# Reformation Sunday First Sunday of End Time



"The truth will set you free."

Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church November 3, 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.

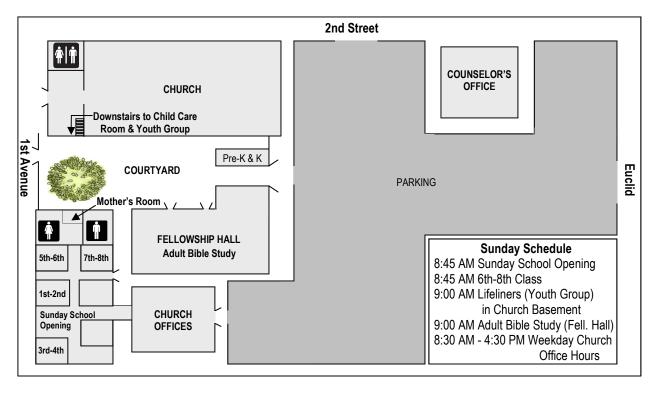
Hymns are found in our hymnal, *Christian Worship*, which is the red book in the pew rack in front of you.

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



PRESERVICE MUSIC

(10:00 AM) Out of the Depths I Cry to Thee

By Martin Luther

10:00—

Lord, Keep Us
Steadfast in Your
Word
Arr. by Dale
Elmshaeuser
Played by the Brass
Ensemble

## **DIVINE SERVICE I**

Christian Worship Supplement

**WELCOME** 

**HYMN** 

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God Christian Worship #200

Please stand

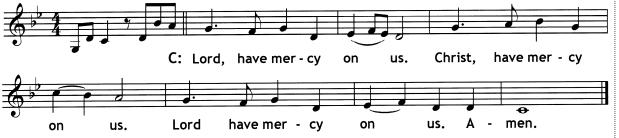
Minister: In the name of the Father and of the Son (†) and of the Holy Spirit. Congregation: Amen.

#### 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. 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.

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.

## LORD, HAVE MERCY Kyrie



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: God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son (†) and of the Holy Spirit.
- C: Amen.

## PRAYER AND PRAISE

M: In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.

## **GLORY TO GOD**

Gloria in Excelsis (Please join in singing the response below following a brief intro:)

The text of Gloria in Excelsis (Latin for "Glory in the highest") is an ancient song that echoes the song of the angels in Luke 2:14. It offers praise and thanks to our triune God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.



## PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

M: Let us pray.

Gracious Lord, our refuge and strength, pour out your Holy Spirit on your faithful people. Keep them steadfast in your Word, protect and comfort them in all temptations, defend them against all their enemies, and bestow on the Church your saving peace; 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

## THE WORD

#### FIRST LESSON

"The time is coming," declares the LORD, "when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and with the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant I made with their forefathers when I took them by the hand to lead them out of Egypt, because they broke my covenant, though I was a husband to them," declares the LORD. "This is the covenant I will make with the house of

Jeremiah 31:31-34 (NIV)

Israel after that time," declares the LORD. "I will put my law in their minds and write it on their hearts. I will be their God, and they will be my people. No longer will a man teach his neighbor, or a man his brother, saying, 'Know the LORD,' because they will all know me, from the least of them to the greatest," declares the LORD. "For I will forgive their wickedness and will remember their sins no more."

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)

Lord, Lead Us On

Come, seekers of the light, the morning breaks with song. Hope is shining like a candle, Now the night is gone. God is raising up his people, waking them to praise. With a vision for the future, he leads his church with grace.

Lord, lead us on. Guide us by your mighty hand. Lead us on. Lead us to the Promised Land. Give us strength to follow in your way; faith to trust you and obey. Lord, give us grace to live each day, Lord, lead us on.

Come, all who love the Lord, the time for truth has come. Boldly share the Word of God, the works that he has done. God of wonders, speak again and teach to us your song. Give us unity of purpose. Lord, make our spirits strong!

Lord, lead us on. . . Lord, lead us on and we will give you praise!

Lord, lead us on. Lord lead us on. By your own hand, Lord, lead us on. We would be faithful, true and strong. Lord, raise us up and lead us on!

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#### SECOND LESSON

Now we know that whatever the law says, it says to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be silenced and the whole world held accountable to God. Therefore no one will be declared righteous in his sight by observing the law; rather, through the law we become conscious of sin. But now a righteousness from God, apart from law, has been made known, to which the Law and the Prophets testify. This righteousness from God comes through faith in Jesus Christ to all who believe. There is no difference, for all have sinned and fall

short of the glory of God, and are

justified freely by his grace through

Romans 3:19-28 (NIV)

the redemption that came by Christ Jesus. God presented him as a sacrifice of atonement, through faith in his blood. He did this to demonstrate his justice, because in his forbearance he had left the sins committed beforehand unpunished—he did it to demonstrate his justice at the present time, so as to be just and the one who justifies those who have faith in Jesus. Where, then, is boasting? It is excluded. On what principle? On that of observing the law? No, but on that of faith. For we maintain that a man is justified by faith apart from observing the law.

## **VERSE OF THE DAY**

John 8:31, 32 (cf. RSV)

M: Alleluia. If you continue in my Word, you are truly my disciples, and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free. Alleluia.

Please stand

The congregation stands out of respect for the words of Christ our King. GOSPEL John 8:31-36 (NIV)

After the announcement of the Gospel, the congregation sings:



To the Jews who had believed him, Jesus said, "If you hold to my teaching, you are really my disciples. Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free." They answered him, "We are Abraham's descendants and have never been slaves of anyone. How can you say

that we shall be set free?" Jesus replied, "I tell you the truth, everyone who sins is a slave to sin. Now a slave has no permanent place in the family, but a son belongs to it forever. So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed."

After the Gospel, the congregation sings:



#### **NICENE CREED**

C: We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary, and became fully human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate. He suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

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

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.

The Nicene Creed was first developed

Please be seated

**HYMN OF THE DAY** 

O God, Our Lord, Your Holy Word Christian Worship #204

**SERMON** 

John 8:31-36 The Truth Will Set You Free

Please stand

After the sermon, please join in singing the response below:





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

## OFFERTORY MUSIC: 10:00 AM— God the Father Be Our Stay

Setting by Paul Manz

## **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!

10:00 AM—Please turn to the Prayer of the Church on page 8.

# ADULT CONFIRMATION (7:45 AM) of Mark Thompson

Minister: Having been baptized in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and having been instructed in the basic teachings of the Bible, you are here to make a public profession of your Christian faith. The apostle Paul, writing to the Romans, said: "If you confess with your mouth, 'Jesus is Lord' and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you confess and are saved. Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved."

M: Therefore, lift up your heart to the God of all grace and joyfully answer these questions.

M: Do you this day, in the presence of God and of this congregation, acknowledge that in Baptism, God gave you forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation?

New Member: I do.

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

NM: I do.

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

NM: I do.

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

NM: I do.

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

NM: I do.

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

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

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

The Pastor blesses the confirmand and hands him a confirmation certificate.

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

Please stand

#### PRAYER OF THE CHURCH—REFORMATION

- M: Lord, our refuge and strength, we gather to worship and praise you for your ongoing work of reformation in your Church.
- C: Lord, to you alone be glory.
- M: God of grace, in unfathomable love you pitied us sinners and sent your Son as our substitute to deliver us from sin, guilt, death, darkness, and despair.
- C: For your grace, Lord, to you alone be glory.
- M: By your grace you sent your Spirit to call us to repentance. Your powerful gospel rescued us from rebellion and fills us with faith in you, the true and living God.
- C: For saving faith, Lord, to you alone be glory.
- M: By your grace we are heirs of your eternal Word and trustees of the inspired Scriptures, through which you proclaim your saving truth to every generation. By the Scriptures you overthrew the darkness of those who perverted your teachings and restored to your church the message of salvation by grace alone.
- C: For the Holy Scriptures, Lord, to you alone be glory.
- M: In these last days, Lord Jesus Christ, protect your little flock. We are like sheep living among fierce wolves. Satan stalks us like a roaring lion. Defend us from false teachers who twist your Word to satisfy the latest longing.
- C: For wisdom and watchfulness under attack, hear our prayers, O Lord.
- M: Never in the history of the world has your Holy Word been so accessible. We lack only the zeal to treasure your restored truth with lives of faithful Bible study.
- C: For the noble character to search the Scriptures daily, hear our prayer, O Lord.
- M: As we celebrate the Reformation that restored your pure gospel to your Church, we also celebrate our common confession of the pure gospel in Word and sacrament.
- C: For this unity of faith, we give you thanks, O Lord.

- M: We remember the faithful confessors of this and former generations, who have passed down to us your Word of Truth.
- C: For these faithful servants, we give you thanks, O Lord.

Special prayers and intercessions may follow.

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

Silent prayer.

- M: In thanksgiving for the many and amazing blessings restored to your Church through the Reformation, we now commit ourselves to your care.
- C: Be our mighty fortress, our trusty shield and weapon, O 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 10 with the Words of Institution.

## THE SACRAMENT

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.

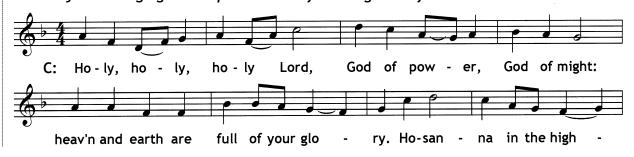
C: It is good and right so to do.

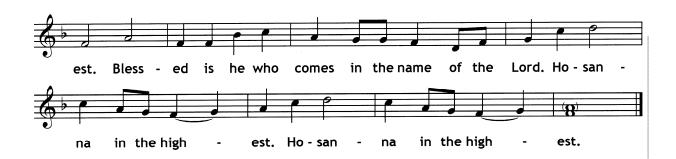
M: It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who preserves his Church to the end of time when he will come again as king to judge all people and take his own to glory. Therefore with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:

## HOLY, HOLY, HOLY Sanctus

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

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."

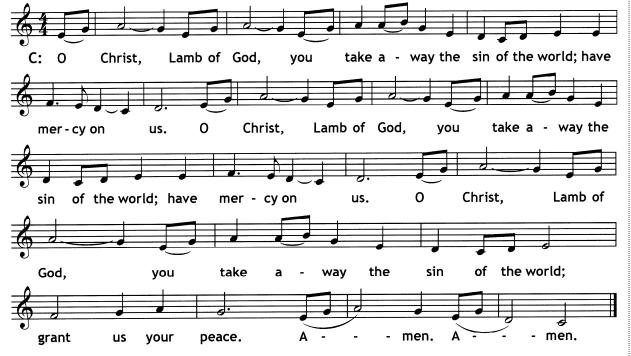
Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my (†) blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

## C: Amen.

## O CHRIST, LAMB OF GOD Agnus Dei

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



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.

Please be seated

We provide glutenfree 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.

## 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)** 

Jesus, Your Blood and Righteousness Christian Worship #376

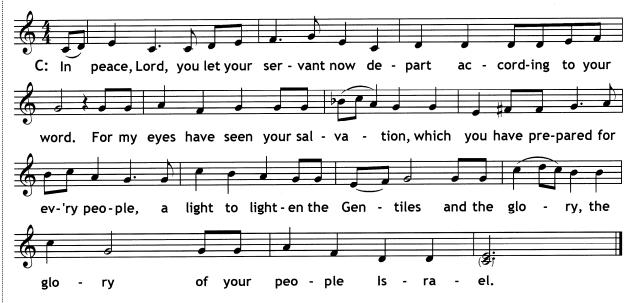
Please stand

## **THANKSGIVING**

## **SONG OF SIMEON**

**Nunc Dimittis** 

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



- M: O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good.
- C: And his mercy endures forever.
- M: We give thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us with this Holy Supper. We pray that through it you will strengthen our faith in you and increase our love for one another. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C: Amen.

M: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and (†) give you peace.

C: Amen.

Please be seated

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

## **CLOSING HYMN**

Lord, When Your Glory I Shall See Christian Worship #219 POSTLUDE: 10:00 AM— All Glory Be to God on High Setting by Nicolas

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## THOSE ASSISTING IN WORSHIP TODAY

Preacher	Pastor Nathan Kassulke
Worship Leader	Pastor Sam Clemons (10:00 AM)
Communion Assistants	Pastor Mark Hallemeyer (10:00 AM)
	Outreach Elder, Jeff Weinstein (10:00 AM)
Accompanists	Elaine Goldie (7:45 AM), Tina Christianson (10:00 AM)
Brass Ensemble Director	Missy Wiechmann (10:00 AM)
Worship Choir Director	Teri Guenther (10:00 AM)
Ushers	Vic Thornton, Vernon Neal (7:45 AM)
	Mark Christianson, Jon Dongoske (10:00 AM)
	Taylor Parra, Dustin Pauley, Rick Street (10:00 AM)
Sound & Recording Tech	Amy Breiling (10:00 AM)
Altar Prep Team	Erika Hanson, Diane Kramm, Nancy Miles

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## Thank You From Michael Schroeder

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Thank you so much for giving me the opportunity to encourage your faithful from God's Word through word and song. It was a honor and blessing to be with you all again. Thank you also for your generous support of my continued work in Christ. As I mentioned before, half of what I received goes to support my expenses and work of doing worship and outreach concerts, both home and abroad. The other half of your support will go towards building mission projects through WELS Missions, typically building churches and water wells in India these past few years for me. Once a project has been selected and the work begins or is completed I will send your church updated information and pictures for you all to show by God's grace the outreach work done through our day together.

I look forward to the next time I see you all again. Until then, may God bless you, your families, and your work in Him.

Your brother in Christ, Michael Schroeder



## Grace is one congregation at TWO places!

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



## This Week at Grace • Nov 3-Nov 10

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

TODAY REFORMATION SUNDAY  Worship Services/Communion7:45 & 10:00a Coffee Fellowship following both services	Wednesday (continued) Midweek Bible Study: Church History
Lifeliners (High School Group): Bible Study	NO Worship Choir Practice
Grace-Vail Bible Study Cottonwood Elem: Exodus9:00a Grace-Vail Sunday School at Cottonwood Elem10:00a Grace-Vail Worship at Cottonwood Elementary	Vail Country Fair
NO WELS Tucson Campus Ministry	Worship Services
Monday English as a Second Language Classes6:30p	Children's Sunday School
TuesdayPrecious Lambs at the Wiechmanns9:30-11:30aHandbell Choir Practice6:30pEnglish as a Second Language Classes6:30p	Adult Bible Study (Fellowship Hall):  • Vern Caulk: Expanding Our Savior's Kingdom
Wednesday Grace Extension Meeting9:00a Midweek Bible Study: Church History10:00a	Grace-Vail Sunday School at Cottonwood Elem 9:00a Grace-Vail Worship at Cottonwood Elementary 10:00a WELS TCM Bible Study: <i>The Bondage of the Will</i> 7:00p

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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.

## **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. 11 in today's worship folder under "Distribution" for information about our practice of Member Communion.

## 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 Marie & Annette Lingham. We hope you'll take advantage of this opportunity to greet your brothers and sisters in Christ.

## **Area Reformation Service This Afternoon**

The Reformation Service for the Tucson area will be this afternoon at 3:00 PM here at Grace-University. The Liturgist will be Pastor Mark Jacobson from Dove Mountain, and Pastor Michael Schultz, WELS Hymnal Project Director (formerly served Sola Fide in Lawrenceville, GA and Mt. Calvary in Flagstaff), will be the guest preacher. A dessert fellowship will be provided following worship. We hope you will join us! For those of you involved in the service, there will be a rehearsal at 2:00 PM this afternoon.



## **NEXT SUNDAY**

Next week's Scripture Lessons for Devotional Reading this Week

> Ezekiel 9:1-11 2 Thessalonians 1:5-10 Luke 19:11-27

#### Sermon Text & Theme

Luke 19:11-27 To Everyone Who Has, More Will Be Given

## Thank You

Thank you to Pastor Michael Schultz for speaking to us about the WELS Hymnal Project in Bible Study this morning!

## **Attention: Young Instrumentalists!**

If you would like to play a solo piece for this year's Children's Christmas Eve Service, there will be a meeting for you and your parents **next Sunday, November 10 immediately following the 10:00 AM service**. We will meet in the sanctuary. Please contact Kathy Parra if you have any questions at 579-8364.

## **Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary 150th Anniversary**

Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary President Paul Wendland will be in Tucson to discuss the blessings of our Seminary's past 150 years, the challenges facing our Seminary in the future, and the thank offering our Synod has established to assist our Seminary in the years to come.

You are invited to meet with President Wendland at any one of three group gatherings in Tucson.

## Meet with President Paul Wendland TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2013

9:30 AM Redeemer Lutheran Church 8845 North Silverbell Road 2:30 PM Grace Lutheran Church 830 North First Avenue 6:30 PM
Shepherd of the Hills
8799 North Northern Avenue

## **Quarterly Offering Statements Available**

Those who use the offering envelopes for their giving to the Lord will find a quarterly offering statement envelope with their name on it on the table in the courtyard. Please pick yours up today.

## **Sign Up Today for the New Picture Directory!**

November 12-16 we will have photographers from *Lifetouch* at Grace-University to take pictures of our church members for our new church directory. There will be a table set up in the Grace-University Fellowship Hall **TODAY** for you to sign up for a portrait session. You can also go online to schedule an appointment at <a href="https://www.gracetucsonwels.com/directory">www.gracetucsonwels.com/directory</a>. Questions? Call Marsha Hoffman at 591-7516.

## **Christian Fellowship Group**

The Christian Fellowship group will meet this Saturday, November 9 at noon at Cody's Beef 'n' Beans (2708 E Fort Lowell Rd) for a social lunch. The room is private, the food is great, and the fellowship is friendly. All are invited to join us. **Please RSVP to Lauri Colton, 743-9246 by Thursday, November 7**. The Christian Fellowship Group provides people 55 and better with an opportunity to enjoy the company of others on a very informal basis.

## **Vail Country Fair**

Our church will again have a booth at the Vail Country Fair this year! The fair is this Saturday, November 9 from 9:00 AM-5:00 PM at the Pima County Fairgrounds (11300 S. Houghton Road, 85747). We will have a Kids Korner table and will also be giving away Scrip cards. This is a great way to share information about our church. We hope you will stop by the booth on the 9th!

## Roast Beef Dinner & Craft Fair—Nov 15!

The Women of Grace will host a craft fair in conjunction with the roast beef dinner on Friday, November 15 from 4:30 PM-6:30PM.

For those people donating items for the **craft fair**, please bring your completed projects to the west end of the Fellowship Hall on Sunday, November 10. Gisela Kittel will be there to store your items. If you cannot bring them on November 10, please call Cora in the church office (623-6633).

We definitely will need help with cooking, serving and clean-up. Sign-up sheets are available in the Fellowship Hall and on the worship table at Grace-Vail if you'd like to help or can bring a pie.

## **Clothing Drive**

Christian Fellowship Group is planning to deliver clothing to our church in Cibecue, AZ on Friday, November 22. They are accepting additional contributions today and the next two Sundays. Please speak to Russ Weir if you have any questions.

## **Grace-Vail Fall Canvassing**

We will continue our canvassing of the Vail and Rita Ranch neighborhoods on Saturday, November 16, from 9:30-11:30 AM. Even if you have never canvassed before, you are encouraged to come out on the 16<sup>th</sup> to see how easy it can be. Following canvassing, Grace will provide lunch for those in attendance. Upcoming canvassing dates for this fall are:

November 16 – Meet at Rancho Del Lago golf course in Vail December 7

(14155 E Via Rancho Del Lago, Vail, 85641) December 21

## **Thank You**

Doris Strom would like to thank you for your thoughts, cards and prayers in the days since Del was called home to heaven.

Craig Lipke and his family want to thank you for all the prayers, cards and well-wishes for him during his recent back surgery and continuing recovery.