

# Summer Worship Series



## WEEK 6: THE MOUNTAIN OF TEMPTATION

Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church  
July 31, 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.

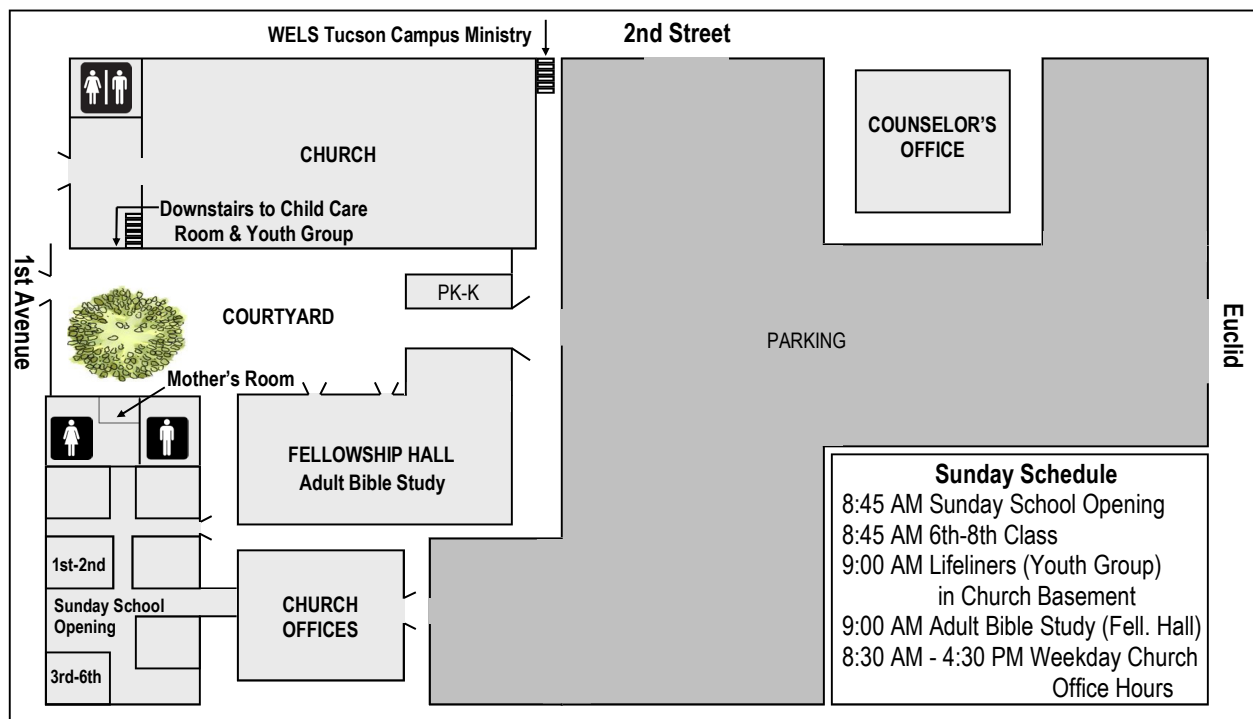
**Hymns** are found in our hymnal, *Christian Worship*, which is the red book in the pew rack in front of you.

**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)



# SERVICE OF THE WORD

## Christian Worship

### WELCOME

### HYMN

### I Know My Faith Is Founded

Christian Worship #403

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: We have come into the presence of God, who created us to love and serve him as his dear children. But we have disobeyed him and deserve only his wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our sins to him and plead for his mercy.

C: Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from birth. In countless ways I have sinned against you and do not deserve to be called your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior, I pray: Have mercy on me according to your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin, and take away my guilt.

M: God, our heavenly Father, has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, he has removed your guilt forever. You are his own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to his will.

C: Amen.

### PRAYER AND PRAISE

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

### OH, TASTE AND SEE



C: Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good.



Bless - ed are they who take ref - uge in him. Your Word, O Lord, is e -



ter - nal; it stands firm in the heav - ens. Your faith-ful-ness con -



tin - ues for - ev - er. Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good.



Bless - ed are they who take ref - uge in him.

### Banner

The banner at the front of church will be displayed throughout our whole summer worship series. It declares David's words of praise to God for delivering him from his enemies and the hands of Saul (2 Samuel 22:47b).

### PRESERVICE MUSIC:

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus  
Setting by Paul Manz

Ein Feste Burg  
Setting by John Ferguson

The words of this song of praise are based on Psalm 34:8 and Psalm 119:89. It marks our thankfulness to have heard God's forgiveness of our sins and anticipates our listening to God's Word throughout our worship service.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: Let us pray.

Lord our strength, the battle of good and evil rages within and around us, and our ancient foe tempts us with his deceits and empty promises. Keep us steadfast in your Word, and when we fall, raise us up again and restore us through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



*Please be seated*

## THE WORD

### FIRST LESSON

Now the serpent was more crafty than any of the wild animals the LORD God had made. He said to the woman, “Did God really say, ‘You must not eat from any tree in the garden?’” The woman said to the serpent, “We may eat fruit from the trees in the garden, but God did say, ‘You must not eat fruit from the tree that is in the middle of the garden, and you must not touch it, or you will die.’” “You will not surely die,” the serpent said to the woman. “For God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil.” When the woman saw that the fruit of the tree was good for food and pleasing to the eye, and also desirable for gaining wisdom, she took some and ate it. She also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate it. Then the eyes of both of them were opened, and they realized they were naked; so they sewed fig leaves together and made coverings for themselves. Then the man and his wife heard the sound of the LORD God as he was walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and they hid from the LORD God among the trees of the garden. But the LORD God called to the

### Genesis 3:1-19 (NIV)

man, “Where are you?” He answered, “I heard you in the garden, and I was afraid because I was naked; so I hid.” And he said, “Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree that I commanded you not to eat from?” The man said, “The woman you put here with me—she gave me some fruit from the tree, and I ate it.” Then the LORD God said to the woman, “What is this you have done?” The woman said, “The serpent deceived me, and I ate.” So the LORD God said to the serpent, “Because you have done this, Cursed are you above all the livestock and all the wild animals! You will crawl on your belly and you will eat dust all the days of your life. And I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and hers; he will crush your head, and you will strike his heel.” To the woman he said, “I will greatly increase your pains in childbearing; with pain you will give birth to children. Your desire will be for your husband, and he will rule over you.” To Adam he said, “Because you listened to your wife and ate from the tree about which I commanded you, ‘You must not eat of it,’ Cursed is the

*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.*

ground because of you; through painful toil you will eat of it all the days of your life. It will produce thorns and thistles for you, and you will eat the plants of the field. By the sweat of

your brow you will eat your food until you return to the ground, since from it you were taken; for dust you are and to dust you will return.”

## PSALM OF THE DAY

## Psalm 71

### *Refrain*



Bless- ed are they who hope who hope in the Lord.

### *Psalm Tone*



1. In you, O LORD, I have taken / refuge;\* let me never be / put to shame.
2. Rescue me and deliver me in your / righteousness;\*  
turn your ear to me and / save me.
3. Be my rock of refuge to which I can / always go;\*  
for you are my rock and my / fortress.

### *Refrain*

4. Since my youth, O God, you have / taught me,\*  
and to this day I declare your mar- / velous deeds.
5. Even when I am / old and gray,\* do not forsake / me, O God,
6. till I declare your power to the next gener- / ation,\*  
your might to all who / are to come.
7. **Glory be to the Father and / to the Son\* and to the Holy / Spirit,**  
**as it was in the be- / ginning,\* is now, and will be forever. / Amen.**

### *Refrain*

## SECOND LESSON

## 1 Peter 5:6-11 (NIV)

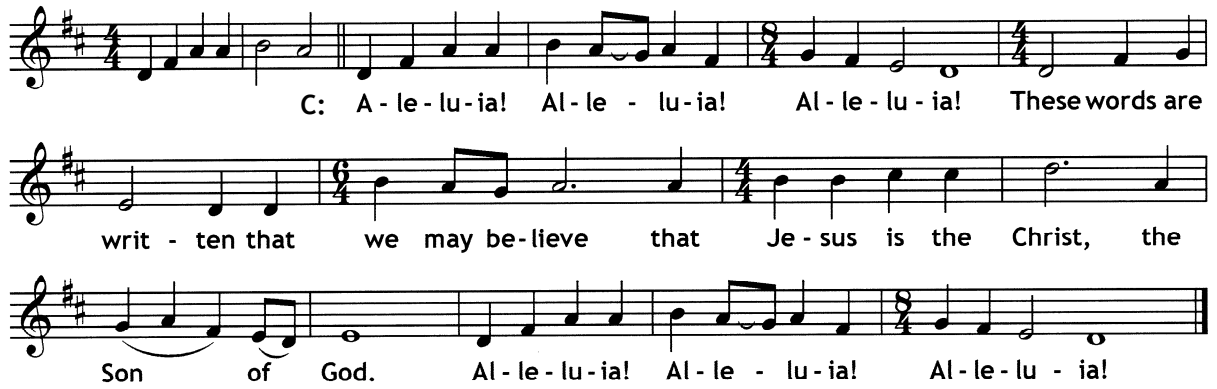
Humble yourselves, therefore, under God's mighty hand, that he may lift you up in due time. Cast all your anxiety on him because he cares for you. Be self-controlled and alert. Your enemy the devil prowls around like a roaring lion looking for someone to devour. Resist him, standing firm in the faith, because you know that your

brothers throughout the world are undergoing the same kind of sufferings. And the God of all grace, who called you to his eternal glory in Christ, after you have suffered a little while, will himself restore you and make you strong, firm and steadfast. To him be the power for ever and ever. Amen.

## VERSE OF THE DAY

John 20:31

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



*Please stand*

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

## GOSPEL

Matthew 4:1-11 (NIV)

Then Jesus was led by the Spirit into the desert to be tempted by the devil. After fasting forty days and forty nights, he was hungry. The tempter came to him and said, "If you are the Son of God, tell these stones to become bread." Jesus answered, "It is written: 'Man does not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.'" Then the devil took him to the holy city and had him stand on the highest point of the temple. "If you are the Son of God," he said, "throw yourself down. For it is written: 'He will command his angels concerning you, and they will

lift you up in their hands, so that you will not strike your foot against a stone.'" Jesus answered him, "It is also written: 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test.'" Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendor. "All this I will give you," he said, "if you will bow down and worship me." Jesus said to him, "Away from me, Satan! For it is written: 'Worship the Lord your God, and serve him only.'" Then the devil left him, and angels came and attended him.

*After the Gospel, the congregation sings:*



*Please be seated*

## HYMN OF THE DAY

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God  
*Christian Worship #201*

## SERMON

Matthew 4:1-11  
The Mountain of Temptation

*Please stand*

## APOSTLES' CREED

**C:** I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

*Please be seated*

## OFFERING

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

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

*Please stand*

## PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

**M:** O Lord, our God, you are wise and powerful, good and gracious. Your mercies are new every morning. Each day you open your hand and provide for the needs of your children on earth.

**C:** We praise you for every grace and blessing.

**M:** Strengthen your Church in all the world. Let your comforting message of salvation in Christ Jesus be proclaimed to troubled souls everywhere.

**C:** Use our ministries and offerings to extend your healing and your hope.

**M:** We bring you our requests for the various structures of our society. Bless our national, state, and local governments.

**C:** Grant us civil servants who are worthy of honor and respect.

**M:** Grant prosperity to our businesses and industries. Give employers a sense of fairness toward their workers, and employees a feeling of joy and pride in their workmanship.

**C:** Help us find satisfaction in all work well done.

*The Apostles' Creed developed in the Early Christian Church as a personal confession of faith. It is so named because it confesses the faith taught by the Apostles of Jesus.*



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

## OFFERTORY MUSIC:

*Beautiful Savior  
(Silesian Folk Tune)*

M: Invigorate the schools of our land. Give success to every effort that helps students read, think, and communicate in ways that will promote an informed and responsible citizenry. Arouse curious minds to discover the wonders of your created order.

C: Give us teachers and students who pursue excellence.

M: Strengthen the families of our country. Give fathers and mothers a renewed commitment to be good parents. Give children and young people the wisdom to regard their parents as your representatives.

C: Lead us to love one another as you have loved us.

*Special prayers and intercessions may follow.*

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

*Silent prayer.*

M: Gracious Father, we pray boldly as Jesus taught, with confidence that you will hear and with faith that you will respond for our welfare.

C: 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.*

## 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.

*Please be seated*

## HYMN

**Rise! To Arms! With Prayer Employ You**  
*Christian Worship #455*

*Please stand*

## PRAYER

M: O Lord God, our heavenly Father, pour out the Holy Spirit on your faithful people. Keep us strong in your grace and truth, protect and comfort us in all temptation, and bestow on us your saving peace, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C: A - men.



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.

*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*



C:        A - men.    A   -   men.    A        -        men.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

## CLOSING HYMN

**With the Lord Begin Your Task**  
*Christian Worship #478*

## THOSE ASSISTING IN WORSHIP TODAY

<b>Preacher</b> .....	Pastor Sam Clemons
<b>Worship Leader</b> .....	Pastor Nathan Kassulke (10:00 AM)
<b>Accompanists</b> .....	Adele Kapellusch (7:45 AM)
	Tina Christianson (10:00 AM)
<b>Ushers</b> .....	Vic Thornton, Rusty King (7:45 AM)
	Dave Breitzkreitz, Ed Ethington, Dylan Guenther (10:00 AM)
	Lucas Guenther, Ferdie Kramm, Josiah Weinstein (10:00 AM)
<b>Sound &amp; Recording Tech</b> .....	Jeremy Snively (10:00 AM)
<b>Greeters</b> .....	Jean & Ron Husemann (10:00 AM)
<b>Banner Committee</b> .....	Jeanette O'Donald, Nadine Rentschler, Sandy Weir

## POSTLUDE:

*O God, Beyond All  
Praising*  
Arr. by Robert  
Hobby

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## Farewell Service For Pastor Clemons Today

This afternoon at 4:00 PM there will be a special worship service to thank God for the ministry of Pastor Clemons who is retiring.

## 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.

### Altar Flowers

The flowers beautifying our worship this morning have been given by the Kassulke, Koehler, and Rieke families in thanksgiving to God for the many ways he has blessed our congregation through Pastor Sam and Mary Clemons. We pray for God's richest blessings in your retirement!

### 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 Jonathan and Lakeisha Ganster. 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*

Matthew 5:1-16  
Deuteronomy 6:4-12  
Ephesians 4:11-16

### **Sermon Text & Theme**

Matthew 5:1-16  
*The Sermon on the Mount*

### ESL Help Needed!

English as a Second Language is in need of a teacher for the beginning class (level 1), snack preparers and childcare volunteers beginning in September. If this is something you are interested in, please contact the church office (623-6633) or Joyce Long (795-6456). *ESL runs Mondays and Tuesdays from 6:30-8:30 PM September through May.*

### Mountaintop Experiences

The Bible tells us about numerous events that took place on or near mountains. Many of these events changed God's people and the course of their history. Still today these lessons teach us about God and our relationship to him. This summer's extended Worship Series at all of Grace's sites invites us to contemplate several of these Mountaintop Experiences. Next week: "The Sermon on the Mount."



### Wednesday Bible Study

Our study of "A History of the Christian Church from Pentecost to the Present" has taken us from the apostles through the middle ages. We thank Pastor Clemons for leading this class since 2008. With Pastor Clemons' retirement, Pastor Kassulke will begin teaching the class this coming Wednesday, August 3 at 10 AM & 7 PM. August classes will introduce the Lutheran Reformation. Even if you haven't been to this class yet, now would be a great time to jump in!



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

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

**This Week at Grace • July 31-Aug 7**

**TUCSON**

Worship Services ..... 7:45 & 10:00a  
Coffee Fellowship following both services .....  
Children's Sunday School ..... 8:45a  
Lifeliners (High School Group): *Bible Study* ..... 9:00a  
Adult Bible Study (Fellowship Hall):  
• *Life of Christ: Jesus' Last Days* ..... 9:00a  
**Pastor Clemons' Farewell Service** ..... 4:00p

**SAHUARITA**

**Today**

Worship Service ..... 9:45a  
Coffee Fellowship following worship .....  
**Pastor Clemons' Farewell Service at Grace-Tucson** ... 4:00p

**Wednesday**

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

**Sunday**

Worship Service/Communion ..... 9:45a  
Coffee Fellowship following worship .....  
Bible Study: *Beatitudes* ..... 11:00a

**BENSON**

**Today**

Worship Service ..... 7:30a  
**Pastor Clemons' Farewell Service at Grace-Tucson** ... 4:00p

**Sunday**

Worship Service ..... 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

**Sunday**

Worship Services/Communion ..... 7:45 & 10:00a  
Coffee Fellowship following both services .....  
Children's Sunday School ..... 8:45a  
Lifeliners (High School Group): *Bible Study* ..... 9:00a  
Adult Bible Study (Fellowship Hall):  
• *Patoka: WELS Seminary* ..... 9:00a  
**Baby Shower for Christa Kassulke** ..... 1:00p

**VAIL**

**Today**

Family Bible Study: *Parables of Jesus* ..... 9:00a  
Worship Service ..... 10:00a  
Coffee Fellowship following worship .....  
**Pastor Clemons' Farewell Service at Grace-Tucson** ... 4:00p

**Sunday**

Family Bible Study: *Parables of Jesus* ..... 9:00a  
Worship Service ..... 10:00a  
Coffee Fellowship following worship .....

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## Thank You

Dave Breitzkreitz, Grace's Trustee, would like to thank Ed Ethington, Bryan Guenther, Dylan Guenther, Jon Guenther, Lucas Guenther, Ferdie Kramm, Bob Rentschler, Dale Stevens, Ron Stevens, and Vic Thornton for helping at the Grace-Tucson workday on the 23<sup>rd</sup>. Because of the great turnout, they were able to get the main entrance doors refinished as well as a few other projects! An extra thank you to Jon Guenther for organizing the work day and providing the supplies needed.

## Baby Shower for Christa Kassulke

There will be a baby shower for Christa Kassulke in the Grace-Tucson fellowship hall next Sunday, August 7 at 1:00 PM. All women of the congregation are invited to attend. Christa is registered at Target, Buy Buy Baby and Babies R Us and does not know if she is having a boy or a girl. If you have any questions, please talk to Beth Kassulke (260-3649) or Lisa Goldie (603-5120).



## Mackenzie Pigeon's Birthday Celebration

The Grace congregation is invited to a birthday celebration for Mackenzie Pigeon on Saturday, August 13 at 11:00 AM in the Grace-Tucson Fellowship Hall. She will be turning two! There will be drinks, snacks and of course cake! Email Erin Pigeon if you plan to attend at [Erinp568@gmail.com](mailto:Erinp568@gmail.com).

## Apache Clothing Drive

Clothing donations for the Apaches will be on hold until further notice. Please do not bring clothing to the office or counseling building at this time. Thank you.

## Pastor Heiman Open House

Grace is excited that Pastor Ryan Heiman has accepted to serve as Grace's mission pastor in Sahuarita. We look forward to welcoming him and his wife, Laura, and their three sons—Alexander, Owen and Emmitt.

There will be an Open House at Grace-Sahuarita on Saturday, August 27 from 1-3 PM. This will be the first opportunity to greet the family and welcome them to Grace and to Arizona. A special installation service for Pastor Heiman will take place at Grace-Tucson on Sunday, September 4. Look for a letter with more information about installation day very soon.

## Kids Carnival at Grace-Vail

On Saturday, August 27, from 1-4 PM, Grace-Vail will be hosting an Indoor Kid's Carnival at Esmond Station (9400 S. Atterbury Wash Way, 85747). The carnival will include a bouncy castle, inflatable obstacle course, cotton candy, popcorn, snow-cones, cookie decorating, a cake walk, face-painting, balloon animals, seven carnival games and a free raffle! There is no cost to attend the carnival, but please bring non-perishable food items, which will be collected for the Vail Food Bank.



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