Tenth Sunday after Pentecost



... Don't Act Like You're Married Until You Are?

Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church August 17, 2014





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-Tucson! 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.

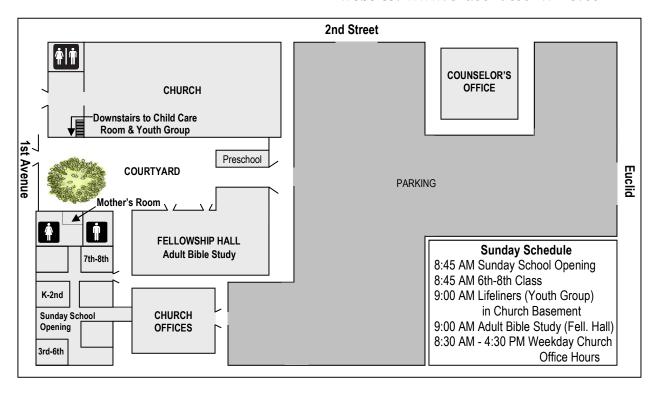
Hymns are found in our hymnal, *Christian Worship*, which is the red book in the pew rack in front of you.

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



SERVICE OF WORD AND SACRAMENT

Christian Worship

WELCOME

HYMN

Blessed Jesus, at Your Word Christian Worship #221

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.



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.



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.

PRESERVICE MUSIC:

O Love How Deep,

How Broad, How

Arr. by David N.

High

Johnson

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.



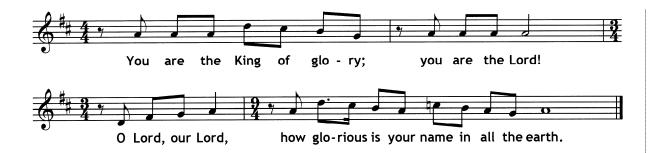
M: Merciful God, maker and preserver of life, uphold us by your power and keep us in your tender care.



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

O LORD, OUR LORD





PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: Let us pray.

O God, you form the minds of your faithful people into a single will. Make us love what you command and desire what you promise, that among the many changes of this world, our hearts may ever yearn for the lasting joys of heaven; 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

And God spoke all these words: "I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of Egypt, out of the land of slavery. You shall have no other gods before me. You shall not make for vourself an idol in the form of anything in heaven above or on the earth beneath or in the waters below. You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I, the LORD your God, am a jealous God, punishing the children for the sin of the fathers to the third and fourth generation of those who hate me, but showing love to a thousand generations of those who love me and keep commandments. You shall not misuse the name of the LORD your God, for the LORD will not hold anyone guiltless who misuses his name. Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy. Six days you shall labor and do all your work, but the seventh day is a Sabbath

Exodus 20:1-17 (NIV)

to the LORD your God. On it you shall not do any work, neither you, nor your son or daughter, nor your manservant or maidservant, nor your animals, nor the alien within your gates. For in six days the LORD made the heavens and the earth, the sea, and all that is in them, but he rested on the seventh day. Therefore the LORD blessed the Sabbath day and made it holy. Honor your father and your mother, so that you may live long in the land the LORD your God is giving you. You shall not murder. You shall not commit adultery. You shall not steal. You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor. You shall not covet your neighbor's house. You shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or manservant or maidservant, his ox or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor."

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.

SECOND LESSON

1 Corinthians 7:1-9 (NIV)

Now for the matters you wrote about: It is good for a man not to marry. But since there is so much immorality, each man should have his own wife, and each woman her own husband. The husband should fulfill his marital duty to his wife, and likewise the wife to her husband. The wife's body does not belong to her alone but also to her husband. In the same way, the husband's body does not belong to him alone but also to his wife. Do not deprive each other except by mutual consent and for a time, so that you

may devote yourselves to prayer. Then come together again so that Satan will not tempt you because of your lack of self-control. I say this as a concession, not as a command. I wish that all men were as I am. But each man has his own gift from God; one has this gift, another has that. Now to the unmarried and the widows I say: It is good for them to stay unmarried, as I am. But if they cannot control themselves, they should marry, for it is better to marry than to burn with passion.

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



Please stand

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

GOSPEL

Matthew 5:27-32 (NIV 2011)

"You have heard that it was said, 'You shall not commit adultery.' But I tell you that anyone who looks at a woman lustfully has already committed adultery with her in his heart. If your right eye causes you to stumble, gouge it out and throw it away. It is better for you to lose one part of your body than for your whole body to be thrown into hell. And if your right hand causes you to stumble, cut it off and throw it

away. It is better for you to lose one part of your body than for your whole body to go into hell. It has been said, 'Anyone who divorces his wife must give her a certificate of divorce.' But I tell you that anyone who divorces his wife, except for sexual immorality, makes her the victim of adultery, and anyone who marries a divorced woman commits adultery."

After the Gospel, the congregation sings:



HYMN OF THE DAY

Your Love, O God, Has Called Us Here Christian Worship #601

SERMON

1 Corinthians 7:1-9 Did God Really Say: Don't Act Like You're Married Until You Are?

Please stand

NICENE CREED

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

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

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

Please be seated

OFFERING

Members of Grace respond to their Savior's love with offerings that are given joyfully, generously, regularly, and in a way that is proportionate to how the Lord has blessed them. Their cheerful gifts support the mission and ministry of our congregation. If you are a guest today, please know that we do not expect you to contribute to our congregation's work. However, if you would like to give an offering to the Lord in response to his love to you, we are happy to receive it and put it to work in God's kingdom.

Please fill out the Friendship Register located in the red folder at the end of the row and pass it along. Thank you!

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



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

OFFERTORY MUSIC:

Lord, Who at Cana's Wedding Feast Arr. by Karl Hasse

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

- M: Gracious God and Father, we praise you for the countless blessings, which we receive from your hand: the beauties of creation and the bounties of the earth, the joy of life and the pleasure of friendship, the good of work and the gift of rest, the privilege to share happiness and sorrow with one another. Above all we praise and thank you for your saving Word and for your Son's body and blood, which you give us to eat and to drink in the sacrament. Through these means of grace, you send the Holy Spirit into our hearts and unite us to Jesus and to the whole Christian Church on earth.
- C: Strengthen us through this heavenly food; increase our trust in Christ and our love for one another.
- M: Great God and Lord, without your continuing help we easily waver in our faith, lose courage, and grow careless in our watchfulness. The times and days are perilous. Give us strength to face the evils of each day with fresh confidence. Open our lips to speak of your grace, and move us to use the gifts that you give us to share your Word of salvation with all people. Protect and prosper the family, the school, the government, and all good institutions that you have established for the benefit of society. Remember in mercy those who are sick and suffering, and bring your healing to troubled homes and lives.
- C: Move us to pray for those in need and to help them with deeds of kindness.

Special prayers and intercessions may follow.

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

Silent prayer.

- M: Now, eternal God and Father, keep us in the saving faith and so enable us to overcome all things through our Lord Jesus Christ.
- C: Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER 11 record how Jesus taught his disciples to pray. We use his

prayers.

Matthew 6 and Luke

example prayer as part of our public worship, trusting that he will hear and answer our

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 9 with the Words of Institution.

THE SACRAMENT

M: The Lord be with you.



M: Lift up your hearts.



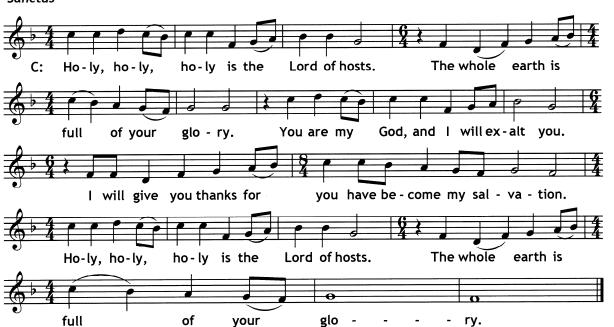
M: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



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.





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

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

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."

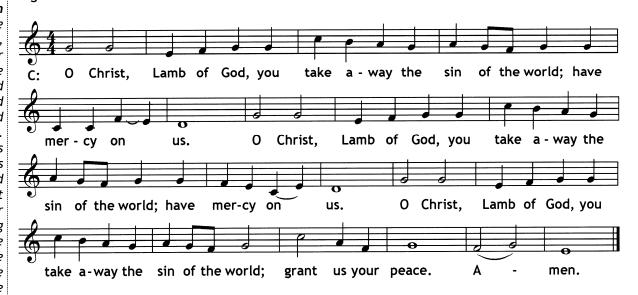
Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

The peace of the Lord be with you always.



O CHRIST, LAMB OF GOD Agnus Dei

Please be seated



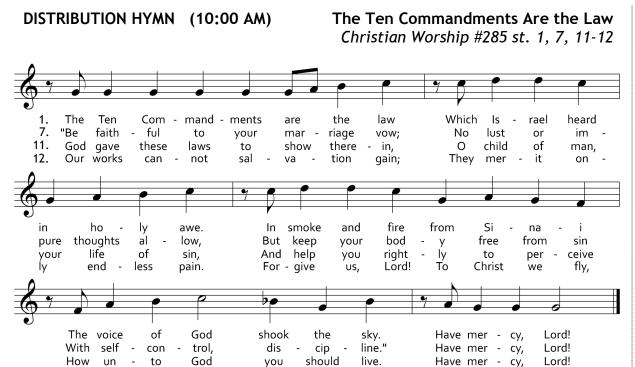
DISTRIBUTION

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.

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.



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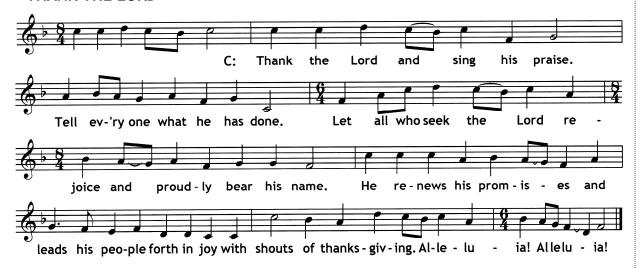
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This 12-stanza hymn was written by Martin Luther as a song setting of the Commandments. Each stanza ends with the "Kyrieleis" (Have mercy, Lord!). Today we are singing four stanzas: Stanza 1--Introduction, Stanza 7--Summary of the 6th Commandment, Stanza 11--Exhortation to the Christian, Stanza 12--Final Prayer.

Please stand

THANK THE LORD

Our med



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.



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."

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.



Please be seated

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CLOSING HYMN

Lord, Help Us Ever to Retain Christian Worship #514

THOSE ASSISTING IN WORSHIP TODAY

POSTLUDE: Thou Shalt Bring Them In By G. F. Handel

Preacher	Pastor Nathan Kassulke
Worship Leader	Pastor Ron Koehler (10:00 AM)
Communion Assistant	ts Pastor Sam Clemons (10:00 AM)
	Outreach Elder, Jeff Weinstein (10:00 AM)
Accompanist	Tina Christianson
Distribution Music	
Ushers	
	Dave Breitkreitz, Ed Ethington, Dylan Guenther (10:00 AM)
	Ferdie Kramm, James Pauley, Josiah Weinstein (10:00 AM)
Sound & Recording T	ech Jeremy Snavely (10:00 AM)
Altar Prep Team	

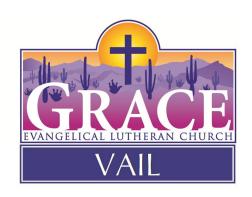
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Grace is one congregation at TWO places!

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



This Week at Grace • Aug 17-Aug 24

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

TODAY

Worship Services/Communion7:45 & 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' Last Days9:00a
 Grow in Grace Class (Office) Non-Members Only 9:00a
Grace-Vail Bible Study at Esmond Station9:00a
Grace-Vail Sunday School at Esmond Station9:00a
Grace-Vail Worship at Esmond Station10:00a
Monday
Bible Study at Vail Golf Club9:00a
Tuesday
Precious Lambs at the Newbrey's9:30-11:30a
Council Meeting6:15p

Wednesday

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WELS TCM Welcome Back Party!6:00p

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TODAY

Welcome Grace Guests!

If you are a guest at Grace today, we are very happy to have you worship with us! If you would like more information about Grace or have questions about becoming a member of our congregation, please visit the Welcome Table in the courtyard. If this is your first time at Grace, please stop there to pick up a gift just for being our guest this morning.

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 Bob and Audrey Nessinger to the glory of God and in loving memory of Linda Nessinger and Richard Street.

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 the Pauley 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

> Jeremiah 23:25-32 Romans 16:17-19 Matthew 10:5-20

Sermon Text & Theme

Romans 16:17-19 Did God Really Say: Stand Up for the Truth?

English as a Second Language

The 14th year of our English as a Second Language program begins Monday, September 15 at 6:30 PM in the Fellowship Hall. If you know of anyone who might be interested in participating in the program or if you would like to volunteer with teaching, snack preparation, or childcare, please contact the church office at 623-6633. ESL runs Mondays and Tuesdays from 6:30-8:30 PM September through May.

Special Voters' Meeting

A special Voters' Meeting will be held at Grace-Tucson this Saturday, August 23 at 10 AM. The agenda will include the following items:

- The proposed Vail Ministry Center lease plans
- Discussion of a legal name change for our congregation
- Legal merger items regarding Bethlehem, Benson and Peace, Sahuarita
- Discussion of the L.A.C.E. loans for Tucson and Sahuarita.

Because we have not formally merged our congregations yet, Grace voters will be acting on any necessary items at this meeting, but voters from Benson and Sahuarita are encouraged to attend and participate in the discussion.

Called Home to Heaven

Grace member Paul Borchardt was called home to heaven on Sunday, August 10. His memorial service is scheduled for Saturday, August 30 at 11:00 AM at Grace-Tucson.

Wednesday Bible Studies

Join us on Wednesdays in September as we compare the claims of modern science with God's Word. Each week we'll hear from an expert from Answers in Genesis by video. Each video is approximately one hour, and Pastor Kassulke will be available afterwards to discuss (please join us even if you only wish to view the video and not stay longer). Videos will be shown in the Grace-Tucson Fellowship Hall at 10:00 AM and again at 7:00 PM.

September 3 "Does Biology Make Sense without Darwin?"

September 10 "Wonder of the Cell"

September 17 "Genetics, Evolution, and Creation (Most Asked Questions)"

September 24 "Fearfully and Wonderfully Made"

Precious Lambs Playgroup

Children (ages birth to age 5) are invited to come play along with their parent or caregiver this **Tuesday**, **August 19** from **9:30-11:30AM**. We will meet at the Newbrey's house (111 W Old Ina Rd, 85704) 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 August 26 at the Lane's house, 920 N. Stoner Ave, 85748.)

Welcome, College Students!

We realize that many college students are returning to school at the University of Arizona or arriving to attend for the first time. We are happy to have you with us and look forward to getting to know you better. While school is in session, our WELS Tucson Campus Ministry (TCM) offers weekly Sunday evening Bible studies, which are geared specifically toward college students and college aged non-students. The first meeting of WELS TCM for the upcoming year is our Welcome Back Party on Sunday, August 24 at 6:00 PM. If you would like to know more, please speak to one of the pastors.

Parking Permits

Our WELS Tucson Campus Ministry offers parking permits for the church parking lot to college students who are actively involved in worship and/or Bible study here. Find more information and apply for a parking permit at www.WELSTCM.com. Members of Grace are asked to please let us know in the Church Office if you will be parking in the lot for non-church activities. Parking permits for non-students are also available to active members through the Church Office.

Worship Choir

Mark your calendars for the return of Worship Choir beginning Thursday, September 4 at 6:30 PM in the Grace-Tucson basement. All are welcome to join!



LWMS 2014 Fall Retreat!

The Lutheran Women's Missionary Society Grand Canyon Circuits East & West will be having a combined 2014 Fall Retreat October 17-19 at COD Ranch in Oracle, AZ (www.codranch.com).

More information and registration forms are available online at www.grandcanyonlwms.org or from Diane Kramm or Cindi Breitkreitz. The registration deadline and payment is due by September 29 and needs to be mailed in by each registrant. We have the opportunity to choose our room configuration and roommate preferences if we register early enough! If you have questions please contact Diane Kramm (440-8564).

Deer Valley Women's Retreat

The women of Deer Valley invite you to a one-day Women's Retreat at Deer Valley Lutheran Church in Phoenix on September 20 from 8:30 AM-2:00 PM. The guest speaker is Pastor Jeff Gunn of Crosswalk. A luncheon is included in the day. The suggested door donation is \$5. Register online at www.deervalley.org or call 623-581-1198 by September 15. More details on the retreat can be found in the courtyard display case.

Supplies Needed for Mission to the Children

It's that time of year again! Mission to the Children is in need of school supplies for the children we serve in Sonora, Mexico (Kindergarten through high school age). If you would be in a position to purchase any of these on sale (notebooks, crayons, pencils, markers, erasers, folders, rulers, glue, scissors, etc) we would be most grateful. Please bring them to the Grace church office. If you put your name and address on them, you will receive a letter from the mission so you may claim your donation as a tax deduction. The trip to take supplies to Sonora is scheduled for mid-August. Any questions, call Mary Ann Rosas at 591-0799. Thank you so much!

The Zoo is Coming to Grace!

Saturday, September 13 at 10:00 AM in the Grace-Tucson Fellowship Hall, Education Director Kristen Metzger, from the Reid Park Zoo will be here to give a presentation and show off some of the zoo animals! The presentation will be a lot of fun and <u>everyone is invited!</u> Snacks will be provided. This event is hosted by the Christian Fellowship Group. Please tell your kids and bring a friend!

