The Epiphany of Our Lord



Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church January 5, 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.

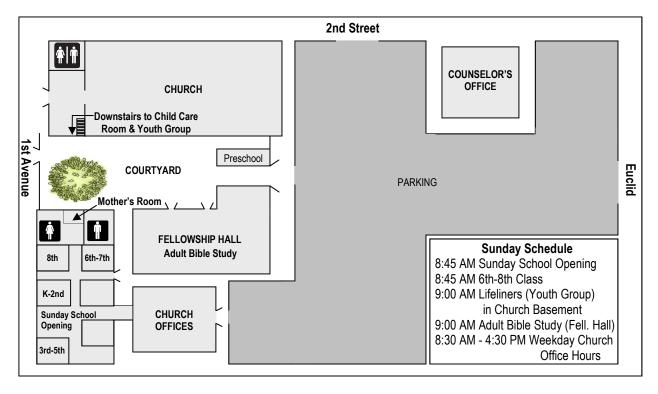
Hymns are found in our hymnal, *Christian Worship*, which is the red book in the pew rack in front of you.

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 I

Christian Worship Supplement

VOICES OF GRACE (10:00 AM)

Let There Be Light Words by Susan Bentall Boersma Music by Craig Courtney

The words of this anthem celebrate light from creation through the light of Old Testament prophesy to the fulfillment of prophesy with the birth of Emmanuel, the Light of the World.

Based on **Genesis 1:3,4**—And God said, "Let there be light," and there was light. God saw that the light was good.

Numbers 24:17—A star will come out of Jacob; a scepter will rise out of Israel.

Job 38:7—The morning stars sang together and all the angels shouted for joy.

WELCOME

HYMN

Angels from the Realms of Glory Christian Worship #80

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.

Today we celebrate the Epiphany or

"appearing" of Jesus as the Savior of all nations. Tomorrow,

January 6, is

the Christmas season. The Festival of the Epiphany of

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actually Epiphany,

the Twelfth Day of

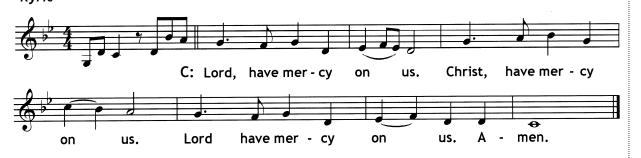
our Lord (also known

Christmas) has been celebrated by the

Church since the

second century.

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





PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

M: Let us pray.

Lord God, by the leading of a star you once made known to the nations your one and only Son. Guide us, also, who know him now by faith, to come at last to the perfect joy of your heavenly glory; through 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 60:1-6 (NIV)

"Arise, shine, for your light has come, and the glory of the LORD rises upon you. See, darkness covers the earth and thick darkness is over the peoples, but the LORD rises upon you and his glory appears over you. Nations will come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your dawn. Lift up your eyes and look about you: All assemble and come to you; your sons come from afar, and your daughters are carried

on the arm. Then you will look and be radiant, your heart will throb and swell with joy; the wealth on the seas will be brought to you, to you the riches of the nations will come. Herds of camels will cover your land, young camels of Midian and Ephah. And all from Sheba will come, bearing gold and incense and proclaiming the praise of 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.

SECOND LESSON

Surely you have heard about the administration of God's grace that was given to me for you, that is, the mystery made known to me by revelation, as I have already written briefly. In reading this, then, you will be able to understand my insight into the mystery of Christ, which was not made known to men in other generations as it has now been revealed by the Spirit to God's holy apostles and prophets. This mystery is that through the gospel the Gentiles are heirs together with Israel, members together of one body, and sharers together in the promise in Christ Jesus. I became a servant of this gospel by the gift of God's grace

Ephesians 3:2-12 (NIV)

given me through the working of his power. Although I am less than the least of all God's people, this grace was given me: to preach to the Gentiles the unsearchable riches of Christ, and to make plain to everyone the administration of this mystery, which for ages past was kept hidden in God, who created all things. His intent was that now, through the church, the manifold wisdom of God should be made known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly realms, according to his eternal purpose which he accomplished in Christ Jesus our Lord. In him and through faith in him we may approach God with freedom and confidence.

VERSE OF THE DAY Matthew 2:2b

M: Alleluia. We saw his star in the east and have come to worship him. Alleluia.

Please stand

GOSPEL

Matthew 2:1-12 (NIV)

The congregation stands out of respect for the words of Christ our King. After the announcement of the Gospel, the congregation sings:



After Jesus was born in Bethlehem in Judea, during the time of King Herod, Magi from the east came to Jerusalem and asked, "Where is the one who has been born king of the Jews? We saw his star in the east and have come to worship him." When King Herod heard this he was disturbed, and all Jerusalem with him. When he had called together all the people's chief priests and teachers of the law, he asked them where the Christ was to be born. "In Bethlehem in Judea," they replied, "for this is what the prophet has written: 'But you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for out of you will come a ruler who will be the shepherd of my people Israel." Then Herod called the Magi secretly and found out from them the exact

time the star had appeared. He sent them to Bethlehem and said, "Go and make a careful search for the child. As soon as you find him, report to me, so that I too may go and worship him." After they had heard the king, they went on their way, and the star they had seen in the east went ahead of them until it stopped over the place where the child was. When they saw the star, they were overjoyed. On coming to the house, they saw the child with his mother Mary, and they bowed down and worshiped him. Then they opened their treasures and presented him with gifts of gold and of incense and of myrrh. And having been warned in a dream not to go back to Herod, they returned to their country by another route.

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.

Please be seated

HYMN OF THE DAY

As with Gladness Men of Old Christian Worship #83

SERMON

Matthew 2:1-2 The Importance of Epiphany

Please stand

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



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.

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!

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBER BY TRANSFER (7:45 AM) Marquez Quintero

M: Dear members of Grace, Marquez Quintero has recently transferred his membership from East Fork Lutheran Church (WELS) in Whiteriver, AZ.

Marquez, so that the believers here might receive you in Christian love and so that you might have the opportunity to express your desire to join the church family here at Grace, I, in the name of this congregation, ask you to lift up your hearts and joyfully answer these questions:

M: Do you desire to be a member here at Grace? New Member: I do.

M: Do you intend to grow in grace, strengthening your Christian faith through regular worship, reception of the sacrament and study of God's Word?

NM: I do.

M: Will you support with your prayers, time, talents and offerings the work our Lord has given to this congregation? If so, answer: I will, and I ask God to help me.

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

M: Having heard your promises, we, the members of Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church, receive you in fellowship and love, and invite you to share in our worship and mission, in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

The pastor addresses the congregation:

M: Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

Hearing this confession of faith and these promises, are you willing to receive Marquez Quintero with Christian love into the family of believers here at Grace? Are you willing to befriend, encourage, support and pray for him as Christ commands?

Congregation: Yes, as God gives me strength.

PRAYER

M: Let us pray. Lord Jesus, author and perfecter of our faith, in mercy you joined Marquez Quintero to your Church when he was born again of water and the Spirit. In mercy you taught him your saving truth. Grant that he may continue to offer himself as a living sacrifice to you as his spiritual act of worship. Help us live in love and harmony with one another and work together in serving you. Keep us united in your Spirit, and bring us at last to your eternal kingdom, where you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

M: Go in peace.

7:45 AM — Please continue on page 10 with the Prayer of the Church.

INSTALLATION OF CHURCH COUNCIL (10:00 AM)

Those being installed stand before the altar.

M: Dear friends in Christ, in Holy Baptism our Lord Jesus Christ liberated you from sin and death and made you members of his Body, the Church. Through Word and Sacrament you have been nurtured in faith. You have now been selected for positions of service to our Lord on behalf of this congregation. The Lord has entrusted you with an office which you are to carry out as his servants and according to his Word. St. Paul writes concerning service in the Church: "We have different gifts, according to the grace given us. If a man's gift is prophesying, let him use it in proportion to his faith. If it is serving, let him serve; if it is teaching, let him teach; if it is encouraging, let him encourage; if it is contributing to the needs of others, let him give generously; if it is leadership, let him govern diligently; if it is showing mercy, let him do it cheerfully."

The Lord seeks faithfulness from all who serve, as Scripture says, "It is required that those who have been given a trust must prove faithful." The Lord does not seek from us what he has not given to us. But when he does give a gift, his will is that we use it faithfully to his glory and for the benefit of his people.

You are also, as servants of Jesus Christ and workers in this congregation, to set for your own families and the whole Church the example of a Christian life. Make the Word of God your foundation and guide. Search it daily for comfort and instruction.

PROMISE

- M: So that the congregation may be assured of your willingness to serve, I ask you, in the presence of God and this congregation:
 Will you diligently and faithfully carry out the office entrusted to you, according to the ability which God gives you? If so, answer: I will, and I ask God to help me.
- R: I will, and I ask God to help me.

INSTALLATION

M: I now install you as Church Council members of Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church in the name of the Father and of the Son (†) and of the Holy Spirit.

The ministers shake the hand of those installed, addressing each by name.

M: May God grant you his Holy Spirit and give you wisdom and strength to carry out your duties, to his glory and for the good of his people.

EXHORTATION TO THE CONGREGATION

M: Members of Grace, I urge you to regard these fellow believers as servants of Jesus Christ and God's gifts to his Church. Pray for them, support them in their service, and help them so that through the gospel ministry of this congregation more people will be reached for Christ and his Kingdom.

PRAYER

M: Let us pray.

Merciful and gracious God, our lives are open before you, and you hear our promises. We ask you to send your Holy Spirit into the hearts of your servants, that they may carry out their duties with diligence, boldness, and wisdom.

Give them a spirit of devotion and prayer, that in every time of need they may present their requests to you. Help them be examples of what is good, that by their lives they may build up your congregation and give the enemies of the Church no cause for complaint. Make them a blessing to your believers; help them to work with their pastors and with one another; and grant that by their service the unity of this congregation may be strengthened, your name be hallowed, your kingdom enlarged, and your will be done; through Jesus Christ your Son, our Lord.

C: Amen.

The minister thanks those leaving office with these words:

M: In the name of the congregation we sincerely thank *DJ Miller* who in the past year has served the Lord and his Church in a position of leadership on the Church Council. May the Lord, our God, graciously reward DJ for all he has done to his glory and for the benefit of his Church.

BLESSING

M: Go, then, and give yourselves fully to the work of the Lord, because you know that your labor in the Lord is not in vain. The almighty and merciful God—the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit—bless and preserve you. Go in peace.

Please stand

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH-EPIPHANY

- M: Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God and Mary's son, in the fullness of time you came into our world to save us from sin and death:
- C: You ushered in the day of grace so long foretold.
- M: Beloved Son of the Father, revered by the Magi, baptized by John, you came preaching and teaching, healing and comforting, forgiving and encouraging:
- C: You brought the light of life to those walking in darkness, and the joy of salvation to those doomed to death.
- M: Prince of Peace, shine like a beacon for us and the people of our world. Let the good news of your salvation be heard in the remotest corners of the earth. Open our own lips to speak your name to those around us who still live without faith or hope:
- C: Arouse us and our missionaries to flood the world with the light of your gospel.
- M: Lord of the Church, let your peace rule our hearts that we may use our gifts to serve you and each other in willing gratitude and joy. Watch over our loved ones near and far, that they may remember your love and rejoice in your salvation. Strengthen the faith of the sick and the disheartened. Give hope to those in despair and comfort those who mourn.
- C: Be gracious to all and lead us to reflect your love in everything we say and do.

Special prayers of thanksgiving or intercession may be spoken here.

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

Silent prayer.

- M: Finally, bring us and all your believers to the heavenly home where we will stand in the full light of your glory and with all your saints and angels sing the everlasting song of triumph.
- C: 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.

7:45 AM — Please continue on page 11 with the Words of Institution.

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 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.

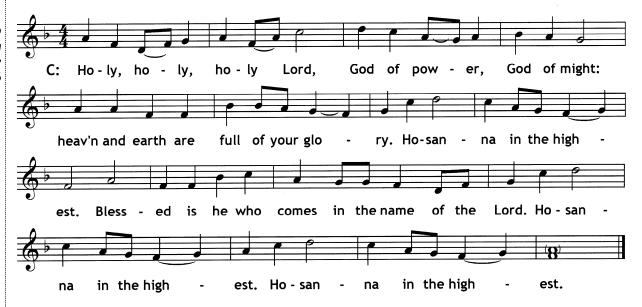
C: It is good and right so to do.

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 lived among us as a human being and revealed his glory as your only Son, full of grace and truth. 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."

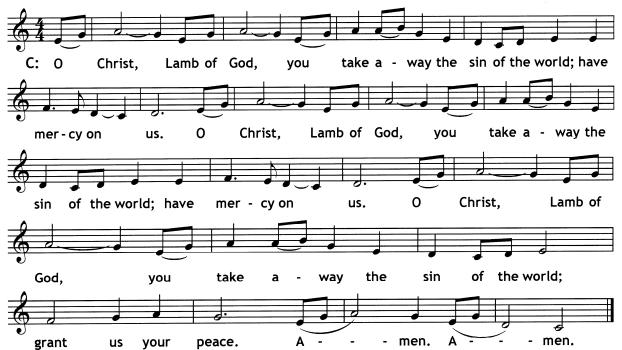
Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my (†) blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

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:



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)

How Lovely Shines the Morning Star Christian Worship #79

Please stand

We provide glutenfree communion wafers for those with wheat allergy, gluten -sensitivity or celiac disease. These wafers are stored and handled separately to avoid crosscontamination. 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.

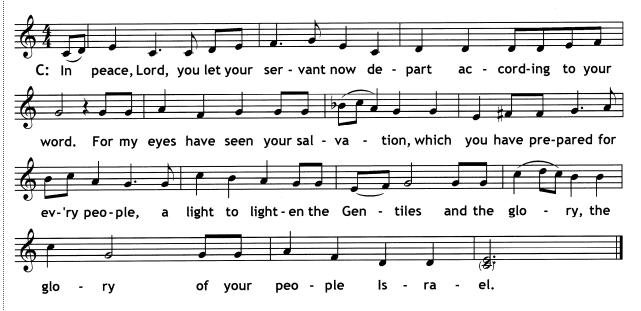
Grape juice is available for those who for health or medical reason require it instead of wine. Please speak with a pastor about providing grape juice for you on future Sundays.

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

The Star Proclaims the King Is Here Christian Worship #91 st. 1-2, 5

THOSE ASSISTING IN WORSHIP TODAY

	Pastor Sam Clemons
Worship Leader	Pastor Nathan Kassulke (10:00 AM)
Communion Assistants	Pastor Mark Hallemeyer (10:00 AM)
	Outreach Elder, Jeff Weinstein (10:00 AM)
Accompanist	Tina Christianson
Distribution Music	
Voices of Grace Director	Beth Kassulke (10:00 AM)
Ushers	Vic Thornton, Vernon Neal (7:45 AM)
Dave Breitkreit	z, Ed Ethington, Dylan Guenther (10:00 AM)
Ferdie Kramm,	James Pauley, Josiah Weinstein (10:00 AM)
	Jeremy Snavely (10:00 AM)
Altar Prep Team	. Elaine Goldie, Karen Grorud, Gisela Kittel

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God's blessings to our newly installed church council!

2014 CHURCH COUNCIL

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Trustee	Dave Breitkreitz
Elder of Education	Mike Festerling
Elder of Member Ministry	*Jason Watson
Elder of Outreach	Jeff Weinstein
Elder of Spiritual Needs	*Eric Hanson

^{*}These Church Council members are being installed at Grace-Vail this morning.

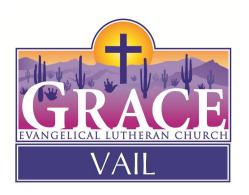
Help with Christmas Tree Take-Down

Eric Hanson will be taking the Christmas trees down this Saturday, January 11 beginning at 10:30 AM. The process should take about 2 hours and any and all assistance would be greatly appreciated. Pizza and drinks will be provided for those who volunteer to help. Please contact Eric Hanson at 664-6626 if you have any questions.



Grace is one congregation at TWO places!

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



This Week at Grace • Jan 5-Jan 12

*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	Thursday Women's Bible Study: <i>The Narrow Lutheran Middle</i> 9:00a NO Worship Choir
Children's Sunday School	Friday Lutheran Pioneer "Campout" at the Guenther's4:00p
 Jesus' Last Days	Saturday Christian Fellowship Potluck/Bingo at Grace12:00p
Grace-Vail Sunday School at Cottonwood Elem9:00a Grace-Vail Worship at Cottonwood Elementary10:00a Church Council Installation at both sites10:00a	Sunday Worship Services7:45 & 10:00a Coffee Fellowship following both services
Monday Bible Study at Vail Golf Club	Lifeliners (High School Group): <i>Bible Study</i> 9:00a Adult Bible Study (Fellowship Hall): • <i>Jesus' Last Days</i> 9:00a
Wednesday NO Church History Bible Studies	• Grow in Grace Class (Office) Non-Members Only9:00a Grace-Vail Bible Study Cottonwood Elementary9:00a Grace-Vail Sunday School at Cottonwood Elem9:00a Grace-Vail Worship at Cottonwood Elementary

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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. 12 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 Sally Littau, Nancy Miles, Pat Rader and Lois Thornton. We hope you'll take advantage of this opportunity to greet your brothers and sisters in Christ.

Ordering Altar Flowers

If you would like to help beautify the Sunday worship services by signing up to order flowers, the flower binder is in the front entryway under the glass sign board. Information about ordering is located on the front cover.





During this time of year, the sun shines through the stained glass windows and directs its light on the church pews. Feel free to move during the service if the sun is bothering you. For more information about what the symbols and pictures in the windows represent, please take a pamphlet from the main entryway.

NEXT SUNDAY

Next week's Scripture Lessons for Devotional Reading this Week

> Isaiah 42:1-7 Acts 10:34-38 Matthew 3:13-17

Use Scrip for Prescriptions!

Many of us purchase prescriptions on a monthly or quarterly basis. Did you know you can get <u>Scrip</u> for CVS and Walgreens and you can use <u>Scrip</u> for the grocery store and WalMart/Sam's Club pharmacies as well? Benefit Arizona Lutheran Academy and our children by purchasing <u>Scrip</u> from Vic and Lois Thornton (after early service and after Bible Class) or Debbie Koehler (after late service) at the <u>Scrip</u> table in the courtyard today!

Christian Fellowship Group White Elephant Bingo Party

Christian Fellowship Group will meet this Saturday, January 11, at noon in the Grace-University Fellowship hall for a Pot Luck White Elephant Bingo party. Everyone is welcome. Bring a dish to pass and a cleverly wrapped or disguised "White Elephant." We are always looking for new members. Come, give us a try! The Christian Fellowship Group provides people 55 and better with an opportunity to enjoy the company of others on a very informal basis.

ALA Boys Basketball Coming to Tucson

On Saturday, January 11 the Arizona Lutheran Academy boy's basketball teams will be playing here in Tucson at Desert Christian High School (7525 E Speedway Blvd). The JV team plays at 4:00 PM and Varsity plays at 7:00 PM. Come cheer on James Pauley (JV) and Josiah Weinstein (Varsity)!



WOG Kaffeeklatsch

Saturday, January 18 at 9:00 AM, the Women of Grace will have a *Kaffeeklatsch* (Webster: informal gathering for coffee and conversation) to work out details for the February WOG tea and other business. Coffee and breakfast food will be provided.

Precious Lambs Playgroup

Children (ages birth to age 5) are invited to come play along with their parent or caregiver on **Tuesday**, **January 14** from **9:30-11:30AM**. We will meet at the Wiechmann's house (2361 W Ternero Pl, 85741) 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 January 21 at the Tucson Mall play area, 4500 N Oracle Rd, 85705.)

KINGDOM WORKERS SPIRITUAL RENEWAL EVENT

"REACHING OUT WITH THE GOSPEL"

Saturday, January 25, 2014 @ Redeemer Ev. Lutheran Church, Tucson, AZ 7:45 am-8:50 am Registration | 8:50 am-3:30 pm Program

Presenters

Rev. Mark A. Jeske Time of Grace TV Ministry "Speaking to People Not Like Us"

Rev. Colin M. Rieke Mission Congregation in Vail, AZ "From Missionary's Kid to Home Missionary"

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