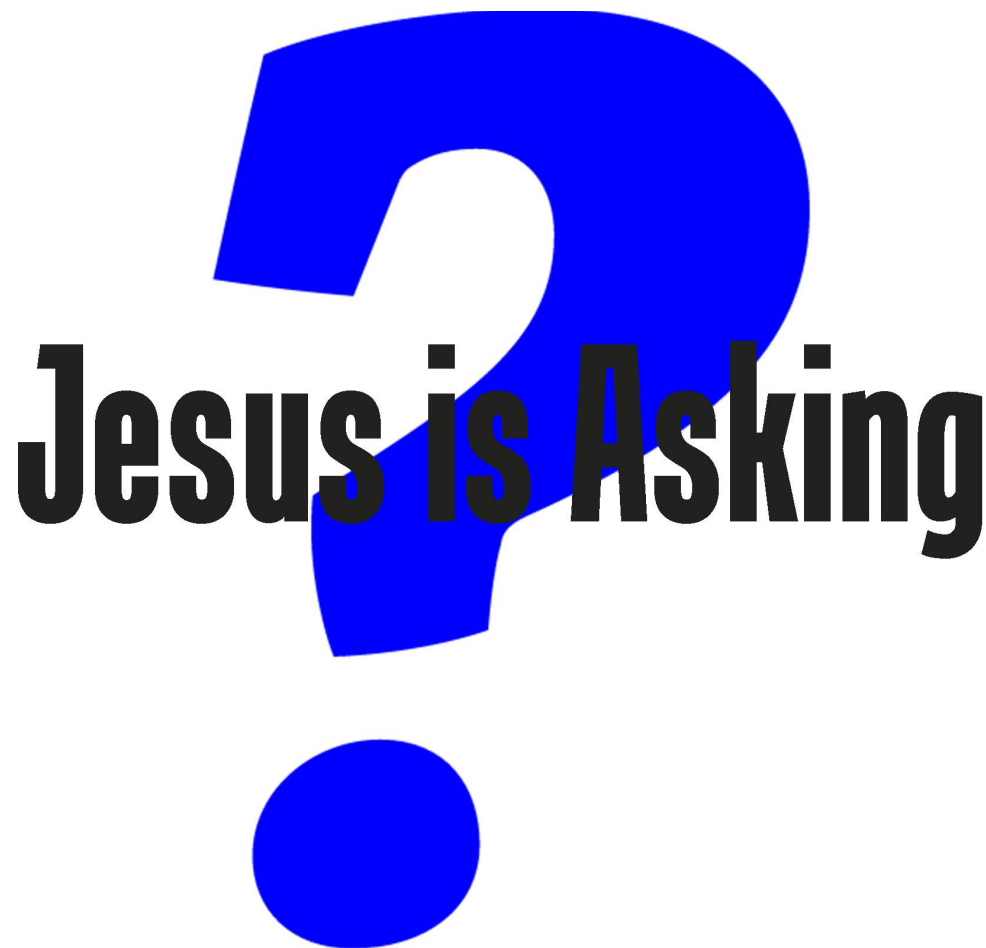


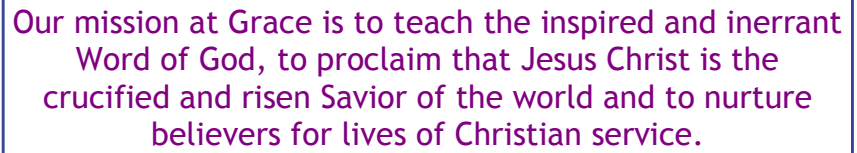
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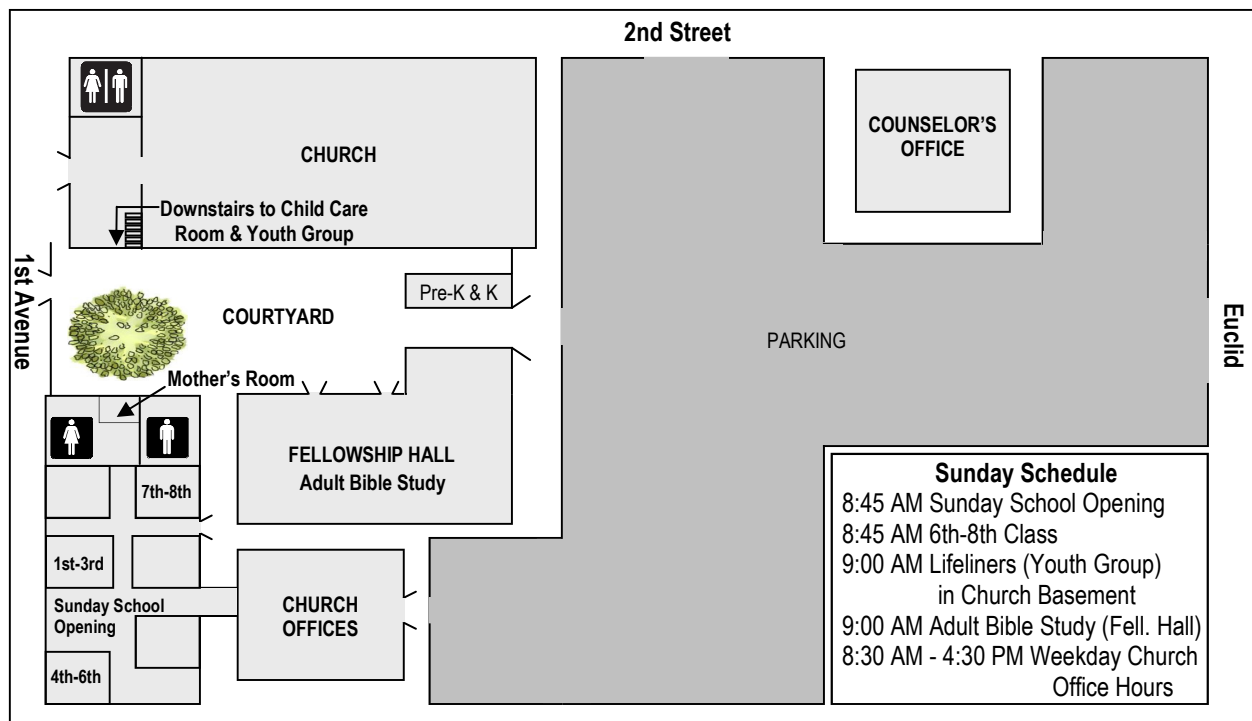
Grace Lutheran Church
June 16, 2013





Worship Notes

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



SERVICE OF WORD AND SACRAMENT

Christian Worship

WELCOME

HYMN

Lord, Open Now My Heart to Hear
Christian Worship #282

Please stand

Minister: The grace of our Lord (†) Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

Congregation: And also with you.

CONFESSION OF SINS

M: God invites us to come into his presence and worship him with humble and penitent hearts. Therefore, let us acknowledge our sinfulness and ask him to forgive us.

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.

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

LORD, HAVE MERCY

Kyrie

M: For all that we need in life and for the wisdom to use all your gifts with gratitude and joy, hear our prayer, O Lord.



C: Lord, have mer - cy.

M: For the steadfast assurance that nothing can separate us from your love and for the courage to stand firm against the assaults of Satan and every evil, hear our prayer, O Christ.



C: Christ, have mer - cy.

PRESERVICE MUSIC:

7:45 AM-

Thy Word

Arr. by Hal Leonard

10:00 AM-

Thy Word

Arr. by Hal Leonard

Lord, Keep Us

Steadfast in Your

Word

Setting by Thomas

Gieschen

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.

Kyrie—We sing our penitential confession to our Triune God—Father, Son and Holy Spirit, asking for his mercy. The name Kyrie is shortened from the Greek Kyrie Eleison, which means “Lord have mercy.”

M: For the well-being of your holy Church in all the world and for those who offer here their worship and praise, hear our prayer, O Lord.



C: Lord, have mer - cy.

M: Merciful God, maker and preserver of life, uphold us by your power and keep us in your tender care.



C: A - men.

M: The works of the Lord are great and glorious; his name is worthy of praise.

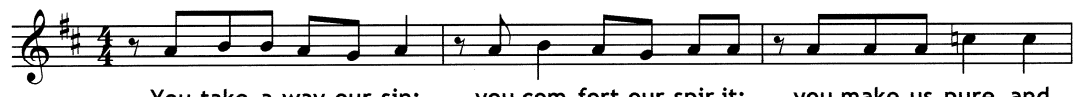
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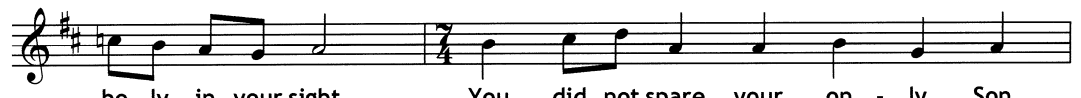
C: O Lord, our Lord, how glo - rious is your name in all the earth.



Al might y God, mer-ci-ful Fa-ther, you crown our lifewith your love.



You take a-way our sin; you com-fort our spir it; you make us pure and



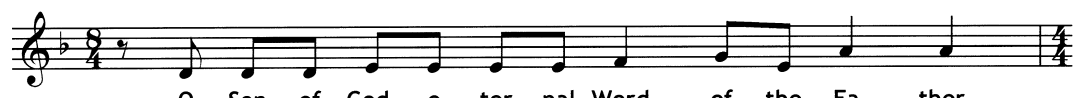
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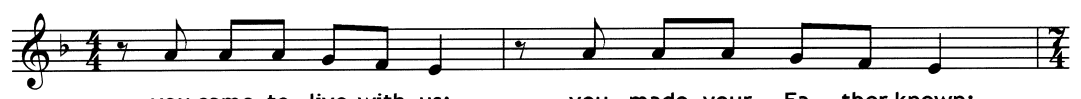
but gave him up for us all. O Lord, our Lord,



how glo - rious is your name in all the earth.



O Son of God, e - ter - nal Word of the Fa - ther,



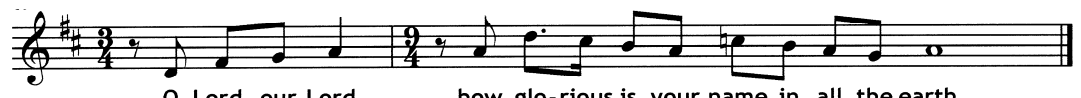
you came to live with us; you made your Fa - ther known;



you washed us from our sins in your own blood.



You are the King of glo - ry; you are the Lord!



O Lord, our Lord, how glo-rious is your name in all the earth.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: Let us pray.

Almighty God, we thank you for planting in us the seed of your Word. By your Holy Spirit help us to receive it with joy and to bring forth fruits in faith and hope and love; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Please be seated

THE WORD

FIRST LESSON

Fix these words of mine in your hearts and minds; tie them as symbols on your hands and bind them on your foreheads. Teach them to your children, talking about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when

Deuteronomy 11:18-21 (NIV)

you get up. Write them on the doorframes of your houses and on your gates, so that your days and the days of your children may be many in the land that the LORD swore to give your forefathers, as many as the days that the heavens are above the earth.

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, today it is from the book of Acts) and the Gospel.

SECOND LESSON

We did not follow cleverly invented stories when we told you about the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we were eyewitnesses of his majesty. For he received honor and glory from God the Father when the voice came to him from the Majestic Glory, saying, "This is my Son, whom I love; with him I am well pleased." We ourselves heard this voice that came from heaven when we were with him on the sacred mountain. And we have

2 Peter 1:16-21 (NIV)

the word of the prophets made more certain, and you will do well to pay attention to it, as to a light shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts. Above all, you must understand that no prophecy of Scripture came about by the prophet's own interpretation. For prophecy never had its origin in the will of man, but men spoke from God as they were carried along by the Holy Spirit.

VERSE OF THE DAY

C: A - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! These words are
writ - ten that we may be - lieve that Je - sus is the Christ, the
Son of God. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Please stand

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

GOSPEL

At that time Jesus went through the grainfields on the Sabbath. His disciples were hungry and began to pick some heads of grain and eat them. When the Pharisees saw this, they said to him, "Look! Your disciples are doing what is unlawful on the Sabbath." He answered, "Haven't you read what David did when he and his companions were hungry? He entered the house of God, and he and his companions ate the consecrated

Matthew 12:1-8 (NIV)

bread—which was not lawful for them to do, but only for the priests. Or haven't you read in the Law that on the Sabbath the priests in the temple desecrate the day and yet are innocent? I tell you that one greater than the temple is here. If you had known what these words mean, 'I desire mercy, not sacrifice,' you would not have condemned the innocent. For the Son of Man is Lord of the Sabbath."

After the Gospel, the congregation sings:

C: Praise be to you, O Christ!

Please be seated

HYMN OF THE DAY

Lord Jesus Christ, My Savior Blest
Christian Worship #362

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.

The Nicene Creed was first developed in 325 at the First Council of Nicea. It was written to reaffirm the Biblical teaching of the divinity of Jesus, God's Son. Like the Apostles' and Athanasian Creeds, the Nicene Creed is a confession of what the Bible teaches.

Please be seated

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!



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

Please stand

OFFERTORY MUSIC:
Speak, O Lord
Arr. by James Koerts

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

M: O Lord, light of the world and saving strength of your people, we thank you for the gift of your Word. Implant it in the hearts of your people, so that, set free from the power of Satan and the fear of death, we may live to serve and honor you.

Pour out your Spirit on us, that we may grow richly in divine knowledge and spiritual understanding. Bless the proclamation of your Word everywhere, so that hearts may be turned from the darkness of spiritual ignorance, falsehood, and despair to the light of knowledge, truth, and life. Be with our missionaries in our own and distant lands. Protect them, encourage them, and crown their labors with success.

Let your Word shine on our homes, that parents and children may dwell together in love and serve one another in kindness and humility. Watch over the sick, the sorrowing, the anxious, and the weary. Preserve those who are in any danger of body or soul. Supply us by the grace of Jesus with the Spirit's power, that we may ever be comforted by your truth and sustained by your love.

For these and all the other things you know we need, we confidently ask in the name of him who gave himself for us that we might live through him, Jesus our Lord. 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.

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 8 with the Words of Institution.

THE SACRAMENT

M: The Lord be with you.



C: And al - so 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 right to give him thanks and praise.

M: Praise to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In love he has blessed us with every spiritual blessing. He sends the Holy Spirit to testify that we are his children and to strengthen us when we are weak. Now have come the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Christ. To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be praise and thanks and honor and glory for ever and ever.

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

Sanctus

C: Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho-ly is the Lord of hosts. The whole earth is full of your glo-ry. You are my God, and I will ex-alt you. I will give you thanks for you have be-come my sal-va-tion. Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho-ly is the Lord of hosts. The whole earth is full of your glo-ry.

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

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: A - men.

Jesus is the Lamb of God who was offered as a sacrifice for sin once for all. The words of this song are based on John 1:29, where John the Baptist refers to Jesus this way.

O CHRIST, LAMB OF GOD

Agnus Dei

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.

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 MUSIC (10:00 AM)

My Lord, What Love Is This?
By Graham Kendrick

Please stand

THANK THE LORD

C: Thank the Lord and sing his praise.
Tell ev-'ry one what he has done. Let all who seek the Lord re -
joice and proud - ly bear his name. He re - news his prom - is - es and
leads his peo - ple forth in joy with shouts of thanks - giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia! Allelu - ia!

PRAYER

M: Hear the prayer of your people, O Lord, that the lips which have praised you here may glorify you in the world, that the eyes which have seen the coming of your Son may long for his coming again, and that all who have received in his true body and blood the pledge of your forgiveness may be restored to live a new and holy life, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: A - men.

BLESSING

M: Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another.
Serve the Lord with gladness.
The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make his face shine upon you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look on you with favor and (†) give you peace.

C: A - men. A - men. A - men.

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

Please be seated

ANNOUNCEMENTS

POSTLUDE:

How Firm a Foundation
Arr. by Ruth Elaine Schram

CLOSING HYMN

Abide, O Dearest Jesus
Christian Worship #333

THOSE ASSISTING IN WORSHIP TODAY

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Communion Assistants	Pastor Mark Hallemeyer (10:00 AM)
	Outreach Elder Jeff Weinstein (10:00 AM)
	Spiritual Needs Elder Eric Hanson (10:00 AM)
Accompanist	Kathy Parra
Chime Ringer	Lauri Colton (10:00 AM)
Distribution Music	Lisa Goldie (10:00 AM)
Ushers	Vic Thornton (7:45 AM)
	Mark Christianson, Jon Dins, Jon Dongoske (10:00 AM)
	Jake Kassulke, Tyler Koehler, Rick Street (10:00 AM)
Sound & Recording Tech	Chris Stuhr (10:00 AM)
Altar Prep Team	Lauri Colton, Audrey Street



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

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



This Week at Grace • June 16-June 23

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

TODAY

Worship Services/Communion7:45 & 10:00a
Coffee Fellowship following both services.....
Children's Sunday School.....8:45a
Youth Confirmation Class.....8:45a
Lifeliners (High School Group): *Bible Study*.....9:00a
Adult Bible Study (Fellowship Hall):
• *The Life of Christ: Prayers of Jesus*.....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

Monday

NO Bible Study at Vail Golf Club.....

Wednesday

Midweek Bible Study: *Church History*..... 10:00a
Midweek Bible Study: *Church History*..... 7:00p
NO Bible Study at the Prigge's

Thursday

Women's Bible Study: *The Narrow Lutheran Middle* 9:00a

Saturday

Council Meeting5:00p

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For Our Guests

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

Holy Communion

There are before-communion and after-communion prayers in our Christian Worship hymnal on p. 11, and a personal preparation guide on p.156 to help prepare you to receive the Lord's Supper. If you are a guest with us today, please see p. 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 Sean & Mary Brearcliffe in celebration of the 18th birthday of their daughter, Erin.

You Are Invited

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

Pastor Clemons is preaching at Grace-Vail this morning.

NEXT SUNDAY

Next week's Scripture Lessons for Devotional Reading this Week

Proverbs 2:1-6

Acts 8:26-39

Mark 8:14-21

Sermon Text & Theme

Mark 8:17-21

Do You Still Not Understand?

Summer Worship Series

Our summer worship series "Jesus is Asking" began last Sunday. We are looking at questions Jesus asked others and considering our response to the Savior. The 12-week series will be followed at both Grace-University and Grace-Vail. The same text will be used at both sites each week but the sermons will be slightly different because different pastors will be preaching! You may read or listen to both on the Grace website throughout the summer.



Christian Education Funding Recommendations UPDATE!

Thank you again to all who completed the Christian Education Survey. It was helpful to hear your thoughts as we attempt to manage well the resources God has given to us, while somehow assisting our children with their Christian education. Education Elder DJ Miller and Pastor Kassulke formed a committee which brought a recommendation to the Church Council this past week. In an effort to get the recommendations to the members to review before the voters' meeting, the Council accelerated its review and approval of the committee's work. You will find the recommendations from the committee regarding the Christian education funding available in the Fellowship Hall. The recommendations from the committee regarding tuition assistance for our children will be brought to the voters at a special Voters' Meeting on Tuesday, June 25 at 7:00 PM. That meeting will be held at Grace-University in the Fellowship Hall.

Planning a Vacation or an Extended Time away from Tucson this Summer? Enjoy the Convenience of Electronic Giving

Just as you rely on receiving income on a regular basis, our congregation relies on your regular offerings. We appreciate our members' efforts to make consistent donations throughout the year – especially during the summer travel periods. To assist you, Grace Lutheran Church wants to remind you that we offer electronic giving as a way to keep up on your intended offerings.

Online offerings through Simply Giving allows you to automatically transfer funds from your checking or savings account to the church's bank account. You may also make offerings automatically on a pre-determined schedule using a credit or debit card.

Please visit www.gracetucsonwels.com at any time and click on the "Online Giving" button to set up an automatic offering plan, change your offering plan, make a one-time offering or view your online offering history. You can also access the online giving page by using your smart phone to scan the image you see to the right.



If you prefer, you may also enroll in online giving by completing an authorization form available in the church entryway, office and fellowship hall. Alternatively, you might also consider using your bank's online bill pay services to schedule your regular offerings.

WELS Tucson Campus Ministry

WELS TCM is on hiatus for the summer, but mark your calendars for the Welcome Back Party on August 25 at 6:00 PM. All college students or anyone of approximately college age is encouraged to attend. Information will be available regarding our semester schedule for Bible studies and activities, as well as food and fun, and an opportunity to sign up for parking permits for the semester. Contact Pastor Kassulke in the office if you have any questions (623-6633).

Church Office Request

If you've changed any of your phone numbers or your address we'd love to have the updated information here in the church office. You may write it in the red friendship register at the end of the pew or call Cora in the church office at 623-6633. Thank you!

Summer Bible Reading Challenge

Join Pastor Rieke and take a 92 day Bible reading challenge this summer! The challenge started on June 1, but it's not too late to start. June focuses on the book of Matthew and beginning July 1 we'll be reading Mark. You can find the informational sheets which include the daily Bible readings in the Fellowship Hall.

Do You Have A Friend?

Do you have a friend or family member who does not currently have a church home? Perhaps they would like an invitation to join you at Grace some Sunday morning. Invite them to join us for the summer worship series!

