

# Fourth Sunday in Lent



Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church  
March 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.

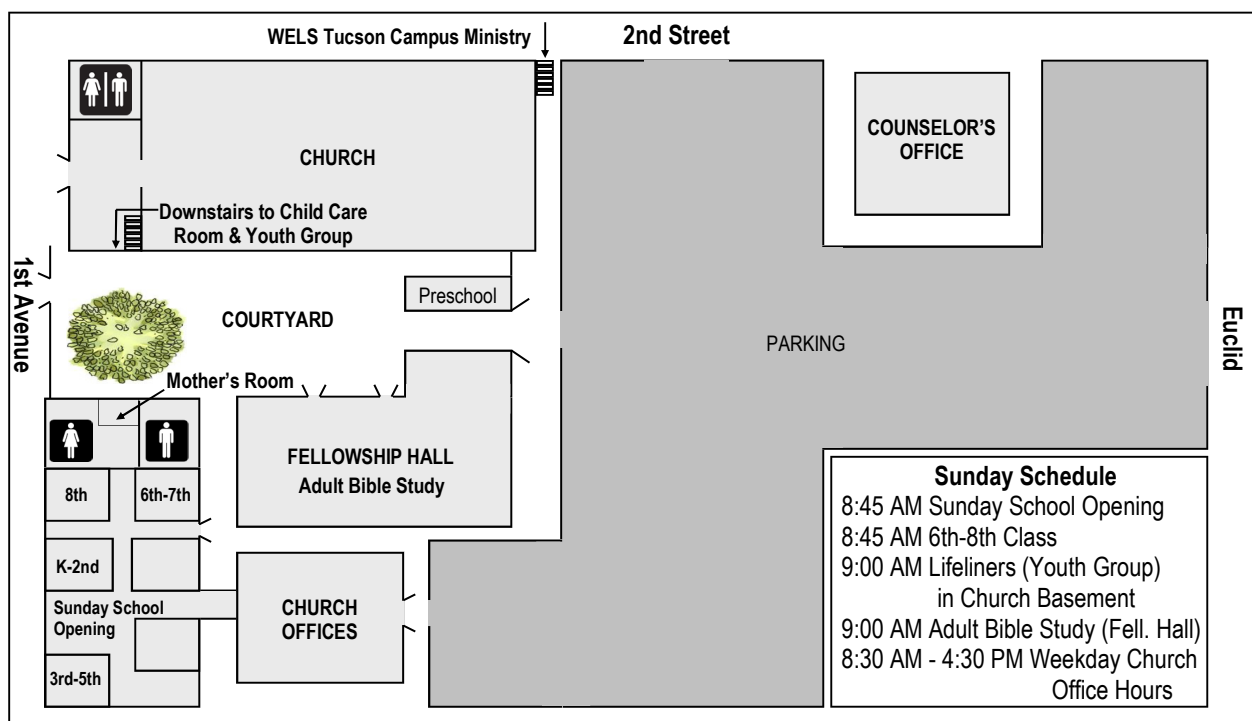
**Hymns** are found in our hymnal, *Christian Worship*, which is the red book in the pew rack in front of you.

**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](http://www.GraceLutheranSAZ.org)



# DIVINE SERVICE II

## Christian Worship Supplement

### WELCOME

### OPENING HYMN

Today Your Mercy Calls Us  
Christian Worship #339

*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."

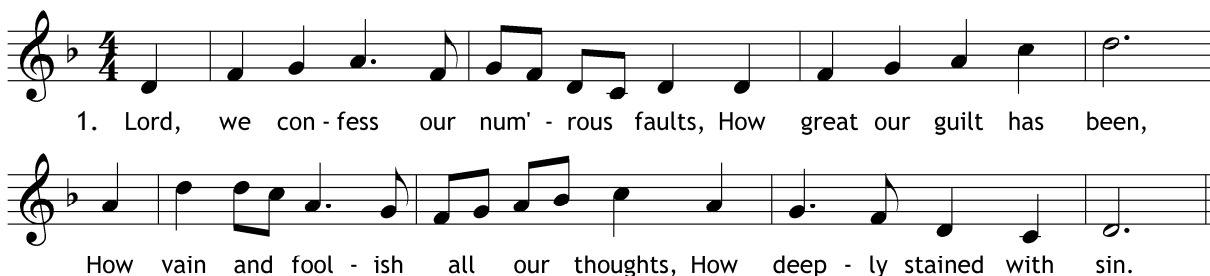
C: "Help us, O God our Savior, for the glory of your name; deliver us and forgive our sins for your name's sake."

### 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:

And Can It Be That I  
Should Gain  
Arr. by Victor  
Labenske

Lead Me Back  
By Pepper Choplin

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, we confess that we deserve to be punished for our evil deeds. But we ask you graciously to cleanse us from all sin and to comfort us with your salvation; 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 (7:45 AM—Continue on page 5 with the First Lesson)*

## SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM (10:00 AM)

*Mindy Ann Butron Street*

M: In obedience to the command of our Lord and trusting in his promise, you have brought Mindy 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.

Mindy Ann Butron Street, 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 Mindy 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 Mindy and grant her a rich measure of your Spirit that she 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

**Judges 10:6-16 (NIV)**

Again the Israelites did evil in the eyes of the LORD. They served the Baals and the Ashtoreths, and the gods of Aram, the gods of Sidon, the gods of Moab, the gods of the Ammonites and the gods of the Philistines. And because the Israelites forsook the LORD and no longer served him, he became angry with them. He sold them into the hands of the Philistines and the Ammonites, who that year shattered and crushed them. For eighteen years they oppressed all the Israelites on the east side of the Jordan in Gilead, the land of the Amorites. The Ammonites also crossed the Jordan to fight against Judah, Benjamin and the house of Ephraim; and Israel was in great distress. Then the Israelites

cried out to the LORD, "We have sinned against you, forsaking our God and serving the Baals." The LORD replied, "When the Egyptians, the Amorites, the Ammonites, the Philistines, the Sidonians, the Amalekites and the Maonites oppressed you and you cried to me for help, did I not save you from their hands? But you have forsaken me and served other gods, so I will no longer save you. Go and cry out to the gods you have chosen. Let them save you when you are in trouble!" But the Israelites said to the LORD, "We have sinned. Do with us whatever you think best, but please rescue us now." Then they got rid of the foreign gods among them and served the LORD. And he could bear Israel's misery no longer.

### SECOND LESSON

**James 4:7-10 (NIV)**

Submit yourselves, then, to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. Come near to God and he will come near to you. Wash your hands, you sinners, and purify your hearts,

you double-minded. Grieve, mourn and wail. Change your laughter to mourning and your joy to gloom. Humble yourselves before the Lord, and he will lift you up.

### VERSE OF THE DAY

**John 3:16 NIV**

M: For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.

*The choir will sing their song interspersed with sections of the Gospel. The song is inspired by Jesus' parable.*

### WORSHIP CHOIR (10:00 AM)

**Lead Me Back**

*Lead me back to my home, I have wandered far away.  
I've been gone for far too long. Will You welcome me today?*

*Is it possible You can hear me after the way I turned from You?  
Is it possible that You're near me, that You never went away and You'll lead me back today?*

*The life I spent, the days I lost, I have lived them all in vain.  
Now I hold nothing to show but a heart that is full of pain.*

*Lord, I know that You will hear me although I turned away from You.  
Lord, I see that You were near me, and You never went away, and You call me back today.*

*Lead me back to my home, I have wandered far away.  
I've been gone for far too long. Will You welcome me today?  
Now I come to You today.*

## GOSPEL

Now the tax collectors and “sinners” were all gathering around to hear him. But the Pharisees and the teachers of the law muttered, “This man welcomes sinners and eats with them.” Then Jesus told them this parable:

“There was a man who had two sons. The younger one said to his father, ‘Father, give me my share of the estate.’ So he divided his property between them. Not long after that, the younger son got together all he had, set off for a distant country and there squandered his wealth in wild living. After he had spent everything, there was a severe famine in that whole country, and he began to be in need. So he went and hired himself out to a citizen of that country, who sent him to his fields to feed pigs. He longed to fill his stomach with the pods that the pigs were eating, but no one gave him anything. When he came to his senses, he said, ‘How many of my father’s hired men have food to spare, and here I am starving to death! I will set out and go back to my father and say to him: Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you. I am no longer worthy to be called your son; make me like one of your hired men.’ So he got up and went to his father. But while he was still a long way off, his father saw him and was filled with compassion for him; he ran to his son, threw his arms around him

## Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32 (NIV)

and kissed him. The son said to him, ‘Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you. I am no longer worthy to be called your son.’ But the father said to his servants, ‘Quick! Bring the best robe and put it on him. Put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. Bring the fattened calf and kill it. Let’s have a feast and celebrate. For this son of mine was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found.’ So they began to celebrate. Meanwhile, the older son was in the field. When he came near the house, he heard music and dancing. So he called one of the servants and asked him what was going on. ‘Your brother has come,’ he replied, ‘and your father has killed the fattened calf because he has him back safe and sound.’ The older brother became angry and refused to go in. So his father went out and pleaded with him. But he answered his father, ‘Look! All these years I’ve been slaving for you and never disobeyed your orders. Yet you never gave me even a young goat so I could celebrate with my friends. But when this son of yours who has squandered your property with prostitutes comes home, you kill the fattened calf for him!’ ‘My son,’ the father said, ‘you are always with me, and everything I have is yours. But we had to celebrate and be glad, because this brother of yours was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found.’”

M: This is the Gospel of our Lord.

C: Praise be to you, O Christ.

## HYMN OF THE DAY

In the Hour of Trial  
*Christian Worship #116*

## SERMON

James 4:7-10  
The Lord Rewards Real Repentance

*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!*

*Please stand*

## **OFFERTORY MUSIC:**

*Amazing Grace—How Sweet the Sound  
Arr. by Dale A. Witte*

## **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.**

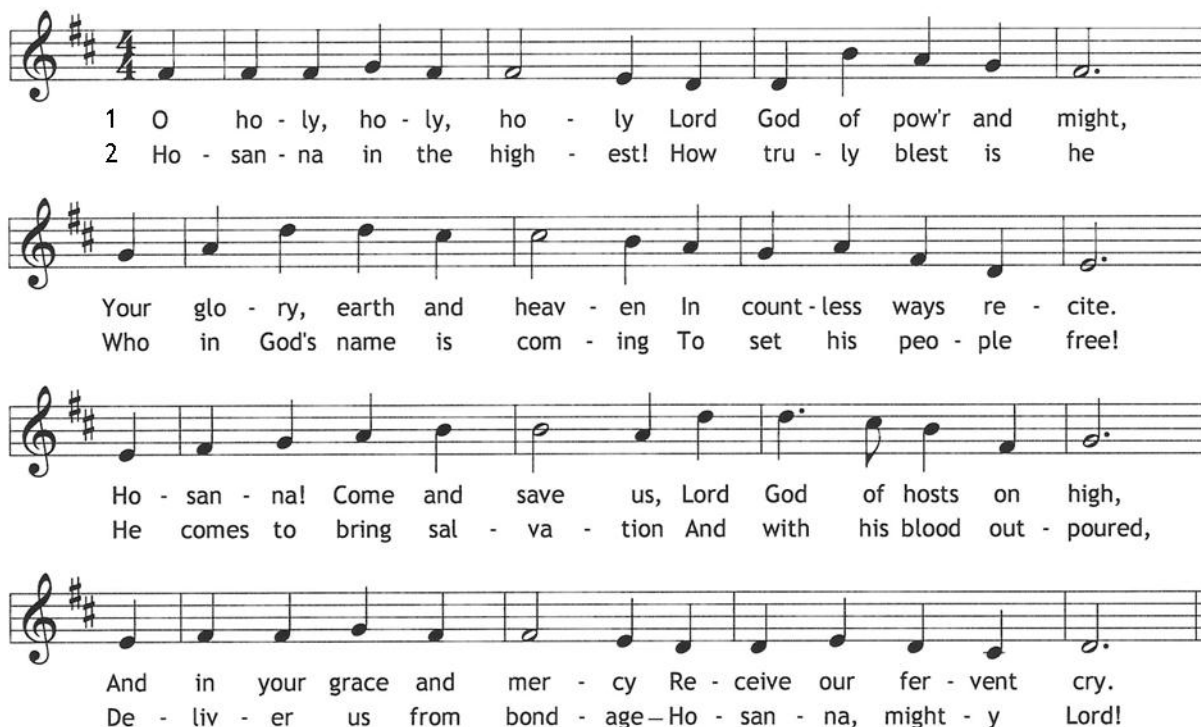
M: It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who willingly died under the curse of this world's sin so that we may live forever in the light of God's blessing. Therefore with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:

Sanctus means  
"holy." Used  
possibly as early as  
the second century,  
this canticle was in  
wide use among  
Christians in worship  
by the fourteenth  
century.

## HOLY, HOLY, HOLY Sanctus

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.

## LORD'S PRAYER

Matthew 6:9-13

**C:** Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

Matthew 6 and Luke 11 record how Jesus taught his disciples to pray. We use his example prayer as part of our public worship, trusting that he will hear and answer our prayers.

## 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*

*The Nunc Dimittis ("Now dismiss") is also known as the "Song of Simeon." Through God's Word and Sacrament, we have seen Jesus Christ, and like Simeon we find divine peace and comfort through faith in the Savior*

**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.

**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*



## **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).

## **Grace-Vail Canvassing This Saturday!**

You are invited to come and distribute flyers in Vail this Saturday, March 21 from 9:30-11:30 AM in preparation for our Easter celebration. We will meet at Esmond Station (9400 S. Atterbury Wash Way, 85747) at 9:30. No previous canvassing experience is necessary. Lunch will be provided for those in attendance.

### **March Canvassing Dates:**

March 21, 9:30-11:30 AM

March 28, 9:30-11:30 AM

## **Christian Fellowship Group: *Guenther Basket Collection***

On Saturday, April 11 at 10:00 AM, the Christian Fellowship group will visit the U of A State Museum, Bldg 26 (NE corner of Park & University) for a presentation on the Guenther Basket Collection by Alan Ferg, author and retired UA Museum Administrator (and nephew of Jon Guenther!). There is free parking at Main Gate Garage (Euclid), Tyndall Avenue Garage and our Grace parking lot. It should be a great presentation, so we hope you can make it! Please RSVP to Cora in the church office by April 9 if you plan to go (623-6633). There is a 20 person limit, so please RSVP soon before all the slots fill up!

## **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](http://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.**

## **LWMS Grand Canyon East Circuit Spring Rally**

The Lutheran Women's Missionary Society Spring Rally will be Saturday, April 18 at Shepherd of the Hills (8799 North Northern Ave, 85704) in Tucson, AZ. There will be two guest speakers. Clara Naber will present on the Central Africa Medical Mission (CAMM) and Verl Naber on Mormon Ministry Outreach. There will also be elections for Treasurer, Spiritual Growth Laywoman and Spiritual Growth Pastor. Coffee and registration begins at 8:00 AM and rally opening will begin at 9:00 AM.

Registration is \$10 and includes lunch. The deadline to register and to give Mission Money is Monday, April 6. Registration forms are available in the Fellowship Hall and at the other Grace sites. More information can be found online at [www.grandcanyonlwms.org](http://www.grandcanyonlwms.org).

## **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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Benson, Sahuarita, Tucson and Vail.**

**This Week at Grace • Mar 15-Mar 22**

**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  
Kramm Anniversary Luncheon.....11:00  
**NO** WELS TCM—Spring Break.....

**Monday**

Handbell Practice.....4:30p  
**NO** English as a Second Language.....

**Tuesday**

Church Council Meeting.....6:15p  
**NO** English as a Second Language.....

**Wednesday**

**Midweek Lenten Worship**.....10:00a

**Wednesday (continued)**

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

**Saturday**

Canvassing in Vail.....9:30-11:30a

**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  
**Carrasco Baby Shower in Fellowship Hall**.....2:00p  
WELS TCM Bible Study: *The Problem of Pain*.....7:00p

**SAHUARITA**

**Today**

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

**Wednesday**

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

**Sunday**

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

**BENSON**

**Today**

Worship Service.....7:30a

**Sunday**

Worship Service.....7:30a

**VAIL**

**Today**

Bible Study: *Joshua*.....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

**Saturday**

Canvassing in Vail.....9:30-11:30a

**Sunday**

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

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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

Mindy Ann Butron Street, daughter of Rick and Molly Street, born on March 10, will be made a forgiven child of God through the Sacrament of Holy Baptism in 10:00 AM worship this morning.

## Altar Flowers

The flowers beautifying worship this morning have been given by Bryan and Teri Guenther in honor of Ferdie and Diane Kramm's 50th wedding anniversary. Thanks be to God for such blessings!

## NEXT SUNDAY

### *Next week's Scripture Lessons for Devotional Reading this Week*

Isaiah 43:16-24  
Romans 11:11-21  
Luke 20:9-19

### *Sermon Text & Theme*

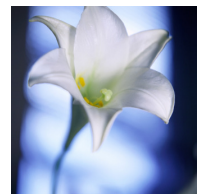
Luke 20:9-19  
*What Will You Do With the Son?*

## Easter for Kids

Easter for Kids will be held at Grace-Tucson Saturday, March 28 from 9:30 AM to 1:00 PM. Children ages 2-12 are invited to join us for an Easter Bible lesson, singing, crafts, lunch, and hunting Easter eggs. Registration forms are available in the Grace-Tucson Fellowship Hall or you can register online at [www.GraceLutheranSAZ.org/e4kregistration](http://www.GraceLutheranSAZ.org/e4kregistration).

## Easter Lilies!

If you would like to buy an Easter lily to beautify worship on Easter Sunday (April 5), please sign the sheet located in the front or side entryways of church. Lilies are \$8 each (make checks payable to "Grace Lutheran Church"). Please put your payment in an envelope marked "Easter Lilies" and place it in the offering plate or bring it to the church office.



## Grace's Old-Fashioned Church Picnic

It's time, once again, for Grace's old-fashioned church picnic Saturday, April 11, starting at noon. This year, our picnic will be held at the Grace-Sahuarita site (17675 S. La Canada Dr, Sahuarita, AZ 85629). Great food, great fellowship, and lots of fun for the whole family. It's a wonderful opportunity to see one of our newest sites and meet your fellow members. Members are asked to bring a side dish. There will be a dessert contest this year, so break out your most unique recipe. If you are interested in bringing a dessert for the contest, please contact Boz Lomasney at 440-251-4704.



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