

Fourth Sunday of Easter

**"I am the gate;
whoever enters through me will be saved . . .
I have come that they may have life,
and have it to the full."**



Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church
May 11, 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-University! We pray that this time will be a blessing for you as God comes to you with his Word and promises and as you offer him your thanks and praise.

Worship Notes

The **order of service** we follow is printed out in this worship folder. You'll notice that the service is a dialogue between God and us, his people. The pastor speaks to God along with the congregation and also speaks the Word of God to the people.

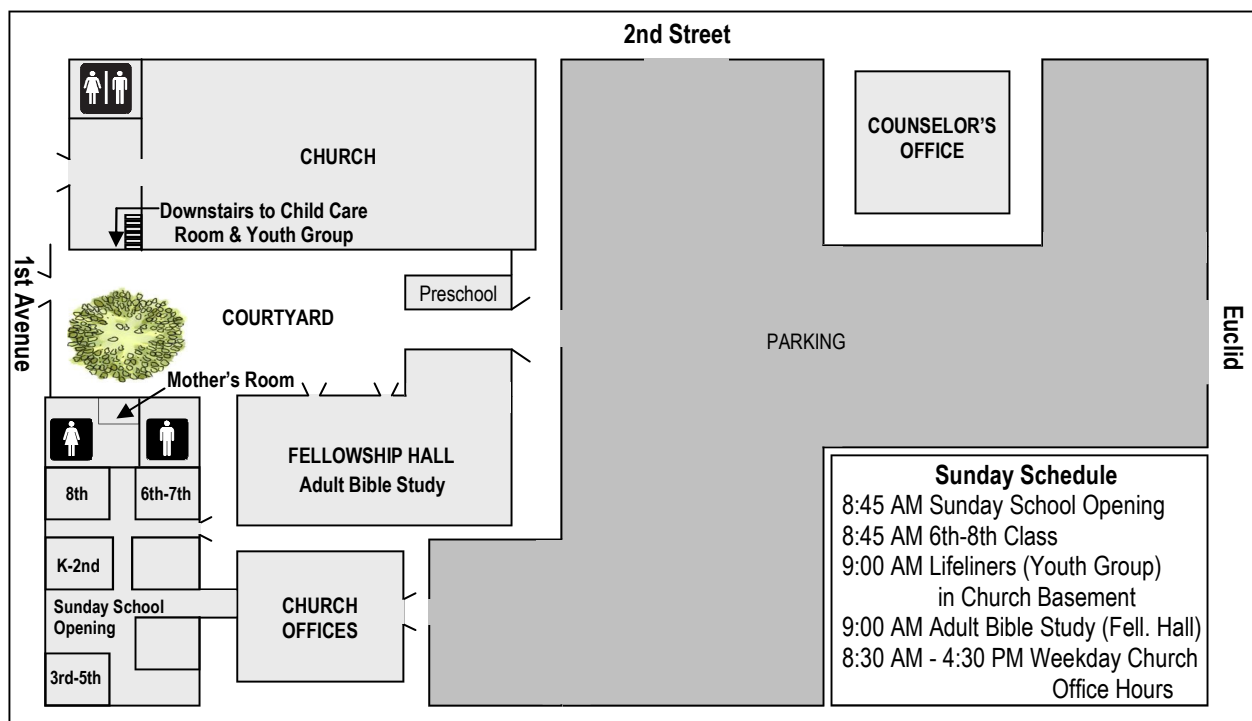
Hymns are found in our hymnal, *Christian Worship*, which is the red book in the pew rack in front of you.

Large print hymn sheets are available in the entryway. You may also ask an usher or greeter to get one for you.

We believe that many blessings come from having families worship together and we love to have **children in worship!** If you need to calm a restless child, you may:

- stand for a few moments in the entryway, sometimes that's all that's needed
- go down the stairs to the left in the entryway—they will lead down to the Child Care Room where you will still be able to hear the service
- visit the private Mother's Room across the courtyard in the women's restroom—you will be able to hear the service there also

Printed copies of the sermon are available in the entryway. CDs of the entire worship service will be made upon request from the sound technician in the balcony. It only takes a few minutes to copy. You may also find sermons and services in print, audio and video on our website: www.GraceTucsonWELS.com



DIVINE SERVICE II
Christian Worship Supplement

PRESERVICE MUSIC:

7:45 AM—
*Savior, Like a
Shepherd Lead Us
with He Leadeth Me*
Arr. by Cindy Berry

10:00 AM—
All We Like Sheep
Arr. by Don Moen

WELCOME

HYMN

Jesus, Shepherd of the Sheep
Christian Worship #436

Please stand

INVOCATION

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

Congregation: Amen.

CONFESSION OF SINS

M: Dear friends, let us approach God with a true heart and confess our sins, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to forgive us.

C: Lord of life, I confess that I am by nature dead in sin.
For faithless worrying and selfish pride,
For sins of habit and sins of choice,
For the evil I have done and the good I have failed to do,
You should cast me away from your presence forever.
O Lord, I am sorry for my sins. Forgive me, for Jesus' sake.

ABSOLUTION

M: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again. In his great mercy, God made us alive in Christ even when we were dead in our sins. Hear the word of Christ through his called servant:

I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son (†) and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

LORD, HAVE MERCY—Kyrie

Mark 10:47

M: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

For the well-being of all people everywhere, that they may receive from you all they need to sustain body and life, hear our prayer, O Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

M: For the spread of your life-giving gospel throughout the world, that all who are lost in sin may be brought to faith in you, hear our prayer, O Christ.

C: Christ, have mercy.

Kyrie is the Greek word for Lord. The expression "Lord, have mercy" is one of the oldest worship responses in the Christian Church.

M: For patience and perseverance in this life, that we may not lose the hope of heaven as we await your return, hear our prayer, O Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

M: Lord of life, live in us that we may live for you.

C: Amen.


GLORY BE TO GOD *Gloria in Excelsis*

Luke 2:14

*Please join in singing the response below following a brief introduction.
(Sung to the tune of "I Know that My Redeemer Lives," Christian Worship #152)*



1. All glo - ry be to God on high! Your name, O
2. Our grate - ful thanks to you we bring, For your great
3. O Lamb of God, to you we pray. You take all
4. You, Christ, are ho - ly Lord a - lone; The Fa - ther's



Lord, we glo - ri - fy; We praise you for your peace and
glo - ry, heav'n - ly King, For all, O Fa - ther, you have
hu - man sin a - way. Have mer - cy, Lord; Re - ceive our
glo - ry you made known. We by your Spir - it sing a -



grace, Your fav - or toward our fall - en race.
done Through Je - sus Christ, your on - ly Son.
prayer; From God's right hand, your mer - cy share.
gain: "All glo - ry be to God!" A - men.

THE WORD

SALUTATION

M: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: Let us pray.

O Lord Jesus Christ, you are the Good Shepherd who laid down your life for the sheep. Lead us now to the still waters of your life-giving Word that we may abide in your Father's house forevermore; for you live and reign with him and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

Please be seated

FIRST LESSON

1 Samuel 17:34-37 (NIV)

But David said to Saul, “Your servant has been keeping his father’s sheep. When a lion or a bear came and carried off a sheep from the flock, I went after it, struck it and rescued the sheep from its mouth. When it turned on me, I seized it by its hair, struck it and killed it. Your servant has killed both the lion and the bear; this

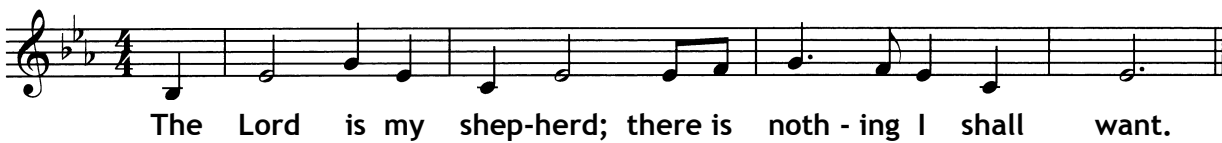
uncircumcised Philistine will be like one of them, because he has defied the armies of the living God. The LORD who delivered me from the paw of the lion and the paw of the bear will deliver me from the hand of this Philistine.” Saul said to David, “Go, and the LORD be with you.”

The First Lesson is frequently a reading from the Old Testament. It shares a common theme with the Second Lesson (often from one of the epistles) and the Gospel.

PSALM OF THE DAY

PSALM 23

Refrain



Psalm Tone



1. The LORD is my / shepherd,* I shall not / be in want.
2. He makes me lie down in green / pastures;* he leads me beside quiet / waters.
3. He re- / stores my soul;* he guides me in paths of righteousness for his / name’s sake.
4. Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no / evil,* for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they / comfort me.

Refrain

5. You prepare a table before me in the presence of my / enemies.* You anoint my head with oil; my cup / overflows.
6. Surely goodness and love will follow me all the days / of my life,* and I will dwell in the house of the LORD for- / ever.
7. Glory be to the Father and / to the Son* and to the Holy / Spirit, as it was in the be- / ginning,* is now, and will be forever. / Amen.

Refrain

SECOND LESSON

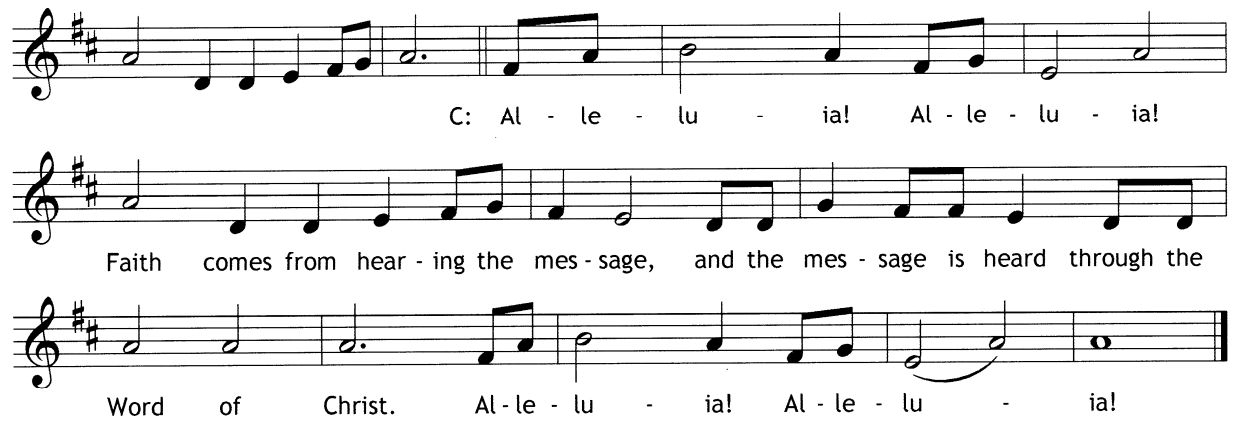
Hebrews 13:20-21 (NIV)

May the God of peace, who through the blood of the eternal covenant brought back from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great Shepherd of the sheep, equip you with everything good

for doing his will, and may he work in us what is pleasing to him, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

VERSE OF THE DAY

Romans 10:17



C: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Faith comes from hear - ing the mes - sage, and the mes - sage is heard through the

Word of Christ. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Please stand

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

GOSPEL LESSON

John 10:1-10 (NIV)

M: The Gospel according to John chapter ten.

C: Glory be to you, O Lord.

"I tell you the truth, the man who does not enter the sheep pen by the gate, but climbs in by some other way, is a thief and a robber. The man who enters by the gate is the shepherd of his sheep. The watchman opens the gate for him, and the sheep listen to his voice. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. When he has brought out all his own, he goes on ahead of them, and his sheep follow him because they know his voice. But they will never follow a stranger; in fact, they will run away from him because they do not recognize a

stranger's voice." Jesus used this figure of speech, but they did not understand what he was telling them. Therefore Jesus said again, "I tell you the truth, I am the gate for the sheep. All who ever came before me were thieves and robbers, but the sheep did not listen to them. I am the gate; whoever enters through me will be saved. He will come in and go out, and find pasture. The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full."

M: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise be to you, O Christ.

Please be seated

HYMN OF THE DAY

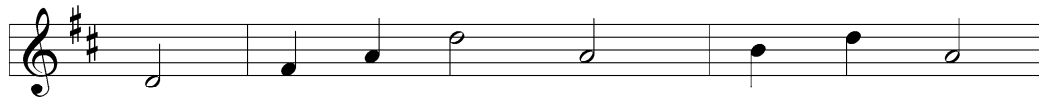
The Lord's My Shepherd
Christian Worship Supplement #766



1 The Lord's my Shep - herd; I'll not want.
2 My soul he doth re - store a - gain
3 Yea, though I walk in death's dark vale,
4 My ta - ble thou hast fur - nish - ed
5 Good - ness and mer - cy, all my life,



He makes me down to lie
And me to walk doth make
Yet will I fear no ill;
In pre - sence of my foes;
Shall sure - ly fol - low me,



In pas - tures green; he lead - eth me
With - in the paths of right - eous - ness,
For thou art with me, and thy rod
My head thou dost with oil a - noint,
And in God's house for - ev - er - more



The qui - et wa - ters by.
E'en for his own name's sake.
And staff me com - fort still.
And my cup o - ver - flows.
My dwell - ing place shall be.



He lead - eth me, he lead - eth me
With - in the paths of right - eous - ness,
For thou art with me, and thy rod
My head thou dost with oil a - noint,
And in God's house for - ev - er - more



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The well-known themes of Psalm 23 are set to the popular tune BROTHER JAMES' AIR.

Text: *Psalter*, Edinburgh, 1650

Tune: BROTHER JAMES' AIR (86 86 86) J. L. Macbeth Bain, c. 1840–1925, adapt.

SERMON

John 10:1-10
Through the Gate & Into a Full Life

Please stand

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

APOSTLES' CREED

C: I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Please be seated



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

OFFERTORY MUSIC:

7:45 AM—
The Lord's My Shepherd
CW #360

10:00 AM—
Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us
Arr. by Jack W. Jones

OFFERING

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

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

Please stand

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH—EASTER SEASON

M: O Lord God, our strength, our song, and our salvation, you fulfilled your promises by the resurrection of your Son, Jesus Christ, from the dead.

C: Thanks be to God! You give us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

M: In your compassion you sent Christ, the Good Shepherd, who laid down his life to rescue the lost.

C: Drive out all doubt and gloom that we may delight in your glorious triumph.

M: Lift our eyes heavenward to see him who lives to make intercession for the saints, and grant us confidence in the greatness of his power. Keep before us the vision of your redeemed people standing before your throne and singing the song of victory.

C: Worthy is the Lamb who was slain to receive wisdom and power and honor and glory and praise.

M: Make us instruments of your peace as we bring the good news of hope and new life to those around us. Guide us in the use of all that you have entrusted to us: our time, our talents, and our treasures.

C: **Risen Lord, live in us that we may live for you.**

M: Merciful Lord Jesus, grant healing to the sick, and strengthen the faith of the suffering and the dying. Assure them of your abiding presence, and comfort them with the hope of eternal life.

Special prayers and intercessions may follow.

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

Silent prayer.

M: Gracious Father, you have restored to us the joy of your salvation. With happy hearts, we come before you and say:

C: **Alleluia! Thanks be to God! Amen.**

LORD'S PRAYER

Matthew 6:9-13

C: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

Please be seated

HYMN

The King of Love My Shepherd Is
Christian Worship #375

Please stand

M: Blessed Lord, you have given us your Holy Scriptures for our learning. May we so hear them, read, learn, and take them to heart, that being strengthened and comforted by your Holy Word, we may cling to the blessed hope of everlasting life, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

BLESSING

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

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.

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CLOSING HYMN

Lord, Take My Hand and Lead Me
Christian Worship #439

THOSE ASSISTING IN WORSHIP TODAY

POSTLUDE:	Preacher	Pastor Sam Clemons
7:45 AM—	Worship Leader	Pastor Ron Koehler (10:00 AM)
<i>It Is Well with My Soul</i>	Accompanists	Kathy Parra (7:45 AM)
<i>Arr. by Victor Labenske</i>		Teri Guenther (10:00 AM)
	Clarinet	Missy Wiechmann (7:45 AM)
	Ushers	Vic Thornton, Vernon Neal (7:45 AM)
10:00 AM—		Dave Breitzkreitz, Ed Ethington, Dylan Guenther (10:00 AM)
<i>Come, Let Us Sing</i>		Ferdie Kramm, James Pauley, Josiah Weinstein (10:00 AM)
<i>By David Paxton</i>	Sound & Recording Tech	Jeff Weinstein (10:00 AM)

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Member Feedback Meetings

The Church Council has been gathering financial information and preparing recommendations for our congregation's response to Peace Lutheran Church in Sahuarita and Bethlehem Lutheran Church in Benson. Both congregations have asked us to consider partnering with them as additional sites for Grace. Please pick up an information booklet at the exits and in the Fellowship Hall and plan to join us for a Member Feedback Meeting to consider these additional details and to offer feedback. In order to best accommodate a variety of schedules, there are **two meetings planned at Grace-University: tomorrow, May 12 at 10:00 AM and Tuesday, May 13 at 6:30 PM**. If you can't make one of these meetings (or even if you can), you are always invited to share your thoughts with your Church Council members and pastors.

May Voters' Meeting

The next Voters' Meeting for our congregation is scheduled for Thursday, May 29, at 7:00 PM. The meeting will be in the Grace-University Fellowship Hall. This meeting date has been changed from our recent practice of scheduling meetings on the 3rd Tuesday of the month. A packet of reports will be available before the meeting to help voters prepare for it. Our Member Feedback Meetings on May 12 (10 AM) and May 13 (6:30 PM) will also be important in helping us prepare.

Grace-Vail Facility Commitment Boards

Commitment Boards at both Grace-Vail and Grace-University allow members to remove a card indicating the amount of a gift they will add to their weekly offerings so that we might move our worship from a rented multi-purpose room in a school to a leased worship and ministry center. These commitments are anonymous but allow us to know when the financial need for the move has been met. Approximately \$4700 per month is needed for us to make this move. \$2690 per month has been committed so far.



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

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



This Week at Grace • May 11-May 18

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

TODAY

Worship Services.....7:45 & 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 Only9:00a
Grace-Vail Bible Study Cottonwood Elementary9:00a
Grace-Vail Sunday School at Cottonwood Elem.9:00a
Grace-Vail Worship at Cottonwood Elementary 10:00a
WELS TCM Finals Stress-Relief Cookout..... 6:00p

Monday

Bible Study at Vail Golf Club9:00a
Member Feedback Meeting at Grace-University... 10:00a
English as a Second Language Final Potluck..... 6:30p

Tuesday

Precious Lambs at the Farleys (#203-8185) 9:30-11:30a
Member Feedback Meeting at Grace-University..... 6:30p

Wednesday

Financial Peace University at Grace-University6:30p
Bible Study at the Prigge's7:00p
NO Wednesday Bible Studies at Grace-University.....

Thursday

Women's Bible Study: *The Narrow Lutheran Middle* 9:00a
Pioneer Awards Night6:30p

Saturday

Street/Butron Wedding2:00p

Sunday

Worship Services/Communion 7:45 & 10:00a
Coffee Fellowship Following Both Services.....
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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.

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 Tsosie family. We hope you'll take advantage of this opportunity to greet your brothers and sisters in Christ.

Altar Flowers

The flowers beautifying our worship this morning have been given by Ed and Judy Ethington in remembrance of Bernie and Myrtle Ethington.

NEXT SUNDAY

Next week's Scripture Lessons for Devotional Reading this Week

1 Kings 18:16-45
1 Peter 2:4-10
John 14:1-12

Sermon Text & Theme

1 Peter 2:4-10
Christ Is Our Cornerstone

WELS Christian Aid and Relief

Parts of our country have been devastated by recent tornadoes and floods. If you would like to donate money to those who have lost so much you can send checks to our WELS Christian Aid and Relief (CAR) organization. For every dollar given through CAR, \$.92 cents reaches the victims and \$.08 cents covers administration costs. Simply designate your check for *tornado/flood victims* and send it to WELS Christian Aid and Relieve, N16W23377 Stone Ridge Dr, Waukesha, WI 53188.

Wednesday Bible Studies Suspended

Pastor Clemons will be suspending the Wednesday morning and evening Bible classes until further notice. He is currently undergoing treatment for cancer and plans to resume classes when the treatment is complete.

Thank You

The Lingham family would like to thank you for your prayers, cards, and condolences on the occasion of Mr. Al Lingham's death.

Save the Date!

Grace's summer Vacation Bible School themed *H20h! God Keep His Promises* will be June 16-20, from 9:00 until 11:30 AM. Please watch for more information, including volunteer opportunities and registration forms, coming soon.

Wedding Invitation

The Grace congregation is invited to the wedding ceremony of Rick Street and Molly Butron this Saturday, May 17 at 2:00 PM in the sanctuary. They are not registered, but if you'd like to give a gift, the couple encourages the use of Scrip gift cards.

