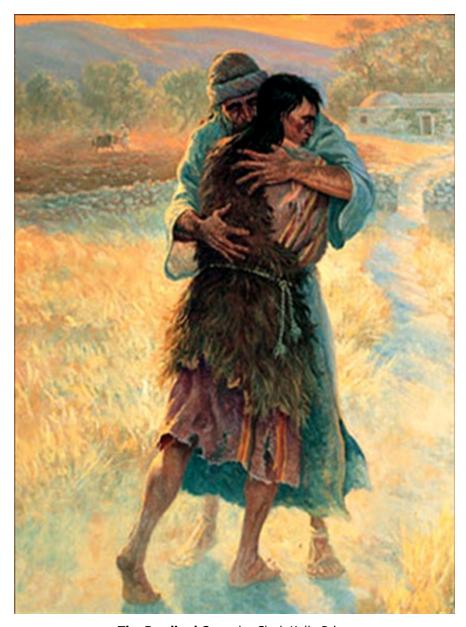
Fourth Sunday in Lent



The Prodigal Son • by Clark Kelly Price

Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church March 10, 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.

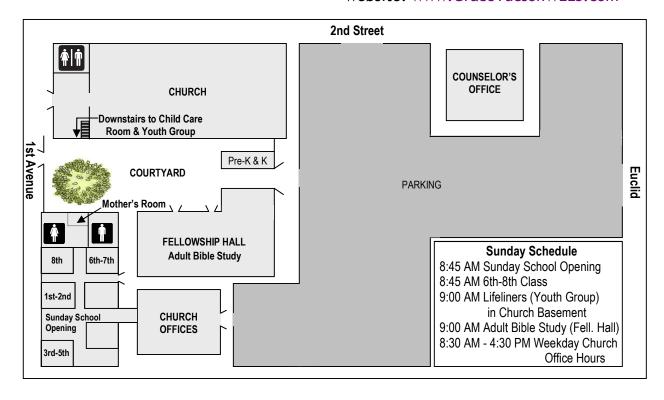
Hymns are found in our hymnal, *Christian Worship*, which is the red book in the pew rack in front of you.

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

New Service Settings

PRESERVICE MUSIC: 10:00 AM— People, Look East By Benjamin M. Culli

WELCOME

HYMN

Today Your Mercy Calls Us Christian Worship #339

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.



C: I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity.



C: But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray; Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.



- 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.

Please join in singing the response below following a brief introduction. (Sung to the tune of "Jesus, Your Blood and Righteousness," Christian Worship #376)



THE WORD

SALUTATION

M: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: Let us pray. Almighty God, we confess that we deserve to be punished for our evil deeds. But we ask you graciously to cleanse us from all sin and to comfort us with your salvation; 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

Judges 10:6-16 (NIV)

PSALM 115

Again the Israelites did evil in the eyes of the LORD. They served the Baals and the Ashtoreths, and the gods of Aram, the gods of Sidon, the gods of Moab, the gods of the Ammonites and the gods of the Philistines. And because the Israelites forsook the LORD and no longer served him, he became angry with them. He sold them into the hands of the Philistines and the Ammonites, who that year shattered and crushed them. For eighteen years they oppressed all the Israelites on the east side of the Jordan in Gilead, the land of the Amorites. The Ammonites also crossed the Jordan to fight against Judah, Benjamin and the house of Ephraim; and Israel was in great distress. Then the Israelites cried out to the LORD,

"We have sinned against you, forsaking our God and serving the Baals." The LORD replied, "When the Egyptians, the Amorites, the Ammonites, the Philistines, the Sidonians, Amalekites and the Maonites oppressed you and you cried to me for help, did I not save you from their hands? But you have forsaken me and served other gods, so I will no longer save you. Go and cry out to the gods you have chosen. Let them save you when you are in trouble!" But the Israelites said to the LORD, "We have sinned. Do with us whatever you think best, but please rescue us now." Then they got rid of the foreign gods among them and served the LORD. And he could bear Israel's misery no longer.

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

Vocalist(s) will sing the verses, the congregation may join in the refrains and final verse.





Not unto us, O LORD, not unto us but to your name be the <u>glory</u>, because of your love and <u>faithfulness</u>.

Why do the nations say, "Where <u>is</u> their God?"

Our God is in heaven; he does whatever pleases him.

The LORD remembers us and will <u>bless</u> us:
He will bless the house of <u>Israel</u>,
he will bless those who <u>fear</u> the LORD—
small and great alike.

Refrain

May the LORD make you <u>in</u>crease, both you and your <u>child</u>ren. May you be blessed <u>by</u> the LORD, the Maker of heav<u>en</u> and earth.

The highest heavens belong to the LORD, but the earth he has given to man.

It is not the dead who praise the LORD, it is we who extol the LORD, both now and forevermore.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy <u>Spir</u>it, as it was in the beg<u>in</u>ning, is now, and will be forever. Amen. Music by John Reim © 2006
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Refrain

SECOND LESSON

Submit yourselves, then, to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. Come near to God and he will come near to you. Wash your hands, you sinners, and purify your hearts, you

double-minded. Grieve, mourn and wail. Change your laughter to mourning and your joy to gloom. Humble yourselves before the Lord, and he will lift you up.

VERSE OF THE DAY

John 3:16 (NIV)

James 4:7-10 (NIV)

M: For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.

Arranged by Jay Rouse VOICES OF GRACE (10:00 AM)

How Deep the Father's Love For Us Words & Music by Stuart Townend

Based on Ephesians
2:4-5. "But because
of His great love for
us, God, who is rich
in mercy, made us
alive with Christ
even when we were
dead in
transgressions--it is
by grace you have
been saved."

How deep the Father's love for us, how vast beyond all measure; That He should give His only Son to make a wretch His treasure. How great the pain of searing loss; The Father turns His face away As wounds which mar the Chosen One bring many sons to glory.

Behold the Man upon a cross, my sin upon His shoulders; Ashamed, I hear my mocking voice call out among the scoffers. It was my sin that held Him there until it was accomplished, His dying breath has brought me life; I know that it is finished.

© 1995 Thank You Music (admin. by EMI CMG). All rights reserved. Reprinted under CCLI License #3095236. I will not boast in anything: no gifts, no pow'r, no wisdom; But I will boast in Jesus Christ, His death and resurrection. Why should I gain from His reward? I cannot give an answer. But this I know with all my heart: His wounds have paid my ransom.

Please stand

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

Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32 (NIV)

M: The Gospel according to Luke chapter fifteen.

C: Glory be to you, O Lord.

Now the tax collectors and "sinners" were all gathering around to hear him. But the Pharisees and the teachers of the law muttered, "This man welcomes sinners and eats with them." Then Jesus told them this parable: "There was a man who had two sons. The younger one said to his father, 'Father, give me my share of the estate.' So he divided his property between them. Not long after that, the younger son got together all he had, set off for a distant country and there squandered his wealth in wild

living. After he had spent everything, there was a severe famine in that whole country, and he began to be in need. So he went and hired himself out to a citizen of that country, who sent him to his fields to feed pigs. He longed to fill his stomach with the pods that the pigs were eating, but no one gave him anything. When he came to his senses, he said, 'How many of my father's hired men have food to spare, and here I am starving to death! I will set out and go back to my father and say to him: Father, I have sinned

against heaven and against you. I am no longer worthy to be called your son; make me like one of your hired men.' So he got up and went to his father. But while he was still a long way off, his father saw him and was filled with compassion for him; he ran to his son, threw his arms around him and kissed him. The son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you. I am no longer worthy to be called your son.' But the father said to his servants, 'Quick! Bring the best robe and put it on him. Put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. Bring the fattened calf and kill it. Let's have a feast and celebrate. For this son of mine was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found.' So they began to celebrate. Meanwhile, the older son was in the field. When he came near the house, he heard music and dancing. So he called one of the

servants and asked him what was going 'Your brother has come,' he replied, 'and your father has killed the fattened calf because he has him back safe and sound.' The older brother became angry and refused to go in. So his father went out and pleaded with him. But he answered his father, 'Look! All these years I've been slaving for you and never disobeyed your orders. Yet you never gave me even a young goat so I could celebrate with my friends. But when this son of yours who has squandered your property with prostitutes comes home, you kill the fattened calf for him!' 'My son,' the father said, 'you are always with me, and everything I have is yours. But we had to celebrate and be glad, because this brother of yours was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found."

M: This is the Gospel of the Lord.C: Praise be to you, O Christ.

Please be seated

HYMN OF THE DAY

Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed Christian Worship #129

SERMON

Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32 The Great Escape from Grace

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.

The Apostles' Creed developed in the Early Christian Church as a personal confession of faith. It is so named because it confesses the faith taught by the Apostles of Jesus.



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

10:00 AM— The Lamb Performed by the Handbell Choir

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-LENT

- M: Heavenly Father, you loved the world and gave your Son to liberate us from sin and death by his obedient death on the cross.
- C: We confess that without your love we are lost.
- M: Lord of the Church, we thank you for the treasure of the gospel. By your Spirit, keep our eyes fixed on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith.
- C: Strengthen our determination to do what pleases you, no matter what the danger or the cost.
- M: Let us pray for those who carry heavy burdens in life: the sick and the chronically ill, the depressed and the lonely, those torn by conflict in personal relationships, those victimized by war and injustice, and all who face the terrors of life with a heavy heart.
- C: Grant them peace, O Lord, and in your mercy, be their guardian and friend, their comfort and hope.
- M: Let us pray for those who care for others: pastors and counselors; physicians and nurses; social workers and caring friends; all who feed the hungry, comfort the hurting, and stand beside the dying.
- C: Strengthen them in their work, O Lord, and do not let them become weary in doing good.

Special prayers and intercessions may follow.

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

Silent prayer.

- M: Help us run with perseverance the race marked out for us. Keep us faithful even to the point of death, that we may receive the crown of life, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- 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.

Please be seated

HYMN

Amazing Grace—How Sweet the Sound Christian Worship #379

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.

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

I Lay My Sins on Jesus Christian Worship #372 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

THOSE ASSISTING IN WORSHIP TODAY

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Grace is one congregation at TWO places!

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



This Week at Grace • Mar 10-Mar 17

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

TODAY

IODAI
Worship Services7:45 & 10:00a
Coffee Fellowship following both services
Children's Sunday School8:45a
Youth Confirmation Class8:45a
Lifeliners (High School Group): Bible Study9:00a
Adult Bible Study (Fellowship Hall):
• The Life of Christ: Jesus' Miracles9:00a
Grace-Vail Bible Study Cottonwood Elementary9:00a
Grace-Vail Sunday School at Cottonwood Elem9:00a
Grace-Vail Worship at Cottonwood Elementary 10:00a
NO WELS Tucson Campus Ministry
Monday Dible Study of Veil Colf Club
Bible Study at Vail Golf Club
English as a Second Language Classes6:30p
Tuesday
Handbell Practice5:30p
English as a Second Language Classes6:30p
Wednesday
Midweek Lenten Worship10:00a
Lenten Supper in the Fellowship Hall6:00-6:45p
Midweek Lenten Worship7:00p

Thursday

Women's Bible Study: <i>Philippians</i>
Friday Mexican Dinner at Grace-University 4:30-6:30p
Saturday Canvassing in Vail10:00a-12:30p
Sunday Worship Services/Communion7:45 & 10:00a

Grace-Vail Bible Study at 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

Check out the NEW GRACE WEBSITE at www.GraceTucsonWELS.com!

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TODAY

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 Vic & Lois Thornton in memory and in thanks for their fathers, Victor Caldwell Thornton and Elroy J. Moll.

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 Ron & Norma Stevens and family. 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

> Isaiah 43:16-24 Romans 11:11-21 Luke 20:9-19

Sermon Text & Theme

Isaiah 43:16-24
God is Doing Something New!

Mexican Dinner at Grace-University this Friday!

The Women of Grace invite everyone to join this Friday, March 15, between 4:30 and 6:30 PM for the annual Mexican Dinner at Grace-University. The menu includes: Sour Cream Enchiladas, Beef Tacos, Refried Beans, Assorted Cakes, Coffee, Tea, & Milk.



There is a sign-up sheet in the Fellowship Hall on the bulletin board if you'd like to help with the meal or bring a cake to share. PLEASE SIGN UP TODAY!

MLS Choir Concert April 3—Dinner and Hosts Needed

The Michigan Lutheran Seminary Choir will present a concert at Grace-University on Wednesday, April 3 at 7:00 PM. All are invited to this evening concert. MLS is one of two prep schools operated by our Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod. The goal of these prep schools is to encourage and to equip WELS members to continue their studies at Martin Luther College in preparation for becoming pastors, teachers, or staff ministers in our WELS congregations and schools.



Prior to their 7 PM concert, we will be feeding the choir dinner. Please let Debbie Koehler know if you would like to help serve the meal.

The choir will be spending the night in Tucson and will need housing for the evening. This is a GREAT opportunity to get to know some high school students who attend one of our synod's prep schools! We really need volunteers to house groups of 2 or 3 students. Please contact Debbie Koehler (293-5617) if you are interested and she will give you the details.

Midweek Service and Lenten Supper

Midweek Lenten worship services are on Wednesday March 13 and 20 at 10:00 AM and 7:00 PM. The Lenten Supper starts at 6:00 PM before the evening midweek worship service. We hope you can join us!

Tuition Tax Credit Donations

As you prepare your 2012 tax return in the coming weeks, 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 2012 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. Please see the bulletin board in the courtyard with the full listing of students supported by Grace. Donations are eligible for the tax credit up to \$503 for a single person or \$1006 for a married couple in 2012. You can make a donation online or pick up one of the donation forms located at both entrances of church.

A new feature this year is the Plus Donation. After donating the maximum amount allowed under the original tax credit program (see above), you are now able to donate another \$1,000 (for married couples filing jointly; \$500 for single taxpayers) for the 2012 tax year and receive a credit on your state income taxes, provided you have that amount or greater in state liability. There are certain criteria that students must meet in order to receive Plus scholarships. Several of our Grace students may qualify. If you have questions, please contact the church office or call the H.E.L.P. Scholarship Foundation at 623-694-3487.

Grace Iron Men Bible Study

Thanks to everyone who joined us for our first Bible Study in February! Our next Bible Study is this coming Thursday, March 14 at 7:30 PM in the Grace-University Fellowship Hall. We'll be discussing the Christian's relationship to government and how being a Christian affects the way we vote and discuss political issues. Men 21 and up are invited to join us for our Bible Studies and fellowship activities. Whether you've been involved already or not, please join us for this Bible Study!



Easter Caroling at the Sabino Canyon Rehabilitation Center

On Palm Sunday, March 24 at 1:30 PM, a group from Grace will be singing about the joyous message of Christ's resurrection at Sabino Canyon Rehabilitation Center (5830 E. Pima Road, east of Craycroft on the south side of Pima). The music will be from the hymnal and we'll have piano accompaniment. There are no practice commitments required. Simply plan to arrive by 1:15 PM in the large meeting/craft room which is adjacent to the 300 room wing. All are welcome to join us for "Easter Caroling"! Your presence will be appreciated by the staff and their patients.

Easter Invitations!

Easter is a great time to invite your unchurched friends, family members, co-workers, and neighbors to church! If you have someone in your life who does not have a church home, we'd like to help you make that invitation. There are business card invitations available at the church entryways, in the Fellowship Hall, and on the Grace-Vail welcome table.

These full-color business cards have information about our Easter day breakfast and worship services at both Grace-University and Grace-Vail. They can be given in person or left for a friend. Especially if you leave one for someone, make an effort to follow up in person.

Easter for Kids & Easter for Families

Easter for Kids will be held at Grace-University on Saturday, March 23 from 9:30 AM to 1:00 PM. Children ages 2-12 are invited to join us for an Easter Bible lesson, singing, crafts, lunch, and hunting Easter eggs. The event is free, but please register using the forms available in the Grace-University Fellowship Hall or online at www.GraceTucsonWELS.com/e4kregistration. The registration forms include an invitation for you to pass along to friends. If you have any questions or would like to volunteer to help out, please speak to Pastor Kassulke.

On Saturday, March 23, from 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM, Grace-Vail will host an Easter for Families at Cottonwood Elementary (9950 E. Rees Loop). We want families to enjoy an Easter egg hunt, egg coloring, videos, crafts and more. Contact Pastor Rieke if you'd like to participate (343-9881).

Easter Lilies!

If you would like to buy an Easter lily to beautify worship on Easter Sunday (March 31), please sign the sheet located in the front or side entryways of church. Lilies are \$8 each (make checks payable to "Grace Lutheran Church"). Please place your payment in an envelope marked "Easter Lilies" and place it in the offering plate or bring it to the church office.

Easter Concert Sign-Up

As part of our Easter celebration, we will be having a concert between services at Grace-University on Easter morning. Individuals and music groups from Grace are encouraged to participate and are asked to submit an application form to Music Coordinator Beth Kassulke no later than March 20 for planning purposes. Forms can be found under the televisions in the fellowship hall, in the church office, or by contacting Beth. Any questions can be directed to Beth (293-2935 or music@gracetucsonwels.com).

Easter Breakfast

The Easter breakfast at Grace-University this year (March 31) will consist of pancakes, sausage, and orange juice, graciously made and served by the Lifeliners. Members are asked to bring fruit to share. If you have a few minutes to help clean up following the breakfast it would be greatly appreciated! Please contact Laura Lipke with any questions at 742-0211.

Maundy Thursday

Thursday, March 28, 10 AM & 7 PM at Grace-University

Good Friday

Friday, March 29, 7 PM at Grace-University

Tenebrae Service

(Service of Darkness)

Worshippers are asked to leave the Good Friday church service in silence, leaving in stillness and darkness until the dawn of a glorious Easter Day. Please visit with friends and family prior to entering church for worship.



Easter Sunday

Sunday, March 31 at Grace-University

Sunrise Worship—7 AM

Easter Breakfast—8 AM

Easter Concert—9 AM

Festival Worship—10 AM

Easter Sunday

at Grace-Vail

Easter Breakfast—9 AM
Outdoor Festival Worship—10 AM

Boxes of Cards for Sale

In addition to individual cards, there is an assortment of boxes of cards for sale in the Fellowship Hall. They are located on the table next to the card rack. You will find assorted boxes of birthday cards as well as boxes containing an assortment of cards (sympathy, get well, encouragement). The prices are marked on each box and range from \$2-\$4.50.

You are invited to participate in the 2013 GALA & AUCTION to benefit Arizona Lutheran Academy Tuition Assistance!

Date: Saturday, March 23, 2013

Location: Grace Inn, Phoenix (10831 S 51st St)

MISSION POSSIBLE --you make our mission possible!

- Appetizers
- Dinner
- Entertainment
- Silent Auction to benefit ALA Tuition Assistance

Visit ALAcoyotes.org to purchase tickets, donate, or learn more.

Arizona Lutheran Academy is our WELS high school in Phoenix.



Summer Camps at ALA for Elementary Students

Registration is now open for all ten ALA Coyote Summer Camps! This year ALA is offering sports, fine arts, cultural, Spanish, photography, computer, and LEGO camps--you are bound to find a few that appeal to your child's interests. Further information and registration is online at <u>ALAcoyotes.org</u>. Registration closes May 15, but don't wait to register—camps may fill up!

Apache Clothing Drive

The Apache Clothing Drive, which is sponsored by the Christian Fellowship Group, is coming to an end. There will be a final delivery in early April to the Whiteriver area. Here is one more opportunity to share our concern for them with our clothing donations and Scrip cards for Bashas, Safeway and Walmart. If you have any questions please contact Cinda Drescher or Geri DeRosa (615-6059), Bill & Dorothy Rauh (296-8840) or Russ & Sandy Weir (795-0062).

Watch for information about our next charitable project coming soon!

LWMS Grand Canyon East Circuit Spring Rally—April 13!

The Lutheran Women's Missionary Society Spring Rally will be Saturday, April 13 at Redeemer Lutheran Church (8845 N Silverbell Rd). There will be a presentation by Multi-Language Publications and Mission to the Children. Election of new officers will also take place. Coffee and registration begins at 8:00 AM and goes till 8:45 AM.

Registration forms are available in the Grace-University Fellowship Hall and on the welcome table at Grace-Vail. You may also access the forms online at www.grandcanyonlwms.org. The deadline to register and to give Mission Money is Sunday, April 7. More details about this rally can be found on the flyer in the Grace-University courtyard display case.

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 Cottonwood Elementary School (9950 E. Rees Loop) at 10:00 AM and will canvass until 12:30 PM each Saturday. Lunch will also be provided.



March 2 Canvassing Group

<u>March</u>	<u>April</u>	<u>May</u>
March 16	April 6	May 4
	April 20	May 18

Wiffle Ball Tournament & Chili Cook-Off

On Sunday, April 14 at 1:00 PM, Grace-Vail will be hosting a wiffle ball tournament and chili cook-off. More details to come, but mark it on your calendars now!

Volunteer Opportunity

Do you love to tell people about your Lord? Do you enjoy interacting with the elderly? If you answered "yes" to either or both of these questions, you are invited to join a group of fellow WELS members who hold a weekly Bible discussion at Sabino Canyon Rehabilitation Center. You will be provided training and become part of a committed, dynamic team. For more information contact Russ Weir (795-0062) or Ruth Schaller (572-6686).

Evangelism Mentoring Team Returning

We are welcoming back to Tucson Donovan and Ruth Kemerley, our Evangelism Mentoring Team. Their extended stay will be from March 13 – April 15. This will allow them to work alongside us to:

- 1) Continue to promote our Easter for Families (March 23) and Outdoor Easter Service (March 31) at Grace-Vail
- 2) Assist with our Easter activities at Grace-Vail, and
- 3) Follow up on guests from those events.

The Kemerleys have been a wonderful addition to the Grace family, and they have done some fine work. This visit they will be looking for eager volunteers to join them and Pastor Rieke with following up on our guests. Please consider if you would like to serve in this way!

"Mysterious Marriage" Retreat

Many things in life will always remain a mystery, but our marriage doesn't have to be one of them. God has revealed so much for us about the "mystery" of his design and blessing for marriage in his Word. What better way to unravel that mystery than with your spouse for an entire weekend away together? The 2013 WELS SoCal Marriage Enrichment & Get-Away Weekend is scheduled for April 26-28, 2013 in San Diego. Don't miss out on this wonderful opportunity to relax and rejuvenate with each other, and to do so through the gospel, as we hear it proclaimed in the Word, and see it modeled in marriage. Register online today at www.socalwels.com. See the poster in the Family Ministry Courtyard display or speak to Pastor Kassulke for more information. The registration deadline is March 25.