

# Third Sunday of Easter



**"Worthy is the Lamb, who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and strength and honor and glory and praise!"**

**Revelation 5:12**

Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church

April 19, 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.

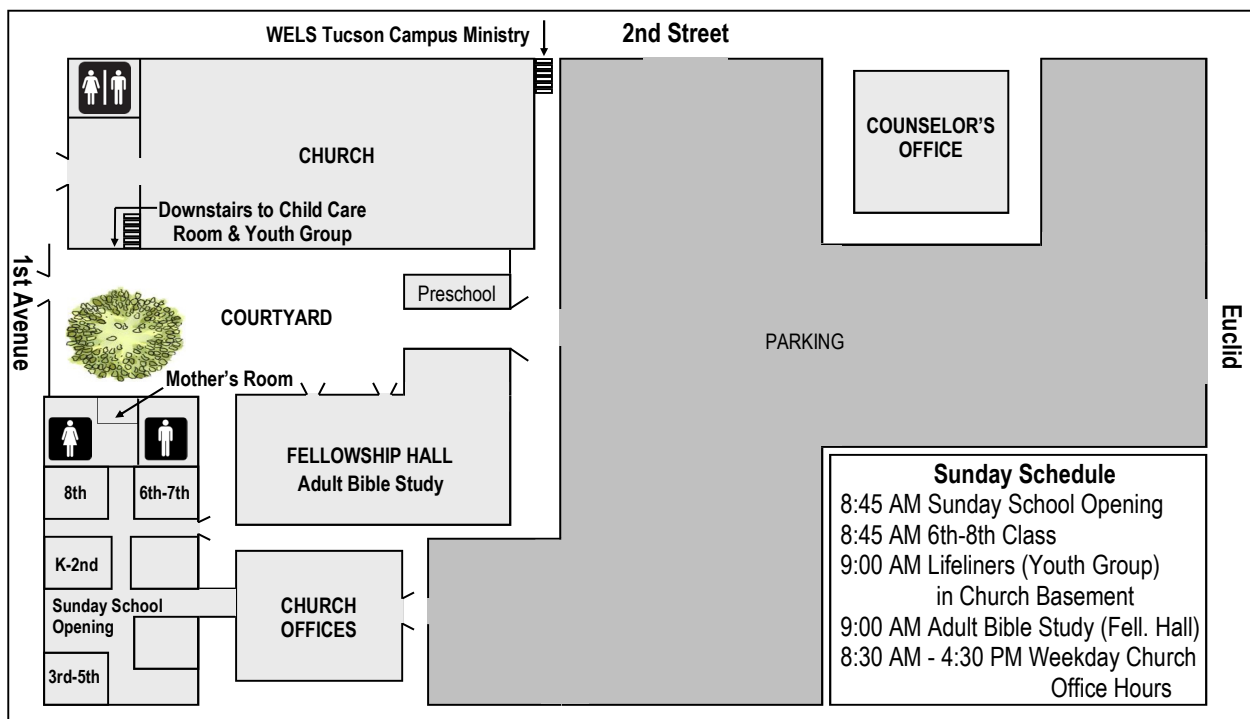
**Hymns** are found in our hymnal, *Christian Worship*, which is the red book in the pew rack in front of you.

**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*

**PRESERVICE MUSIC:**

**7:45 AM—**  
*Heaven*  
*Arr. by Jim*  
*Brickman*

**10:00 AM—**  
*At the Lamb's High*  
*Feast We Sing*  
*Setting by Michael*  
*Burkhardt*

**WELCOME**

**HYMN**

**He's Risen, He's Risen**  
*Christian Worship #143*

*Please stand*

**INVOCATION**

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

Congregation: **Amen.**

**CONFESSION OF SINS**

M: Dear friends, let us approach God with a true heart and confess our sins, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to forgive us.

C: **Lord of life, I confess that I am by nature dead in sin.**  
**For faithless worrying and selfish pride,**  
**For sins of habit and sins of choice,**  
**For the evil I have done and the good I have failed to do,**  
**You should cast me away from your presence forever.**  
**O Lord, I am sorry for my sins. Forgive me, for Jesus' sake.**

**ABSOLUTION**

M: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again. In his great mercy, God made us alive in Christ even when we were dead in our sins. Hear the word of Christ through his called servant:

I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son (†) and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen.**

**LORD, HAVE MERCY—Kyrie**

*Mark 10:47*

M: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

For the well-being of all people everywhere, that they may receive from you all they need to sustain body and life, hear our prayer, O Lord.

C: **Lord, have mercy.**

M: For the spread of your life-giving gospel throughout the world, that all who are lost in sin may be brought to faith in you, hear our prayer, O Christ.

C: **Christ, have mercy.**

M: For patience and perseverance in this life, that we may not lose the hope of heaven as we await your return, hear our prayer, O Lord.

C: **Lord, have mercy.**

*Kyrie is the Greek word for Lord. The expression "Lord, have mercy" is one of the oldest worship responses in the Christian Church.*

Christians praise God by proclaiming the great things he has done to accomplish our rescue from sin. "Glory to God in the Highest" has been a Christian song of worship since the fourth century.

M: Lord of life, live in us that we may live for you.  
C: Amen.

## GLORY BE TO GOD *Gloria in Excelsis*

Luke 2:14

*Please join in singing the response below following a brief introduction.*  
(Sung to the tune of "I Know that My Redeemer Lives," Christian Worship #152)



1. All glo - ry be to God on high! Your name, O  
2. Our grate - ful thanks to you we bring, For your great  
3. O Lamb of God, to you we pray. You take all  
4. You, Christ, are ho - ly Lord a - lone; The Fa - ther's

Lord, we glo - ri - fy; We praise you for your peace and  
glo - ry, heav'n - ly King, For all, O Fa - ther, you have  
hu - man sin a - way. Have mer - cy, Lord; Re - ceive our  
glo - ry you made known. We by your Spir - it sing a -

grace, Your fav - or toward our fall - en race.  
done Through Je - sus Christ, your on - ly Son.  
prayer; From God's right hand, your mer - cy share.  
gain: "All glo - ry be to God!" A - men.

## THE WORD

### SALUTATION

M: The Lord be with you.  
C: And also with you.

### PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: Let us pray.

O God, by the humiliation of your Son you lifted up this fallen world from the despair of death. By his resurrection to life, grant your faithful people gladness of heart and the hope of eternal joys; through your Son, Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

*Please be seated*

## FIRST LESSON

Meanwhile, Saul was still breathing out murderous threats against the Lord's disciples. He went to the high priest and asked him for letters to the synagogues in Damascus, so that if he found any there who belonged to the Way, whether men or women, he might take them as prisoners to Jerusalem. As he neared Damascus on his journey, suddenly a light from heaven flashed around him. He fell to the ground and heard a voice say to him, "Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me?" "Who are you, Lord?" Saul asked. "I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting," he replied. "Now get up and go into the city, and you will be told what you must do." The men traveling with Saul stood there speechless; they heard the sound but did not see anyone. Saul got up from the ground, but when he opened his eyes he could see nothing. So they led him by the hand into Damascus. For three days he was blind, and did not eat or drink anything. In Damascus there was a disciple named Ananias. The Lord called to him in a vision,

## Acts 9:1-19a (NIV)

"Ananias!" "Yes, Lord," he answered. The Lord told him, "Go to the house of Judas on Straight Street and ask for a man from Tarsus named Saul, for he is praying. In a vision he has seen a man named Ananias come and place his hands on him to restore his sight." "Lord," Ananias answered, "I have heard many reports about this man and all the harm he has done to your saints in Jerusalem. And he has come here with authority from the chief priests to arrest all who call on your name." But the Lord said to Ananias, "Go! This man is my chosen instrument to carry my name before the Gentiles and their kings and before the people of Israel. I will show him how much he must suffer for my name." Then Ananias went to the house and entered it. Placing his hands on Saul, he said, "Brother Saul, the Lord—Jesus, who appeared to you on the road as you were coming here—has sent me so that you may see again and be filled with the Holy Spirit." Immediately, something like scales fell from Saul's eyes, and he could see again. He got up and was baptized.

## SECOND LESSON

Then I looked and heard the voice of many angels, numbering thousands upon thousands, and ten thousand times ten thousand. They encircled the throne and the living creatures and the elders. In a loud voice they sang: "Worthy is the Lamb, who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and strength and honor and glory and

## Revelation 5:11-14 (NIV)

praise!" Then I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and on the sea, and all that is in them, singing: "To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be praise and honor and glory and power, for ever and ever!" The four living creatures said, "Amen," and the elders fell down and worshiped.

## VERSE OF THE DAY

Romans 10:17

C: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Faith comes from hear - ing the mes - sage, and the mes - sage is heard through the

Word of Christ. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

*Please stand*

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

## GOSPEL LESSON

John 21:1-14 (NIV)

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

C: Glory be to you, O Lord.

Afterward Jesus appeared again to his disciples, by the Sea of Tiberias. It happened this way: Simon Peter, Thomas (called Didymus), Nathanael from Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two other disciples were together. "I'm going out to fish," Simon Peter told them, and they said, "We'll go with you." So they went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing. Early in the morning, Jesus stood on the shore, but the disciples did not realize that it was Jesus. He called out to them, "Friends, haven't you any fish?" "No," they answered. He said, "Throw your net on the right side of the boat and you will find some." When they did, they were unable to haul the net in because of the large number of fish. Then the disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, "It is the Lord!" As soon as Simon Peter heard him say, "It is the

Lord," he wrapped his outer garment around him (for he had taken it off) and jumped into the water. The other disciples followed in the boat, towing the net full of fish, for they were not far from shore, about a hundred yards. When they landed, they saw a fire of burning coals there with fish on it, and some bread. Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish you have just caught." Simon Peter climbed aboard and dragged the net ashore. It was full of large fish, 153, but even with so many the net was not torn. Jesus said to them, "Come and have breakfast." None of the disciples dared ask him, "Who are you?" They knew it was the Lord. Jesus came, took the bread and gave it to them, and did the same with the fish. This was now the third time Jesus appeared to his disciples after he was raised from the dead.

M: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise be to you, O Christ.

*Please be seated*

## HYMN OF THE DAY

Glory Be to God the Father  
*Christian Worship #239*

## SERMON

Revelation 5:11-14  
Worthy is the Lamb

*Please stand*

## 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*

## OFFERING

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

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

*The 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.*



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

## OFFERTORY MUSIC:

**7:45 AM—**  
*There Is a Higher Throne*  
CWS #727

**10:00 AM—**  
*Psalm 23*  
Setting by Michael Burkhardt

*Please stand*

## **PRAYER OF THE CHURCH—EASTER SEASON**

**M:** O Lord God, our strength, our song, and our salvation, you fulfilled your promises by the resurrection of your Son, Jesus Christ, from the dead.

**C:** **Thanks be to God! You give us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.**

**M:** In your compassion you sent Christ, the Good Shepherd, who laid down his life to rescue the lost.

**C:** **Drive out all doubt and gloom that we may delight in your glorious triumph.**

**M:** Lift our eyes heavenward to see him who lives to make intercession for the saints, and grant us confidence in the greatness of his power. Keep before us the vision of your redeemed people standing before your throne and singing the song of victory.

**C:** **Worthy is the Lamb who was slain to receive wisdom and power and honor and glory and praise.**

**M:** Make us instruments of your peace as we bring the good news of hope and new life to those around us. Guide us in the use of all that you have entrusted to us: our time, our talents, and our treasures.

**C:** **Risen Lord, live in us that we may live for you.**

**M:** Merciful Lord Jesus, grant healing to the sick, and strengthen the faith of the suffering and the dying. Assure them of your abiding presence, and comfort them with the hope of eternal life.

*Special prayers and intercessions may follow.*

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

*Silent prayer.*

**M:** Gracious Father, you have restored to us the joy of your salvation. With happy hearts, we come before you and say:

**C:** **Alleluia! Thanks be to God! 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.**

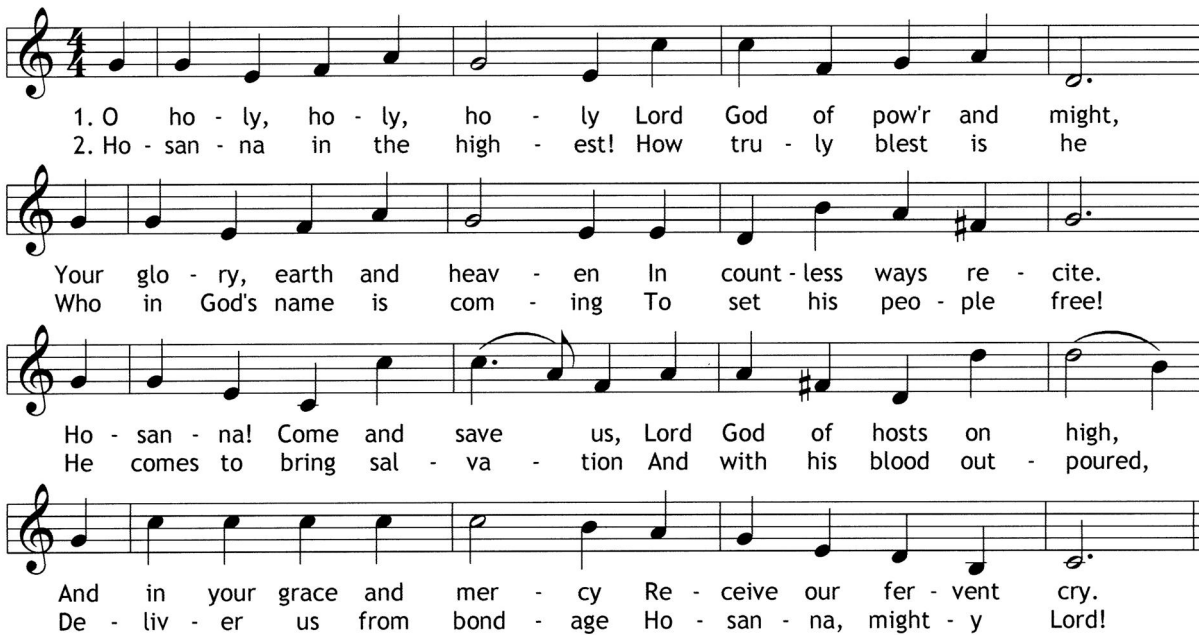


M: It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who rose from the dead in glorious triumph to bring forgiveness to the world and everlasting life to all who believe. Therefore with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:

**HOLY, HOLY, HOLY**  
**Sanctus**

*Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9*

*Please join in singing the response below following a brief introduction.*  
*(Sung to the tune of "The Day of Resurrection," Christian Worship #166)*



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.

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

John 1:29

*Agnus Dei*

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.

## DISTRIBUTION HYMN

Lord, Jesus Christ, You Have Prepared  
Christian Worship #312

Please stand

## SONG OF SIMEON Nunc Dimittis

Luke 2:29-32

Please join in singing the response below following a brief introduction.  
(Sung to the tune of "Come unto Me, Ye Weary," Christian Worship #336)



1. O Lord, now let your ser - vant De - part in peace, as - sured: For  
2. All glo - ry to the Fath - er, All glo - ry to the Son, All

I have seen your prom - ised in - car - nate, sav - ing Word — A  
glo - ry to the Spir - it, For - ev - er three in one; For

Light that will en - light - en All gloom where Gen - tles dwell; The  
as in the be - gin - ning, Is now, shall ev - er be, God's

bril - liant, crown - ing glo - ry Of those in Is - ra - el!  
tri - une name re - sound - ing Through all e - ter - ni - ty.

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

## 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 (*see page 11*)

*There Is a Higher Throne  
Christian Worship Supplement #727*

## THOSE ASSISTING IN WORSHIP TODAY

**POSTLUDE:** Preacher..... Pastor Nathan Kassulke  
7:45 AM—Worship Leader ..... Pastor Ron Koehler (10:00 AM)  
Agnus Dei Communion Assistants ..... Pastor Sam Clemons (10:00 AM)  
Arr. by Marty Parks Outreach Elder Jeff Weinstein (10:00 AM)  
Alleluia, alleluia, Accompanists ..... Kathy Parra (7:45 AM)  
for the Lord God Tina Christianson (10:00 AM)  
Almighty reigns! Ushers..... Vic Thornton, Vernon Neal (7:45 AM)  
Holy, holy are you, Mark Christianson, Jon Dongoske, Jonathan Ganster (10:00 AM)  
Lord God Almighty. Danny Koehler, Jon Miller, Dustin Pauley, Rick Street (10:00 AM)  
Worthy is the Lamb, Sound & Recording Tech ..... Jeremy Snavelly (10:00 AM)  
Worthy is the Lamb.  
You are holy!

10:00 AM—  
Lord, Enthroned in  
Heavenly Splendor  
Setting by Paul  
Manz

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## 727

## There Is a Higher Throne

1 There is a high - er throne than all this  
 2 And there we'll find our home, our life be -

world has known, Where faith - ful ones from ev - 'ry tongue  
 fore the throne. We'll hon - or him in per - fect song

will one day come. Be - fore the Son we'll stand,  
 where we be - long. He'll wipe each tear - stained eye

made fault - less through the Lamb; Be - liev - ing  
 as thirst and hun - ger die. The Lamb be -

hearts find prom - ised grace; sal - va - tion comes.  
 comes our Shep - herd - King; we'll reign with him.

*Refrain*

Hear heav - en's voic - es sing; their thund - 'rous

an - them rings. Through em - 'rald courts and sap - phire skies

their prais - es rise. All glo - ry, wis - dom, pow'r,

strength, thanks, and hon - or are to God our King who

reigns on high for - ev - er - more.

*The vivid imagery of our Lord's revelation to Saint John is elegantly summarized in this Irish hymn.*

## Leadership Workshop

Men and women from Grace and the other WELS churches in Tucson and the surrounding areas are invited to participate in a Leadership Training Workshop at Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church (8799 North Northern Ave, Tucson, AZ 85704) this Saturday, April 25. The workshop will run 9:00 AM to 2:30 PM. It is free to attend, and an Eegee's lunch is provided. **Registration is appreciated by tomorrow, April 20.** You can register by contacting Cora in the Church Office ([Office@GraceLutheranSAZ.org](mailto:Office@GraceLutheranSAZ.org) or 520-623-6633).

The workshop will be led by Pastor Wayne Mueller, who has been a pastor of several WELS churches and held several synod positions. Pastor Mueller also served as a professor at Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary for a number of years. In retirement, he is currently working part-time at Redeemer Lutheran Church in Tucson.

The workshop will focus on the character and qualities of Lutheran church leaders and how these can be developed and focused on the work the Lord has entrusted to his Church. This workshop is a valuable opportunity for those who serve and lead in various aspects of congregational life.

The workshop is being organized and supported through the efforts of Shepherd of the Hills and of the Saguaro Circuit of the WELS, which includes Grace and the other WELS churches in and around Tucson.

## Donations for St. Marcus Students

Once again this year Grace is hosting a group of WELS 7th grade students from St. Marcus Lutheran School in Milwaukee. They are arriving in Tucson on April 30 through the program "Discover America" which rewards students based on their academic performance and behavior. Each student raised a portion of the expenses to come on the trip.

We are accepting donations to pay for the food that will be served to the students and teachers while they are here. You can make a cash donation or use a check made payable to *Grace Lutheran Church* (note St. Marcus on the bottom of the check). **Donations will be collected until April 27th.** The donation box can be found near the main entrance of church.

## Preschool Aides Needed

Redeemer Lutheran Preschool is now hiring preschool aides for the 2015-2016 year! Morning, afternoon, evening, and full-day shifts are available. Contact Hannah Stahl for more information at 572-8136 or [Hannah.stahl@redeemertucson.com](mailto:Hannah.stahl@redeemertucson.com).

## Job Opportunities at Arizona Lutheran Academy in Phoenix

Arizona Lutheran Academy will be hiring a Building & Grounds Supervisor as well as a Building & Grounds Assistant. The start date for the supervisor is June 1, 2015. The start date for the assistant is August 1, 2015. The deadline for submitting applications is April 30, 2015.

A job description is available in the Grace-Tucson courtyard display case. You can download the job description at [ALAcoyotes.org](http://ALAcoyotes.org) or get one by emailing [info@ALAcoyotes.org](mailto:info@ALAcoyotes.org). You may email or call ALA principal Kurt Rosenbaum (602-268-8686 x11) with any questions.

## Thank You!

Pastor and Beth Kassulke would like to offer their thanks to the entire congregation for enabling them to attend the "Renewed in Grace" retreat in San Antonio the week after Easter. This retreat was held for the graduating class from Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary in 2005. Both of them enjoyed the retreat and were encouraged by it.



**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 • Apr 19-Apr 26**

**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  
Holz/Erbe Wedding..... 4:30p  
WELS TCM: *Eegee's and Epistles: 2 & 3 John* ..... 7:00p

**Monday**

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

**Tuesday**

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

**SAHUARITA**

**Today**

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

**Wednesday**

Bible Study: *Church-Mission-Ministry*..... 10:00a

**Sunday**

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

**BENSON**

**Today**

Worship Service ..... 7:30a

**Sunday**

Worship Service ..... 7:30a

**Wednesday**

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

**Thursday**

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

**Friday**

Precious Lambs Playgroup ..... 9:30a

**Saturday**

Leadership Training at Shepherd of the Hills ..... 9:00a

**Sunday**

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Adult Bible Study (Fellowship Hall):  
• *The Life of Christ: Jesus' Last Days* ..... 9:00a  
WELS Tucson Campus Ministry: *Moses* ..... 7:00p

**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**

Leadership Training at Shepherd of the Hills ..... 9:00a

**Sunday**

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## Welcome Grace Guests!

If you are a guest at Grace today, we are very happy to have you worship with us! If you would like more information about Grace or have questions about becoming a member of our congregation, please visit the Welcome Table in the courtyard. If this is your first time at Grace, please stop there to pick up a gift just for being our guest this morning.

## You Are Invited

You are invited to a coffee fellowship this morning in the courtyard following both services. Fellowship after 10:00 AM worship is hosted by Magrit Lingham, Marie Lingham and Aimee Wilson. 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*

Ezekiel 34:25-31  
Revelation 7:9-17  
John 10:22-30

### Altar Plants

The new altar plants at the front of church were graciously donated by Trucynda Hawkins in memory of her husband, Bruce Hawkins.

## Call Declined

After much prayer and careful deliberation, Pastor James Hein 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 Rochester, MN. 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 has not been scheduled yet.**

## 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.

## Youth Confirmation

This year's Youth Confirmation is Sunday, May 3 during 10:00 AM worship at Grace-Tucson.

## Thank You

A big thank you to Boz Lomasney for coordinating the church picnic and to everyone who volunteered and helped make our church picnic a success!



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