Last Judgment Second Sunday of End Time



Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church November 9, 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.

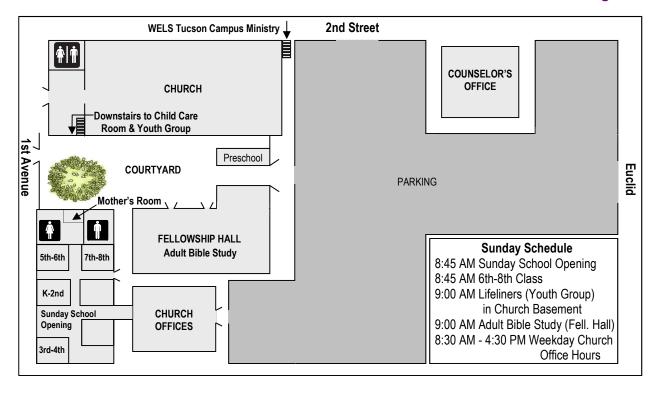
Hymns are found in our hymnal, *Christian Worship*, which is the red book in the pew rack in front of you.

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.GraceLutheranSAZ.org



DIVINE SERVICE I

Christian Worship Supplement

PRESERVICE MUSIC:

7:45 AM-

O Worship the King Arr. by Victor Labenske

WELCOME

HYMN

Day of Wrath, Oh, Day of Mourning Christian Worship #209

Please stand

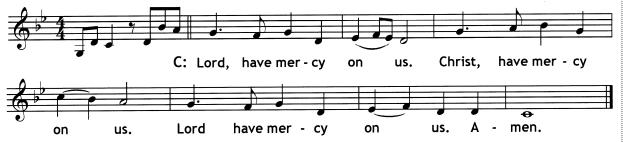
Minister: In the name of the Father and of the Son (†) and of the Holy Spirit. Congregation: Amen.

CONFESSION OF SINS

- M: Beloved in the Lord: let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
- C: Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.

We come before the true God only because of his mercy and not because we deserve to come. We confess our unworthiness and rejoice to hear the assurance of forgiveness.

LORD, HAVE MERCY Kyrie



Kyrie—We sing our penitential confession to our Triune God—Father, Son and Holy Spirit, asking for his mercy. The name Kyrie is shortened from the Greek Kyrie Eleison, which means "Lord have mercy."

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

PRAYER AND PRAISE

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

GLORY TO GOD Gloria in Excelsis

(Please join in singing the response below following a brief introduction)

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



PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

M: Let us pray.

Lord God Almighty, so rule and govern our hearts and minds by your Holy Spirit that we may always look forward to the end of this present evil age and to the day of your righteous judgment. Keep us steadfast in true and living faith and present us at last holy and blameless before you; 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

"As I looked, thrones were set in place, and the Ancient of Days took his seat. His clothing was as white as snow; the hair of his head was white like wool. His throne was flaming with fire, and its wheels were all ablaze. A

Daniel 7:9-10 (NIV)

river of fire was flowing, coming out from before him. Thousands upon thousands attended him; ten thousand times ten thousand stood before him. The court was seated, and the books were opened." 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.

Refrain



Psalm Tone



- 1. Lord, you have been our / dwelling place* throughout all gener- / ations.
- 2. Before the mountains were born or you brought forth the earth / and the world,* from everlasting to everlasting / you are God.
- 3. For a thousand years in your sight are like a day that has / just gone by,* or like a watch / in the night.

Refrain

- 4. You have set our iniquities be- / fore you,* our secret sins in the light of your / presence.
- 5. You turn mortals / back to dust.* You sweep them away in the / sleep of death.
- 6. The length of our days is seventy years-or eighty, if we / have the strength;* yet their span is but trouble and / sorrow.
- 7. Teach us to number our / days aright,* that we may gain a heart of / wisdom.

Refrain

- 8. Satisfy us in the morning with your un- / failing love,* that we may sing for you and be glad / all our days.
- 9. 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

Now we know that God's judgment against those who do such things is based on truth. So when you, a mere man, pass judgment on them and yet do the same things, do you think you will escape God's judgment? Or do you show contempt for the riches of his kindness, tolerance and patience, not realizing that God's kindness leads you toward repentance? But because of your stubbornness and your unrepentant heart, you are storing up wrath against yourself for the day of God's wrath, when his righteous judgment will be revealed. God "will

Romans 2:2-11 (NIV)

give to each person according to what he has done." To those who by persistence in doing good seek glory, honor and immortality, he will give eternal life. But for those who are self -seeking and who reject the truth and follow evil, there will be wrath and anger. There will be trouble and distress for every human being who does evil: first for the Jew, then for the Gentile; but glory, honor and peace for everyone who does good: first for the Jew, then for the Gentile. For God does not show favoritism.

VERSE OF THE DAY Matthew 24:42

M: Alleluia. Watch, therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. Alleluia.

Please stand

GOSPEL Matthew 25:31-46 (NIV)

After the announcement of the Gospel, the congregation sings:



"When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, he will sit on his throne in heavenly glory. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate the people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. He will put the sheep on his right and the goats on his left. Then the King will say to those on his right, 'Come, you who are blessed by my Father; take your inheritance, the kingdom prepared for you since the creation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in, I needed clothes and you clothed me, I was sick and you looked after me, I was in prison and you came to visit me.' Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you something to drink? When did we see you a stranger and invite you in, or needing clothes and clothe

you? When did we see you sick or in prison and go to visit you?' The King will reply, 'I tell you the truth, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did for me.' Then he will say to those on his left, 'Depart from me, you who are cursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels. For I was hungry and you gave me nothing to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, I was a stranger and you did not invite me in, I needed clothes and you did not clothe me, I was sick and in prison and you did not look after me.' They also will answer, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or needing clothes or sick or in prison, and did not help you?' He will reply, 'I tell you the truth, whatever you did not do for one of the least of these, you did not do for me.' Then they will go away to eternal punishment, but the righteous to eternal life."

After the Gospel, the congregation sings:



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

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

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

HYMN OF THE DAY

The Day Is Surely Drawing Near Christian Worship #207

SERMON

Matthew 25:31-46 When the Son of Man Comes in Glory

Please stand

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



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!

Please stand

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH-LAST JUDGMENT

- M: Out of the depths we cry to you, O Lord; O Lord, hear our voices.
- C: Let your ears be attentive to our cries for mercy.
- M: Heavenly Father, we confess with sorrow that we have sinned and deserve only your anger and punishment.
- C: If you kept a record of our sins, we would surely be lost.
- M: We confess with joy that your unfailing love has redeemed us.
- C: Our hope is in you and in your full redemption.
- M: Around us we see the birth pangs of the last days: war, famine, earthquakes, false prophets, spiritual apathy.
- C: Use these signs to remind us that we do not know the day or hour when Christ will come again.
- M: Keep us faithful to your Word; send your Spirit to strengthen our faith so that we are always prepared for your Son's return as judge.
- C: Make us faithful in sharing your Word, and cause many more to put their hope in you before the end comes.
- M: Build our fellowship of love as brothers and sisters in faith.
- C: Help us support one another when trials and troubles come our way.

Special prayers and intercessions may follow.

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

Silent prayer.

- M: Heavenly Father, we eagerly wait for Jesus to come again and make all things new. May he find us, whose names are written in the Lamb's book of life, faithfully enduring to the end, through the power of your Holy Spirit.
- C: Come, Lord Jesus. May your grace be with us. 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.



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

OFFERTORY MUSIC:

7:45 AM-

Wake, Awake, for Night is Flying CW #206

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.

HYMN

Before You, God, the Judge of All Christian Worship #306

Please stand

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

- 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.
- M: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look on you with favor and (†) give you peace.
- C: Amen.

Please be seated

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CLOSING HYMN

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

Tina Christianson (10:00 AM)

THOSE ASSISTING IN WORSHIP TODAY

Accompanists Kathy Parra (7:45 AM)

Ushers Vic Thornton, Vernon Neal (7:45 AM)

Lucas Guenther, Ferdie Kramm, James Pauley, Josiah Weinstein (10:00 AM)

Dave Breitkreitz, Ed Ethington, Dylan Guenther (10:00 AM)

POSTLUDE: 7:45 AM-

My Lord, What a Morning Arr. by Cindy Berry

"A spiritual about the trumpet sounding and Jesus coming to judge the nations."

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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. We would ask that you not pick up anyone's envelope but your own. Our computer software makes it very easy to generate these statements for you on a quarterly basis. We hope you'll appreciate the opportunity to check for any recording errors we may have made and perhaps use it to review your gifts of love to your Savior.

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Grace is one congregation at FOUR places!

Enjoy worship, Bible study and activities at Grace locations in Benson, Sahuarita, Tucson and Vail.

This Week at Grace • Nov 9-Nov 16

TUCSON Today Worship Services	WednesdayMidweek Bible Study: Church History
SAHUARITA Today Worship Service9:45a	VAIL Today Bible Study: Book of Numbers9:00a

Worship Service	9:45a
Coffee Fellowship following worship	
Bible Study & Discussion	11:00a

Wednesday

Bible Study: Church-Mission-Ministry	10:00a
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Today	
Bible Study: Book of Numbers	9:00a
Children's Sunday School	
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Monday

Bible Study	y at Rancho de	el Lago Golf	Club	9:00a

BENSON

Today

Worship Service7:30a

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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.

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.

Attention: Young Instrumentalists!

If you would like to play a piece for this year's Children's Christmas Eve Service, please contact Kathy Parra (579-8364). There will be a meeting for you and your parents immediately following the 10:00 service **TODAY**! We will meet in the sanctuary.

NEXT SUNDAY

Next week's Scripture Lessons for Devotional Reading this Week

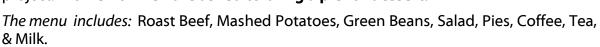
> Ezekiel 37:15-28 Revelation 19:1-9 Matthew 25:1-13

Call Extended

On Tuesday, October 28, the Grace voters extended a Divine Call to Pastor David Boettcher to serve as Mission Pastor to Grace-Sahuarita. Pastor Boettcher currently serves as pastor at St John Lutheran Church in Wetaskawin and Mighty Fortress Lutheran Church in Red Deer. Both of these churches are in Alberta, Canada. Please keep pastor Boettcher, his wife Sarah, and his children Isaac, Greta, Sam, and Eli in your prayers as he considers this Call.

Roast Beef Dinner This Friday!

Come, bring a friend, and enjoy good food and fellowship this Friday, November 14 from 4:30-6:30 PM in the Grace-Tucson Fellowship Hall. A free-will offering will be taken. Any monies left over after expenses are paid will go toward a Women of Grace project. **Women or men are asked to bring a pie for dessert.**





We definitely will need help with cooking, serving and clean-up. Sign-up sheets are available in the Fellowship Hall if you'd like to help.

Upcoming Thanksgiving Worship Services

You are invited to a special Thanksgiving worship service on **Tuesday, November 25 at 6:30 PM** at Grace-Sahuarita (17675 S. La Canada Dr). If you haven't been out to our Sahuarita site, this might be the perfect opportunity to try it out and invite your friends and family members. There will be a dessert fellowship following worship.

Grace-Tucson will be holding a Thanksgiving Eve worship service on **Wednesday**, **November 26 at 6:30 PM**. 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 other dessert.**