# Second Sunday of End Time— Last Judgment



Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church November 6, 2016



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.

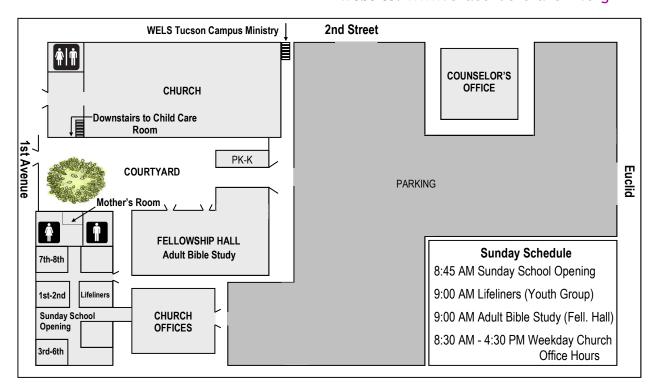
Hymns are found in our hymnal, *Christian Worship*, which is the red book in the pew rack in front of you.

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



After journeying through the Sundays after Pentecost examining our life of faith, the season of End Time marks the end of the Christian Church Year. The second Sunday of End Time is the Last Judgment. It reminds us of Christ's return to judge the living and the dead. Red is the color for this Sunday, bringing to mind the fire of Judgment Day and the saving blood of Christ.

PRESERVICE MUSIC: 7:45 AM— Speak, O Lord Arr. by James Koerts

#### **DIVINE SERVICE I**

Christian Worship Supplement

**WELCOME** 

**HYMN** 

Day of Wrath, Oh, Day of Mourning Christian Worship #209

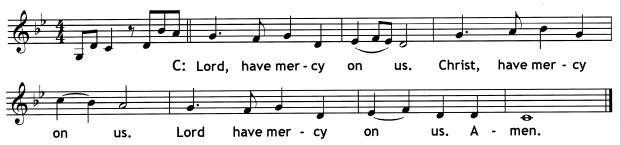
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Minister: In the name of the Father and of the Son (†) and of the Holy Spirit. Congregation: Amen.

#### CONFESSION OF SINS

- M: Beloved in the Lord: let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
- 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.

## LORD, HAVE MERCY Kyrie



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: 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

M: In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.

## **GLORY TO GOD**

Gloria in Excelsis

(Please join in singing the response below following a brief introduction)

The text of Gloria in Excelsis (Latin for "Glory in the highest") is an ancient song that echoes the song of the angels in Luke 2:14. It offers praise and thanks to our triune God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.



## PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

M: Let us pray.

Lord God Almighty, so rule and govern our hearts and minds by your Holy Spirit that we may always look forward to the end of this present evil age and to the day of your righteous judgment. Keep us steadfast in true and living faith and present us at last holy and blameless before you; 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

## THE WORD

FIRST LESSON Malachi 4:1-3 (NIV)

"Surely the day is coming; it will burn like a furnace. All the arrogant and every evildoer will be stubble, and that day that is coming will set them on fire," says the LORD Almighty. "Not a root or a branch will be left to them. But for you who revere my name, the sun of righteousness will rise with

healing in its wings. And you will go out and leap like calves released from the stall. Then you will trample down the wicked; they will be ashes under the soles of your feet on the day when I do these things," says the LORD Almighty.

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.

#### SECOND LESSON

For Christ did not enter a man-made sanctuary that was only a copy of the true one; he entered heaven itself, now to appear for us in God's presence. Nor did he enter heaven to offer himself again and again, the way the high priest enters the Most Holy Place every year with blood that is not his own. Then Christ would have had to suffer many times since the creation of the world. But now he has

Hebrews 9:24-28 (NIV)

appeared once for all at the end of the ages to do away with sin by the sacrifice of himself. Just as man is destined to die once, and after that to face judgment, so Christ was sacrificed once to take away the sins of many people; and he will appear a second time, not to bear sin, but to bring salvation to those who are waiting for him.

VERSE OF THE DAY

Matthew 24:42 RSV

M: Alleluia. Watch therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. Alleluia.

Please stand

The congregation stands out of respect for the words of Christ our King. GOSPEL John 5:19-30 (NIV)

After the announcement of the Gospel, the congregation sings:



Jesus gave them this answer: "I tell you the truth, the Son can do nothing by himself; he can do only what he sees his Father doing, whatever the Father does the Son also does. For the Father loves the Son and shows him all he does. Yes, to your amazement he will show him even greater things than these. For just as the Father raises the dead and gives them life, even so the Son gives life to whom he is pleased to give it. Moreover, the Father judges no one, but has entrusted all judgment to the Son, that all may honor the Son just as they honor the Father. He who does not honor the Son does not honor the Father, who sent him. I tell you the truth, whoever hears my word and believes him who sent me has eternal

life and will not be condemned; he has crossed over from death to life. I tell you the truth, a time is coming and has now come when the dead will hear the voice of the Son of God and those who hear will live. For as the Father has life in himself, so he has granted the Son to have life in himself. And he has given him authority to judge because he is the Son of Man. Do not be amazed at this, for a time is coming when all who are in their graves will hear his voice and come out—those who have done good will rise to live, and those who have done evil will rise to be condemned. By myself I can do nothing; I judge only as I hear, and my judgment is just, for I seek not to please myself but him who sent me."

After the Gospel, the congregation sings:



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.

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.

C: 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

HYMN OF THE DAY

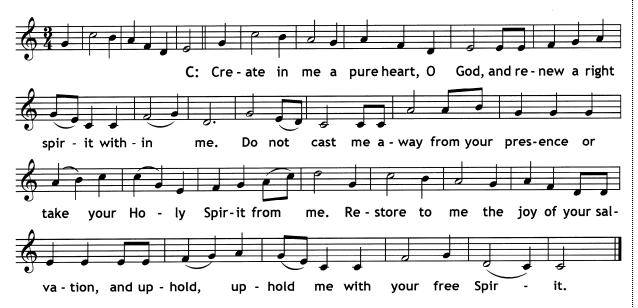
My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less Christian Worship #382

**SERMON** 

Malachi 4:1-3 The Day Is Coming

Please stand

After the sermon, please join in singing the response below:



Please be seated



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

## OFFERTORY MUSIC:

**7:45 AM**— Wake, Awake, for Night is Flying CW #206

#### **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: Out of the depths we cry to you, O Lord; O Lord, hear our voices.
- C: Let your ears be attentive to our cries for mercy.
- M: Heavenly Father, we confess with sorrow that we have sinned and deserve only your anger and punishment.
- C: If you kept a record of our sins, we would surely be lost.
- M: We confess with joy that your unfailing love has redeemed us.
- C: Our hope is in you and in your full redemption.
- M: Around us we see the birth pangs of the last days: war, famine, earthquakes, false prophets, spiritual apathy.
- C: Use these signs to remind us that we do not know the day or hour when Christ will come again.
- M: Keep us faithful to your Word; send your Spirit to strengthen our faith so that we are always prepared for your Son's return as judge.
- C: Make us faithful in sharing your Word, and cause many more to put their hope in you before the end comes.
- M: Build our fellowship of love as brothers and sisters in faith.
- C: Help us support one another when trials and troubles come our way.

Special prayers and intercessions may follow.

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

Silent prayer.

- M: Heavenly Father, we eagerly wait for Jesus to come again and make all things new. May he find us, whose names are written in the Lamb's book of life, faithfully enduring to the end, through the power of your Holy Spirit.
- C: Come, Lord Jesus. May your grace be with us. Amen.

#### 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.

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.

Matthew 6 and Luke

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

#### THE SACRAMENT

M: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

M: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them up to the Lord.

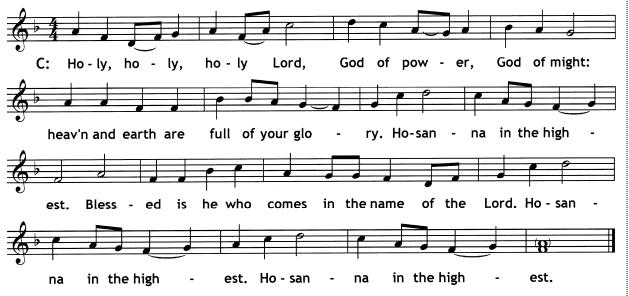
M: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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 preserves his Church to the end of time when he will come again as king to judge all people and take his own to glory. 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

Please join in singing the response below following a brief introduction:



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

#### WORDS OF INSTITUTION

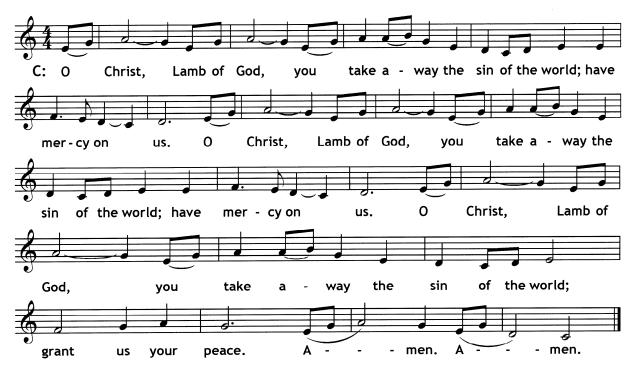
M: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my (†) body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

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: Amen.

### O CHRIST, LAMB OF GOD-Agnus Dei



Please be seated

#### We provide glutenfree 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.

#### 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.

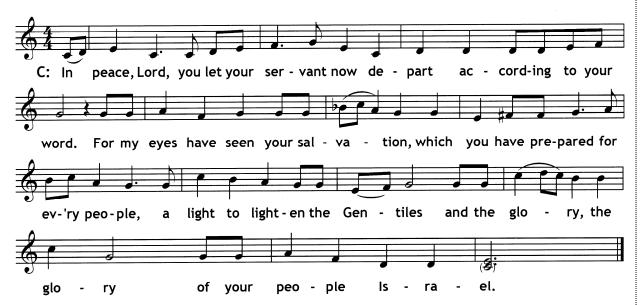
Please stand

#### THANKSGIVING

#### SONG OF SIMEON

**Nunc Dimittis** 

Please join in singing the response below following a brief introduction:



M: O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good.

C: And his mercy endures forever.

#### **PRAYER**

M: We give thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us with this Holy Supper. We pray that through it you will strengthen our faith in you and increase our love for one another. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord, 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

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."

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **CLOSING HYMN**

O Savior, Rend the Heavens Wide Christian Worship #22

## THOSE ASSISTING IN WORSHIP TODAY

POSTLUDE:
7:45 AM—
Sent Forth by God's
Blessing
Arr. by Victor
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	Pastor Nathan KassulkePastor Ron Koehler (10:00 AM)
	Pastor Mark Hallemeyer (10:00 AM)
Accompanists	Kathy Parra (7:45 AM)
•	Tina Christianson (10:00 AM)
Distribution Music	
Ushers	Vic Thornton, Rusty King (7:45 AM)
Dave Breitkreitz, Ed Ethington, Lucas Guenther (10:00 AM)	
F	erdie Kramm, Josiah Weinstein (10:00 AM)
Sound & Recording Tech	Jeremy Snavely (10:00 AM)
Altar Prep Team	Erika Hanson, Diane Kramm, Nancy Miles
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## **Special Voters' Meeting November 10**

The Grace Church Council has scheduled a Special Voters' Meeting for this Thursday, November 10 at 6:00 PM. The meeting will take place in the Grace-Tucson Fellowship Hall. The Church Council is asking the voters to approve using some borrowed money from our LACE loan, originally approved for the installation of the Tucson Sanctuary Audio-Visual System, to help cover the escalating costs of the WELS TCM basement repair. An information sheet including estimated costs and amounts is available in the Fellowship Hall if you would like more details. Making use of these funds would help preserve an emergency fund for future needs.

#### Called Home To Heaven

Dorothy Rauh was called home to heaven on Sunday, October 30. There will be a Memorial Service for her here at Grace-Tucson this Friday, November 11 at 10:30 AM with a luncheon to follow. If the Grace parking lot becomes full, you may park along 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue and 2<sup>nd</sup> Street since restrictions have been removed for the service.

John Lietha was also called to his heavenly home on Thursday, November 3. A service time and date are pending.

## Multi-Site Conference—Opportunities to Serve!

Grace will be hosting the first WELS Multi-Site Conference on November 14-16, 2016 at Grace-Tucson. More than 120 WELS members, leaders, staff ministers and pastors will attend to learn more about the kind of ministry our congregation has undertaken for over five years and which other WELS churches are carrying out in their own ways. Ours is a congregation with the gift of hospitality—you have demonstrated that in many ways and often! We are thankful for the opportunity to serve others as they visit us. We are in need of volunteers to set up tables and chairs, serving food and cleaning up afterward. We need a number of "hosts" to give direction to our guests (location of workshops, rest rooms, church office, etc.). There are a few other ways to serve as well. You may make yourself available for an hour or two or for the entire conference. We do need to know that we have everything covered, so please contact Pastor Koehler if you would like to serve or have questions (RevRGK3@GraceLutheranSAZ.org, 623-6633). You may also see him in the courtyard this morning.

## Men's Fellowship Group Bible Study

Saturday, November 19, at 9:00 AM in the Grace-Tucson Fellowship Hall, the Men's Fellowship Group will meet for a Bible Study on the book of 1 John, led by Pastor Kassulke. Coffee will be provided.

## Thanksgiving Dinner on November 20 at Grace-Sahuarita

Anyone 55 and older is invited to join us for a Thanksgiving Dinner at Grace-Sahuarita at noon on November 20. The Thanksgiving meal will be served by Tucson Campus Ministry students and Grace Lifeliners. Please get your tickets in the Fellowship Hall. If you'd like to invite a friend or neighbor, please get a ticket for them too. Everyone needs a ticket that wants to attend so that we have enough food prepared. If you realize you are unable to attend after grabbing a ticket, please be sure to get it back to the church office or give it to one of the pastors. This will allow for someone else to use the ticket. Please join us for this great opportunity for an intergeneration meal and fellowship.

## **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 quest 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. 9 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 Amy & David Rudd in thanks to God for 15 years of marriage.

## 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.

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

## **NEXT SUNDAY**

Next week's Scripture Lessons for Devotional Reading this Week

> Daniel 12:1-3 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 Mark 13:24-27

Sermon Text & Theme
Mark 13:24-27

Look! His Angels Gather his Elect

## SPECIAL ONE-TIME BIBLE STUDY THIS MORNING—God and the Government

During 9 AM Bible Class this morning, Pastor Koehler will lead a study of *God and the Government* as we prepare for Election Day and a change of leadership in the United States.



## 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 • Nov 6-Nov 13

TUCSON Today  Worship Services/Communion	
SAHUARITA Sunday GRAND OPENING! Worship Service	
Worship Service	

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Today	
Children's Sunday School	9:00a
Youth Confirmation Class	
Adult Bible Study: Of Kings & Prophets	
Worship Service	
Coffee Fellowship following worship	
Monday	
Bible Study at the Ministry Center: Sermon Review	9:00a
Wednesday	
Bible Study at the Ministry Center: Revelation	7:00p
Thursday	
Special Voters' Meeting at Grace-Tucson	6:00p
Sunday	
Children's Sunday School	9:00a
Youth Confirmation Class	
Adult Bible Study: Of Kings & Prophets	9:15a
Worship Service/Communion	10:00a

Coffee Fellowship following worship.....

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For more information about our synod and what we believe visit: www.wels.net