

Saints Triumphant Sunday Third Sunday of End Time



"They can no longer die...
since they are children
of the resurrection."

Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church
November 17, 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.

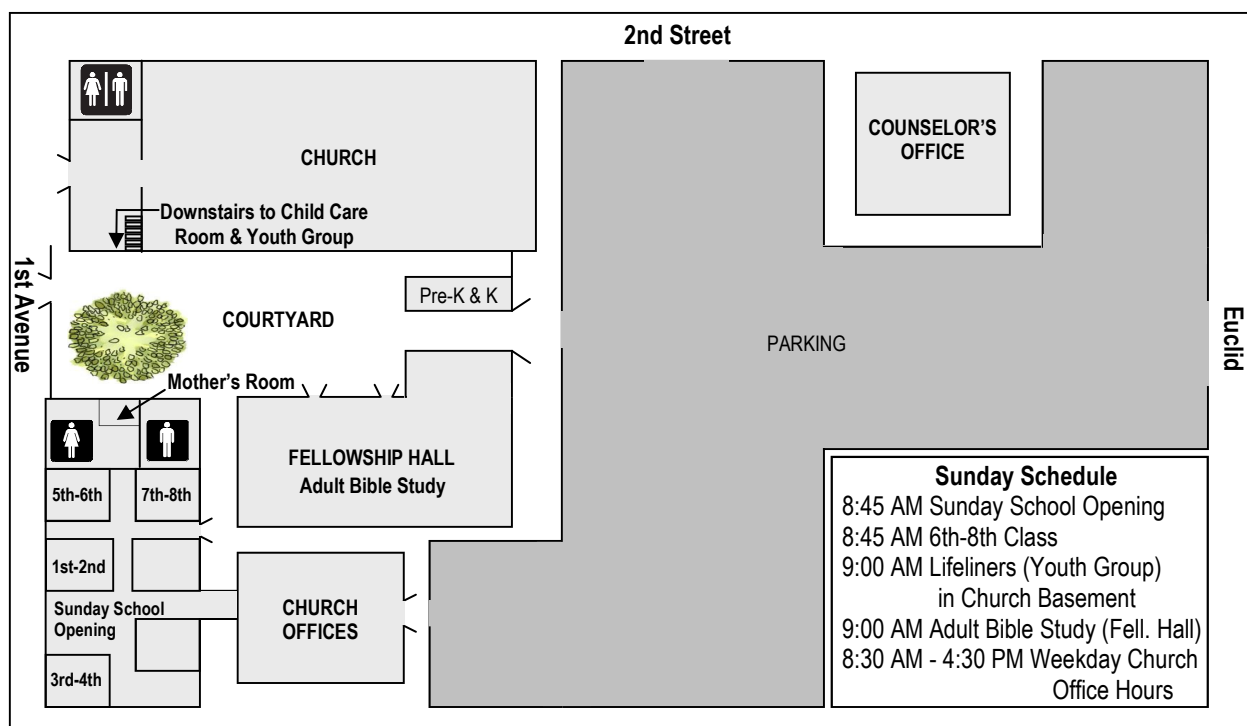
Hymns are found in our hymnal, *Christian Worship*, which is the red book in the pew rack in front of you.

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 I

Christian Worship Supplement

PRESERVICE MUSIC:

*Agnus Dei and
Hallelujah to the
Lamb
Arr. by Marty Parks*

VOICES OF GRACE (10:00 AM)

The Eternal Gates

*Arr. by
Howard
Helvey*

*The eternal gates lift up their heads, the doors are opened wide,
The King of glory is gone up unto his Father's side.
And I'll sing hallelujah, and you'll sing hallelujah,
And we'll all sing hallelujah, when we arrive at home.*

*And ever on our earthly path a gleam of glory lies,
A light still breaks behind the cloud that veils Thee from the eyes.
And I'll sing hallelujah. . . .*

*Lift up our hearts, lift up our minds, and let Thy grace be giv'n,
That while we live on earth below, our treasure be in heav'n;
And I'll sing hallelujah. . . .*

*That, where Thou art at God's right hand, our hope, our love may be:
Dwell in us now, that we may dwell for evermore in Thee.
And I'll sing hallelujah. . . .*

WELCOME

HYMN

All Praise to God Who Reigns Above Christian Worship #236

Please stand

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

CONFESSION OF SINS

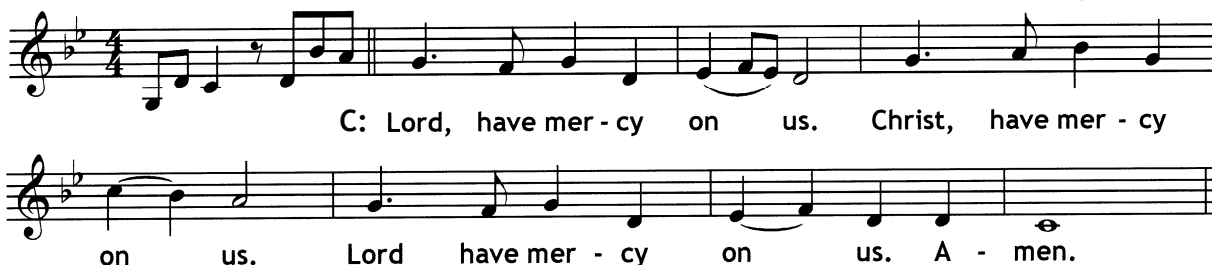
M: Beloved in the Lord: let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

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



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.

Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to his peo-ple on earth. Lord God,
 heav-en-ly King, al - might - y God_ and_ Fa-ther, we wor-ship you, we
 give you_ thanks we praise you for_ your_ glo-ry! Glo-ry to God in the
 high - est and peace to his peo-ple on earth. Lord Je-sus
 Christ, on-ly Son_ of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a-way the
 sin of the world;_ have mer-cy on us. You are_ seat - ed at the
 right hand of_ the_ Father; re - ceive our prayer, re - ceive_ our
 prayer. Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to his peo-ple on earth. For
 you a-lone are the Ho - ly_ One, you a - lone_ are the Lord,
 you a-lone are the Most_ High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir-it in the
 glo - ry of God_ the_ Fa-ther. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and
 peace to his peo - ple on earth. Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God!

PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

M: Let us pray.

Almighty God and Savior, you have set the final day and hour when we shall be delivered from this world of sin and death. Keep us ever watchful for the coming of your Son that we may sit with him and all your holy ones at the marriage feast in heaven; 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

Isaiah 65:17-25 (NIV)

“Behold, I will create new heavens and a new earth. The former things will not be remembered, nor will they come to mind. But be glad and rejoice forever in what I will create, for I will create Jerusalem to be a delight and its people a joy. I will rejoice over Jerusalem and take delight in my people; the sound of weeping and of crying will be heard in it no more. Never again will there be in it an infant who lives but a few days, or an old man who does not live out his years; he who dies at a hundred will be thought a mere youth; he who fails to reach a hundred will be considered accursed. They will build houses and dwell in them; they will plant

vineyards and eat their fruit. No longer will they build houses and others live in them, or plant and others eat. For as the days of a tree, so will be the days of my people; my chosen ones will long enjoy the works of their hands. They will not toil in vain or bear children doomed to misfortune; for they will be a people blessed by the LORD, they and their descendants with them. Before they call I will answer; while they are still speaking I will hear. The wolf and the lamb will feed together, and the lion will eat straw like the ox, but dust will be the serpent’s food. They will neither harm nor destroy on all my holy mountain,” says the 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—see page 12)

Blessed Are They

*Christian Worship
Supplement #730*

SECOND LESSON

Revelation 22:1-5 (NIV)

Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, as clear as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb down the middle of the great street of the city. On each side of the river stood the tree of life, bearing twelve crops of fruit, yielding its fruit every month. And the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations. No longer will there be any

curse. The throne of God and of the Lamb will be in the city, and his servants will serve him. They will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. There will be no more night. They will not need the light of a lamp or the light of the sun, for the Lord God will give them light. And they will reign for ever and ever.

VERSE OF THE DAY

Revelation 7:15a

M: Alleluia. They are before the throne of God and serve him day and night in his temple. Alleluia.

Please stand

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

GOSPEL

Luke 20:27-38 (NIV)

After the announcement of the Gospel, the congregation sings:



Some of the Sadducees, who say there is no resurrection, came to Jesus with a question. “Teacher,” they said, “Moses wrote for us that if a man’s brother dies and leaves a wife but no children, the man must marry the widow and have children for his brother. Now there were seven brothers. The first one married a woman and died childless. The second and then the third married her, and in the same way the seven died, leaving no children. Finally, the woman died too. Now then, at the resurrection whose wife will she be, since the seven were married to her?” Jesus

replied, “The people of this age marry and are given in marriage. But those who are considered worthy of taking part in that age and in the resurrection from the dead will neither marry nor be given in marriage, and they can no longer die; for they are like the angels. They are God’s children, since they are children of the resurrection. But in the account of the bush, even Moses showed that the dead rise, for he calls the Lord ‘the God of Abraham, and the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob.’ He is not the God of the dead, but of the living, for to him all are alive.”

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.

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

HYMN OF THE DAY


Behold a Host, Arrayed in White
Christian Worship #550

SERMON

Luke 20:27-38
They Can No Longer Die...
Since They Are Children of the Resurrection

Please stand

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



C: Cre - ate in me a pure heart, O God, and re - new a right
spir - it with - in me. Do not cast me a - way from your pres - ence or
take your Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re - store to me the joy of your sal -
va - tion, and up - hold, up - hold me with your free Spir - it.



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QR code.

OFFERTORY MUSIC:

10:00 AM—
Lo, He Comes With
Clouds Descending
Arr. by Rebecca
Kramer

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!

VOICES OF GRACE (7:45 AM—see words on page 2)

The Eternal Gates

Please stand

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH—SAINTS TRIUMPHANT

M: Lord of eternity and King of saints, all the heavens adore you. Saints and angels sing before you.

C: **We too join them to praise your majesty.**

M: You clothe us with garments of splendor. You bless us with grace and mercy in this life and eternal glory forever. What undeserved love you show us!

C: **We thank you, Lord, that you have made us your saints.**

M: Encourage us by your gracious promises. Forgive our failures to live as you desire. Strengthen the faith of all who are weak and wandering.

C: **Give us power to live as your faithful people.**

M: Your saints will triumph forever in new heavens and a new earth. The sound of weeping and crying will be heard no more. We anticipate with joy an eternity of perfect fellowship with you.

C: **Be with us as we work and witness for Christ, so that many more people can join us before your throne.**

Special prayers and intercessions may follow.

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

Silent prayer.

M: Lord of life, the day is coming when you will come down from heaven with the voice of the archangel and the trumpet call of God. On that glorious day, the saints triumphant will rise in bright array, clothed in your perfect righteousness.

C: **Give us strength until that day when we will share fully in the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.**

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.

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.

7:45 AM — Please continue on page 9 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:



C: Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er, God of might:
heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho-san - na in the high -
est. Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san -
na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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.

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. A - - - men.

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)

Lord Jesus Christ, You Have Prepared
Christian Worship #312

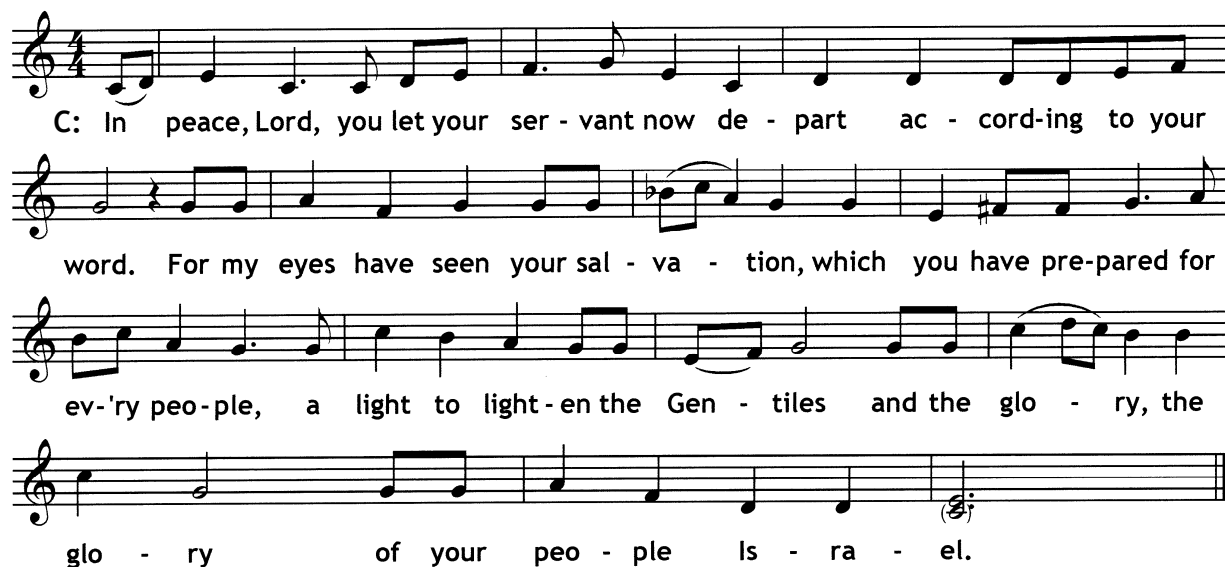
Please stand

THANKSGIVING

SONG OF SIMEON

Nunc Dimittis

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



C: In peace, Lord, you let your ser - vant now de - part ac - cord-ing to your
word. For my eyes have seen your sal - va - tion, which you have pre-pared for
ev-'ry peo-ple, a light to light - en the Gen - tiles and the glo - ry, the
glo - ry of your peo - ple Is - ra - el.

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

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.

POSTLUDE:

*Trumpet Voluntary
in D
Arr. by John W.
Schaum*

*Psalm Nineteen
Arr. by John
W. Schaum*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CLOSING HYMN

Lord, When Your Glory I Shall See
Christian Worship #219

THOSE ASSISTING IN WORSHIP TODAY

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Preacher Pastor Ron Koehler
Worship Leader Pastor Nathan Kassulke (10:00 AM)
Communion Assistants Pastor Sam Clemons (10:00 AM)
..... Outreach Elder, Jeff Weinstein (10:00 AM)
Accompanist Kathy Parra
Clarinet Beth Kassulke (10:00 AM)
Trumpet Pastor Nathan Kassulke (10:00 AM)
Voices of Grace Director Beth Kassulke
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 Chris Stuhr (10:00 AM)
Altar Prep Team Erika Hanson, Diane Kramm, Nancy Miles

Grace-Vail Planning Party TODAY!

Today at 1:00 PM, there will be a Grace-Vail planning party at Pastor Rieke's house (4282 S Mayberry Place, 85730). In August, we collected ideas from people about different ways we can carry out ministry at Grace-Vail in 2014. Now is the time to put those ideas into the production phase. It doesn't matter if you were not at the planning meetings in August. If you would like to get involved in the ministry at Grace-Vail, please come! Lunch will be provided for everyone who attends. The BBQ will be fired up around 12:30 PM for those who want to arrive a little early.

Photo Directory Pictures

Thank you to all those who took pictures this week for our photo directory. If you were unable to have your photo taken by Lifetouch, Marsha Hoffman will be in the courtyard between services the next two Sundays to take your photo to include in the directory. Please help us make our directory as complete as possible! Thanks!

Also, we are looking for more pictures to include in the Grace photo directory. If you have any pictures of activities that have taken place at Grace in the last year (digital preferred or regular prints) please give them to Marsha Hoffman, or leave them in or email them to the church office (office@gracetucsonwels.com).

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.

The congregation is invited to join in the Refrains.

730

Blessed Are They

Refrain

Bless - ed are they which are called, Bless - ed are
 they which are called, Bless - ed are they which are
 called To the mar - riage feast of the Lamb.

Verses

1 Mul - ti - tudes, clothed in white robes,
 2 They'll nei - ther hun - ger nor thirst,
 3 Bless - ing and hon - or, they cry,
 4 Ser - vant, saint, mar - tyr at rest,
 5 Wor - thy are you, Lamb of God,

From ev - 'ry na - tion and tongue,
 Death, sor - row, pain van - quished now,
 Un - to the Lamb that was slain,
 Sanc - ti - fied, ran - somed, re - stored,
 To re - ceive glo - ry and praise.

Stood be - fore God and the Lamb At the
 God wipes all tears from their eyes By the
 Re - deem - ing us with his blood In the
 Thun - d'rous - ly sing a new song Of the
 Al - le - lu - ia and a - men! For the

mar - riage feast of the Lamb. *to Verse 2*
 mar - riage feast of the Lamb. *to Refrain*
 mar - riage feast of the Lamb. *to Verse 4*
 mar - riage feast of the Lamb. *to Refrain*
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This hymn echoes the song of victory sung by the saints both now and in eternity.

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at TWO places!**

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



This Week at Grace • Nov 17-Nov 24

*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):
• *Jesus' Last Days*9:00a
• *Grow in Grace Class* (Office) Non-Members Only.....9:00a
Grace-Vail Bible Study Cottonwood Elem: Exodus9:00a
Grace-Vail Sunday School at Cottonwood Elem.9:00a
Grace-Vail Worship at Cottonwood Elementary 10:00a
WELS TCM Bible Study: *Sin*..... 7:00p

Monday

English as a Second Language Classes 6:30p

Tuesday

Precious Lambs at the Riekes..... 9:30-11:30a
Council MSP Meeting and Dinner 5:30p
Handbell Choir Practice 6:30p
English as a Second Language Classes 6:30p

Wednesday

Midweek Bible Study: *Church History*10:00a
Midweek Bible Study: *Church History*7:00p
Bible Study at the Prigge's: King David7:00p

Thursday

Women's Bible Study: *The Narrow Lutheran Middle* 9:00a
Worship Choir Practice.....6:30p
Grace-Vail Grow in Grace Class at Barb Kiepk's6:30p

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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 Tiffanie, Bryant, and Trucynda Hawkins in celebration of Bruce's birthday—faith wins the fight!

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 Bill & Lisa Toben. 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

Genesis 49:8-12
Colossians 1:13-20
Luke 23:35-43

Sermon Text & Theme

Luke 23:35-43
You Will Be With Me in Paradise

Precious Lambs Playgroup

Children (ages birth to age 5) are invited to come play along with their parent or caregiver on **Tuesday, November 19** from **9:30-11:30AM**. We will meet at the Rieke's house (4282 S Mayberry Place, 85730) for this informal play date. You do not need to RSVP and can come for any or all of the time. Precious Lambs will meet on most Tuesday mornings for play dates. If you have any questions, please contact Missy Wiechmann (403-1177) or Beth Kassulke (293-2935). (Precious Lambs will meet on November 26 at Brandi Fenton Park Playground, River/Alvernon.)

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

Christian Education Support Committee

This past June the voters at Grace directed the Church Council to form a committee to assist families with paying for tuition at Redeemer Lutheran School and Arizona Lutheran Academy. The committee is to promote the Arizona Tuition Tax Credit, to educate regarding that program, and to facilitate its use. The committee has begun meeting and plans to make phone calls to all active families at Grace. The committee members are Bryan Guenther, Pastor Kassulke, DJ Miller, Bill and Dorothy Rauh, Bob Rentschler, Lois Thornton, Stephanie Weinstein, and Jay Wiechmann. If you have any questions or suggestions for the committee, please contact any of the members.

Tuition Tax Credit

2013 is quickly drawing to a close! With that in mind, don't forget about the Arizona Tuition Tax Credit. You can help support Lutheran education and receive a credit on your Arizona state income taxes (up to \$1031 per person and \$2062 per married couple filing jointly). Donations made to the HELP Scholarship Foundation (www.helpscholarships.org) before the end of the year will be awarded to students in early spring. Please make use of this program if you are able to do so. If you have any questions, please speak to Stephanie Weinstein (909-8022) or one of the pastors. **Pick up a flyer and a donation form brochure in the Fellowship Hall.**



Grace currently has 10 students enrolled at Redeemer and 4 at ALA.

Christmas for Kids

We invite 2-12 year old children to attend Christmas for Kids at Grace on Saturday, December 7 from 9:30-1:00 PM. The children will learn what the Bible tells us about Christmas, sing songs, and do some Christmas crafts. The event is free and lunch is included. Please register early, and invite unchurched friends to join the fun. Registration forms are in the Fellowship Hall and online at the Grace website, www.gracetucsonwels.com and on the welcome table at Grace-Vail.



Clothing Drive

Christian Fellowship Group has made arrangements to deliver clothing to our church in Cibecue, AZ on Friday, November 22. Today is the last day they are collecting clothing for the trip. Please speak to Russ Weir if you have any questions.

Upcoming Thanksgiving Worship Services

You are invited to a special Thanksgiving Eve worship service on Wednesday, November 27 at 7:00 PM at Grace-University. This is a perfect opportunity to invite a friend or family member to attend. Following worship, there will be a dessert fellowship in the Fellowship Hall and courtyard. Members are asked to bring a pie or dessert.

Grace-Vail will also be holding a special Thanksgiving Day service on Thursday, November 28 at 10:00 AM at Cottonwood Elementary (9950 E. Rees Loop). If you haven't been out to our second site, Thanksgiving morning might be the perfect opportunity to try it out and invite your friends and family members.

Christmas Candy for Mission to the Children

Mission to the Children is in need of candy to take to the children in Mexico for the upcoming Christmas parties in early December. Individually wrapped small candies are preferred. If you are able to help, please bring your candy to the church office. Questions? Contact Mary Ann Rosas at 591-0799.