

Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost



Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church
September 20, 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.

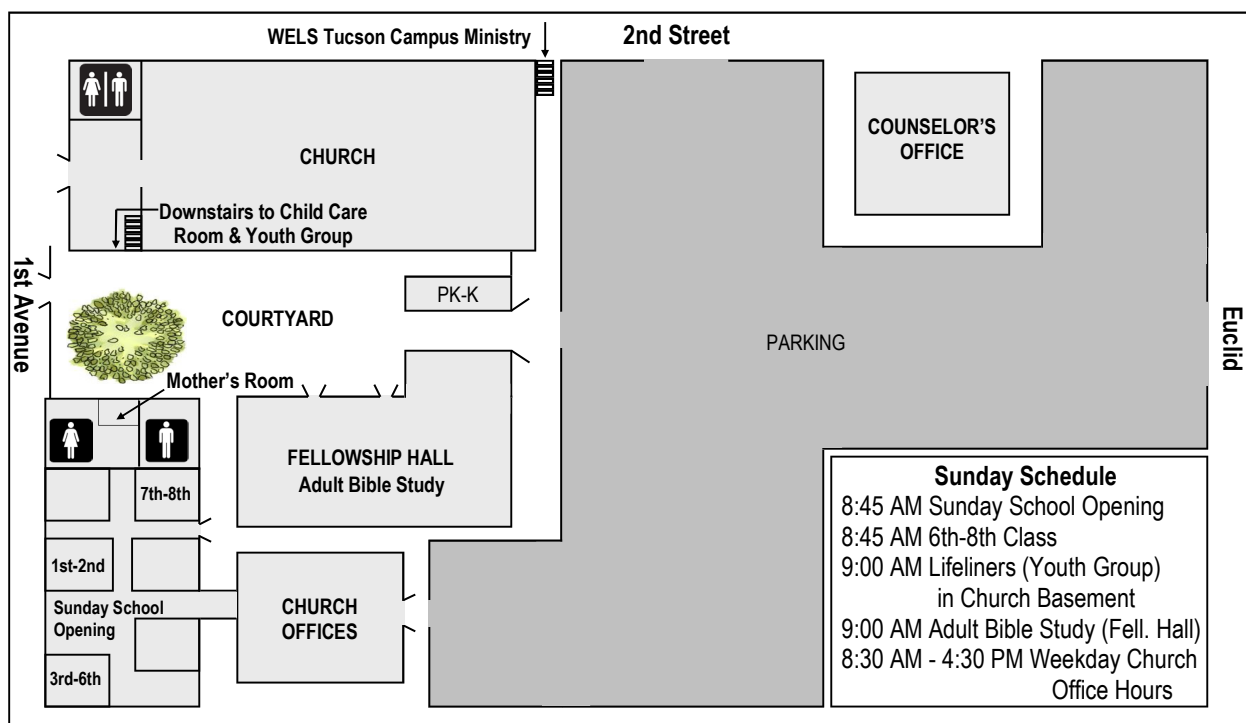
Hymns are found in our hymnal, *Christian Worship*, which is the red book in the pew rack in front of you.

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

PRESERVICE MUSIC:

Rock of Ages
CW #38

SUNDAY SCHOOL CHOIR (10:00 AM)

Oh How Good is Christ the Lord

1. *Oh, how good is Christ the Lord.
He is with me ev'ryday.
Never shall I be alone,
glory be to Jesus!
He has filled my life with love.
Glory be to Jesus!*
2. *Oh, how good is Christ the Lord.
On the cross he died for me.
He has pardoned all my sin,
glory be to Jesus!
In three days he rose again.
Glory be to Jesus!*

WELCOME

HYMN

Awake, My Soul, and with the Sun
Christian Worship #582

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.

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.

PRAYER AND PRAISE

*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.”*

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.

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

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.

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.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: Let us pray.

Lord, we pray that your mercy and grace may always go before and follow after us that, loving you with undivided hearts, we may be ready for every good and useful work; 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.

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.

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

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

THE WORD

FIRST LESSON

Hosea 3:1-5 (NIV)

The LORD said to me, “Go, show your love to your wife again, though she is loved by another and is an adulteress. Love her as the LORD loves the Israelites, though they turn to other gods and love the sacred raisin cakes.” So I bought her for fifteen shekels of silver and about a homer and a lethek of barley. Then I told her, “You are to live with me many days; you must not

be a prostitute or be intimate with any man, and I will live with you.” For the Israelites will live many days without king or prince, without sacrifice or sacred stones, without ephod or idol. Afterward the Israelites will return and seek the LORD their God and David their king. They will come trembling to the LORD and to his blessings in the last days.

SECOND LESSON

2 Corinthians 2:5-11 (NIV)

If anyone has caused grief, he has not so much grieved me as he has grieved all of you, to some extent—not to put it too severely. The punishment inflicted on him by the majority is sufficient for him. Now instead, you ought to forgive and comfort him, so that he will not be overwhelmed by excessive sorrow. I urge you, therefore, to reaffirm your love for

him. The reason I wrote you was to see if you would stand the test and be obedient in everything. If you forgive anyone, I also forgive him. And what I have forgiven—if there was anything to forgive—I have forgiven in the sight of Christ for your sake, in order that Satan might not outwit us. For we are not unaware of his schemes.

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!

Please stand

GOSPEL

Luke 15:1-10 (NIV)

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: “Suppose one of you has a hundred sheep and loses one of them.

Does he not leave the ninety-nine in the open country and go after the lost sheep until he finds it? And when he finds it, he joyfully puts it on his shoulders and goes home. Then he calls his friends and neighbors together and says, ‘Rejoice with me; I have found my lost sheep.’ I tell you

that in the same way there will be more rejoicing in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who do not need to repent. Or suppose a woman has ten silver coins and loses one. Does she not light a lamp, sweep the house and search carefully until she finds it?

And when she finds it, she calls her friends and neighbors together and says, 'Rejoice with me; I have found my lost coin.' In the same way, I tell you, there is rejoicing in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents."

After the Gospel, the congregation sings:



C: Praise be to you, O Christ!

Please be seated

HYMN OF THE DAY

Chief of Sinners Though I Be
Christian Worship #385

SERMON

Psalm 51

The Heart of the Forgiveness

1. Repents of its Sin
2. Finds Joy in Forgiveness
3. Wants to Help Others Do the Same

Have mercy on me, O God, according to your unfailing love; according to your great compassion blot out my transgressions. 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, you only, have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight, so that you are proved right when you speak and justified when you judge. Surely I was sinful at birth, sinful from the time my mother conceived me. Surely you desire truth in the inner parts; you teach me wisdom in the inmost place. Cleanse me with hyssop, and I will be clean; wash me, and I will be whiter than snow. Let me hear joy and gladness; let the bones you have crushed rejoice. 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. Do

not cast me from your presence or take your Holy Spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of your salvation and grant me a willing spirit, to sustain me. Then I will teach transgressors your ways, and sinners will turn back to you. Save me from bloodguilt, O God, the God who saves me, and my tongue will sing of your righteousness. O Lord, open my lips, and my mouth will declare your praise. You do not delight in sacrifice, or I would bring it; you do not take pleasure in burnt offerings. The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise. In your good pleasure make Zion prosper; build up the walls of Jerusalem. Then there will be righteous sacrifices, whole burnt offerings to delight you; then bulls will be offered on your altar.

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



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OFFERTORY MUSIC:

*Whiter than the
Snow
By Mike Burn*

*Whiter than the
snow, purer than
the clearest stream;
Wash me and I'll
be bathed in purity,
I long to feel clean.*

*A robe of
righteousness, a
robe that I could not
afford;
my Lord you paid
the price, a perfect
sacrifice has covered
up my shame.*

*And so I thank
you Jesus, for the
sweet forgiveness of
the cross
It's a mystery to
amaze even angels
when the Father
looks into my heart,
He sees me now as
whiter than the
snow.*

OFFERING

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

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

Please stand

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

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.

LORD'S PRAYER

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

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

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

THE SACRAMENT

M: The Lord be with you.



C: And 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

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

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.

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

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

Please be seated

DISTRIBUTION

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

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

DISTRIBUTION HYMN (10:00 AM)

Jesus Sinners Does Receive
Christian Worship #304

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!

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.

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.

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

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.

Please be seated

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CLOSING HYMN

Redeemed, Restored, Forgiven
Christian Worship #388

THOSE ASSISTING IN WORSHIP TODAY

Preacher Pastor Ron Koehler
Worship Leader Pastor Nathan Kassulke (10:00 AM)
Communion Assistants..... Pastor Sam Clemons (10:00 AM)
Pastor Mark Hallemeyer (10:00 AM)
Accompanist Teri Guenther
Sunday School Choir Director Beth Kassulke (10:00 AM)
Sunday School Choir Accompanist Tina Christianson (10:00 AM)
Ushers Vic Thornton, Vernon Neal (7:45 AM)
Jon Dongoske, Jonathan Ganster, Danny Koehler (10:00 AM)
Jon Miller, Rick Street (10:00 AM)
Sound & Recording Tech Jeremy Snavely (10:00 AM)
Altar Prep Team Elaine Goldie, Karen Grorud, Gisela Kittel

Called Home To Heaven

Out-of-state member, Betty Doucette, was called home to heaven Friday, September 4 in Lawrenceville, GA. We thank God for the faith he granted to Betty and we rejoice in her victory to eternal life.

Upcoming Voters' Meeting

The next Voters' Meeting for our congregation is scheduled for next Sunday, September 27 at 2:00 PM in the Grace-Tucson Fellowship Hall. A booklet with Pastor and Council reports can be found in the church entryways and in the Fellowship Hall. This keeps members up to date on Grace's ministry activities and helps voters prepare for the meeting.

Divine Call Extended

At Grace's Call Meeting on Sunday, September 13, a Divine Call was extended to Pastor Carl Schroeder to serve as Grace's mission pastor to Sahuarita. Pastor Schroeder currently serves at St. John Lutheran Church in Baraboo, WI. Please keep Pastor Schroeder, his wife Stacey and their 4 children in your prayers as he considers this Call. Also, please keep in your prayers the ongoing gospel ministry in Baraboo and here at Grace!

NO Wednesday Sahuarita Bible Study or Thursday Women's Bible Study

The Wednesday morning Bible Study at Grace-Sahuarita and the Thursday morning Women's Bible Study at Grace-Tucson are cancelled this week while Pastor Koehler is in Germany.

Handbell Choir

Handbell Choir practice is tomorrow, September 21. Practices are held on Mondays at 4:30 in the church basement. It's not too late give it a try! If you have questions or would like more information, please contact director Melissa Newbrey (702-469-0993) or music coordinator Beth Kassulke (520-260-3649).

POSTLUDE:

*Nun Freut Euch
By Nancy Raabe*

*All blessing, honor,
thanks, and praise
To Father, Son, and
Spirit.*

*The God who saved
us by his grace-
All glory to his
merit!*

*O Triune God in
heav'n above,
You have revealed
your saving love;
Your blessed name
be Hallowed!*

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Member Information Sheets Needed!

We are still in need of information sheets from a large portion of the congregation. 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 drop them off in the gray box (in the Courtyard) or mail them to the church office. You can also fill out an online version of the forms at www.GraceLutheranSAZ.org/profile.** Thank you for your help!

Fiesta Sahuarita This Saturday!

Grace is participating in this year's Fiesta Sahuarita, an annual event just down the road from Grace -Sahuarita at Anamax Park. This is a great opportunity for us to greet the community and introduce them to our church! The Fiesta is this Saturday, September 26, noon until 9 PM. The event includes live music, food trucks, games, arts and crafts, and a waterslide. Grace will have a booth at the festival and we are still looking for **volunteers from all the Grace locations to help staff the booth for an hour or two at a time**. Because Boz Lomasney will be at the booth most of the day, volunteers will be needed to give him additional help. There will be lots to see and do at the Fiesta, so anyone wanting to come staff the booth for a bit can then enjoy the rest of the activities as well! If you'd like to help please contact Diane Kramm at pdkramm@earthlink.com or call/text her at 440-8564.

LWMS Grand Canyon East Circuit Fall Rally: October 10

Saturday, October 10 at 9:00 AM, Holy Cross (241 N. Harrison Rd, Tucson, 85748) is hosting the Lutheran Women's Missionary Society Grand Canyon Circuit East's Fall Rally. All women of Grace are *encouraged* to attend. **Registration is \$10** and includes lunch. Registration forms can be found in the Fellowship Hall and at all the Grace locations. **The rally registration and Mission Money donation deadline is due Monday, September 28 and needs to be mailed to Rose Pedersen (1154 Turkey Knob, Las Cruces, NM, 88012).** Speakers will be Pastor Nathan Kassulke of Grace-Tucson and Pastor James and Letty Connell of Cross of Christ in Las Cruces, NM. Their focus will be on outreach, emphasizing college-age. PLEASE, take advantage of this opportunity to learn more about our WELS Mission work and learn more about how WELS women support and encourages that work through the LWMS (Lutheran Womens' Missionary Society). Questions? Contact Diane Kramm (440-8564) or visit www.grandcanyonlwms.org.

English as a Second Language

The English as a Second Language program continues tomorrow, September 21 at 6:30 PM in the Grace-Tucson Fellowship Hall. If you know of anyone who might be interested in participating please let them know! *ESL runs Mondays and Tuesdays from 6:30-8:30 PM September through May.*

Boxes of Cards for Sale

In addition to individual cards, there is an assortment of boxes of cards for sale in the Fellowship Hall. They are located on the table next to the card rack. You will find assorted boxes containing birthday, sympathy, get well, and wedding cards. The boxes are \$4.50 each.



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 • Sept 20-Sept 27

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
• *Clemons: Hard Sayings of Jesus* 9:00a
WELS TCM Bible Study: *Pizza & a Prophet: Hosea* 7:00p

Monday

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

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SAHUARITA

Today

Worship Service/Coffee Fellowship 9:45a

Wednesday

NO Bible Study

Saturday

Fiesta Sahuarita 12:00-9:00p

Sunday

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

BENSON

Today

Worship Service 7:30a

Wednesday

Bible Study: *Interactive Faith Bible Study* 6:00p

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Wednesday

Midweek Bible Study: *Church History* 10:00a
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Thursday

NO Women's Bible Study

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Adult Bible Study (Fellowship Hall):
• *Kassulke: Hypocrisy* 9:00a
Voters' Meeting 2:00p
TCM Bible Study: *Fearfully and Wonderfully Made* 7:00p

VAIL

Today

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

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TODAY

Welcome Grace Guests!

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

Holy Communion

There are before-communion and after-communion prayers in our Christian Worship hymnal on p. 11, and a personal preparation guide on p.156 to help prepare you to receive the Lord's Supper. If you are a guest with us today, please see p. 10 in today's worship folder under "Distribution" for information about our practice of Member Communion.

Altar Flowers

The flowers beautifying our worship this morning have been given by John & Patti Stafford in memory of John's mother, Betty Doucette, who recently passed away. She was a long time member of Grace and a wonderful Christian woman.

NEXT SUNDAY

Next week's Scripture Lessons for Devotional Reading this Week

Genesis 14:8-24

1 Timothy 6:6-16

Luke 16:1-13

Sermon Text & Theme

1 Timothy 6:6-16

Be Content, People of God

Communion Register Sign-In

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

Upcoming Kick Ball Tournament & Chili Cook-Off

Saturday, October 17 at 12:00 PM, Grace-Vail will be hosting a kick ball tournament and chili cook-off at Esmond Station (9400 S. Atterbury Wash Way). There will be a choice of Scrip gift cards for prizes in both the chili and cornbread cook-off. Card games will also take place following the tournament. Please arrive by 12:00 PM if you'd like to play in the kick ball game so teams can be divided up. If you'd like to enter a chili or cornbread dish please call Boz Lomasney at 440-251-4704. Hope to see you there!



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