

Sixth Sunday in Lent Palm Sunday



Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church
April 13, 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.

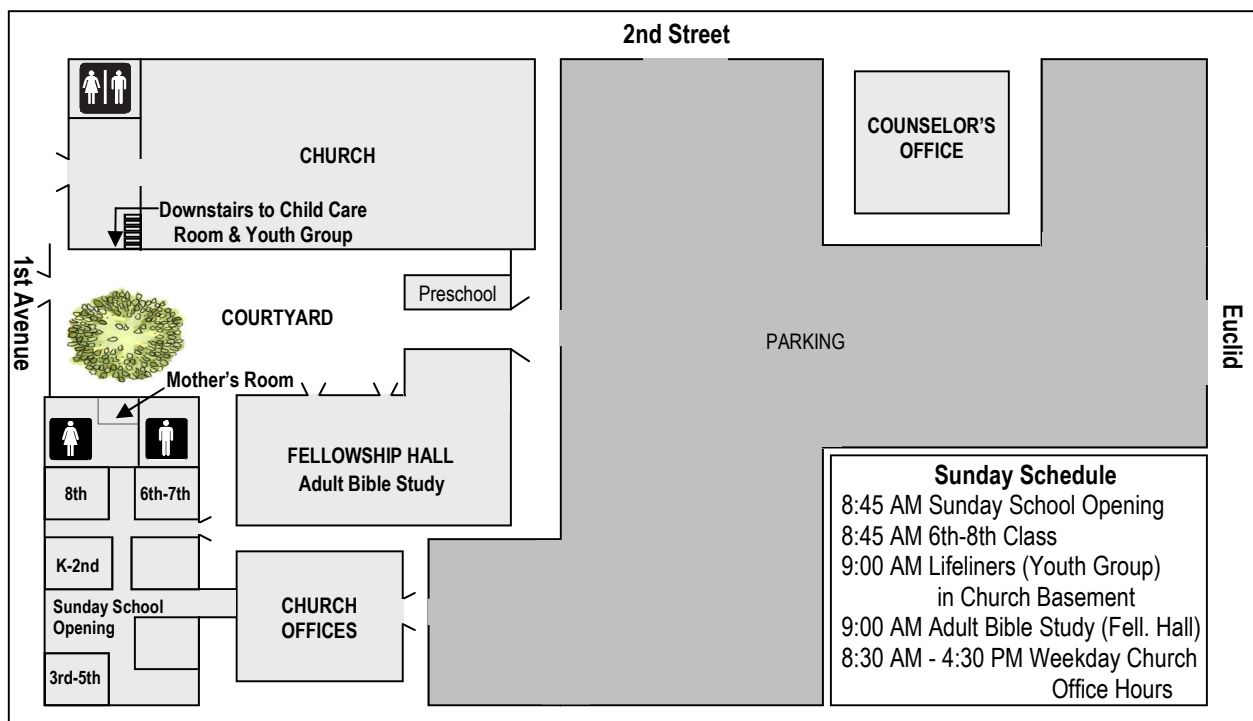
Hymns are found in our hymnal, *Christian Worship*, which is the red book in the pew rack in front of you.

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

New Service Settings

EASTER FOR KIDS & SUNDAY SCHOOL CHOIR (10:00 AM)

Shout Hosanna

Jumping up and down, shout hosanna!

Here comes Jesus, riding on a donkey, Hosanna to the King!

Wave the branches of the trees before Him, Hosanna to the King!

WELCOME

HYMN

All Glory, Laud, and Honor
Christian Worship #131

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.



C: I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity.



C: But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray; Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.



PRESERVICE MUSIC:

7:45 AM—
Hosanna, Loud
Hosanna
Arr. by Anne Krentz
Organ

10:00 AM—
The Regal Trumpet
By David Paxton

“Hosanna” is a Hebrew word of praise that means “Save!”

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.

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 "Jesus, Your Blood and Righteousness," Christian Worship #376)



1 All glo - ry be to God on high!
2 Our grate - ful thanks to you we bring,
3 O Lamb of God, to you we pray.
4 You, Christ, as ho - ly — Lord a - lone;

Your name, O Lord, we glo - ri - fy;
For your great glo - ry, heav'n - ly King,
You take all hu - man sin a - way.
The Fa - ther's glo - ry you made known.

We praise you for your peace and grace,
For all, O Fa - ther, you have done
Have mer - cy, Lord; re - ceive our prayer;
We by your Spir - it sing a - gain:

Your fa - vor toward our fall - en race.
Through Je - sus Christ, your on - ly Son.
From God's right hand, your mer - cy share.
"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. We praise you, O God, for the great acts of love by which you redeemed us through your Son, Jesus Christ. As he was acclaimed by those who scattered their garments and branches of palm in his path, so may we always hail him as our King and follow him with perfect confidence, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

FIRST LESSON

Zechariah 9:9-10 (NIV)

Rejoice greatly, O Daughter of Zion! Shout, Daughter of Jerusalem! See, your king comes to you, righteous and having salvation, gentle and riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey. I will take away the chariots

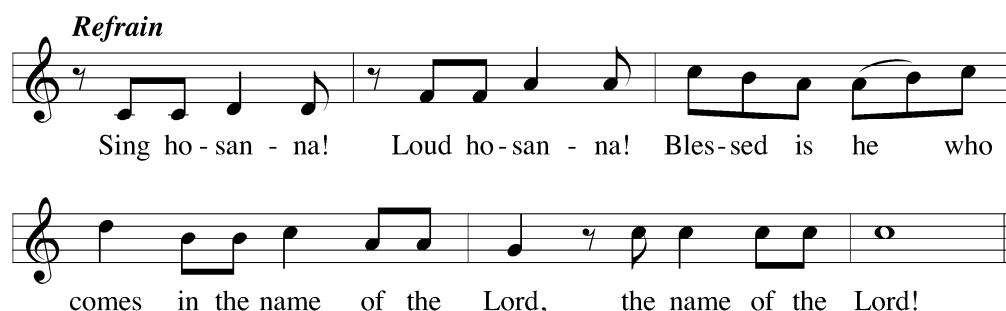
from Ephraim and the war-horses from Jerusalem, and the battle bow will be broken. He will proclaim peace to the nations. His rule will extend from sea to sea and from the River to the ends of the earth.

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 24

The vocalist will sing the verses, the congregation may join in the Refrains.



The earth is the LORD'S, and everything in it,
the world, and all who live in it;
for he founded it upon the seas
and established it upon the waters.

Who may ascend the hill of the LORD?
Who may stand in his holy place?
He who has clean hands and a pure heart,
he will receive blessing from God his Savior.

Refrain

Lift up your heads, O you gates; be lifted up, you ancient doors,
that the King of glory may come in.
Who is this King of glory?
The LORD strong and mighty, the LORD mighty in battle.

Lift up your heads, O you gates; lift them up, you ancient doors,
that the King of glory may come in.
Who is he, this King of glory?
The LORD Almighty—he is the King of glory.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit,
as it was in the beginning,
is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Refrain

SECOND LESSON

Philippians 2:5-11 (NIV)

Your attitude should be the same as that of Christ Jesus: Who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be grasped, but made himself nothing, taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness. And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself and became obedient to

death—even death on a cross! Therefore God exalted him to the highest place and gave him the name that is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

WORSHIP CHOIR (10:00 AM)

Comes the King

*Today in the city of Jerusalem comes the King of kings.
Sing loud hosannas, worship with your praise,
Spread the news of his great glory on this joyous day.
For today in the city comes the King of kings.*

*Have you heard the news? Have you seen the light?
God's own Son is here with us to bring us all new life.
Look and see the One who sets us free.*

*We sing "Gloria" as we lift him up.
He has worked great miracles to show his pow'r and love.
Blessed is the One who comes to us.*

VERSE OF THE DAY Sung by the vocalist(s)

John 12:23 (NIV)

The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified.

Please stand

GOSPEL

Matthew 21:1-11 (NIV)

M: The Gospel according to Matthew chapter twenty-one.

C: Glory be to you, O Lord.

As they approached Jerusalem and came to Bethphage on the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, saying to them, "Go to the village ahead of you, and at once you will find a donkey tied there, with her colt by her. Untie them and bring them to me. If anyone says anything to you, tell him that the Lord needs them, and he will send them right away." This took place to

fulfill what was spoken through the prophet: "Say to the Daughter of Zion, 'See, your king comes to you, gentle and riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey.'" The disciples went and did as Jesus had instructed them. They brought the donkey and the colt, placed their cloaks on them, and Jesus sat on them. A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, while others

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

cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. The crowds that went ahead of him and those that followed shouted, "Hosanna to the Son of David!" "Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!" "Hosanna in the

highest!" When Jesus entered Jerusalem, the whole city was stirred and asked, "Who is this?" The crowds answered, "This is Jesus, the prophet from Nazareth in Galilee."

M: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise be to you, O Christ.

Please be seated

HYMN OF THE DAY

Ride On, Ride On in Majesty
Christian Worship #133

SERMON

Philippians 2:5-11
The Humble Attitude of Christ the King

Please stand

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

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 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.



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

**OFFERTORY
MUSIC:**

7:45 AM—
*Jesus Is My Lord
with All Hail the
Power of Jesus
Arr. by Carol
Tornquist*

VOICES OF GRACE (10:00 AM)

Let the People Sing Hosanna

*Hosanna, hosanna! Hosanna, let the people sing!
Hosanna, hosanna! Hosanna to the King of kings!*

*Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.
Praises be to the One who's come to rescue us from our sin!*

*Let us sing praise to the One who's come to set His people free!
Lift your voice to the Son of God, our Savior, our King!*

Please stand

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH—PALM SUNDAY

M: Lord Jesus, you are the King of heaven and earth. We join the first Palm Sunday worshipers in praising and glorifying you for coming to this earth to be our Savior. Though you are one with God the Father and Lord of all, you humbled yourself and became one with us. Thanks be to you for living a life of perfect conformity to God's holy law in our place. Praise be to you for being obedient to death, even death on a cross, to redeem us from sin.

Cause our voices to blend with those who sang your praises as you rode into Jerusalem. Move us to confess you before others as our Lord. Help us proclaim the message of peace and forgiveness to people of all nations. Use us to assure all people that your blood has cleansed them from sin and set them free from slavery to sin, death, and the devil. Move us to dedicate all we are and have to your glory.

Lord Jesus, you are King over all the earth. Bless the nations of this world with wise rulers and good government. Let peace prevail. Grant success to the businesses and industries of our land to serve for the common good. Cause all employers to be honest and fair-minded and all employees to be diligent and faithful. Look with favor on our nation's schools. Be with those who teach and those who learn. Comfort the sick and the afflicted with the assurance of your care and protection. Strengthen the faith of the dying.

Special prayers and intercessions may follow.

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

Silent prayer.

M: Dear Savior, as we walk with you this week toward Calvary, keep us focused on your purpose for coming into this world and on our calling to spread this wonderful message of salvation. Hear us for your mercy's sake. 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.

*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.*



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

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



This Week at Grace • Apr 13-Apr 20

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

TODAY PALM SUNDAY

Worship Services 7:45 & 10:00a
Coffee Fellowship following both services
Children's Sunday School 8:45a
Lifeliners (High School Group): *Bible Study* 9:00a
Adult Bible Study (Fellowship Hall):
• *Jesus' Last Days* 9:00a
• *Grow in Grace Class* (Office) Non-Members Only 9:00a
Grace-Vail Bible Study at Cottonwood Elementary 9:00a
Grace-Vail Sunday School at Cottonwood Elem. 9:00a
Grace-Vail Worship at Cottonwood Elementary 10:00a
Caroling at Sabino Canyon Rehab 1:00p-2:00p
WELS TCM Movie Night: *The Passion of the Christ* 6:00p

Monday

Bible Study at Vail Golf Club 9:00a
NO English as a Second Language Classes

Tuesday

Memorial Service for Dorothy Crull 10:00a
Handbell Practice 5:00p
NO Precious Lambs
NO English as a Second Language Classes

Wednesday

NO Midweek Worship or Bible Studies

Thursday MAUNDY THURSDAY

NO Women's Bible Study
Maundy Thursday Worship (with Communion) 10:00a
Maundy Thursday Worship (with Communion) 7:00p

Friday GOOD FRIDAY

Good Friday Tenebrae Service 7:00p

Saturday

Easter Concert Rehearsal at Grace-University 9:00a
Grace-Vail Canvassing 9:30a-11:30a
Pioneers Decorate Easter Eggs 10:00a

Sunday EASTER

Sunrise Service (in the Courtyard) 7:00a
Easter Breakfast (in the Fellowship Hall) 8:00a
Grace-Vail Easter Breakfast at Cottonwood Elem. 9:00a
Easter Concert (in the Church) 9:00a
Festival Worship (in the Church) 10:00a
Grace-Vail Festival Worship at Cottonwood Elem. 10:00a

There is NO Adult Bible Class, Sunday School, or WELS TCM Bible Study on Easter Sunday.

Check out the GRACE WEBSITE at www.GraceTucsonWELS.com!

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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.

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.

Altar Flowers

The flowers beautifying our worship this morning have been given by Jon & Sharon Guenther thanking God for 55 years of marriage and for their Christian parents, the Kocks and Guenthers.

Easter Caroling at the Sabino Canyon Rehabilitation Center Today!

Today at 1:00 PM, a group from Grace will be singing about the joyous message of Christ's resurrection at Sabino Canyon Rehabilitation Center (5830 E. Pima Road, east of Craycroft on the south side of Pima). The music will be from the hymnal and we'll have piano accompaniment. Plan to arrive by 12:45 PM in the large meeting/craft room which is adjacent to the 300 room wing. All are welcome to join us for "Easter Caroling"! Your presence will be appreciated by the staff and their patients.

NEXT SUNDAY

Next week's Scripture Lessons for Devotional Reading this Week

Jonah 2:2-9
Colossians 3:1-4
Matthew 28:1-10

Sermon Text & Theme

Matthew 28:1-10
Look with Joy into the Garden of Glory!

Confirmation Open House Invitation

This year's Youth Confirmation is Sunday, May 4. Four eighth graders (Lucas Guenther, Jon Miller, Caleb Prigge and Dustin Pauley) will be confirmed in the 10:00 AM worship service.

The Grace congregation is invited to an open house hosted by the confirmand families from 4:00-7:00 PM that afternoon (May 4) in the Grace-University Fellowship Hall. It will be catered by El Molinito. **Please RSVP to Teri Guenther (235-1177) by April 28 if you plan to attend so enough food can be ordered.**

Thank You

Terry Kosanke would like to thank the pastors and Grace congregation for your thoughts and prayers during her recent stay in the hospital. Thanks also goes to the Goruds, Kosankes, Millers, Pauleys and Weinsteins for bringing meals.

Crull Memorial Service

There will be a Memorial Service for Dorothy Crull here at Grace-University on Tuesday, April 15 at 10:00 AM. After the service, family and friends are invited to Dorothy's house on Sweetwater Drive (3203 W. Sweetwater Dr.) for a get-together and a time of remembrance. Carpooling is recommended.

Maundy Thursday

Thursday, April 17, 10 AM &
7 PM at Grace-University

Good Friday

Friday, April 18, 7 PM
at Grace-University

Tenebrae Service

(Service of Darkness)



Easter Sunday

Sunday, April 20
at Grace-University

Sunrise Worship—7 AM

Easter Breakfast—8 AM

Easter Concert—9 AM

Festival Worship—10 AM

Easter Sunday

at Grace-Vail

Easter Breakfast—9 AM

Festival Worship—10 AM

Worshippers are asked to leave this church service in silence, leaving in stillness and darkness until the dawn of a glorious Easter Day. Please visit with friends and family prior to entering church for worship.

Easter Breakfast

The Easter breakfast at Grace-University this year (April 20) will consist of pancakes, sausage, and orange juice, graciously made and served by the Lifeliners. If you have a spare griddle or electric skillet, please bring it to the kitchen. **Members are asked to bring fruit to share. If you have a few minutes to help clean up following the breakfast it would be greatly appreciated!** Please contact Laura Lipke with any questions at 742-0211.

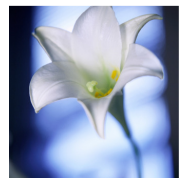


Easter Invitations

Easter is a great time to invite others to share the joy of forgiveness and salvation in Jesus that you enjoy. Please pick up a few of the small Easter invitations to give away to family, friends or those you meet. They contain information on services at Grace-University and Grace-Vail. You'll find them at the exits and in the Fellowship Hall at Grace-University and on the welcome table at Grace-Vail.

Easter Lilies!

If you would like to buy an Easter lily to beautify worship on Easter Sunday (April 20), please sign the sheet located in the front or side entryways of church. Lilies are \$8 each (make checks payable to "Grace Lutheran Church"). Please put your payment in an envelope marked "Easter Lilies" and place it in the offering plate or bring it to the church office.



Book Now Available

In April 2012, WELS member Scott Barefoot was here at Grace and presented on "*Leaving the Gay Lifestyle*." He and Pastor Richard Starr have co-authored a book on the subject of homosexuality called "*Forgive Us Our sins—Homosexuality In the Light of God's Truth*." The book is now available through Northwestern Publishing House (www.online.nph.net). A portion of each book sale will go to the Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary's Student Assistance Fund.

Financial Peace University

A new Financial Peace University class will begin April 23 at 6:30 PM at Grace-University. For more information and to register visit the Grace website (www.GraceTucsonWELS.com/fpu).