

Third Sunday of End Time— Saints Triumphant



...and they no longer die; for they are like the angels. They are
God's children, since they are children of the resurrection.

-Luke 20:36 (NIV)

Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church
November 15, 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.

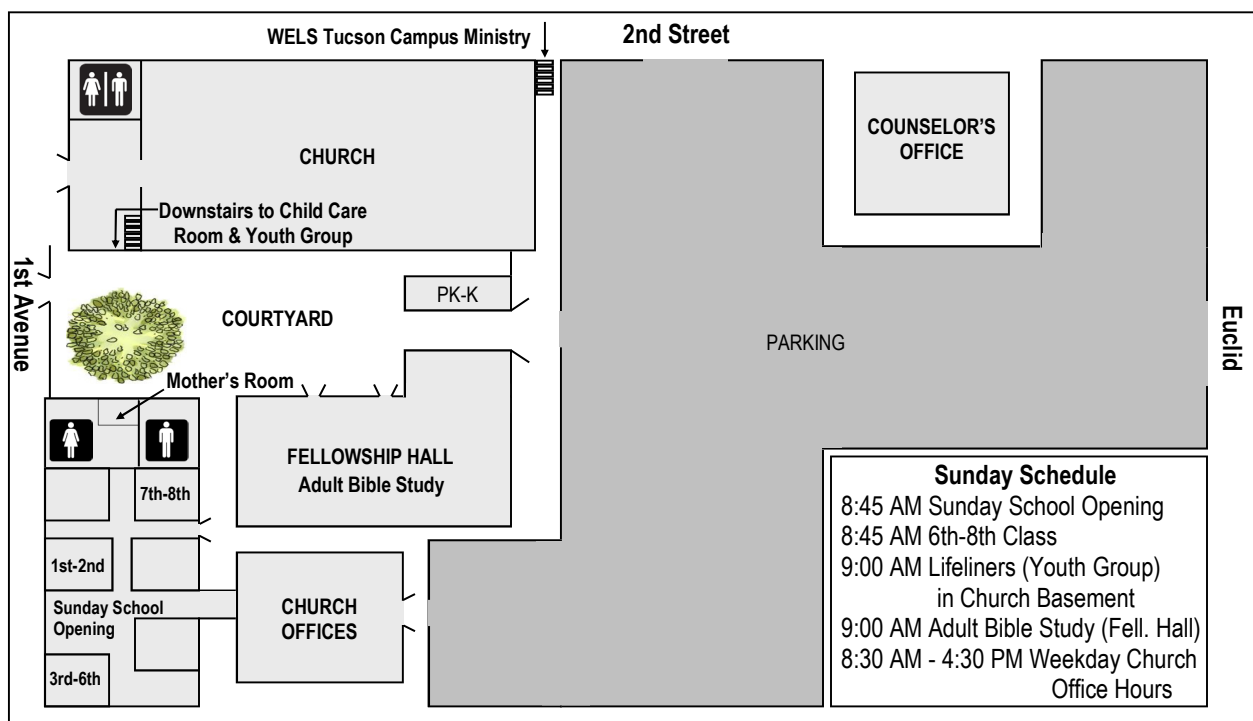
Hymns are found in our hymnal, *Christian Worship*, which is the red book in the pew rack in front of you.

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

PRESERVICE:

7:45 AM—
Land of Rest
Arr. by John Purifoy

10:00 AM—
I Know That My
Redeemer Lives and
For All The Saints
Setting by Benjamin
M. Culli

WELCOME

HYMN

Great God, What Do I See and Hear
Christian Worship #208

Please stand

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

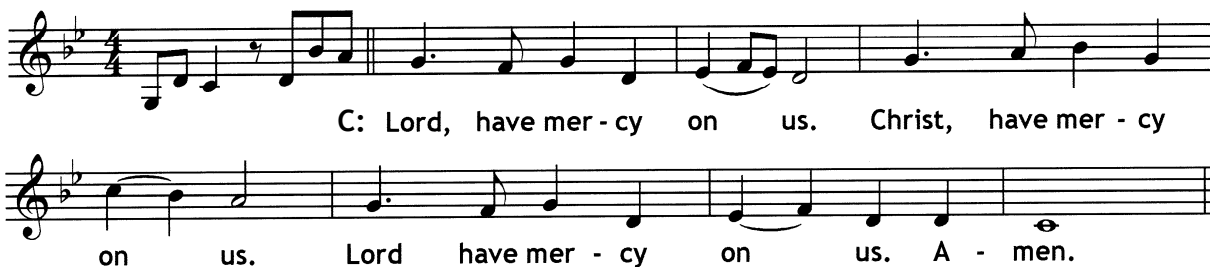
CONFESSION OF SINS

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.

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.

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 and Savior, you have set the final day and hour when we shall be delivered from this world of sin and death. Keep us ever watchful for the coming of your Son that we may sit with him and all your holy ones at the marriage feast in heaven; 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

Isaiah 65:17-25 (NIV)

“Behold, I will create new heavens and a new earth. The former things will not be remembered, nor will they come to mind. But be glad and rejoice forever in what I will create, for I will create Jerusalem to be a delight and its people a joy. I will rejoice over Jerusalem and take delight in my people; the sound of weeping and of crying will be heard in it no more. Never again will there be in it an infant who lives but a few days, or an old man who does not live out his years; he who dies at a hundred will be thought a mere youth; he who fails to reach a hundred will be considered accursed. They will build houses and dwell in them; they will plant

vineyards and eat their fruit. No longer will they build houses and others live in them, or plant and others eat. For as the days of a tree, so will be the days of my people; my chosen ones will long enjoy the works of their hands. They will not toil in vain or bear children doomed to misfortune; for they will be a people blessed by the LORD, they and their descendants with them. Before they call I will answer; while they are still speaking I will hear. The wolf and the lamb will feed together, and the lion will eat straw like the ox, but dust will be the serpent’s food. They will neither harm nor destroy on all my holy mountain,” says 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.

VOCAL TRIO (10:00 AM)

I Will Rise

There’s a peace I’ve come to know though my heart and flesh may fail.

There’s an anchor for my soul. I can say, “It is well.”

Jesus has overcome and the grave is overwhelmed.

The victory is won, He is risen from the dead.

*REFRAIN: And I will rise when He calls my name, no more sorrow, no more pain,
I will rise on eagle’s wings. Before my God fall on my knees and rise. I will rise.*

There’s a day that’s drawing near when this darkness breaks to light.

And the shadows disappear and my faith shall be my eyes.

Jesus has overcome and the grave is overwhelmed.

The victory is won, He is risen from the dead. REFRAIN

And I hear the voice of many angels sing, “Worthy is the Lamb!”

And I hear the cry of ev’ry longing heart, “Worthy is the Lamb!” REFRAIN

SECOND LESSON

Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, as clear as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb down the middle of the great street of the city. On each side of the river stood the tree of life, bearing twelve crops of fruit, yielding its fruit every month. And the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations. No longer will there be any

Revelation 22:1-5 (NIV)

curse. The throne of God and of the Lamb will be in the city, and his servants will serve him. They will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. There will be no more night. They will not need the light of a lamp or the light of the sun, for the Lord God will give them light. And they will reign for ever and ever.

VERSE OF THE DAY

Revelation 7:15a

M: Alleluia. They are before the throne of God and serve him day and night in his temple. Alleluia.

Please stand

GOSPEL

Luke 20:27-38 (NIV)

After the announcement of the Gospel, the congregation sings:

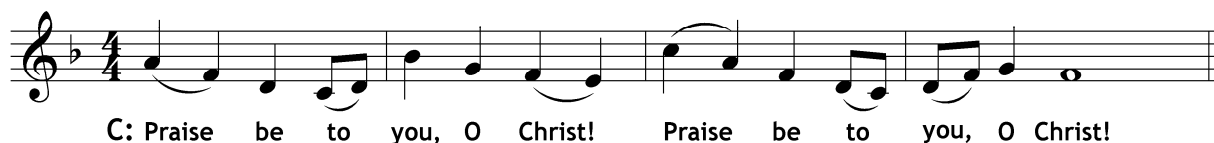


The congregation stands out of respect for the words of Christ our King.

Some of the Sadducees, who say there is no resurrection, came to Jesus with a question. "Teacher," they said, "Moses wrote for us that if a man's brother dies and leaves a wife but no children, the man must marry the widow and have children for his brother. Now there were seven brothers. The first one married a woman and died childless. The second and then the third married her, and in the same way the seven died, leaving no children. Finally, the woman died too. Now then, at the resurrection whose wife will she be, since the seven were married to her?" Jesus

replied, "The people of this age marry and are given in marriage. But those who are considered worthy of taking part in that age and in the resurrection from the dead will neither marry nor be given in marriage, and they can no longer die; for they are like the angels. They are God's children, since they are children of the resurrection. But in the account of the bush, even Moses showed that the dead rise, for he calls the Lord 'the God of Abraham, and the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob.' He is not the God of the dead, but of the living, for to him all are alive."

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.

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

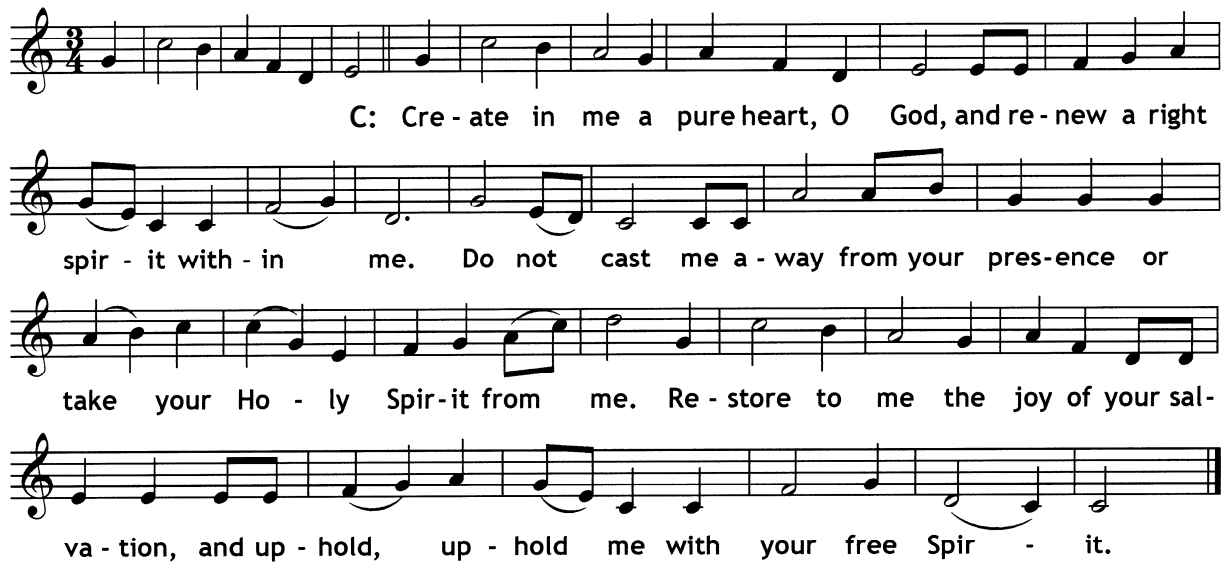
Jerusalem, My Happy Home
Christian Worship #215

SERMON

Luke 20:27-38
We Are God's Living Children

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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your smart phone to
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OFFERTORY MUSIC:

7:45 AM—

*Blessed Are They
CWS #730*

*Blessed are they
which are called,
Blessed are they
which are called,
Blessed are they
which are called,
To the marriage feast
of the Lamb.*

*Descant: Jesus,
remember me
when you come into
your kingdom.
Jesus, remember me,
remember me.*

10:00 AM—

*The Ash Grove
By Walter Pelz*

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—SAINTS TRIUMPHANT

M: Lord of eternity and King of saints, all the heavens adore you. Saints and angels sing before you.

C: We too join them to praise your majesty.

M: You clothe us with garments of splendor. You bless us with grace and mercy in this life and eternal glory forever. What undeserved love you show us!

C: We thank you, Lord, that you have made us your saints.

M: Encourage us by your gracious promises. Forgive our failures to live as you desire. Strengthen the faith of all who are weak and wandering.

C: Give us power to live as your faithful people.

- M: Your saints will triumph forever in new heavens and a new earth. The sound of weeping and crying will be heard no more. We anticipate with joy an eternity of perfect fellowship with you.
- C: **Be with us as we work and witness for Christ, so that many more people can join us before your throne.**

Special prayers and intercessions may follow.

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

Silent prayer.

- M: Lord of life, the day is coming when you will come down from heaven with the voice of the archangel and the trumpet call of God. On that glorious day, the saints triumphant will rise in bright array, clothed in your perfect righteousness.
- C: **Give us strength until that day when we will share fully in the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. 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.

7:45 AM – Please continue on page 9 with the Words of Institution.

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.

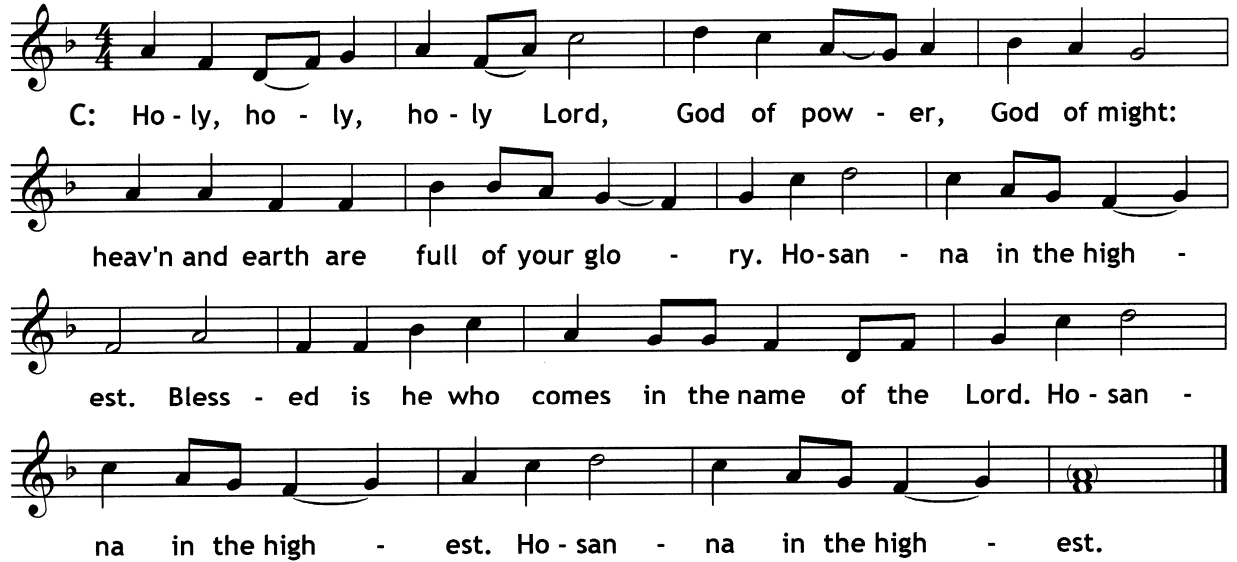
C: **It is good and right so to do.**

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 preserves his Church to the end of time when he will come again as king to judge all people and take his own to glory. 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.



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

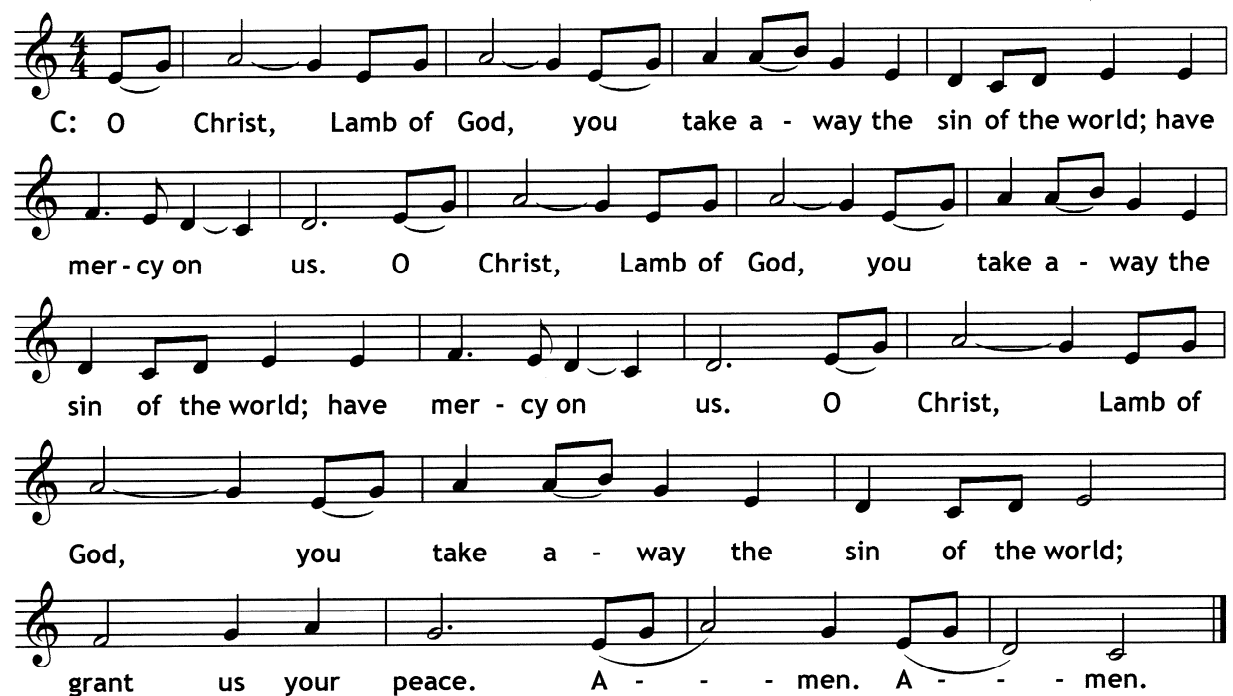
M: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my (†) body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

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*



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
sin of the world; have mer - cy on us. O Christ, Lamb of
God, you take a - way the sin of the world;
grant us your peace. A - - - men. A - - - men.

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) Draw Near and Take the Body of the Lord
Christian Worship #309

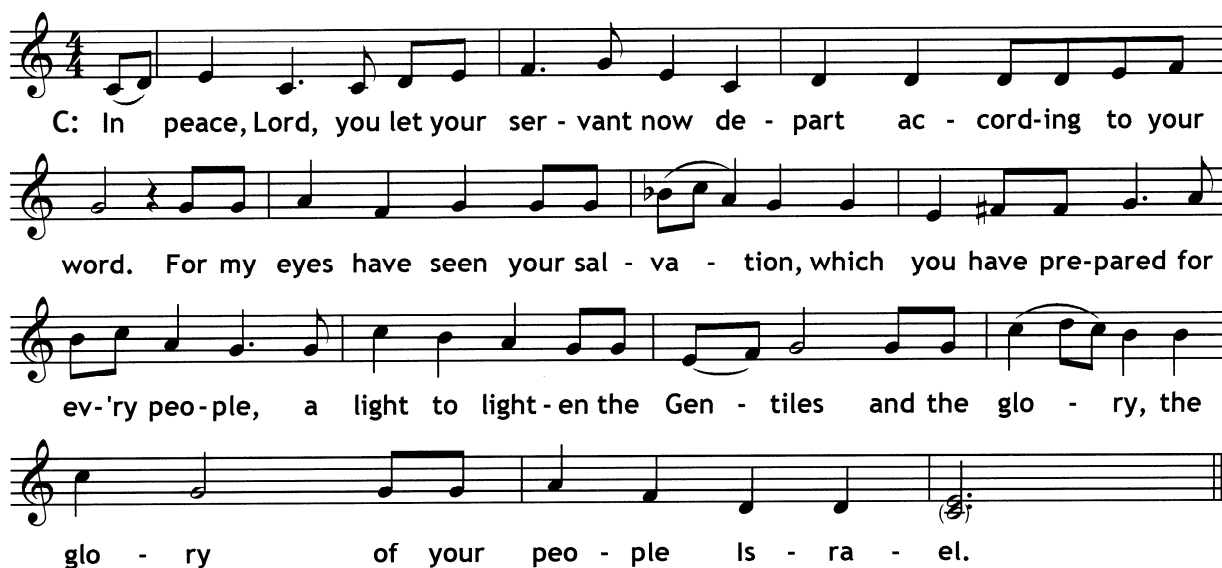
Please stand

THANKSGIVING

SONG OF SIMEON

Nunc Dimittis

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



C: In peace, Lord, you let your ser - vant now de - part ac - cord-ing to your
word. For my eyes have seen your sal - va - tion, which you have pre-pared for
ev-'ry peo-ple, a light to light - en the Gen - tiles and the glo - ry, the
glo - ry of your peo - ple Is - ra - el.

M: O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good.

C: And his mercy endures forever.

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.

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

POSTLUDE:

7:45 AM—
Jerusalem the Golden
Arr. by Valerie Floeter

10:00 AM—
Jerusalem The Golden
CWS #728

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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

Jerusalem the Golden
Christian Worship #214

THOSE ASSISTING IN WORSHIP TODAY

Worship Leader Pastor Nathan Kassulke
Communion Assistant Pastor Mark Hallemeyer (10:00 AM)
Accompanists Kathy Parra (7:45 AM)
Tina Christianson (10:00 AM)
Violin Maya Parra (7:45 AM)
Vocal Trio Teri Guenther, Nicole Peterson, Missy Wiechmann (10:00 AM)
Ushers Vic Thornton, Vernon Neal (7:45 AM)
Danny Koehler, Jonathan Miller, Rick Street (10:00 AM)
Sound & Recording Tech Jeremy Snaveley (10:00 AM)
Altar Prep Team Erika Hanson, Diane Kramm, Nancy Miles
Greeters Bill & Lisa Toben
Cover Photo Laura Lipke

Roast Beef Dinner & Craft Fair

A big thank you to all those who helped cook, serve, clean and give their time at the Roast Beef Dinner. Also, thank you to those who made and donated items for the Craft Fair. It was a fun night of fellowship and it could not happen without all our wonderful volunteers!



Grace Lutheran Church is a member of the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod (WELS), a group of nearly 400,000 men, women, and children in nearly 1,300 congregations across the United States and Canada united by a common faith in Christ's saving love. We are committed to a common calling—encouraging each other in our faith and sharing God's gift of a Savior with the rest of the world.

For more information about our synod and what we believe visit: www.wels.net

Mission to the Children Help

A volunteer in Mexico is in dire need of a microwave oven. If you have one you are able to donate, please contact Ruth Schaller at 572-6686.

Also, Mission to the Children is in need of candy to take to the children in Mexico for the upcoming Christmas parties. There are eleven venues to deliver to this year! Individually wrapped small candies are preferred. **The deadline to bring candy to the Grace-Tucson office is Tuesday, December 1.**

Divine Call Extended

At Grace's Call Meeting on Sunday, October 25, a Divine Call was extended to Pastor Joel Russow to serve as Grace's mission pastor to Sahuarita. Pastor Russow currently serves at Faith Lutheran Church in Tallahassee, Florida. Please keep Pastor Russow, his wife Jill and their 4 children in your prayers as he considers this Call. Also, please keep in your prayers the ongoing gospel ministry in Tallahassee and here at Grace!

Worship Choir Practices

Worship Choir will be singing in worship at Grace-Tucson November 25. Rehearsals will be held tomorrow, November 16 and next Monday, November 23 at 6:30 PM in the church basement. All members are invited to join us! If you have any questions, please contact Director Teri Guenther (235-1177) or Music Coordinator Beth Kassulke (260-3649).

Thursday Women's Bible Study: *Titus*

Named for the recipient of this letter from Paul, the book of Titus is a blessing for the church and for pastors. Christian doctrine, along with church structure and pastoral encouragement are found here. You will appreciate the application to our church life today. Come check it out this Thursday, November 19 at 9:00 AM in the Grace-Tucson Fellowship Hall!

Vail Country Fair this Saturday

The Vail Country Fair is taking place from 9:00 AM-5:00 PM this Saturday, November 21 at the Pima County Fairgrounds. For the fifth year in a row, Grace-Vail will have a booth. We are still looking for volunteers to help staff the booth during the day. Even if you don't worship regularly at Vail, consider coming down and helping out. Please contact Pastor Rieke (343-9881) or Sue Sargent (405-0209) if you are interested in volunteering. Admission & parking are free so bring the whole family to this fun and growing event.

Installation of Pastor Matt Langebartels

Pastor Matt Langebartels will be installed as Redeemer's Associate Pastor next Sunday, November 22 at 4:00 PM at Redeemer Lutheran Church (8845 N. Silverbell Rd, 85743).

Women's Fellowship

A monthly women's fellowship is beginning with a kick-off get together at the home of Cora Stuhr (1001 W. Las Palmas Dr, 85704) on Friday, December 4 at 6:30 PM. There will be appetizers and a discussion on what events the group would like to do in the new year. Call or text Missy Wiechmann at 403-1177 if you have any questions. All women 18 and older are welcome to attend.

Thank You

Terry Kosanke would like to thank everyone for the cards and prayers recently during her hospitalization.

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.

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. 10 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 WELS Tucson Campus Ministry. 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 Trucynda Hawkins in celebration of the many years God blessed Trucynda and her family with Bruce here on earth.

NEXT SUNDAY

Next week's Scripture Lessons for Devotional Reading this Week

Genesis 49:8-12
Colossians 1:13-20
Luke 23:35-43

Sermon Text & Theme

Luke 23:35-43
The Kingdom of the Son

Retirement Plan

After many conversations with the other pastors and the Church Council and after much prayer, Pastor Clemons has decided to retire at the end of July, 2016. We thank God for Pastor Clemons and the work that he has done among us for over seven years. We also thank Pastor Clemons for his faithful service. The Grace Church Council is working to determine the best approach to organizing our ministry team moving forward. A recommendation will be brought to the voters for consideration in their December meeting.

Communion Register Sign-In

If you are a Grace member, we ask on communion Sundays that you please write your name on one of the communion register sheets located at the entrances to church if you plan on receiving the Lord's Supper. This helps us maintain a record for the spiritual care of our members. Thank you.

Upcoming Thanksgiving Worship Services

You are invited to a special Thanksgiving worship service on **Tuesday, November 24 at 7:00 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 25 at 7:00 PM**. 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.**



**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 15-Nov 22

TUCSON

Today

Worship Services/Communion 7:45 & 10:00a
Coffee Fellowship following both services.....
Children's Sunday School 8:45a
Youth Confirmation Class..... 8:45a
Lifeliners (High School Group): *Bible Study* 9:00a
Adult Bible Study (Fellowship Hall):
• *My Son, My Savior Movie*..... 9:00a
WELS TCM Bible Study: *Eegee's & an Epistle: 1 Cor* ... 7:00p

Monday

Handbell Practice..... 4:30p
English as a Second Language Classes 6:30p
Worship Choir Practice 6:30p

SAHUARITA

Today

Worship Service..... 9:45a
Coffee Fellowship following worship.....
Bible Study: *Una Sancta*..... 11:00a

Wednesday

Bible Study: *Parables of Jesus*..... 10:00a

Saturday

Vail Country Fair 9:00a-5:00p

Sunday

Worship Service..... 9:45a
Coffee Fellowship following worship.....

BENSON

Today

Worship Service..... 7:30a

Saturday

Vail Country Fair 9:00a-5:00p

Sunday

Worship Service/Communion 7:30a

Tuesday

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: *Titus*..... 9:00a

Saturday

Vail Country Fair 9:00a-5:00p

Sunday

Worship Services 7:45 & 10:00a
Coffee Fellowship following both services.....
Children's Sunday School..... 8:45a
Youth Confirmation Class 8:45a
Lifeliners (High School Group): *Bible Study* 9:00a
Adult Bible Study (Fellowship Hall):
• *The Life of Christ: Jesus' Last Days*..... 9:00a
Installation of Pastor Langebartels at Redeemer 4:00p
WELS TCM Bible Study: *Faith & Reason* 7:00p

VAIL

Today

Adult Bible Study: *Church-Mission-Ministry* 9:00a
Children's Sunday School 9:00a
Youth Confirmation Class..... 9:00a
Worship Service/Communion..... 10:00a
Coffee Fellowship following worship

Saturday

Vail Country Fair 9:00a-5:00p

Sunday

Adult Bible Study: *Church-Mission-Ministry* 9:00a
Children's Sunday School 9:00a
Youth Confirmation Class..... 9:00a
Worship Service 10:00a
Coffee Fellowship following worship

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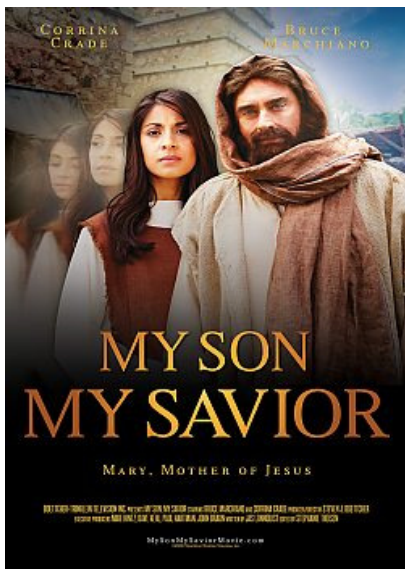
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Christmas Outreach 2015

We look forward to sharing the joyous news of our Savior's birth with the communities around each of Grace's sites. After all, the angel announced that this good news is for all people!

Our Christmas Outreach Plan includes using the latest Bible movie produced by the WELS. It is entitled *My Son, My Savior* and it tells the story of Jesus through Mary's eyes. It appears to be an excellent piece of work, like the two before it, *Road to Emmaus* and *Come Follow Me*. Go to <http://wels.net/serving-you/christian-life/evangelism/my-son-my-savior/> for information about the movie, to view the trailer, or make personal orders.

We have ordered cases of the DVDs and plan to have members at each site wrap them as gifts so that we can make them available at each site for members to give to unchurched friends as invitations to

Christmas services at Grace. Our Christmas service information will be included with each DVD. About 80 DVD's have already been wrapped at Grace-Tucson and are ready to go!

Outreach to the unchurched is the primary purpose of these DVDs. However, members who would like to have their own copy or give one to family members or church friends may make a \$5 donation to Grace's Outreach Fund for each one.

How can you be part of this Christmas Outreach?

- 1. Find an unchurched Neighbor, Acquaintance, Friend, or Relative** (or 5 or 10!) and give them one of these as a gift and invitation to worship our newborn Savior with us.
- 2. Make a donation to the Grace Outreach Fund.** Include in your regular envelope and note the special donation or use a separate envelope indicating your gift that will help us in sharing our Savior with others.

Many thanks to all who have already helped by donating wrapping paper and ribbons and by wrapping these gifts!

HOLIDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Midweek Advent Services

Wednesdays, December 2, 9, 16
at 10:00 AM at Grace-Sahuarita

10:00 AM & 7:00 PM at Grace-Tucson
(soup supper at 6:00 PM)

7:00 PM at Grace-Benson
(soup supper at 6:00 PM)

Children's Christmas Service

Sunday, December 13
at 4:00 PM at Grace-Tucson

Christmas Eve Services

Thursday, December 24
at 4:00 PM at Grace-Sahuarita
4:00 PM & 7:00 PM at Grace-Vail
7:00 PM at Grace-Tucson

Christmas Day Services

Friday, December 25
at 10:00 AM at Grace-Benson
10:00 AM at Grace-Tucson

New Year's Eve Worship

Thursday, December 31
at 7:00 PM at Grace-Tucson