

# Fourth Sunday of Easter Good Shepherd Sunday



Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church  
April 17, 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.

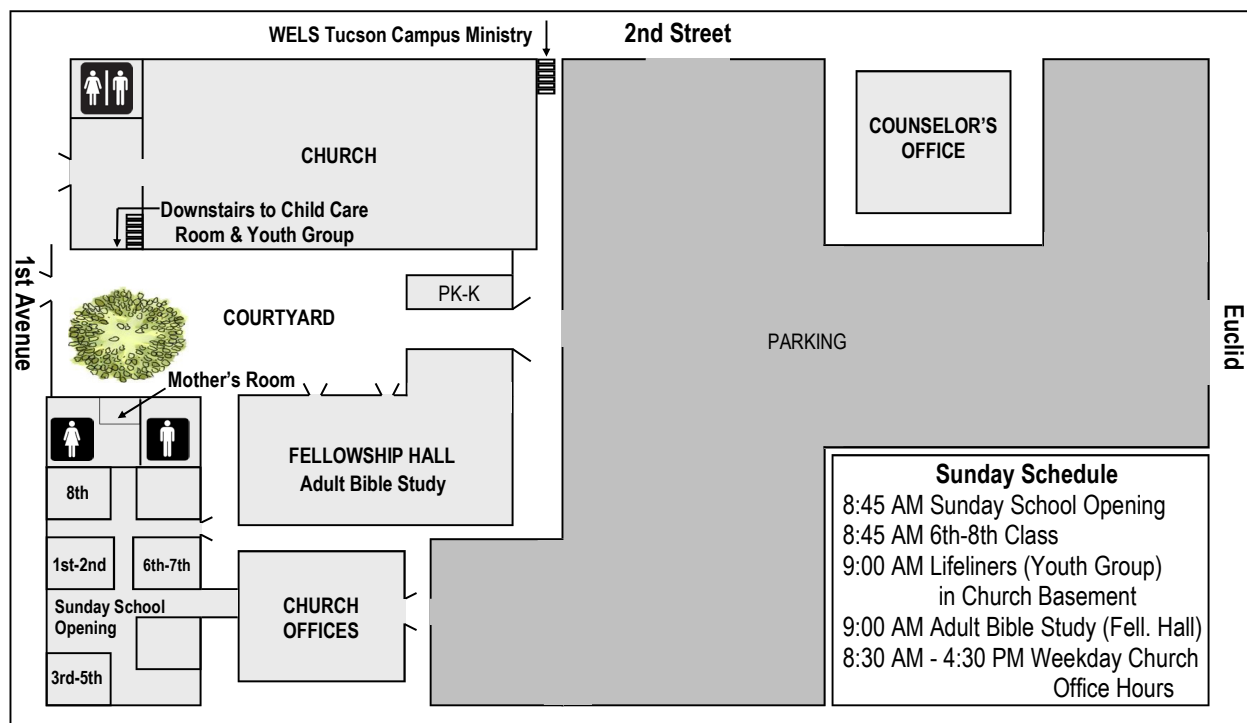
**Hymns** are found in our hymnal, *Christian Worship*, which is the red book in the pew rack in front of you.

**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](http://www.GraceLutheranSAZ.org)



**DIVINE SERVICE II**  
*Christian Worship Supplement*

**PRESERVICE MUSIC:**

**7:45 AM—**  
*My Shepherd Knows*  
Arr. by John Purifoy

**SUNDAY SCHOOL CHOIR (10:00 AM)**

**I Am Jesus' Little Lamb**

*I am Jesus' little lamb;  
Ever glad at heart I am,  
For my shepherd gently guides me,  
Knows my needs and well provides me,  
Loves me ev'ry day the same,  
Even calls me by my name.*

**WELCOME**

**HYMN**

**Awake, My Heart, with Gladness**  
*Christian Worship #156*

*Please stand*

**INVOCATION**

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

Congregation: Amen.

**CONFESSION OF SINS**

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

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

**ABSOLUTION**

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

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

C: Amen.

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

## LORD, HAVE MERCY—Kyrie

Mark 10:47

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

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

C: Lord, have mercy.

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

C: Christ, have mercy.

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

C: Lord, have mercy.

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

C: Amen.

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

## GLORY BE TO GOD Gloria in Excelsis

Luke 2:14

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



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

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

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

## THE WORD

### SALUTATION

M: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: Let us pray.

O Lord Jesus Christ, you are the Good Shepherd who laid down your life for the sheep. Lead us now to the still waters of your life-giving Word that we may abide in your Father's house forevermore; for you live and reign with him and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

*Please be seated*

## FIRST LESSON

Keep watch over yourselves and all the flock of which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers. Be shepherds of the church of God, which he bought with his own blood. I know that after I leave, savage wolves will come in among you and will not spare the flock. Even from your own number men will arise and distort the truth in order

### Acts 20:28-32 (NIV)

to draw away disciples after them. So be on your guard! Remember that for three years I never stopped warning each of you night and day with tears. Now I commit you to God and to the word of his grace, which can build you up and give you an inheritance among all those who are sanctified.

*The First Lesson is frequently a reading from the Old Testament (though today it is from the New Testament book of Acts). It shares a common theme with the Second Lesson (often from one of the epistles) and the Gospel.*

## SECOND LESSON

To the elders among you, I appeal as a fellow elder, a witness of Christ's sufferings and one who also will share in the glory to be revealed: Be shepherds of God's flock that is under your care, serving as overseers—not because you must, but because you are

### 1 Peter 5:1-4 (NIV)

willing, as God wants you to be; not greedy for money, but eager to serve; not lording it over those entrusted to you, but being examples to the flock. And when the Chief Shepherd appears, you will receive the crown of glory that will never fade away.

## VERSE OF THE DAY

*Romans 10:17*



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

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

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

*Please stand*

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

## GOSPEL LESSON

John 10:11-18 (NIV)

M: The Gospel according to John chapter ten.

C: Glory be to you, O Lord.

"I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. The hired hand is not the shepherd who owns the sheep. So when he sees the wolf coming, he abandons the sheep and runs away. Then the wolf attacks the flock and scatters it. The man runs away because he is a hired hand and cares nothing for the sheep. I am the good shepherd; I know my sheep and my sheep know me—just as the Father knows me and I know the Father—and I

lay down my life for the sheep. I have other sheep that are not of this sheep pen. I must bring them also. They too will listen to my voice, and there shall be one flock and one shepherd. The reason my Father loves me is that I lay down my life—only to take it up again. No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have authority to lay it down and authority to take it up again. This command I received from my Father."

M: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise be to you, O Christ.

*Please be seated*

## HYMN OF THE DAY (see page 10)

The Lord's My Shepherd  
*Christian Worship Supplement #766*

## SERMON

John 10:11-18  
I Know My Sheep and My Sheep Know Me

*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.

*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.*

*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!*

*Please stand*

## PRAYER OF THE CHURCH—GOOD SHEPHERD

M: Lord Jesus, Good Shepherd, we have heard your loving voice in the gospel and have feasted in the green pastures of your holy Word. Bless your Word in our lives. Use its message to sustain us as we journey through this life to the next. Remind us always that you laid down your life for sheep like us.

Gracious shepherd, we are truly confused and foolish without you. Forgive us for the times we wander and stray from you. Restore us to your fold, and protect us from the evil one. When Satan comes in the sheep's clothing of false teaching, expose his lies and guide us in your truth.

Guiding shepherd, bless your church with faithful pastors and leaders who proclaim your death and resurrection as they minister to the souls under their care. Give all ministers of the gospel an unwavering devotion to your Word.

Tender shepherd, look with special care on all who suffer from loneliness, disease, accident, or loss. Lift them into your comforting arms, and embrace them with the warmth of your love.

Loving shepherd, we pray also for your other sheep. Let your voice be heard throughout the world. Bless the work of missionaries at home and abroad. Give us all the zeal and courage to share with our friends and neighbors the good news of sins forgiven.

*Special prayers and intercessions may follow.*

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

*Silent prayer.*

M: Eternal shepherd, when our days on earth come to an end and we walk through the valley of the shadow of death, lead us safely to our eternal, heavenly home, where we will enjoy your goodness and mercy forever.

C: Amen.



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

## OFFERTORY MUSIC:

**7:45 AM—**  
*Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us*  
Arr. by Victor Labenske

## THE SACRAMENT

### PREFACE

M: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

M: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them up to the Lord.

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

C: It is good and right so to do.

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

*Sanctus means "holy." Used possibly as early as the second century, this canticle was in wide use among Christians in worship by the fourteenth century.*

### HOLY, HOLY, HOLY *Sanctus*

*Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9*

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

1. O ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of pow'r and might,  
2. Ho - san - na in the high - est! How tru - ly blest is he

Your glo - ry, earth and heav - en In count - less ways re - cite.  
Who in God's name is com - ing To set his peo - ple free!

Ho - san - na! Come and save us, Lord God of hosts on high,  
He comes to bring sal - va - tion And with his blood out - poured,

And in your grace and mer - cy Re - ceive our fer - vent cry.  
De - liv - er us from bond - age Ho - san - na, might - y Lord!

### PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

M: Blessed are you, O Lord of heaven and earth. We praise and thank you for sending your Son, Jesus Christ, and we remember the great acts of love through which he has ransomed us from sin, death, and the devil's power.

By his incarnation, he became one with us.  
By his perfect life, he fulfilled your holy will.  
By his innocent death, he overcame hell.  
By his rising from the grave, he opened heaven.



M: Invited by your grace and instructed by your Word, we approach your table with repentant and joyful hearts. Strengthen us through Christ's body and blood, and preserve us in the true faith until we feast with him and all his ransomed people in glory everlasting.

C: Amen.

## LORD'S PRAYER

*Matthew 6:9-13*

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

*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.*

## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

*Matthew 26:26-28  
1 Corinthians 11:24, 25*

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

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

M: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: Amen.

## LAMB OF GOD

*Agnus Dei*

*John 1:29*

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

Please be seated

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.

## DISTRIBUTION

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

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

## DISTRIBUTION HYMN (10:00 AM)

Jesus, Shepherd of the Sheep  
Christian Worship #436

Please stand

## SONG OF SIMEON Nunc Dimittis

Luke 2:29-32

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

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

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

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

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

M: We give you thanks, O Lord, for the foretaste of the heavenly banquet that you have given us to eat and to drink in this sacrament. Through this gift you have fed our faith, nourished our hope, and strengthened our love. By your Spirit, help us to live as your holy people until that day when you will receive us as your guests at the wedding supper of the Lamb, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

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*

## CLOSING HYMN

## How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds

*Christian Worship #358*

<b>Preacher</b> .....	Pastor Sam Clemons
<b>Worship Leader</b> .....	Pastor Nathan Kassulke (10:00 AM)
<b>Communion Assistants</b> .....	Outreach Elder Jeff Weinstein (10:00 AM)
	Member Ministry Elder Boz Lomasney (10:00 AM)
<b>Accompanists</b> .....	Kathy Parra (7:45 AM)
	Tina Christianson (10:00 AM)
<b>Sunday School Choir Director</b> .....	Beth Kassulke (10:00 AM)
<b>Distribution Music</b> .....	Melissa Newbrey (10:00 AM)
<b>Ushers</b> .....	Vic Thornton, Rusty King (7:45 AM)
	Jon Dongoske, Jonathan Ganster, Danny Koehler (10:00 AM)
	Jon Miller, Rick Street (10:00 AM)
<b>Sound &amp; Recording Tech</b> .....	Jeremy Snavelly (10:00 AM)
<b>Altar Prep Team</b> .....	Cynthia Breitreitz, Sally Littau

**POSTLUDE:**  
7:45 AM—  
*The Lord's My  
Shepherd; I'll Not  
Want*  
CW #360

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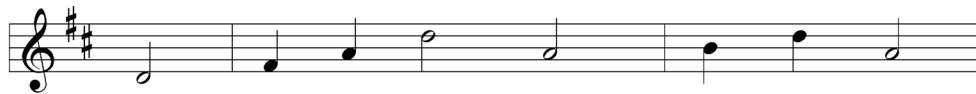
## The Lord's My Shepherd



1 The Lord's my Shep - herd; I'll not want.  
 2 My soul he doth re - store a - gain  
 3 Yea, though I walk in death's dark vale,  
 4 My ta - ble thou hast fur - nish - ed  
 5 Good - ness and mer - cy, all my life,



He makes me down to lie  
 And me to walk doth make  
 Yet will I fear no ill;  
 In pre - sence of my foes;  
 Shall sure - ly fol - low me,



In pas - tures green; he lead - eth me  
 With - in the paths of right - eous - ness,  
 For thou art with me, and thy rod  
 My head thou dost with oil a - noint,  
 And in God's house for - ev - er - more



The qui - et wa - ters by.  
 E'en for his own name's sake.  
 And staff me com - fort still.  
 And my cup o - ver - flows.  
 My dwell - ing place shall be.



He lead - eth me, he lead - eth me  
 With - in the paths of right - eous - ness,  
 For thou art with me, and thy rod  
 My head thou dost with oil a - noint,  
 And in God's house for - ev - er - more



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## **Divine Call Declined and Special Voters' Meeting**

Pastor Caleb Schoeneck has informed Grace that he has declined the Divine Call extended to him to serve as our Mission Pastor to Sahuarita. He will continue serving as Pastor at Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church in College Station, TX. We pray that God would bless his ministry there as well as our work in Southern Arizona. You will find Pastor Schoeneck's Call decision letter on page 14.

**A Special Voters' Meeting has been scheduled at Grace-Tucson for Tuesday evening, April 26 at 7:00 PM.** At this meeting the voters will be asked to consider requesting a graduate from Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary to serve as Mission Pastor to Sahuarita. The motion to seek a graduate, which includes the rationale behind this suggestion, is available at [www.GraceTucsonWELS.com/motion](http://www.GraceTucsonWELS.com/motion). A copy is also posted in the courtyard display case. There is also a regular Voters' Meeting scheduled for Saturday, May 14 at 8:30 AM in the Grace-Tucson Fellowship Hall (breakfast at 8:00 AM).

## **Seminary Call Day**

Call Day at Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary is Thursday, May 19. In a special worship service at 10:00 AM (8:00 Tucson time), the graduates of WLS will be presented with their assignments to their first Calls. We expect the Call Service to be available for streaming online as well. This Call Day Service is especially exciting for Grace as we have already requested the assignment of a graduate to conduct youth and family ministry and campus ministry at Grace-Tucson.

## **Quarterly Offering Statements Available**

Those who use the offering envelopes or *Simply Giving* for their giving to the Lord will find a quarterly offering statement envelope with their name on it on the table in the courtyard. Please pick yours up today. We hope you'll appreciate the opportunity to check for any recording errors we may have made and perhaps use it to review your gifts of love to your Savior.

## **LWMS Grand Canyon East Circuit Spring Rally**

The LWMS (Lutheran Women's Missionary Society) 2016 Spring Rally is this Saturday, April 23. The rally will be at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Lakeside, AZ (4839 Vallery Lane, Lakeside, AZ 85929)! What a great opportunity to learn more about how WELS Women can support mission work, hear some inspiring speakers and spend the day with your sisters-in-Christ. Registration is \$10. **If you haven't already registered, you may sign up at Immanuel the morning of the rally, but please let Cora know so she can update the ladies in advance.** Thanks!

## **Men's Fellowship Hike**

The Men's Fellowship Group will go on a hike Saturday, April 30 at 9:00 AM at Sabino Canyon (5900 N. Sabino Canyon Rd, 85750). All men 18 and older are invited to attend. Questions? Contact Boz Lomasney at (440) 251-4704.

## 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.

### 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 Jeanette O'Donald & Nadine Rentschler. 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*

Acts 16:11-15  
1 John 3:18-24  
John 15:1-8

#### **Sermon Text**

John 15:1-8  
*Deadwood or Fruitful Branch—  
Which Are You?*

### Canvassing at Vail

Volunteers are needed to help canvass the Rita Ranch and Vail areas on April 30 from 9:30-11:30 AM. We will meet at Esmond Station Elementary (9400 S. Atterbury Wash Way). Even if you've never been canvassing before, we would love to have you join us. After canvassing, we will treat you to lunch.

### Thank You

Don Paul Kwart, son of Ron & Helen Kwart, would like to thank the members of Grace for their prayers during his recent stay in the hospital. He is now back at home.

### Confirmation Sundays

This year's Youth Confirmation at Grace-Tucson is Sunday, May 1. Two young ladies (Grace Hansen and Ronda McNamara) will be confirmed in the 10:00 AM worship service. All are invited to congratulate the confirmands with a cake reception following the service.

Grace-Vail's Youth Confirmation will be Sunday, May 22. Colton Watson and Spencer Hildreth will be confirmed in the 10:00 AM service that day. All are invited to attend and congratulate the confirmands.

### Donations for St. Marcus Students

Once again this year Grace is hosting a group of WELS 7th grade students from St. Marcus Lutheran School in Milwaukee. They are arriving in Tucson on May 19 through the program "Discover America" which rewards students based on their academic performance and behavior. Each student raised a portion of the expenses to come on the trip.

We are accepting donations to pay for the food that will be served to the students and teachers while they are here. You can make a cash donation or use a check made payable to *Grace Lutheran Church* (note St. Marcus on the bottom of the check). **Donations will be collected beginning April 24th.** The donation box will be found near the main entrance of church.



**Grace is one congregation  
at FOUR places!**

**Enjoy worship, Bible study and activities  
at Grace locations in  
Benson, Sahuarita, Tucson and Vail.**

**This Week at Grace • Apr 17-Apr 24**

**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):  
• *Pastor Clemons: Book of Esther* .....9:00a  
WELS TCM Bible Study: *Eegee's & an Epistle* .....7:00p

**Monday**

English as a Second Language Classes .....6:30p

**Tuesday**

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

**SAHUARITA**

**Today**

Choir Practice.....9:00a  
Worship Service..... 9:45a Bible Study: *Beatitudes* ...11:00a

**Wednesday**

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

**Thursday**

Choir Practice.....4:00p

**Sunday**

Choir Practice.....9:00a  
Worship Service/Coffee Fellowship .....9:45a

**BENSON**

**Today**

Worship Service .....7:30a

**Sunday**

Worship Service/Communion .....7:30a

**Wednesday**

Midweek Bible Study: *Church History*.....10:00a  
Midweek Bible Study: *Church History*.....7:00p

**Thursday**

Women's Bible Study: *Digging for Insights* .....9:00a

**Saturday**

LWMS Spring Rally in Lakeside, AZ .....9:00a

**Sunday**

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

**VAIL**

**Today**

Adult Bible Study: *Book of Judges* ..... 9:00a  
Children's Sunday School.....9:00a  
Youth Confirmation Class .....9:00a  
Worship Service..... 10:00a  
Coffee Fellowship following worship.....

**Wednesday**

Bible Study at the Chandekars: *Road to Emmaus* ..... 7:00p

**Sunday**

Adult Bible Study: *Book of Judges* ..... 9:00a  
Children's Sunday School.....9:00a  
Youth Confirmation Class .....9:00a  
Worship Service/Communion ..... 10:00a  
Coffee Fellowship following worship.....

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Dear Members of Grace,

**“He who did not spare his own Son, but gave him up for us all—how will he not also, along with him, graciously give us all things?” (Romans 8:32)**

It has been a privilege to hear the voice of my Savior in the divine call you extended for me to serve as your pastor. Also, thanks enough cannot be said for all the time and information you shared with me about the gospel ministry at Grace in Southern Arizona. There were many blessings that came from holding this opportunity before the Lord in prayer together with you.

I have arrived at the decision to continue serving as the pastor at Beautiful Savior in College Station, Texas. I pray that God fill you with peace as you continue to pray for a pastor who will serve among you and share the good news with those who know it best—and those who need to hear it the most—that we are...

Forgiven!

Pastor Caleb Schoeneck

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