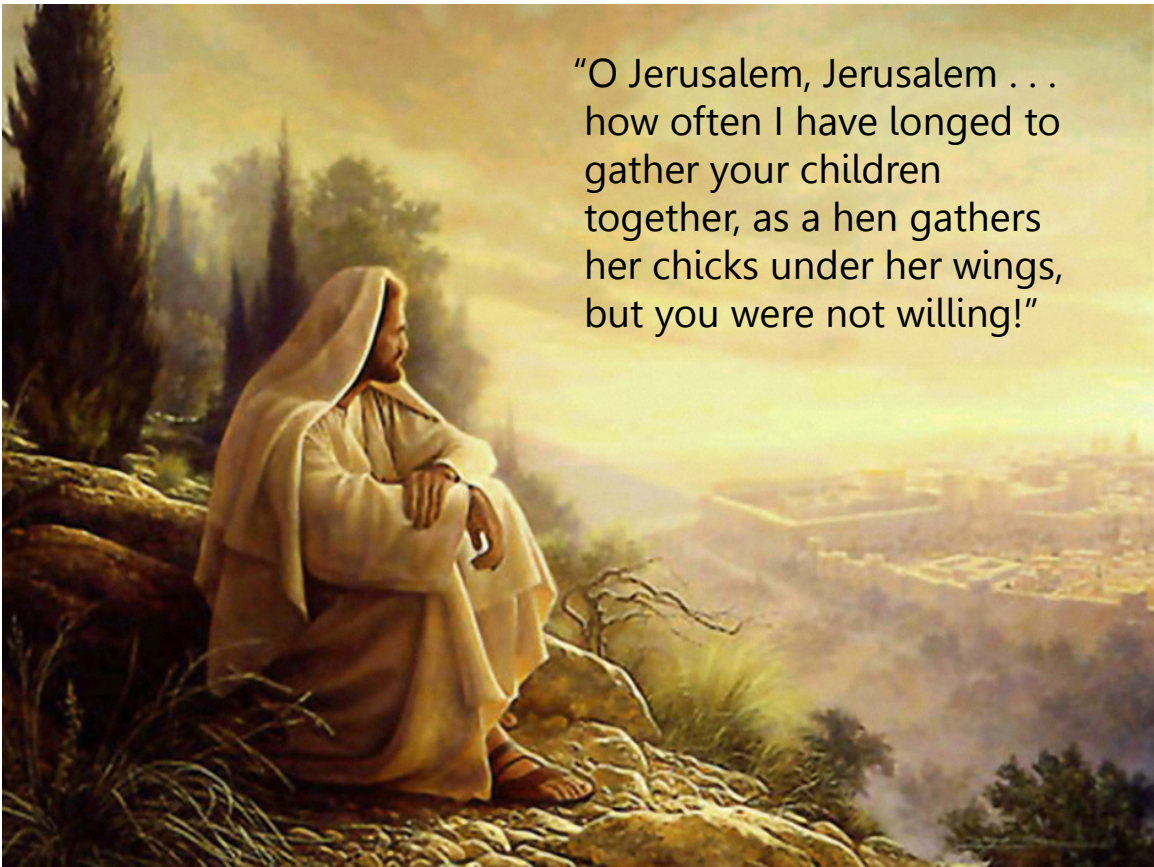


Second Sunday in Lent

March 1, 2015



Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church
Tucson, Arizona



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.

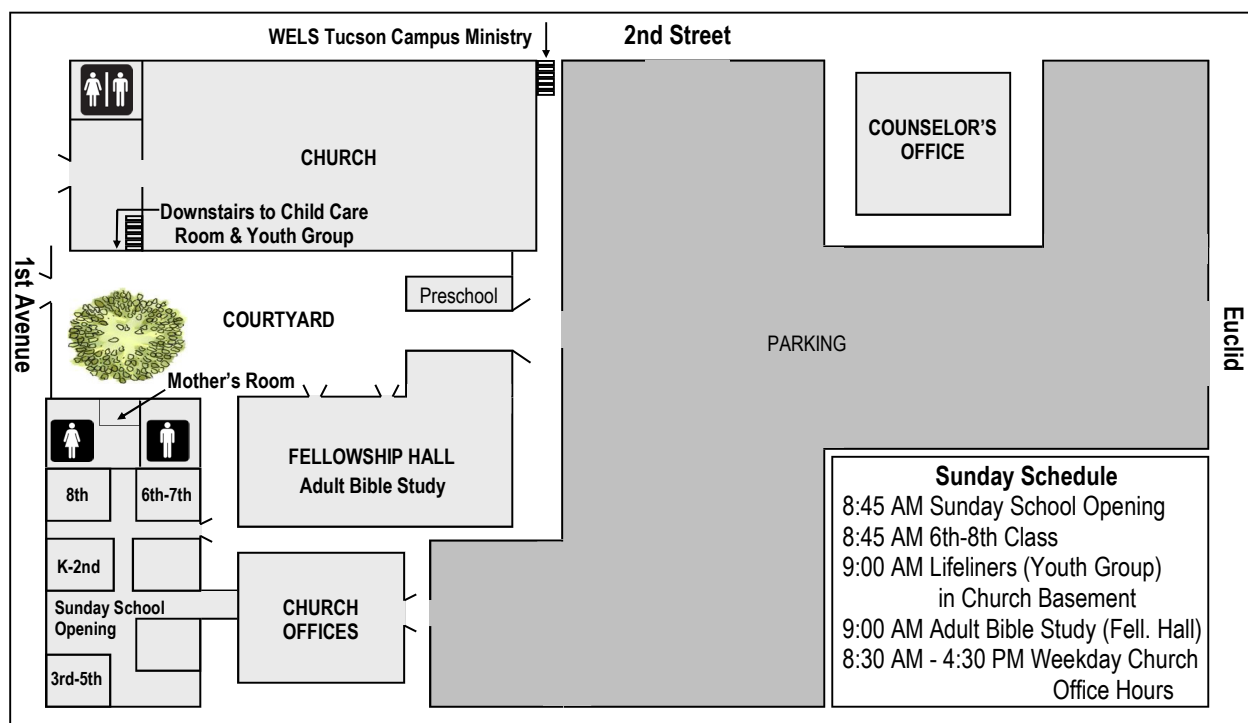
Hymns are found in our hymnal, *Christian Worship*, which is the red book in the pew rack in front of you.

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 II

Christian Worship Supplement

WELCOME

OPENING HYMN

Come to Calvary's Holy Mountain
Christian Worship #106

Please stand

INVOCATION

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

RESPONSIVE READING

M: "This is what the Sovereign LORD, the Holy One of Israel, says: 'In repentance and rest is your salvation...'"

C: "He who conceals his sins does not prosper, but whoever confesses and renounces them finds mercy."

M: "Repent, then, and turn to God, so that your sins may be wiped out, that times of refreshing may come from the Lord..."

C: He sent his one and only Son Jesus, who came not "to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance."

M: "The Lord is not slow in keeping his promise, as some understand slowness. He is patient with you, not wanting anyone to perish, but everyone to come to repentance."

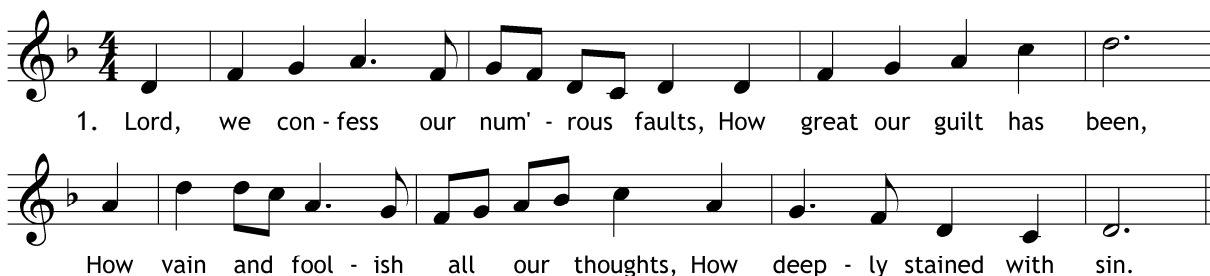
C: "Help us, O God our Savior, for the glory of your name; deliver us and forgive our sins for your name's sake."

CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

M: Because we are all sons and daughters of the Lord, we are called by him to repent of our sins. Let us go before our God and ask for his forgiveness. (Acts 17:29-30)

Congregation sings:

CW #398 (tune of CW #493)



1. Lord, we con - fess our num' - rous faults, How great our guilt has been,
How vain and fool - ish all our thoughts, How deep - ly stained with sin.

PRESERVICE MUSIC:

7:45 AM—
What Wondrous Love is This
Arr. by Victor Labenske

10:00 AM—
Come to Calvary's Holy Mountain / Glory Be to Jesus
Arr. by Valerie Floeter

Dona Nobis Pacem & Grosser Gott

Played by the Handbell Choir

Isaiah 30:15

Proverbs 28:13

Acts 3:19

Luke 5:32

2 Peter 3:9

Psalms 79:9

Our Confession and Absolution with music and hymn stanzas is an arrangement by WELS musicians Branches Band.

1 John 1:9

M: The Apostle John declares, "If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just and will forgive our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness." Together, we confess our sins.

Psalm 51

C: Have mercy on me, O God, according to your unfailing love. Wash away all my iniquity and cleanse me from my sin. For I know my transgressions, and my sin is always before me. Against you only have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight. Cleanse me, and I will be clean. Wash me, and I will be whiter than snow. Hide your face from my sins and blot out all my iniquity. Create in me a pure heart, O God, and renew a steadfast spirit within me.

Silent Confession

Congregation sings:

CW #398 (tune of CW #493)



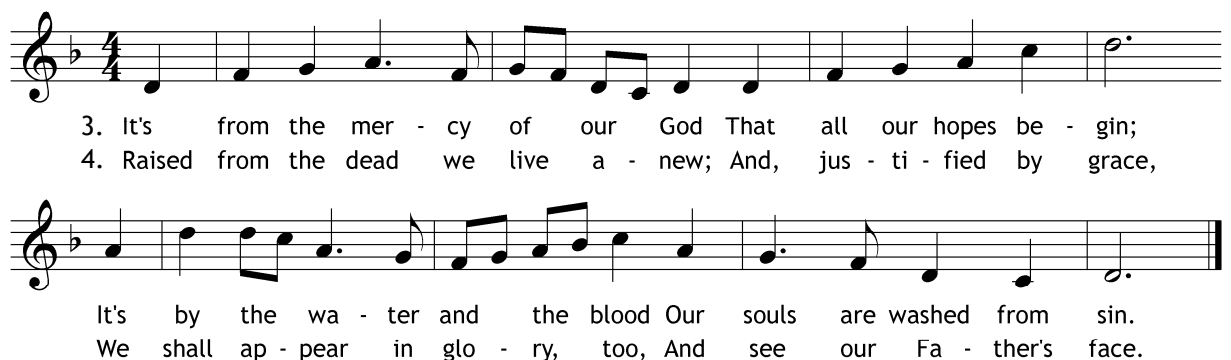
2. It's not by works of right - eous - ness Which our own hands have done,
But we are saved by God's free grace A - bound - ing through his Son.

1 John 1:7, 2:12,
5:11

M: Having confessed your sins, hear the good news of our salvation, "the blood of Jesus, his Son, purifies us from all sin. Dear children, your sins have been forgiven on account of his name. God has given us eternal life, and this life is in his Son."

Congregation Sings:

CW #398 (tune of CW #493)



3. It's from the mer - cy of our God That all our hopes be - gin;
4. Raised from the dead we live a - new; And, jus - ti - fied by grace,
It's by the wa - ter and the blood Our souls are washed from sin.
We shall ap - pear in glo - ry, too, And see our Fa - ther's face.

SALUTATION

M: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: Let us pray.

Almighty God, you see that we have no power to defend ourselves. Guard and keep us both outwardly and inwardly from all adversities that may happen to the body and from all evil thoughts that may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

Please be seated (7:45 AM—Continue on page 5 with the First Lesson)

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM (10:00 AM)

M: In obedience to the command of our Lord and trusting in his promise, you have brought Ethan to be baptized. Jesus told us: “Let the little children come to me and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these.” It is in baptism that God grants the new life of forgiveness, joy, and peace to little children. By the power of God’s Word, this gracious water of life washes away sin, delivers from death and the devil, and gives eternal salvation to all who believe.

M: Receive the sign of the cross on the head and heart (†) to mark you as a redeemed child of Christ.

Ethan William Cole, I baptize you in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. The Almighty God—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit—has forgiven all your sins. By your baptism, you are born again and made a dear child of your Father in heaven. May God strengthen you to live in your baptismal grace all the days of your life. Peace be with you.

EXHORTATION

M: Brothers and sisters in Christ:

Our Lord commands that we teach his precious truths to all who are baptized. Christian love therefore urges all of us, especially parents and sponsors, to assist in whatever manner possible so that Ethan may remain a child of God until death. If you are willing to carry out this responsibility, then answer: Yes, as God gives me strength.

C: **Yes, as God gives me strength.**

M: Let us pray: Merciful Father in heaven, we thank you for the blessing of baptism by which you offer and grant the forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation. Help us to regard our baptism as the robe of righteousness we are to wear all the days of our life. Look with special favor on Ethan and grant him a rich measure of your Spirit that he may grow in faith and godly living. Make us willing to carry out our responsibilities to those who have been baptized, so that all of us may finally come to the blessed joys of heaven, through Jesus our Lord.

C: Amen.

THE WORD

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.

FIRST LESSON

But as soon as Jeremiah finished telling all the people everything the LORD had commanded him to say, the priests, the prophets and all the people seized him and said, “You must die! Why do you prophesy in the LORD’s name that this house will be like Shiloh and this city will be desolate and deserted?” And all the people crowded around Jeremiah in the house of the LORD. When the officials of Judah heard about these things, they went up from the royal palace to the house of the LORD and took their places at the entrance of the New Gate of the LORD’s house. Then the priests and the prophets said to the officials and all the people, “This man should be sentenced to death because

Jeremiah 26:8-15 (NIV)

he has prophesied against this city. You have heard it with your own ears!” Then Jeremiah said to all the officials and all the people: “The LORD sent me to prophesy against this house and this city all the things you have heard. Now reform your ways and your actions and obey the LORD your God. Then the LORD will relent and not bring the disaster he has pronounced against you. As for me, I am in your hands; do with me whatever you think is good and right. Be assured, however, that if you put me to death, you will bring the guilt of innocent blood on yourselves and on this city and on those who live in it, for in truth the LORD has sent me to you to speak all these words in your hearing.”

(10:00 AM)

WORSHIP CHOIR & HANDBELL CHOIR

In Adam We Have All Been One

*In Adam we have all been one, one huge rebellious man;
We all have fled that evening voice that sought us as we ran.*

*We fled Thee, and in losing Thee we lost our brother too;
Each singly sought and claimed his own; each man his brother slew.*

*But Thy strong love, it sought us still and sent Thine only Son
That we might hear His Shepherd’s voice and, hearing Him, be one.*

*O Thou who, when we loved Thee not, didst love and save us all,
Thou great Good Shepherd of mankind, O hear us when we call.*

*Send us Thy Spirit, teach us truth; Thou Son, O set us free
From fancied wisdom, self-sought ways, to make us one in Thee.*

*Then shall our song united rise to Thine eternal throne,
Where with the Father evermore and Spirit Thou art one.*

In Adam we have all been one, one huge rebellious man.

SECOND LESSON

Join with others in following my example, brothers, and take note of those who live according to the pattern we gave you. For, as I have often told you before and now say again even with tears, many live as enemies of the cross of Christ. Their destiny is destruction, their god is their stomach, and their glory is in their shame. Their mind is on earthly things. But our citizenship is in

Philippians 3:17-4:1 (NIV)

heaven. And we eagerly await a Savior from there, the Lord Jesus Christ, who, by the power that enables him to bring everything under his control, will transform our lowly bodies so that they will be like his glorious body. Therefore, my brothers, you whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, that is how you should stand firm in the Lord, dear friends!

VERSE OF THE DAY

Philippians 2:8b cf. NIV

M: Jesus humbled himself and became obedient to death, even death on a cross.

Please stand

GOSPEL

Luke 13:31-35 (NIV)

M: The Gospel according to Luke chapter thirteen.

C: **Glory be to you, O Lord.**

At that time some Pharisees came to Jesus and said to him, "Leave this place and go somewhere else. Herod wants to kill you." He replied, "Go tell that fox, 'I will drive out demons and heal people today and tomorrow, and on the third day I will reach my goal.' In any case, I must keep going today and tomorrow and the next day—for surely no prophet can die outside

Jerusalem! O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, you who kill the prophets and stone those sent to you, how often I have longed to gather your children together, as a hen gathers her chicks under her wings, but you were not willing! Look, your house is left to you desolate. I tell you, you will not see me again until you say, 'Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.'"

M: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: **Praise be to you, O Christ.**

Please be seated

HYMN OF THE DAY

Today Your Mercy Calls Us
Christian Worship #339

SERMON

Luke 13:31-35
But You Were Not Willing

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

Please stand

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.

NICENE CREED

C: We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary, and became fully human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate. He suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Please be seated



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

OFFERING

Members of Grace respond to their Savior's love with offerings that are given joyfully, generously, regularly, and in a way that is proportionate to how the Lord has blessed them. Their cheerful gifts support the mission and ministry of our congregation. If you are a guest today, please know that we do not expect you to contribute to our congregation's work. However, if you would like to give an offering to the Lord in response to his love to you, we are happy to receive it and put it to work in God's kingdom.

Please fill out the Friendship Register located in the red folder at the end of the row and pass it along. Thank you!

OFFERTORY MUSIC:

7:45 AM—

*Oh, that the Lord
Would Guide My
Ways
CW #462*

10:00 AM—

*Lord, Thee I Love
with All My Heart
By Benjamin M. Culli*

Please stand

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH—LENT

M: Heavenly Father, you loved the world and gave your Son to liberate us from sin and death by his obedient death on the cross.

C: We confess that without your love we are lost.

M: Lord of the Church, we thank you for the treasure of the gospel. By your Spirit, keep our eyes fixed on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith.

C: Strengthen our determination to do what pleases you, no matter what the danger or the cost.

M: Let us pray for those who carry a cross in the name of Christ and face ridicule and persecution for the sake of the kingdom: missionaries and chaplains, young people who stand up for what is right in the face of pressure to do what is wrong, and all who pay a high price for their faith and their values as Christians.

C: **By your Spirit, O Lord, grant them patience and endurance.**

M: Let us pray for those who carry heavy burdens in life: the sick and the chronically ill, the depressed and the lonely, those torn by conflict in personal relationships, those victimized by war and injustice, and all who face the terrors of life with a heavy heart.

C: **Grant them peace, O Lord, and in your mercy, be their guardian and friend, their comfort and hope.**

M: Let us pray for those who care for others: pastors and counselors; physicians and nurses; social workers and caring friends; all who feed the hungry, comfort the hurting, and stand beside the dying.

C: **Strengthen them in their work, O Lord, and do not let them become weary in doing good.**

Special prayers and intercessions may follow.

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

Silent prayer.

M: Help us run with perseverance the race marked out for us. Keep us faithful even to the point of death, that we may receive the crown of life, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C: **Amen.**

THE SACRAMENT

PREFACE

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 willingly died under the curse of this world's sin so that we may live forever in the light of God's blessing. Therefore with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY Gloria in Excelsis

Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9

*Please join in singing the response below following a brief introduction.
(Sung to the tune of "I Lay My Sins on Jesus," Christian Worship #372)*



1 O ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of pow'r and might,
2 Ho - san - na in the high - est! How tru - ly blest is he

Your glo - ry, earth and heav - en In count - less ways re - cite.
Who in God's name is com - ing To set his peo - ple free!

Ho - san - na! Come and save us, Lord God of hosts on high,
He comes to bring sal - va - tion And with his blood out - poured,

And in your grace and mer - cy Re - ceive our fer - vent cry.
De - liv - er us from bond - age—Ho - san - na, might - y Lord!

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

M: Blessed are you, O Lord of heaven and earth. We praise and thank you for sending your Son, Jesus Christ, and we remember the great acts of love through which he has ransomed us from sin, death, and the devil's power.

By his incarnation, he became one with us.
By his perfect life, he fulfilled your holy will.
By his innocent death, he overcame hell.
By his rising from the grave, he opened heaven.

M: Invited by your grace and instructed by your Word, we approach your table with repentant and joyful hearts. Strengthen us through Christ's body and blood, and preserve us in the true faith until we feast with him and all his ransomed people in glory everlasting.

C: 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.

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.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Matthew 26:26-28
1 Corinthians 11:24, 25

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."

M: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: Amen.

LAMB OF GOD *Agnus Dei*

John 1:29

C: Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sin of the world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God,
you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on
us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
world; grant us your peace. 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 the pastor 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.

*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.

*Please stand***SONG OF SIMEON** Luke 2:29-32
Nunc Dimittis*Please join in singing the response below following a brief introduction.
(Sung to the tune of "Jerusalem the Golden," Christian Worship #214)*


1. O Lord, now let your ser - vant De - part in peace, as - sured:
2. All glo - ry to the Fath - er, All glo - ry to the Son,
For I have seen your pro - mised in - car - nate, sav - ing Word
All glo - ry to the Spir - it, For - ev - er three in one;
A Light that will en - light - en All gloom where Gen - tiles dwell;
For as in the be - gin - ning, Is now, shall ev - er be,
The bril - liant, crown - ing glo - ry Of those in Is - ra - el!
God's tri - une name re - sound - ing Through all e - ter - ni - ty.

POSTLUDE:**7:45 AM—***Be Thou My Vision*
Arr. by Victor
Labenske**10:00 AM—***Let Us Ever Walk
with Jesus*
Arr. by Thomas
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710199.**PRAYER****M:** We give you thanks, O Lord, for the foretaste of the heavenly banquet that you have given us to eat and to drink in this sacrament. Through this gift you have fed our faith, nourished our hope, and strengthened our love. By your Spirit, help us to live as your holy people until that day when you will receive us as your guests at the wedding supper of the Lamb, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.**C:** Amen.**BLESSING****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****Oh, that the Lord Would Guide My Ways**
Christian Worship #462

THOSE ASSISTING IN WORSHIP TODAY

Preacher	Pastor Sam Clemons
Worship Leader	Pastor Ron Koehler (10:00 AM)
Communion Assistants.....	Pastor Nathan Kassulke (10:00 AM)
	Spiritual Needs Elder Jacob Kassulke (10:00 AM)
Accompanists.....	Kathy Parra (7:45 AM)
	Tina Christianson (10:00 AM)
Handbell Choir Director	Melissa Newbrey (10:00 AM)
Worship Choir Director	Teri Guenther (10:00 AM)
Vocalist	Nicole Peterson (7:45 AM)
Distribution Music	Melissa Newbrey (10:00 AM)
Handbell Choir	Missy Wiechmann, Gloria Gerdts, Karen Grorud, Donna Malchow (10:00 AM)
	Tina Christianson, Cora Stuhr, Greg Grorud, Alice Bentley, Beth Kassulke (10:00 AM)
Ushers	Vic Thornton (7:45 AM)
	Dave Breitreitz, Ed Ethington, Dylan Guenther (10:00 AM)
	Lucas Guenther, Ferdie Kramm, James Pauley, Josiah Weinstein (10:00 AM)
Sound & Recording Tech	Jay Pauley (10:00 AM)
Altar Prep Team	Erika Hanson, Diane Kramm, Nancy Miles

Call Declined

After much prayer and careful deliberation, Pastor Chadwick Graham has announced his decision to decline the Call extended to him to serve as Grace's Mission Pastor to Sahuarita. We wish him God's blessings as he continues his service in Oshkosh, WI. We also trust that God will continue to bless our congregation as we continue the calling process and await the man the Lord of the Church has in mind to serve us. **The next Call Meeting is scheduled for next Sunday, March 8 at 2:00 PM in the Grace-Tucson Fellowship Hall.**

Lenten Services and Suppers at Grace-Tucson

Join us at Grace-Tucson on Wednesdays throughout Lent for our Midweek Lenten Worship Services at 10:00 AM and 6:30 PM. Supper will be served at 5:30 before the evening services. The theme for our services this Lent is "I Tell You the Truth," based on several teachings of Jesus highlighted by that phrase. Please consider asking an unchurched friend to join you!

We need volunteers to host the meal March 4 (individuals, families, groups, or any combination). There is a sign-up sheet posted in the Fellowship Hall as well as an information sheet which explains how to host one of these meals. You may also contact the church office if you're interested in helping.

Lenten Services in Sahuarita

Pastor Koehler and Pastor Kassulke will lead devotional Lenten services on Wednesdays at 10:00 AM at Grace-Sahuarita. These brief services will include hymns, prayers, psalms and a reading of the Passion History. Lent gives us the opportunity to focus on our Savior's suffering and death and prepare us for Easter. Please consider asking an unchurched friend to join you!

50th Wedding Anniversary Celebration

You are invited to a luncheon at Grace-Tucson celebrating Ferdie & Diane Kramm's 50th wedding anniversary immediately following 10 AM worship on Sunday, March 15, hosted by Teri Guenther. No gifts please.

Bridal Shower

You are invited to a bridal shower for Ariana Grahn (maiden name Weinstein) on Sunday, March 29 at 2:00 PM in the Grace-Tucson Fellowship Hall. Ari and Ryan are registered at Kohl's, Bed Bath & Beyond and Target. The hostesses are Debbie Koehler, Jenn Miller, Nicole Weinstein and Stephanie Weinstein. There will be snacks to enjoy. If you have any questions please contact Jenn Miller (909-2115) or Stephanie Weinstein (909-8022).

Travel Canvass Witness Team

A ministry team from the Midwest will be in Tucson March 7-15 to assist with outreach at Grace. They will be working primarily with Grace-Vail to promote upcoming activities and to do canvassing. The congregation is invited to join them on Saturday, March 14 at 9:30 AM (meet at Esmond Station) to canvass the Rita Ranch area.

If you are interested in joining them during the week or helping out with a meal, please let Pastor (343-9881) or Kristin Rieke know (343-8117). If you would like to help offset the financial cost of sending this team down here, you can make a donation directly to the Kingdom Worker Website (<https://kingdomworkers.myetap.org/fundraiser/FIA2015/>). If you do this, please note Grace-Vail on the memo line.

March Canvassing Dates:

March 14, 9:30-11:30 AM

March 21, 9:30-11:30 AM

March 28, 9:30-11:30 AM

Lunch is provided for those who help canvass.

Thrivent Choice Dollars

2014 Choice Dollars expire on March 31, 2015. Don't miss this opportunity to recommend where some of Thrivent Financial's charitable outreach funds are distributed. Grace is eligible to receive those dollars to assist with our ministry. If you are a Thrivent member you can direct your Choice Dollars by going to Thrivent.com or calling a Customer Care Professional at 800-THRIVENT (800-847-4836) and when prompted, say, "Thrivent Choice." **Choosing "Grace Lutheran Church—Tucson, AZ" will direct the funds to our congregation as a whole.**

Tuition Tax Credit

It is not too late to make a donation to the HELP Scholarship Foundation which may also be claimed as a tax credit on your 2014 Arizona State Tax Return. In fact, up until April 15, you may make a donation and credit it to your 2014 tax year. Tuition Tax Credits can reduce (dollar-for-dollar) the amount that you owe in state income taxes up to \$2106 for a married couple (filing jointly) or \$1053 for an individual. These credits are also limited by your total tax liability. Visit www.helpscholarships.org for more information or to make a donation. Flyers with donation brochures are also available at any of Grace's locations. If you have any questions about the Tuition Tax Credit program, please speak to Stephanie Weinstein (520-909-8022) or one of the pastors.

For the 2015 tax year, donation limits increase to \$2134 per married couple and \$1067 for individuals.

Grace currently has 8 students enrolled at Redeemer Lutheran School (Colby Heinz, Samuel and Naomi Kassulke, Tristan and AJ McDunn, Emma and Jacob Miller, and Colton Watson) and 5 students at Arizona Lutheran Academy (Elizabeth Colton, Daniel Koehler, Dustin and James Pauley, and Josiah Weinstein). We are very thankful that through the tuition tax credits, Sam and Naomi Kassulke, Danny Koehler and Colton Watson's tuition costs have been covered for the current school year. Your help in this way is extremely valuable to families, and you are even allowed to recommend a specific student to receive the benefits of your donation.



**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 • Mar 1-Mar 8

TUCSON

Today

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
WELS TCM: *Pizza and a Prophet: Zechariah* 7:00p

Monday

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

Tuesday

English as a Second Language Classes 6:30p

Wednesday

Midweek Lenten Worship 10:00a
Lenten Supper in the Fellowship Hall.....5:30-6:15p
Midweek Lenten Worship.....6:30p

Thursday

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

Friday

Precious Lambs.....9:30-11:30a

Sunday

Worship Services 7:45 & 10:00a
Coffee Fellowship following both services
Children's Sunday School8:45a
Youth Confirmation Class8:45a
Lifeliners (High School Group): *Bible Study*.....9:00a
Adult Bible Study (Fellowship Hall):
• *How We Got the Books of the Bible (Clemons)* .9:00a
Call Meeting at Grace-Tucson.....2:00p
WELS TCM: *Who is Jesus?*7:00p

SAHUARITA

Today

Worship Service/Coffee Fellowship 9:45a

Wednesday

Lenten Devotional Service..... 10:00a

Sunday

Worship Service/Coffee Fellowship 9:45a
Call Meeting at Grace-Tucson 2:00p

VAIL

Today

Bible Study: *Joshua*.....9:00a
Children's Sunday School9:00a
Worship Service/Coffee Fellowship..... 10:00

Monday

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

Sunday

Bible Study: *Joshua*.....9:00a
Children's Sunday School9:00a
Worship Service/Coffee Fellowship.....10:00a
Call Meeting at Grace-Tucson.....2:00p

BENSON

Today

Worship Service..... 7:30a

Sunday

Worship Service..... 7:30a
Call Meeting at Grace-Tucson 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.

Baptism

Ethan William Cole, son of Justin and Lori Cole, born on February 24, will be made a forgiven child of God through the Sacrament of Holy Baptism in 10:00 AM worship 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 the Pauley family. We hope you'll take advantage of this opportunity to greet your brothers and sisters in Christ.

NEXT SUNDAY

Next week's Scripture Lessons for Devotional Reading this Week

Numbers 16:23-40
1 Corinthians 10:1-13
Luke 13:1-9

Sermon Text & Theme

Numbers 16:23-40
Where Do We Find Deliverance?

Mexican Dinner at Grace-Tucson

The *Women of Grace* invite everyone to join them Friday, March 13, between 4:00 and 6:30 PM for the annual Mexican Dinner at Grace-Tucson. *The menu includes:* Sour Cream Enchiladas, Beef Tacos, Refried Beans, Coffee, Tea, & Milk. Grace members are asked to bring a cake for dessert.

There is a sign-up sheet in the Fellowship Hall if you'd like to help with the meal.

Grace Musicians Needed

On March 13, a casual piano recital will be held in the sanctuary at Grace-Tucson in connection with the Mexican Dinner. Grace members of all ages and musical skills are invited to participate. Vocalists and instrumentalists may participate along with the piano. If you have any interest or have any questions, please contact Music Coordinator Beth Kassulke (music@gracelutheranSAZ.org, 293-2935) for more information.

Craft Fair This Fall

The Women of Grace will host a craft fair in conjunction with the roast beef dinner this Fall. Now's the time to start working on projects! Anyone interested in donating crafts please let Debbie Koehler (405-7083) know. Don't forget, there are Scrip gift cards available for Michaels & Joann Fabric.



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