

Sixth Sunday after Pentecost



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He proclaimed: "Forty more days and Nineveh
will be overturned." Jonah 3:4

Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church
July 5, 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.

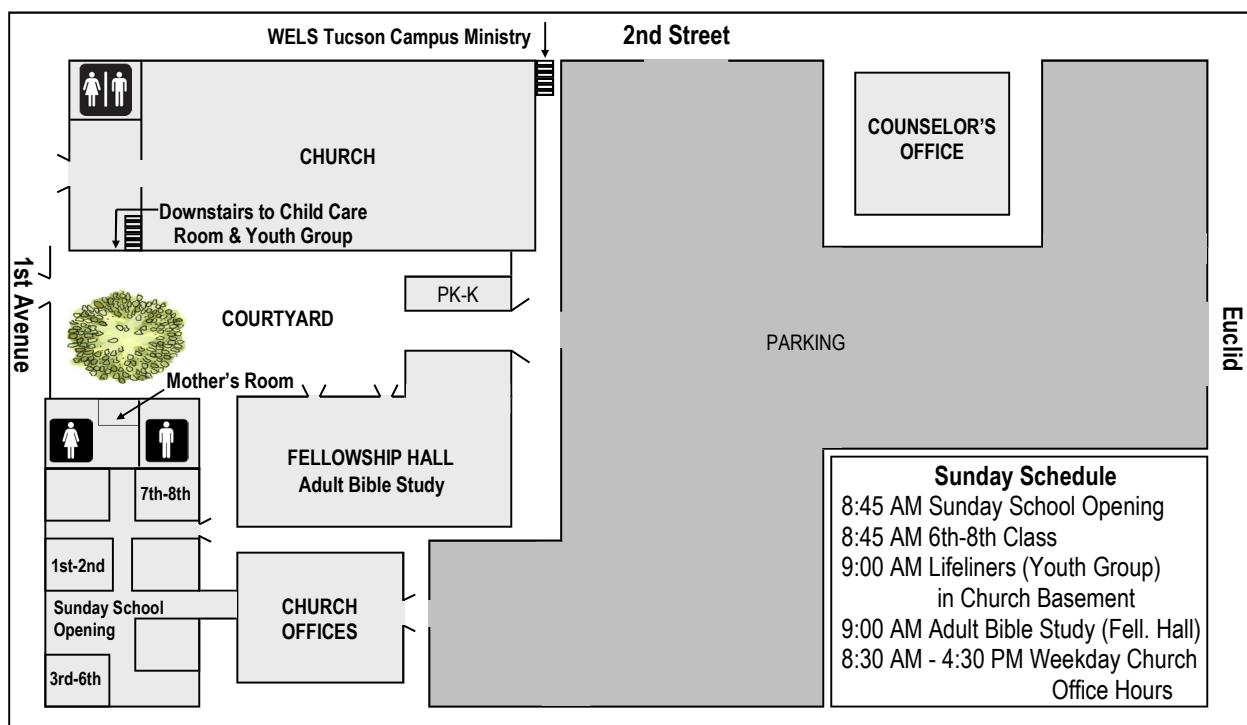
Hymns are found in our hymnal, *Christian Worship*, which is the red book in the pew rack in front of you.

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



SERVICE OF WORD AND SACRAMENT

Christian Worship

WELCOME

HYMN

Every Morning Mercies New
Christian Worship #580

Please stand

Minister: The grace of our Lord (†) Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

Congregation: And also with you.

CONFESSION OF SINS

M: God invites us to come into his presence and worship him with humble and penitent hearts. Therefore, let us acknowledge our sinfulness and ask him to forgive us.

C: Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me a sinner.

M: God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son (†) and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

PRAYER AND PRAISE

LORD, HAVE MERCY

Kyrie

M: For all that we need in life and for the wisdom to use all your gifts with gratitude and joy, hear our prayer, O Lord.



C: Lord, have mer - cy.

PRESERVICE MUSIC:

7:45 AM—
BUNESSAN
Arr. by Jim
Brickman

10:00 AM—
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We come before the true God only because of his mercy and not because we deserve to come. We confess our unworthiness and rejoice to hear the assurance of forgiveness.

Kyrie—We sing our penitential confession to our Triune God—Father, Son and Holy Spirit, asking for his mercy. The name Kyrie is shortened from the Greek Kyrie Eleison, which means “Lord have mercy.”

M: For the steadfast assurance that nothing can separate us from your love and for the courage to stand firm against the assaults of Satan and every evil, hear our prayer, O Christ.



C: Christ, have mer - cy.

M: For the well-being of your holy Church in all the world and for those who offer here their worship and praise, hear our prayer, O Lord.



C: Lord, have mer - cy.

M: Merciful God, maker and preserver of life, uphold us by your power and keep us in your tender care:



C: A - men.

M: The works of the Lord are great and glorious; his name is worthy of praise.

O LORD, OUR LORD



O Lord, our Lord, how glo - rious is your name in all the earth.



Al might y God, mer-ci-ful Fa-ther, you crown our lifewith your love.



You take a-way our sin; you com-fort our spir it; you make us pure and

This vibrant song of praise, composed for the Christian Worship hymnal, leads the congregation to respond to the absolution with thanksgiving and praise. It specifically praises God for all that he has done for us in Christ. The title and refrain echo verses of Psalm 8.

ho - ly in your sight. You did not spare your on - ly Son,
 but gave him up for us all. O Lord, our Lord,
 how glo - rious is your name in all the earth.
 O Son of God, e - ter - nal Word of the Fa - ther,
 you came to live with us; you made your Fa - ther known;
 you washed us from our sins in your own blood.
 You are the King of glo - ry; you are the Lord!
 O Lord, our Lord, how glo - rious is your name in all the earth.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: Let us pray.

O God, you have prepared joys beyond understanding for those who love you. Pour into our hearts such love for you that, loving you above all things, we may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: A - men.

Please be seated

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

Jonah obeyed the word of the LORD and went to Nineveh. Now Nineveh was a very important city—a visit required three days. On the first day, Jonah started into the city. He proclaimed: “Forty more days and Nineveh will be overturned.” The Ninevites believed God. They declared a fast, and all of them, from the greatest to the least, put on sackcloth. When the news reached the king of Nineveh, he rose from his throne, took off his royal robes, covered himself with sackcloth and sat down in the dust. Then he issued a proclamation in Nineveh: “By the decree of the king and his nobles: Do not let any man or beast, herd or flock, taste anything; do not let them eat or drink. But let man and beast be covered with sackcloth. Let everyone call urgently on God. Let them give up

Jonah 3:3-4:4 (NIV)

their evil ways and their violence. Who knows? God may yet relent and with compassion turn from his fierce anger so that we will not perish.” When God saw what they did and how they turned from their evil ways, he had compassion and did not bring upon them the destruction he had threatened. But Jonah was greatly displeased and became angry. He prayed to the LORD, “O LORD, is this not what I said when I was still at home? That is why I was so quick to flee to Tarshish. I knew that you are a gracious and compassionate God, slow to anger and abounding in love, a God who relents from sending calamity. Now, O LORD, take away my life, for it is better for me to die than to live.” But the LORD replied, “Have you any right to be angry?”

SECOND LESSON

What anyone else dares to boast about—I am speaking as a fool—I also dare to boast about. Are they Hebrews? So am I. Are they Israelites? So am I. Are they Abraham’s descendants? So am I. Are they servants of Christ? (I am out of my mind to talk like this.) I am more. I have worked much harder, been in prison more frequently, been flogged more severely, and been exposed to death again and again. Five times I received from the Jews the forty lashes minus one. Three times I was beaten with rods, once I was stoned, three times I was shipwrecked, I spent a night and a day in the open sea, I have been constantly on the move. I

2 Corinthians 11:21b-30 (NIV)

have been in danger from rivers, in danger from bandits, in danger from my own countrymen, in danger from Gentiles; in danger in the city, in danger in the country, in danger at sea; and in danger from false brothers. I have labored and toiled and have often gone without sleep; I have known hunger and thirst and have often gone without food; I have been cold and naked. Besides everything else, I face daily the pressure of my concern for all the churches. Who is weak, and I do not feel weak? Who is led into sin, and I do not inwardly burn? If I must boast, I will boast of the things that show my weakness.

VERSE OF THE DAY

John 20:31

C: A - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! These words are
writ - ten that we may be - lieve that Je - sus is the Christ, the
Son of God. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

The Verse of the Day is a familiar or significant Scripture text framed with alleluias.

Please stand

GOSPEL

As the time approached for him to be taken up to heaven, Jesus resolutely set out for Jerusalem. And he sent messengers on ahead, who went into a Samaritan village to get things ready for him; but the people there did not welcome him, because he was heading for Jerusalem. When the disciples James and John saw this, they asked, "Lord, do you want us to call fire down from heaven to destroy them?" But Jesus turned and rebuked them, and they went to another village. As they were walking along the road, a man said to him, "I will follow you

Luke 9:51-62 (NIV)

wherever you go." Jesus replied, "Foxes have holes and birds of the air have nests, but the Son of Man has no place to lay his head." He said to another man, "Follow me." But the man replied, "Lord, first let me go and bury my father." Jesus said to him, "Let the dead bury their own dead, but you go and proclaim the kingdom of God." Still another said, "I will follow you, Lord; but first let me go back and say good-bye to my family." Jesus replied, "No one who puts his hand to the plow and looks back is fit for service in the kingdom of God."

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

After the Gospel, the congregation sings:

C: Praise be to you, O Christ!

Please be seated

HYMN OF THE DAY

Jesus Calls Us O'er the Tumult
Christian Worship #463

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.

PRESERVICE MUSIC:

7:45 AM—

*Wonderful, Merciful
Savior
Arr. by Carol
Tornquist*

10:00 AM—

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RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS BY PROFESSION OF FAITH

Jim & Melissa Francis

Minister: Dear members of Grace, Jim and Melissa Francis, have recently joined our congregation by Profession of Faith. This means that they have been baptized and previously confirmed in a Lutheran church, find themselves in agreement with our teaching, and desire to be part of the family here at Grace.

M: Jim and Melissa, so that the believers here might receive you in Christian love and so that you might have the opportunity to declare your faith and express your desire to join the church family here at Grace, I, in the name of this congregation, ask you to lift up your heart and joyfully answer these questions:

M: Do you desire to be a member here at Grace Lutheran Church?

New Members: I do.

M: Do you believe in Jesus Christ as your Lord and Savior?

NM: I do.

M: Do you believe that the teaching of the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod and this congregation is faithful and true to the Word of God?

NM: I do.

M: Do you intend to grow in grace, strengthening your Christian faith through regular worship, reception of the sacrament and study of God's Word?

NM: I do.

M: Will you support with your prayers, time, talents and offerings the work our Lord has given to this congregation? If so, answer: I will, and I ask God to help me.

NM: I will, and I ask God to help me.

M: Having heard your promises, we, the members of Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church, receive you in fellowship and love, and invite you to share in our worship and mission, in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

The pastor addresses the congregation:

M: Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

Hearing this confession of faith and these promises, are you willing to receive Jim & Melissa Francis with Christian love into the family of believers here at Grace? Are you willing to befriend, encourage, support and pray for them as Christ commands?

Congregation: Yes, as God gives me strength.

PRAYER

M: Let us pray. Lord Jesus, author and perfecter of our faith, in mercy you joined Jim and Melissa to your Church when they were born again of water and the Spirit. In mercy you taught them your saving truth. Grant that they may continue to offer themselves as living sacrifices to you as their spiritual act of worship. Help us live in love and harmony with one another and work together in serving you. Keep us united in your Spirit, and bring us at last to your eternal kingdom, where you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

M: Jim and Melissa, we welcome you to the family at Grace. Go in peace.

Please stand

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

M: Gracious God and Father, we praise you for the countless blessings, which we receive from your hand: the beauties of creation and the bounties of the earth, the joy of life and the pleasure of friendship, the good of work and the gift of rest, the privilege to share happiness and sorrow with one another. Above all we praise and thank you for your saving Word and for your Son's body and blood, which you give us to eat and to drink in the sacrament. Through these means of grace, you send the Holy Spirit into our hearts and unite us to Jesus and to the whole Christian Church on earth.

C: **Strengthen us through this heavenly food; increase our trust in Christ and our love for one another.**

M: Great God and Lord, without your continuing help we easily waver in our faith, lose courage, and grow careless in our watchfulness. The times and days are perilous. Give us strength to face the evils of each day with fresh confidence. Open our lips to speak of your grace, and move us to use the gifts that you give us to share your Word of salvation with all people. Protect and prosper the family, the school, the government, and all good institutions that you have established for the benefit of society. Remember in mercy those who are sick and suffering, and bring your healing to troubled homes and lives.

C: **Move us to pray for those in need and to help them with deeds of kindness.**

Special prayers and intercessions may follow.

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

Silent prayer.

M: Now, eternal God and Father, keep us in the saving faith and so enable us to overcome all things through our Lord Jesus Christ.

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

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.**

7:45 AM – Please continue on page 11 with the Words of Institution.

THE SACRAMENT

M: The Lord be with you.



C: And al - so 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 right to give him thanks and praise.

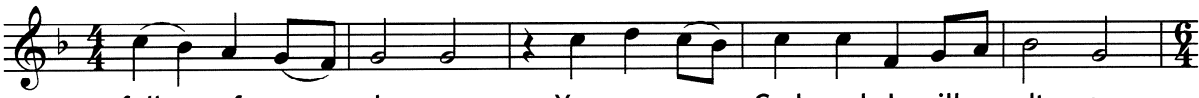
M: Praise to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In love he has blessed us with every spiritual blessing. He sends the Holy Spirit to testify that we are his children and to strengthen us when we are weak. Now have come the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Christ. To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be praise and thanks and honor and glory for ever and ever.

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

Sanctus



C: Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho-ly is the Lord of hosts. The whole earth is



full of your glo - ry. You are my God, and I will ex - alt you.



I will give you thanks for you have be - come my sal - va - tion.



Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho-ly is the Lord of hosts. The whole earth is



full of your glo - - - - ry.

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

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

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

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

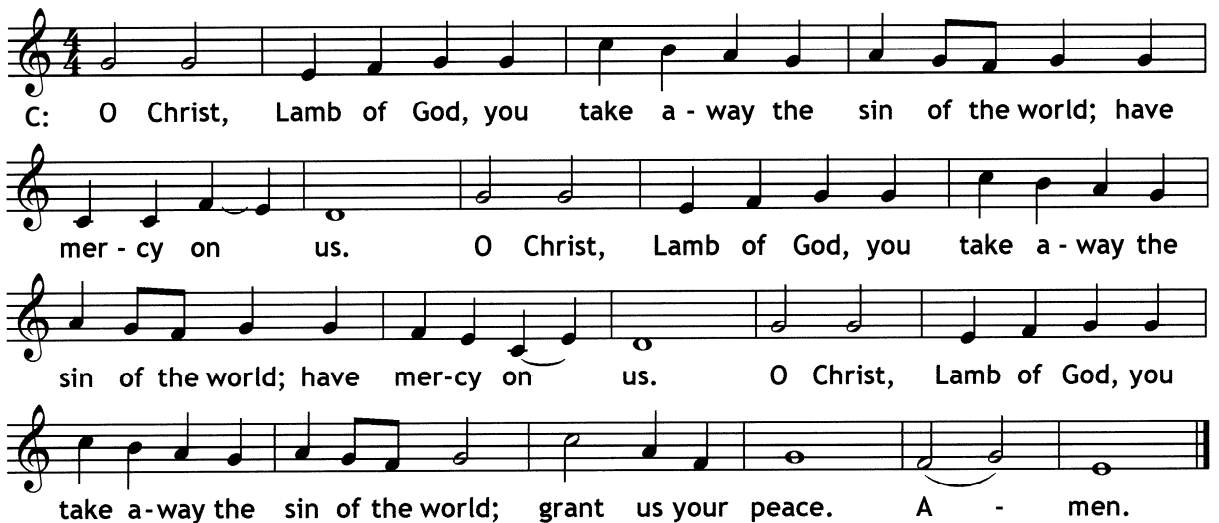
The peace of the Lord be with you always.



C: A - men.

O CHRIST, LAMB OF GOD

Agnus Dei



Please be seated

DISTRIBUTION

*The Bible teaches that the Lord's Supper is a unique communion of Christ and the individual believer as well as a coming together of people who hold to the same beliefs. Because of these Scriptural truths, we practice **Member Communion** at Grace. Those who are confirmed members of Wisconsin Synod congregations (WELS) are invited to receive the Lord's Supper with us.*

If you are not a WELS member but have an interest in receiving Holy Communion, please speak with one of our pastors after church today or at another time. We are aware that there are a number of other teachings about Holy Communion, and we want it to be a blessing for you, so we would look forward to sharing with you what God says about this Sacrament.

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

THANK THE LORD



C: Thank the Lord and sing his praise.
Tell ev-'ry one what he has done. Let all who seek the Lord re -
joice and proud - ly bear his name. He re - news his prom - is - es and
leads his peo - ple forth in joy with shouts of thanks - giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia! Allelu - ia!

PRAYER

M: Hear the prayer of your people, O Lord, that the lips which have praised you here may glorify you in the world, that the eyes which have seen the coming of your Son may long for his coming again, and that all who have received in his true body and blood the pledge of your forgiveness may be restored to live a new and holy life, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C: A - men.

BLESSING

M: Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another.
Serve the Lord with gladness.
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: A - men. A - men. A - men.

The blessing of Aaron has been spoken over God's people for over 3,500 years. The Lord said, "So I will put my name on [them], and I will bless them." Numbers 6:27

Please be seated

POSTLUDE: ANNOUNCEMENTS

7:45 AM—
I Will Sing of the
Mercies
Arr. by Carol
Tornquist

CLOSING HYMN

Love Is the Gracious Gift
Christian Worship #505

10:00 AM—
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THOSE ASSISTING IN WORSHIP TODAY

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Sacrament: Kyrie, Song of
Praise, Preface music by Kurt
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Preacher Pastor Nathan Kassulke
Worship Leader Pastor Ron Koehler (10:00 AM)
Accompanists Kathy Parra (7:45 AM), Teri Guenther (10:00 AM)
Clarinet Missy Wiechmann (7:45 AM)
Ushers Rick Street, Vernon Neal (7:45 AM)
Dave Breitzkreitz, Ed Ethington, Dylan Guenther (10:00 AM)
Lucas Guenther, Ferdie Kramm, Josiah Weinstein (10:00 AM)
Sound & Recording Tech Jeff Weinstein (10:00 AM)
Altar Prep Team Erika Hanson, Diane Kramm, Nancy Miles

Divine Call Extended

At Grace's Call Meeting on Sunday, June 28, a Divine Call was extended to Pastor Caleb Bassett to serve as Grace's mission pastor to Sahuarita. Pastor Bassett currently serves at St. Stephen Lutheran Church in Fallbrook, CA. Please keep Pastor Bassett, his wife Audra and their 4 children in your prayers as he considers this Call. Also, please keep in your prayers the ongoing gospel ministry in Fallbrook and here at Grace!

Member Information Update

A letter was sent out with two information sheets for members and friends of Grace to fill out and return. These forms allow you to share contact information as well as information about your family, your gifts and talents, and ways that you would be interested in serving at church. Please complete these forms and return them to Grace by the end of July. You can drop them off in the gray box (in the Courtyard) this morning or in the future. You can also fill out an online version of the forms at www.GraceLutheranSAZ.org/profile. Thank you for your help!

ALA Gaining Ground Support

Arizona Lutheran Academy (ALA), our area Lutheran High School in Phoenix, has been offered an opportunity to purchase land adjacent to its current property. This land is a highly desirable corner lot which would provide excellent visibility for the school and offers many options for its immediate and long-term use. And the land is being offered to ALA for approximately half of its market value. ALA's Board of Directors has decided to go forward with an aggressive campaign to be able to complete the purchase and to fund a number of other vital needs. The goal is to raise one million dollars by the end of September of this year, the deadline for making the final payment on the property.

At their meeting in May, Grace's voters approved a plan for Grace to support this campaign and to encourage interested members to do the same. They approved an expenditure of up to \$10,000 from the General Bequest Fund to be used to match the first \$10,000 that Grace members contribute to this effort. You can support this effort with special gifts to the "ALA Land Fund" that has been established at Grace. The first \$10,000 in donations received to this fund will be matched and sent to ALA for their "Gaining Ground" campaign. Learn more about the this campaign at ALA's



**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 • July 5-July 12

TUCSON

Today

Worship Services/Communion 7:45 & 10:00a
Coffee Fellowship following both services.....
Children's Sunday School 8:45a
Youth Confirmation Class 8:45a
Lifeliners (High School Group): *Bible Study* 9:00a
Adult Bible Study (Fellowship Hall)..... 9:00a
• *The Life of Christ: Jesus' Last Days*..... 9:00a

SAHUARITA

Today

Worship Service/Communion 9:45a
Coffee Fellowship following worship.....
ALA Gaining Ground Presentation following worship.....

Wednesday

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

Sunday

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

BENSON

Today

Worship Service 7:30a

Wednesday

Bible Study: *What is the Church?*..... 7:00p

Sunday

Worship Service/Communion 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

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VAIL

Today

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

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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 the Kassulke family. We hope you'll take advantage of this opportunity to greet your brothers and sisters in Christ.

Profession of Faith

Jim & Melissa Francis will become members of Grace through Profession of Faith in 10 AM worship this morning. We welcome them to Grace and ask God's blessings on them!

Altar Flowers

The flowers beautifying our worship this morning have been given by Bob & Audrey Nessinger in celebration of their one year wedding anniversary and in memory of loved ones.

NEXT SUNDAY

Next week's Scripture Lessons for Devotional Reading this Week

1 Kings 17:1-16
Philippians 4:10-20
Luke 10:1-12, 16-20

Sermon Text & Theme

Philippians 4:10-20
Be Generous to God

Grace-Sahuarita Summer Bible Study on the Parables of Jesus

A new Bible Study series began last week at Grace-Sahuarita. Join Pastor Koehler for this revealing study of the stories Jesus told. You are encouraged to invite an unchurched friend or family member to come along with you. We will meet on Wednesdays at 10 AM in the fellowship and Bible study room.

Church Council Changes

There have been a few changes to the Church Council. Jay Pauley has resigned as Education Elder as he and his family are moving to Phoenix. Many thanks to Jay for his service. Jason Watson has also resigned as Member Ministry Elder feeling that he could serve much better as Education Elder. Per the Bylaws, in a situation such as this, the President of the congregation is to appoint someone for these offices. After discussions with the Pastors, I have appointed Jason Watson to the Education Elder position and Boz Lomasney as Member Ministry Elder. Please include them as well as the other council members in your prayers.

Bryan Guenther,
Congregation President



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