

Grace Ev. Lutheran Church
Tucson, AZ

Midweek 2 7 PM February 17, 2016

Parts of the service designated "L" are for the Leader (Pastor).
The Congregation is invited to join in the parts marked "G" for
"Group."

PRESERVICE MUSIC

The Lamb
Played by the Handbell Choir

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

Please stand

[L] The Lord Al - might - y grant us a qui - et night and peace
at the last. [G] A - - - - men. [L] It is good to give
thanks to the Lord, [G] to sing praise to your name, O Most High, [L] to
her - ald your love in the morn - ing, [G] your truth at the close of day.
[L] Je - sus, re - mem - ber me when you come in - to your king - dom.
[G] Je - sus, re - mem - ber me when you come in - to your king - dom.

CONFESSION OF SINS

[L] Our help is in the name of the Lord,
[G] who made heaven and earth.
[L] Let us confess our sins in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence for self-examination

- [L] Almighty God, our heavenly Father,
 [G] we have sinned against you in our thoughts, in our words, in our deeds, and in all that we have not done. Forgive us in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. Deliver and restore us, that we may rest in peace.
 [L] By the mercy of God we are redeemed by Jesus Christ, and in him we are forgiven. Let us rest in his peace until the rising of the sun when we shall serve him in newness of life.
 [G] Amen.

Please be seated

HYMN

Oh, Come, My Soul
Christian Worship #99

RESPONSIVE READING OF PSALM 32

- [L] Blessed is he whose transgressions are forgiven,
 [G] whose sins are covered.
 [L] When I kept silent, your hand was heavy upon me;
 [G] my strength was sapped as in the heat of summer.
 [L] Then I acknowledged my sin to you
 [G] and did not cover up my iniquity.
 [L] I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD,"
 [G] and you forgave the guilt of my sin.
 [L] You are my hiding place;
 [G] you will protect me from trouble.
 [L] Many are the woes of the wicked,
 [G] but the LORD's unfailing love surrounds those who trust in him.

PSALM PRAYER

- [L] Gracious Father in heaven, in countless ways we have transgressed against you. But you have been merciful to us and have forgiven the guilt of our sin.
 [G] Surround us with your unfailing love that we may rejoice in your great goodness now and forever; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

PASSION HISTORY

Lesson 1

In the evening Jesus and his apostles reclined at the table. And he said to them, "I have eagerly desired to eat this Passover with you before I suffer. For I tell you, I will not eat it again until it finds fulfillment in the kingdom of God. Jesus took the cup, gave thanks, and said, "Take this and divide it among you. For I tell you I will not drink again from the fruit of the vine from now until that day when I drink

it anew with you in my Father's kingdom."

Jesus knew that the time had come for him to leave this world and go to the Father. Having loved his own who were in the world, he now showed them the full extent of his love. The devil had already prompted Judas Iscariot, son of Simon, to betray Jesus. Jesus knew that the Father had put all things under his power, and

that he had come from God and was returning to God, so he got up from the meal, took off his outer clothing, and wrapped a towel around his waist. After that, he poured water into a basin and began to wash his disciples' feet, drying them with the towel that was wrapped around him.

He came to Simon Peter, who said to him, "Lord, are you going to wash my feet?"

Jesus replied, "You do not realize now what I am doing, but later you will understand."

"No," said Peter, "you shall never wash my feet."

Jesus answered, "Unless I wash you, you have no part with me."

"Then, Lord," Simon Peter replied, "not just my feet but my hands and my head as well."

Jesus answered, "A person who has had a bath needs only to wash his feet; his whole body is clean. And you are clean, though not every one of you." For he knew who was going to betray him, and that was why he said not every one was clean.

When he had finished washing their feet, he put on his clothes and returned to his place. "Do you understand what I have done for you?" he asked them. "You call me 'Teacher' and 'Lord,' and rightly so, for that is what I am. Now that I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also should wash one another's feet. I have set you an example that you should do as I have done for you. I tell you the truth, no servant is greater than his master, nor is a messenger greater than the one who sent him. Once you know these things, you will be blessed if you do them."

While they were eating, Jesus took bread, gave thanks, and 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." In the same way, after the supper he took the cup, gave thanks and offered it to them, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood, which is poured out for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins." They all drank from it.

Then Jesus said, "The hand of him who is going

to betray me is with mine on the table. The Son of Man will go just as it is written about him. But woe to that man who betrays him. It would be better for him if he had not been born. I am not referring to all of you; I know those I have chosen. But this is to fulfill the Scripture: 'He who shares my bread has lifted up his heel against me.' I am telling you now before it happens, so that when it does happen you will believe that I am he. I tell you the truth, whoever accepts anyone I send accepts me; and whoever accepts me accepts the one who sent me."

After Jesus had said this, he was deeply troubled. His disciples were very sad. They stared at one another, at a loss to know which of them he meant, and began to question among themselves which of them it might be who would do this. One after the other they began to say to him, "Surely not I, Lord?"

Jesus replied, "It is one of the Twelve. The one who has dipped his hand into the bowl with me will betray me."

The disciple whom Jesus loved was reclining next to him. Simon Peter motioned to this disciple and said, "Ask him which one he means."

Leaning back against Jesus, he asked him, "Lord, who is it?"

Jesus answered, "It is the one to whom I will give this piece of bread when I have dipped it in the dish." Then, dipping the piece of bread, he gave it to Judas Iscariot, son of Simon.

Then Judas, the one who would betray him, said, "Surely not I, Rabbi?"

Jesus answered, "Yes, it is you." As soon as Judas took the bread, Satan entered into him. "What you are about to do, do quickly," Jesus told him, but no one at the meal understood why Jesus said this to him. Since Judas had charge of the money, some thought Jesus was telling him to buy what was needed for the Feast, or to give something to the poor. As soon as Judas had taken the bread, he went out. And it was night.

(Scripture Lesson continues on page 4)

When he was gone, Jesus said, “Now is the Son of Man glorified and God is glorified in him. If God is glorified in him, God will glorify the Son in himself, and will glorify him at once. My children, I will be with you only a little longer. You will look for me, and just as I told the Jews, so I tell you now: Where I am going, you cannot come. A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. By this all men will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another.”

Simon Peter asked him, “Lord, where are you going?”

Jesus replied, “Where I am going, you cannot follow now, but you will follow later.”

Peter asked, “Lord, why can’t I follow you now? I will lay down my life for you.”

Then Jesus answered, “Will you really lay down your life for me?”

A dispute arose among them as to which of them was considered to be greatest. Jesus said to them, “The kings of the Gentiles lord it over them; and those who exercise authority over them are given the title Benefactor. But you are not to be like that. Instead, the greatest among you should be like the youngest, and the one who rules like the one who serves. For who is greater? The one who is at the table or the one who serves? Is it not the one who is at the table? But I am among you as one who serves. You are those who have stood by me in my trials. And I confer on you a kingdom, just as my Father conferred one on me, so that you may eat and drink at my table in my kingdom and sit on thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel.

“Simon, Simon, Satan has asked to sift you as wheat. But I have prayed for you, Simon, that your faith may not fail. And when you have turned back, strengthen your brothers.”

HYMN

A Lamb Goes Uncomplaining Forth *Christian Worship #100*

SERMON

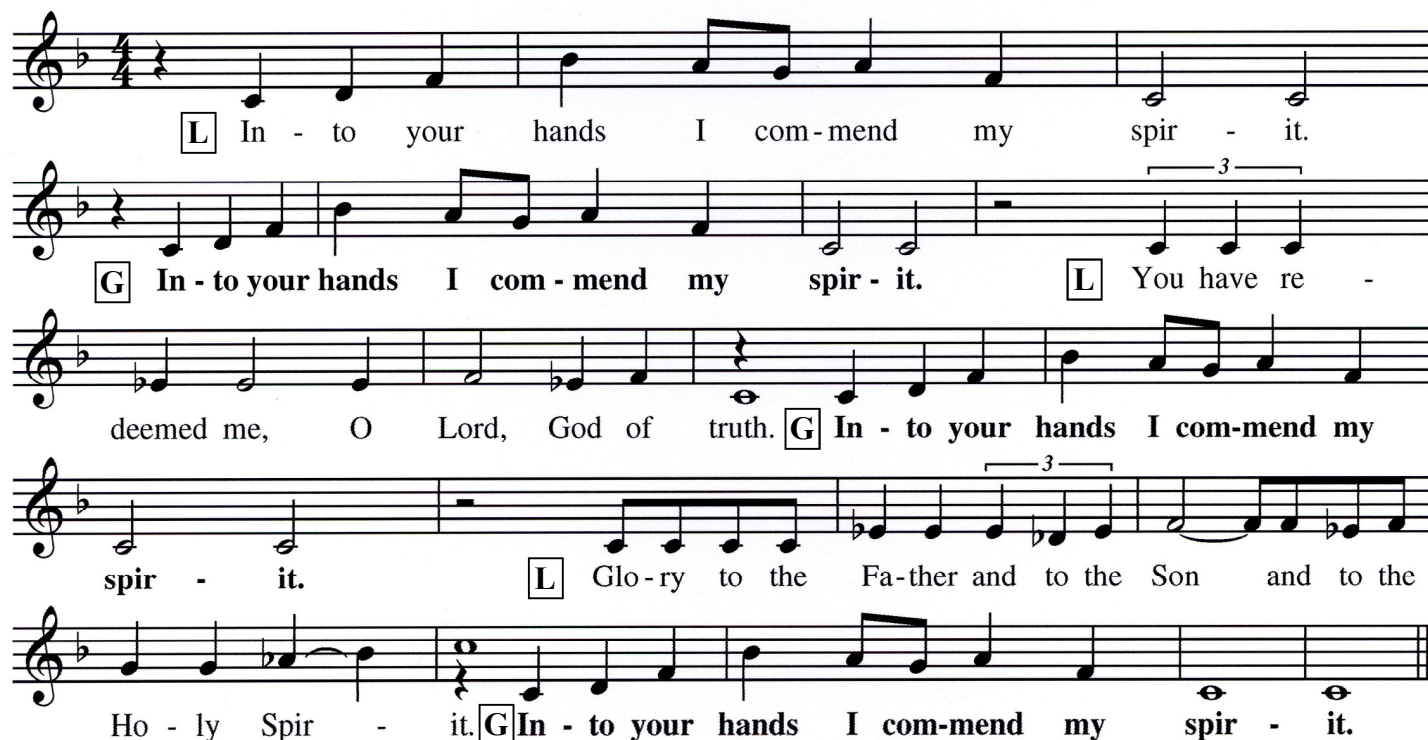
Therefore many of the Jews who had come to visit Mary, and had seen what Jesus did, put their faith in him. But some of them went to the Pharisees and told them what Jesus had done. Then the chief priests and the Pharisees called a meeting of the Sanhedrin. “What are we accomplishing?” they asked. “Here is this man performing many miraculous signs. If we let him go on like this, everyone will believe in him, and then the Romans will come and take away both our place and our nation.” Then one

John 11:45-53 It Is Better That One Man Die for the People!

of them, named Caiaphas, who was high priest that year, spoke up, “You know nothing at all! You do not realize that it is better for you that one man die for the people than that the whole nation perish.” He did not say this on his own, but as high priest that year he prophesied that Jesus would die for the Jewish nation, and not only for that nation but also for the scattered children of God, to bring them together and make them one. So from that day on they plotted to take his life.

Please stand

SERMON RESPONSE



[L] In - to your hands I com-mend my spir - it.

[G] In - to your hands I com - mend my spir - it. [L] You have re -

deemed me, O Lord, God of truth. [G] In - to your hands I com-mend my

spir - it. [L] Glo-ry to the Fa-ther and to the Son and to the

Ho - ly Spir - it. [G] In - to your hands I com-mend my spir - it.

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 tonight, 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.

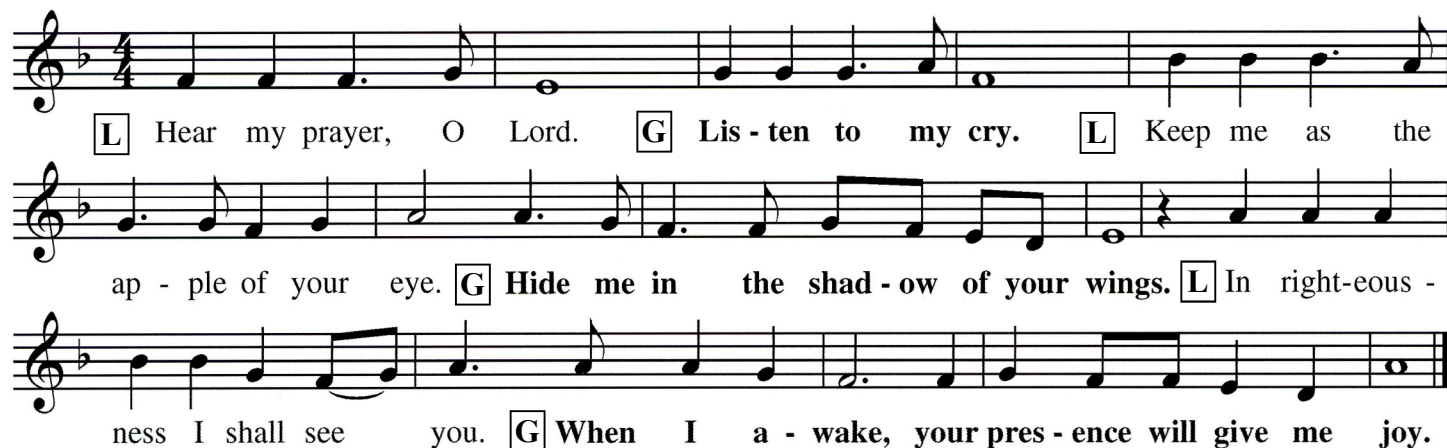
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Please stand

PRAYER



[L] Hear my prayer, O Lord. [G] Lis - ten to my cry. [L] Keep me as the

ap - ple of your eye. [G] Hide me in the shad - ow of your wings. [L] In right-eous -

ness I shall see you. [G] When I a - wake, your pres - ence will give me joy.

L Look down, O Lord, from your heavenly throne, and illuminate this night
with your celestial bright - ness,

L that by night as by day we may glorify your hol - y name,


L through Je - sus Christ our Lord.

G A - men.

LORD'S PRAYER

G Our Fa-ther in heav - en, hal-lowed be your name, your
king - dom come, your will be done on earth as in heav - en. Give
us to-day our dai - ly bread. For - give us our sins, as we for-give
those who sin a - gainst us. Lead us not in-to temp - ta - tion, but de -
liv - er us from e - vil. For the king - dom, the pow - er, and the glo - ry are
yours now and for - ev - er. A - men.

GOSPEL CANTICLE: SONG OF SIMEON



[L] Guide us wak-ing, O Lord, [G] and guard us sleep - - - ing. [L] that a-wake we may
watch with Christ [G] and a - sleep we may rest in peace. [G] In peace, Lord, in
peace you let your ser vant now de - part ac - cord ing to your word. For my
eyes have seen your sal - va - tion which you have prepared for ev 'ry people, a
light to light-en the Gen - tiles and the glo ry of your peo-ple Is - ra - el.
In peace, in peace.

BLESSING

[L] The almighty and merciful Lord—the Father, the Son, (†) and the Holy Spirit—
bless us and keep us.
[G] Amen.

Please be seated

CLOSING HYMN

Upon the Cross Extended
Christian Worship #113

Those Assisting in Worship this Evening

Service Pastor Sam Clemons
Accompanist..... Kathy Parra
Handbell Choir Director Melissa Newbrey
Sound and Recording Tech Jeremy Snavelly

Lenten Services

Wednesday midweek services will be held at Grace-Benson, Grace-Sahuarita, and Grace-Tucson every Wednesday through March 16. The theme for our services is "Ironies of the Passion."

Wednesday, February 24

Grace-Sahuarita	10 AM	Lenten Worship	"He Had Been Wanting to See Jesus"
Grace-Benson	6 PM	Soup Supper	
	7 PM	Lenten Worship	"He Had Been Wanting to See Jesus"
Grace-Tucson	10 AM & 7 PM	Lenten Worship	"Not During the Feast!"
	6 PM	Soup Supper	

Holy Week Schedule

Maundy Thursday

Thursday, March 24

10:00 AM at Grace-Sahuarita
10 AM & 7:00 PM at Grace-Tucson
7:00 PM at Grace-Benson

Good Friday

Friday, March 25

4:00 PM at Grace-Sahuarita

Tenebrae Service
(Service of Darkness)
7:00 PM at Grace-Tucson

Worshippers are asked to leave this church service in silence, leaving in stillness and darkness until the dawn of a glorious Easter Day. Please visit with friends and family prior to entering church for worship.



Easter Sunday

Sunday, March 27

Grace-Benson
Festival Worship—7:30 AM
Easter Breakfast—8:30 AM

Grace-Sahuarita
Festival Worship—9:45 AM
Easter Brunch—10:45 AM

Grace-Tucson
Sunrise Worship—7 AM
Easter Breakfast—8 AM
Easter Concert—9 AM
Festival Worship—10 AM

Grace-Vail
Easter Breakfast—9 AM
Festival Worship—10 AM

Grace-Tucson

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