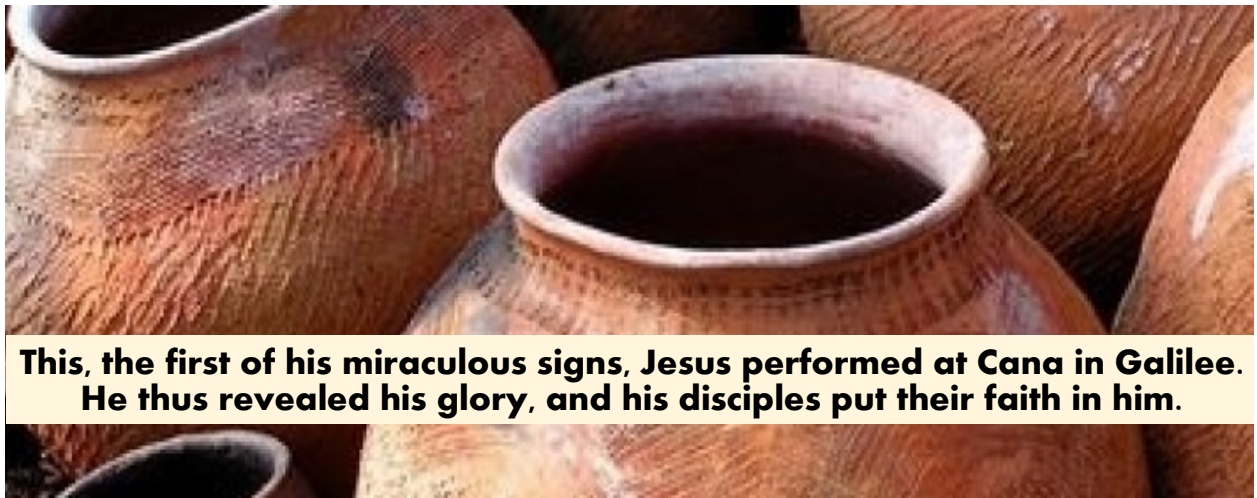


Second Sunday after the Epiphany



This, the first of his miraculous signs, Jesus performed at Cana in Galilee. He thus revealed his glory, and his disciples put their faith in him.

Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church
January 18, 2015



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.

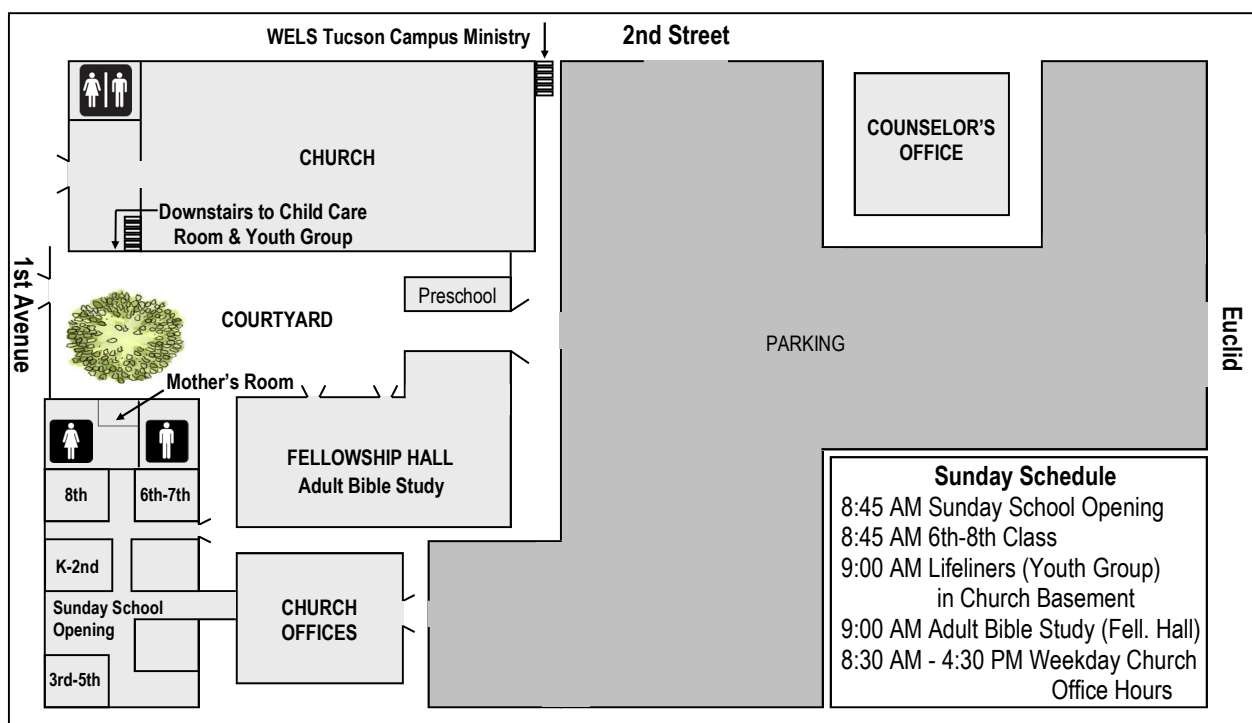
Hymns are found in our hymnal, *Christian Worship*, which is the red book in the pew rack in front of you.

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

WELCOME

HYMN

Songs of Thankfulness and Praise

Christian Worship #82

Please stand

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

CONFESSION OF SINS

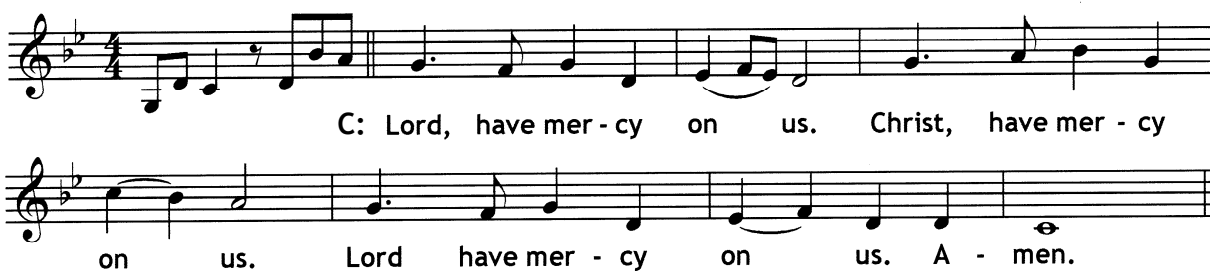
M: Beloved in the Lord: let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

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



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.

PRESERVICE MUSIC:

7:45 AM—
Holy God, We Praise
Thy Name
Arr. by Cindy Berry

10:00 AM—
In the Bleak of
Winter (O Sing a
Joyous Carol) / O
Sanctissima (O Most
Holy One)
Arr. by Liz Story

GLORY TO GOD

Gloria in Excelsis

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

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.

Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to his peo-ple on earth. Lord God,
 heav-en-ly King, al - might - y God and Fa-ther, we wor-ship you, we
 give you thanks we praise you for your glo-ry! Glo-ry to God in the
 high - est and peace to his peo-ple on earth. Lord Je-sus
 Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a-way the
 sin of the world; have mer-cy on us. You are seat - ed at the
 right hand of the Father; re - ceive our prayer, re - ceive our
 prayer. Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to his peo-ple on earth. For
 you a-lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,
 you a-lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir-it in the
 glo - ry of God the Fa-ther. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and
 peace to his peo - ple on earth. Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God!

PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

M: Let us pray.

Almighty God, you gave your one and only Son to be the light of the world. Grant that your people, illumined by your Word and sacraments, may shine with the radiance of Christ's glory, that he may be known, worshiped, and believed to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

Please be seated

THE WORD

FIRST LESSON

Then the LORD said to Moses, "Pharaoh's heart is unyielding; he refuses to let the people go. Go to Pharaoh in the morning as he goes out to the water. Wait on the bank of the Nile to meet him, and take in your hand the staff that was changed into a snake. Then say to him, 'The LORD, the God of the Hebrews, has sent me to say to you: Let my people go, so that they may worship me in the desert. But until now you have not listened. This is what the LORD says: By this you will know that I am the LORD: With the staff that is in my hand I will strike the water of the Nile, and it will be changed into blood. The fish in the Nile will die, and the river will stink; the Egyptians will not be able to drink its water.'" The LORD said to Moses, "Tell Aaron, 'Take your staff and stretch out your hand over the waters of Egypt—over the streams and canals,

Exodus 7:14-24 (NIV)

over the ponds and all the reservoirs'—and they will turn to blood. Blood will be everywhere in Egypt, even in the wooden buckets and stone jars." Moses and Aaron did just as the LORD had commanded. He raised his staff in the presence of Pharaoh and his officials and struck the water of the Nile, and all the water was changed into blood. The fish in the Nile died, and the river smelled so bad that the Egyptians could not drink its water. Blood was everywhere in Egypt. But the Egyptian magicians did the same things by their secret arts, and Pharaoh's heart became hard; he would not listen to Moses and Aaron, just as the LORD had said. Instead, he turned and went into his palace, and did not take even this to heart. And all the Egyptians dug along the Nile to get drinking water, because they could not drink the water of the river.

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

For this reason I kneel before the Father, from whom his whole family in heaven and on earth derives its name. I pray that out of his glorious riches he may strengthen you with power through his Spirit in your inner being, so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith. And I pray that you, being rooted and established in love, may have power, together with all the saints, to grasp how wide and long and

Ephesians 3:14-21 (NIV)

high and deep is the love of Christ, and to know this love that surpasses knowledge—that you may be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God. Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen.

VERSE OF THE DAY

Isaiah 49:3

M: Alleluia. He said to me, "You are my servant in whom I will display my splendor. Alleluia.

Please stand

GOSPEL

John 2:1-11 (NIV)

After the announcement of the Gospel, the congregation sings:

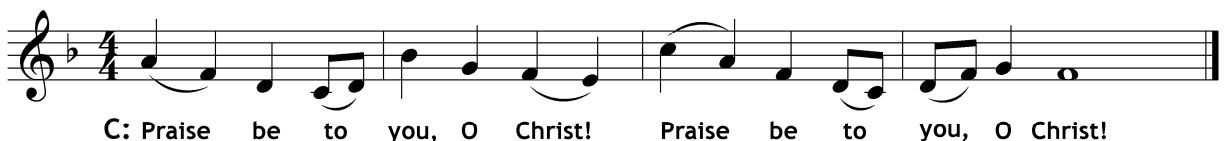
The congregation stands out of respect for the words of Christ our King.



On the third day a wedding took place at Cana in Galilee. Jesus' mother was there, and Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. When the wine was gone, Jesus' mother said to him, "They have no more wine." "Dear woman, why do you involve me?" Jesus replied. "My time has not yet come." His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you." Nearby stood six stone water jars, the kind used by the Jews for ceremonial washing, each holding from twenty to thirty gallons. Jesus said to the servants, "Fill the jars with water"; so they filled them to the brim. Then he told them, "Now draw

some out and take it to the master of the banquet." They did so, and the master of the banquet tasted the water that had been turned into wine. He did not realize where it had come from, though the servants who had drawn the water knew. Then he called the bridegroom aside and said, "Everyone brings out the choice wine first and then the cheaper wine after the guests have had too much to drink; but you have saved the best till now." This, the first of his miraculous signs, Jesus performed at Cana in Galilee. He thus revealed his glory, and his disciples put their faith in him.

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.

C: 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.

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.

Please be seated

HYMN OF THE DAY

Oh, Love, How Deep
CW #371 to tune of CW #135



All: 1. Oh, love, how deep, how broad, how high, Be - yond all
 All: 2. He sent no an - gel to our race, Of high - er
 Men: 3. For us bap - tized, for us he bore His ho - ly
 Women: 4. For us he prayed, for us he taught; For us his
 Men: 5. For us, by wick - ed - ness be - trayed, For us, in
 Women: 6. For us he rose from death a - gain; For us he
 All: 7. All glo - ry to our Lord and God For love so

thought and fan - ta - sy, That God, the Son of
 or of low - er place, But wore the robe of
 fast and hun - gered sore; For us temp - ta - tion
 dai - ly works he wrought, By words and signs and
 crown of thorns ar - rayed, He bore the shame - ful
 went on high to reign; For us he sent his
 deep, so high, so broad, The Trin - i - ty whom

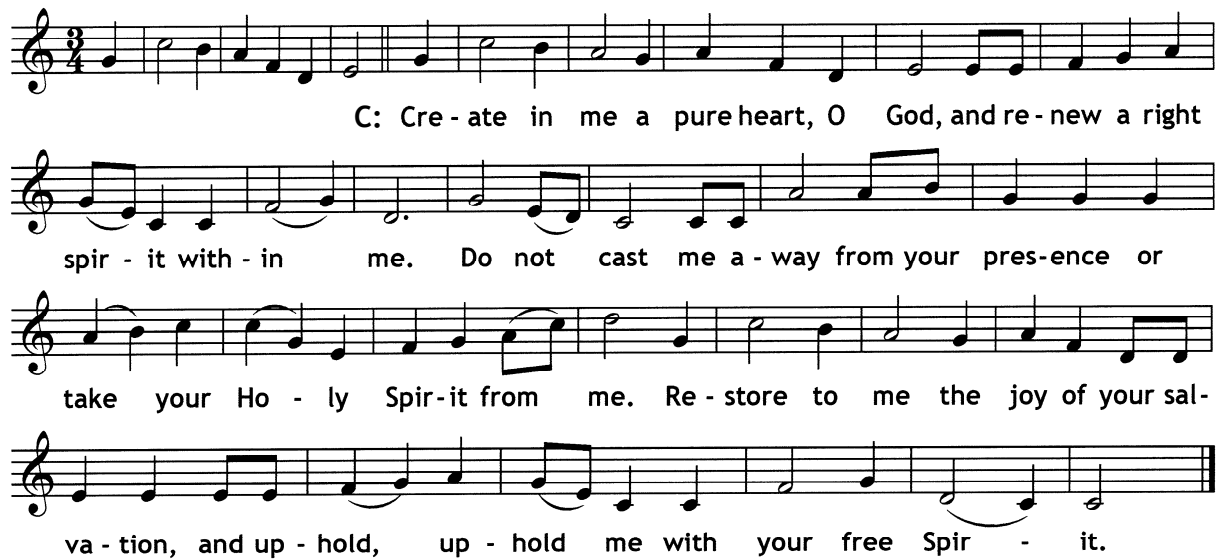
God, should take Our mor - tal form for mor - tals' sake!
 hu - man frame, And to this world him - self he came.
 sharp he knew, For us the tempt - er o - ver - threw.
 ac - tions thus Still seek - ing not him - self but us.
 cross and death; For us he gave his dy - ing breath.
 Spir - it here To guide, to strength - en, and to cheer.
 we a - dore For - ev - er and for - ev - er - more.

SERMON

John 2:1-11
Miracles in Everyday Life

Please stand

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



C: Cre - ate in me a pure heart, O God, and re - new a right
spir - it with - in me. Do not cast me a - way from your pres - ence or
take your Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re - store to me the joy of your sal -
va - tion, and up - hold, up - hold me with your free Spir - it.

Please be seated



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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!

OFFERTORY MUSIC:

7:45 AM—
Dix

Arr. by Anne Krentz
Organ

10:00 AM—
How Deep the
Father's Love for Us
By Stuart Townend

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.**

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.**

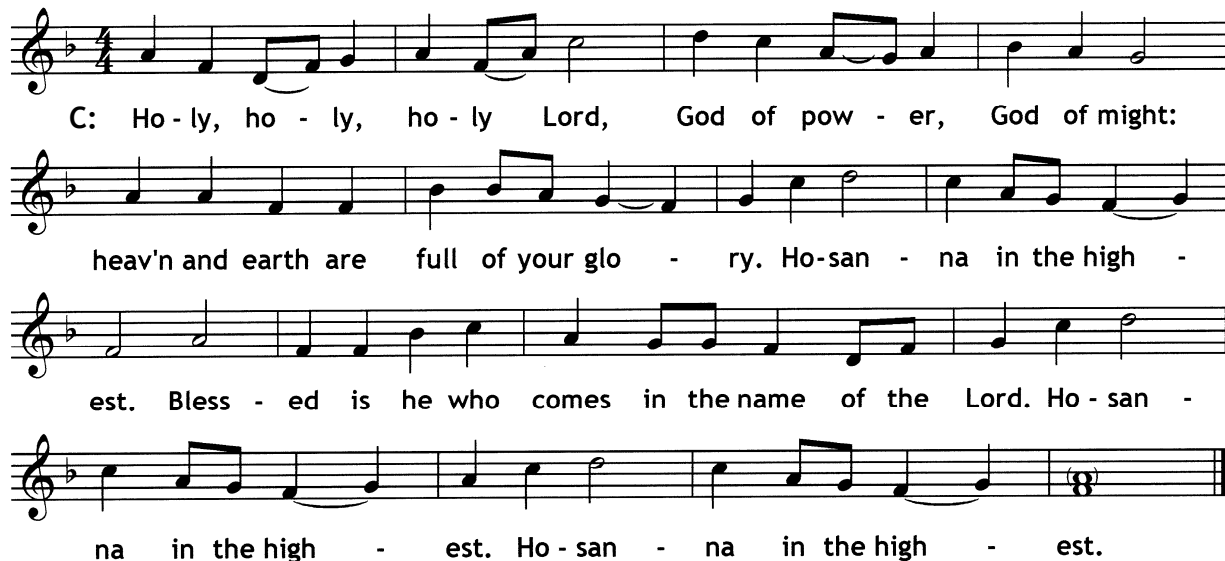
M: It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lived among us as a human being and revealed his glory as your only Son, full of grace and truth. Therefore with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:

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

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

Sanctus

Please join in singing the response below following a brief introduction:



C: Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er, God of might:
 heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho-san - na in the high -
 est. Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san -
 na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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.

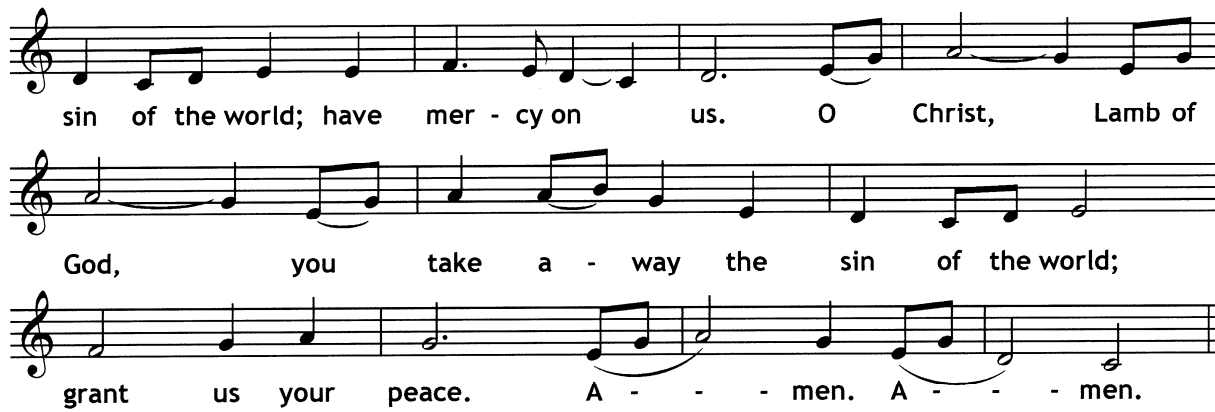
O CHRIST, LAMB OF GOD

Agnus Dei

Please join in singing the response below following a brief introduction:



C: O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have
 mer - cy on us. O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the



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)

O Lord, We Praise You
Christian Worship #317

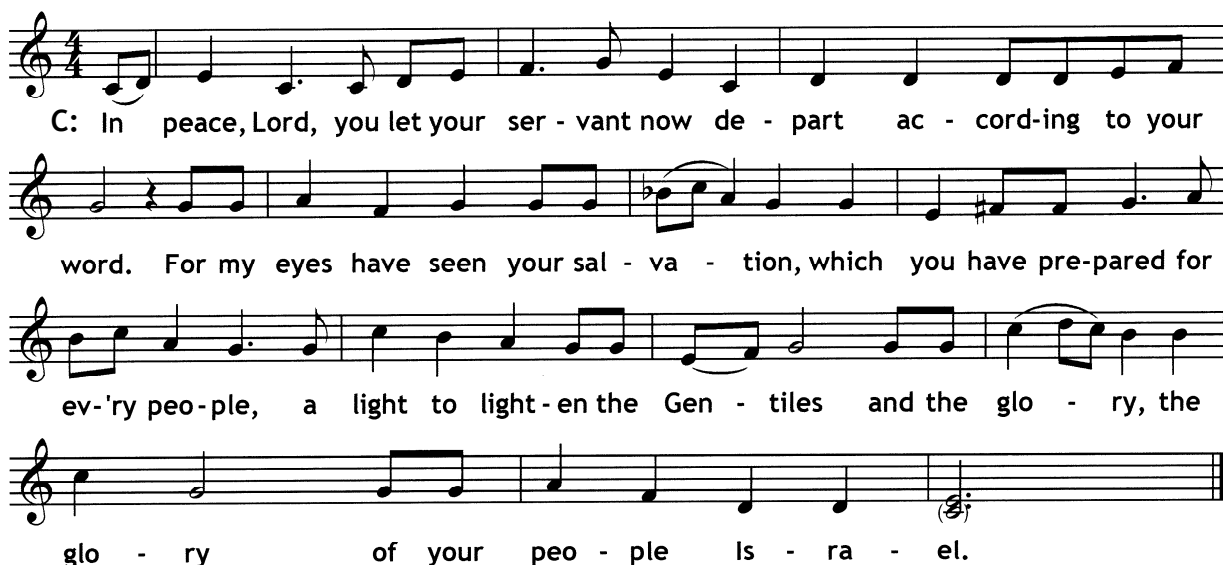
Please stand

THANKSGIVING

SONG OF SIMEON

Nunc Dimittis

Please join in singing the response below following a brief introduction:



We provide **gluten-free communion wafers** for those with wheat allergy, gluten-sensitivity or celiac disease. These wafers are stored and handled separately to avoid cross-contamination. They are "bread" as Scripture requires and are consecrated along with the rest of the bread. For those requiring gluten-free wafers, please take one from the container on the stand located at the front rail as you approach for communion. Simply hold it so that the pastor can see it at the time of distribution.

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

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 (see page 12)

The Love of Christ, Who Died for Me

Christian Worship Supplement #749

THOSE ASSISTING IN WORSHIP TODAY

POSTLUDE:

7:45 AM—

In Christ Alone

CWS #752

10:00 AM—

Sing the Glad Song

By Franklin Ritter

Preacher Pastor Ron Koehler

Worship Leader Pastor Nathan Kassulke (10:00 AM)

Communion Assistants Pastor Sam Clemons (10:00 AM)

Outreach Elder, Jeff Weinstein (10:00 AM)

Accompanists Kathy Parra (7:45 AM), Teri Guenther (10:00 AM)

Violin Maya Parra (7:45 AM)

Vocalists Dylan & Teri Guenther (7:45 AM)

Ushers Vic Thornton (7:45 AM)

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

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

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Lifeline Chupala Lunch

Grace's high school youth group, the Lifeliners, will host their annual Chupala Lunch on Sunday, January 25 following the 10:00 worship service at Grace-Tucson. Chupala is a delicious chicken and bean dish with southwestern spices that is served with tortillas or corn chips and toppings (lettuce, tomatoes, olives, cheese, etc.). The lunch after church is a great time to enjoy some fellowship.

The Chupala Lunch is also one of the ways that the Lifeliners raise funds for their activities. Donations are appreciated (checks may be made out to Grace), but you are welcome even if you are unable to contribute. The Lifeliners will continue serving until 12:30, so you may be able to worship at another site and still join them for lunch.

749 The Love of Christ, Who Died for Me

1 The love of Christ, who died for me Is
 2 My sins I on - ly see in part, My
 3 O liv - ing Lord of life, for whom The

more than mind can know, His
 self - re - gard - ing ways; The
 heav - ens held their breath, To

mer - cy mea - sure - less and free To
 se - cret pla - ces of my heart Lie
 see, tri - um - phant from the tomb, A

meet the debt I owe. He
 bare be - fore his gaze. For
 love that con - quers death, Pos -

came my sin - ful cause to plead; He
 me the price of sin to he paid; My
 sess my heart that it may be Your

laid his glo - ries by, For
 sins be - yond re - call Are
 king - dom with - out end, O

me a home - less life to lead, A
 all a - like on Je - sus laid, He
 Christ who died for love of me And

shame - ful death to die.
 died to bear them all.
 lives to be my friend.

This hymn examines the true nature of God's grace. While human love is directed toward people and things that bring pleasure, "God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us" (Romans 5:8).



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at Grace locations in
Benson, Sahuarita, Tucson and Vail.**

This Week at Grace • Jan 18-Jan 25

TUCSON

Today

Worship Services 7:45 & 10:00a
Coffee Fellowship following both services.....
Children's Sunday School8:45a
Youth Confirmation Class.....8:45a
Lifeliners (High School Group): *Bible Study*9:00a
Adult Bible Study (Fellowship Hall):
• *The Life of Christ: Jesus' Last Days*.....9:00a
NO Tucson Campus Ministry

Monday

NO Handbell Practice.....
NO English as a Second Language Classes
Pastors' Institute in Glendale, AZ (Pastor Koehler &
Pastor Kassulke will attend Monday and Tuesday).....

Tuesday

Church Council Meeting6:15p
English as a Second Language Classes.....6:30p

Wednesday

Midweek Bible Study: *Church History*..... 10:00a
Midweek Bible Study: *Church History*..... 6:30p

Thursday

Women's Bible Study: *Leviticus*..... 9:00a
Worship Choir Practice 6:30p

Friday

Precious Lambs 9:30-11:30a

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Adult Bible Study (Fellowship Hall):
• *Pastor Clemons: The Apocrypha*..... 9:00a
Lifeline Chupala Lunch at Grace-Tucson..... 11:00a
Call Meeting at Grace-Sahuarita..... 2:00p
Tucson Campus Ministry: *Why Worship?* 7:00p

SAHUARITA

Today

Worship Service/Coffee Fellowship.....9:45a

Wednesday

Bible Study: *You Are A Holy Priesthood* 10:00a

Sunday

Worship, Fellowship and Bible Study9:45a
Call Meeting at Grace-Sahuarita2:00p

BENSON

Today

Worship Service7:30a

Sunday

Worship Service7:30a
Call Meeting at Grace-Sahuarita2:00p

VAIL

Today

Bible Study: *Book of Numbers*..... 9:00a
Children's Sunday School..... 9:00a
Worship Service/Coffee Fellowship 10:00a

Monday

Bible Study at Rancho del Lago Golf Club..... 9:00a

Wednesday

Bible Study at the Prigge's: *What Child is This?*..... 6:30p

Sunday

Bible Study: *Book of Numbers*..... 9:00a
Children's Sunday School..... 9:00a
Worship Service/Coffee Fellowship 10:00a
Call Meeting at Grace-Sahuarita..... 2:00p

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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 Eric & Erika Hanson. 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 Ron & Norma Stevens in memory of their fathers.

NEXT SUNDAY

Next week's Scripture Lessons for Devotional Reading this Week

Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5, 6, 8-10
Acts 4:23-31
Luke 4:14-21

Sermon Text & Theme

Luke 4:14-21
Fulfilled in Your Hearing

Call Declined

Pastor Paul Seager has announced his decision to decline the Call extended to him to serve as Grace's Mission Pastor to Sahuarita. This decision was made with much prayer and careful consideration, including conversations with Grace's current pastors and other members. We trust that God will continue to accomplish his will through the calling process and that this deliberation will serve God's kingdom and Pastor Seager's ongoing work. **The next Call Meeting is scheduled for next Sunday, January 25 at 2:00 PM at Grace-Sahuarita (17675 S. La Canada Drive Sahuarita, Arizona 85629).**

Grand Piano

Thank you to the several families who contributed generously to allow Grace to purchase the used grand piano that is now in the sanctuary! Grace first began considering the purchase of a grand piano for leading worship at Easter time last year, when we rented an instrument for use in our worship service and concert. This piano is an appropriate size for filling the sanctuary with sound and promises to be a great blessing in our worship services.

Redeemer Countdown to Kindergarten

Redeemer Lutheran School in Marana (8845 North Silverbell Rd) is hosting an informational "Countdown to Kindergarten" event for families that may be interested in enrolling their students in Kindergarten. This event is held at Redeemer on Monday, January 26, beginning with a pizza dinner at 5:30 PM. The preschool and Kindergarten students will perform at 6:00 PM followed by activities for the kids, while parents get valuable information on Kindergarten, curriculum, tuition, tax credits and registration. We encourage any interested families to attend. **Please call 572-8136 to RSVP.**

Redeemer Lutheran School is operated by our sister church. 8 members of Grace are attending in grades K – 8. Grace currently offers a \$1000 per year scholarship to our active members attending Redeemer.

Called Home to Heaven

Grace member Verne Fredrick was called home to heaven Sunday, January 11.

Guest Musician at Grace-Benson and Grace-Vail

WELS singer Stephen Bautista will be the guest musician at Grace-Benson (7:30 AM) and Grace-Vail (10:00 AM) on Sunday, February 1. Join us to hear some of his original Christian songs in our regular worship services that Sunday.

For more information about Stephen and his music, please visit his website, www.stephenbautistamusic.com.



Women's Bible Study

How does a book of Scripture go from being the first one read by the young children of God's people at one time to perhaps the *least* read book of the Bible by Christians today? Women of all ages are invited to come see what treasures are hidden in the book of Leviticus and find faith-applications for us today. Pastor Koehler's Bible study continues this Thursday, January 22 at 9:00 AM at Grace-Tucson.

Wednesday Midweek Bible Class

Pastor Clemons' midweek Bible class on *Church History* continues this Wednesday, January 21 at 10:00 AM and 6:30 PM in the Grace-Tucson Fellowship Hall.

Women of Grace Valentine Tea—February 14

The Women of Grace will hold their annual Valentine Tea Saturday, February 14 at 11:30 AM in the Grace-Tucson Fellowship Hall. There is a sign-up sheet available in the Fellowship Hall and at all the Grace locations if you are able to host a table or bring sandwiches, desserts or your own teapot.

Please RSVP by February 9 to Diane Kramm (440-8564), Joyce Long (405-5133) or the Church Office (623-6633) if you plan to attend. This invitation has been sent to the other WELS churches in Tucson. It should be a lot of fun so please invite your girl friends. Questions? Contact Diane Kramm (440-8564) or Joyce Long (405-5133).

Benson Chili Cook-Off

On Saturday, January 31 at 12:00 PM, Grace-Benson will be holding a Chili Cook-Off and Potluck. All of the Grace family is invited to come and join in for some food and fellowship. If you are planning on attending, consider cooking up your favorite chili recipe, or bring a side dish or dessert. For more information or questions, feel free to contact Sue Ann Arnold at (520) 221-3209. Grace-Benson is located at 451 W. Duane St, Benson, AZ.



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