# Summer Worship Series



WEEK 8: THE QUIET MOUNTAINSIDE

Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church August 14, 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.

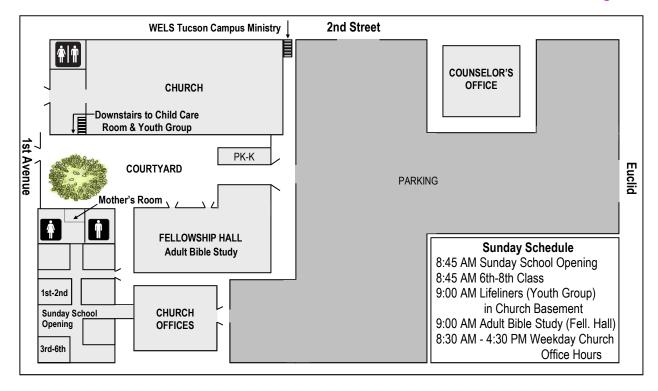
Hymns are found in our hymnal, *Christian Worship*, which is the red book in the pew rack in front of you.

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



### SERVICE OF THE WORD

Christian Worship

### **WELCOME**

HYMN

Lord, Teach Us How to Pray Aright
Christian Worship #412

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.

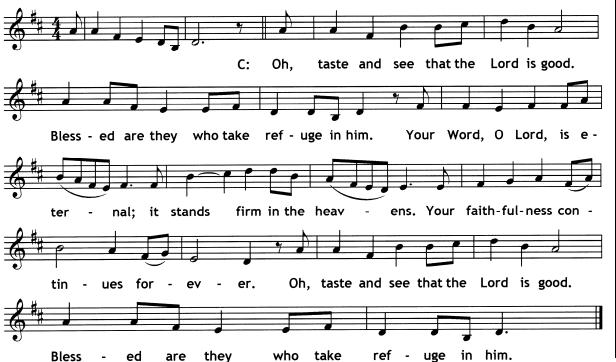
M: God, our heavenly Father, has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, he has removed your guilt forever. You are his own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to his will.

C: Amen.

#### PRAYER AND PRAISE

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

### OH, TASTE AND SEE



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:

7:45 AM— In God, My Faithful God By Kurtzweilige Teutsche Lieder Arr. by Valerie Floeter

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.

Almighty and everlasting God, you are always more ready to hear than we to pray, and to give more than we either desire or deserve. Pour upon us the abundance of your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid, and giving us those good things for which we are not worthy to ask, except through the merits and mediation of 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

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.

### FIRST LESSON

"But will God really dwell on earth? The heavens, even the highest heaven, cannot contain you. How much less this temple I have built! Yet give attention to your servant's prayer and his plea for mercy, O LORD my God. Hear the cry and the prayer that your servant is praying in your presence this day. May your eyes be open toward

this temple night and day, this place of which you said, 'My Name shall be there,' so that you will hear the prayer your servant prays toward this place. Hear the supplication of your servant and of your people Israel when they pray toward this place. Hear from heaven, your dwelling place, and when you hear, forgive."

1 Kings 8:27-30 (NIV)

### **PSALM OF THE DAY**

Psalm 34

Refrain



Psalm Tone



- Taste and see that the / LORD is good;\*
   blessed are they who take ref- / uge in him.
- 2. The eyes of the LORD are on the / righteous\* and his ears are attentive / to their cry.
- 3. The angel of the LORD encamps around those who / fear him,\* and he de- / livers them.

### Refrain

- 4. The righteous cry out, and the LORD / hears them;\* he delivers them from all their / troubles.
- 5. The LORD is close to the broken- / hearted\* and saves those who are crushed in / spirit.
- 6. The LORD redeems his / servants;\*
  no one who takes refuge in him will / be condemned.
- 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

Is any one of you in trouble? He should pray. Is anyone happy? Let him sing songs of praise. Is any one of you sick? He should call the elders of the church to pray over him and anoint him with oil in the name of the Lord. And the prayer offered in faith will make the sick person well; the Lord will raise him up. If he has sinned, he will be forgiven. Therefore confess your sins

James 5:13-18 (NIV)

to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous man is powerful and effective. Elijah was a man just like us. He prayed earnestly that it would not rain, and it did not rain on the land for three and a half years. Again he prayed, and the heavens gave rain, and the earth produced its crops.



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

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

Luke 6:12-16 (NIV)

One of those days Jesus went out to a mountainside to pray, and spent the night praying to God. When morning came, he called his disciples to him and chose twelve of them, whom he also designated apostles: Simon (whom he named Peter), his brother Andrew, James, John, Philip, Bartholomew, Matthew, Thomas, James son of Alphaeus, Simon who was called the Zealot, Judas son of James, and Judas Iscariot, who became a traitor.

After the Gospel, the congregation sings:



Please be seated

HYMN OF THE DAY

O Lord, in Prayer You Spent the Night Christian Worship #548

**SERMON** 

Luke 6:12-16
The Quiet Mountainside

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.

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.

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.
- 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.

#### 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.



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

OFFERTORY MUSIC:

7:45 AM— I Need Thee Every Hour By Robert Lowry Arr. by James Koerts

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.

### **HYMN**

What a Friend We Have in Jesus Christian Worship #411

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.



The blessing of Aaron has been spoken over God's people for over 3,500 years. The Lord said, "So I will put my name on [them], and I will bless them." Numbers 6:27

### **BLESSING**

M: Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another. Serve the Lord with gladness.

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and (†) give you peace.



Please be seated

**ANNOUNCEMENTS** 

**CLOSING HYMN** 

Christians, While on Earth Abiding Christian Worship #408

### THOSE ASSISTING IN WORSHIP TODAY

Preacher	Pastor Nathan Kassulke
Worship Leader	
Accompanists	Elaine Goldie (7:45 AM)
	Tina Christianson (10:00 AM)
Ushers	Rick Street, Vic Thornton (7:45 AM)
Dave Breitkreitz,	Ed Ethington, Lucas Guenther (10:00 AM)
Fe	erdie Kramm, Josiah Weinstein (10:00 AM)
Sound & Recording Tech	Chris Stuhr (10:00 AM)
Greeters	Eric & Erika Hanson (10:00 AM)
Banner Committee Jeanette	O'Donald, Nadine Rentschler, Sandy Weir

### **POSTLUDE:**

7:45 AM— Prelude No. 4 By Johann Sebastian Bach Arr. by Helen Marlais

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# Welcome, College Students!

We realize that many college students are returning to school at the University of Arizona and Pima Community College, or are arriving to attend for the first time. We are happy to have you with us and look forward to getting to know you better. While school is in session, our WELS Tucson Campus Ministry (TCM) offers weekly Sunday evening Bible studies, which are geared specifically toward college students and college aged non-students. The first meeting of WELS



Dylan Guenther & Danny Koehler

TCM for the upcoming year is our Welcome Back Party next Sunday, August 21 at 6:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall. **Due to construction in the Tucson Campus Ministry area, we will meet in the Fellowship Hall for the foreseeable future.** If you would like to know more, please speak to one of the pastors or introduce yourself to one of our Student Assistants, Dylan Guenther and Danny Koehler.

A schedule of our activities for this semester is available in either entryway.

# **Parking Permits**

Our WELS Tucson Campus Ministry offers parking permits for the church parking lot to college students who are actively involved in worship and/or Bible study here. Find more information and apply for a parking permit at <a href="www.WELSTCM.com">www.WELSTCM.com</a>. Members of Grace are asked to please let us know in the Church Office if you will be parking in the lot for non-church activities.

Parking permits for non-students are also available to active members through the Church Office. Please drive carefully in the church parking lot, avoid turning your wheels unless the car is moving forward or backwards (turning them in place can damage the asphalt), and park away from the church buildings so that the closer spots and the parking lot entrance are open for church activities.

# **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 Tom & Deb Sloyan in thanks to God for his abundant blessings!

### 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 Gisela Kittel, Sally Littau, Nancy Miles and Lois Thornton. 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

> Exodus 34:29-35 2 Peter 1:16-22 Mark 9:2-9

Sermon Text & Theme

Mark 9:2-9
The Mount of Transfiguration

### **Thank You**

Many thanks to all my dear friends and relatives who have sent me multiple cards, telephone messages and bounteous prayers during my current cancer treatments. I am sure I am in better condition for all of them. I appreciate each and every one of you. **-Dorothy Rauh** 

# 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 Mount of Transfiguration."



# **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.



# 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 • Aug 14-Aug 21

Wednesday

TUCSON Worship Services	
Children's Sunday School	8:45a
Lifeliners (High School Group): <i>Bible Study</i> Adult Bible Study (Fellowship Hall):	
Pastor Kassulke	9:00a
Tuesday	
Church Council Meeting	6:15p
SAHUARITA	
Today	
Worship Service	9:45a

Children's Sunday School	8:45a 9:00a
Tuesday Church Council Meeting	6:15p
SAHUARITA	
Today Worship Service Coffee Fellowship following worship	
Bible Study: <i>Beatitudes</i>	11:00a
Wednesday Bible Study: Parables of Jesus	10:00a

BENSON	
Today	
Worship Service/Communion	7:30a
Sunday	

Worship Service......7:30a

Coffee Fellowship following worship.....

Midweek Bible Study: Church History
Thursday Women's Bible Study: Digging for Insights
Sunday
Worship Services/Communion7:45 & 10:00a Coffee Fellowship following both services
Children's Sunday School
Adult Bible Study (Fellowship Hall):  • The Life of Christ: Jesus' Last Days 9:00a

VAIL	
Today	
Family Bible Study	9:00a
Worship Service/Communion	
Coffee Fellowship following worship	
Sunday	

TCM Welcome Back Party! ...... 6:00p

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

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# **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.

### 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. There are flyers available to hand out in the Fellowship Hall.



# **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.

### Website and Emails

Updates and changes are being made to the Grace website and to email addresses used by the pastors, Church Council members, and staff. There may be times (or may have been times already) when email is unavailable. If you need to reach one of the pastors or the Church Office, you may wish to call instead. If the communication is not urgent, emails should be up and running again soon!



Grace Lutheran Church is a member of the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod (WELS), a group of nearly 400,000 men, women, and children in nearly 1,300 congregations across the United States and Canada united by a common faith in Christ's saving love. We are committed to a common calling—encouraging each other in our faith and sharing God's gift of a Savior with the rest of the world.

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