

First Sunday in Lent



Grace Lutheran Church
March 5, 2017



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.

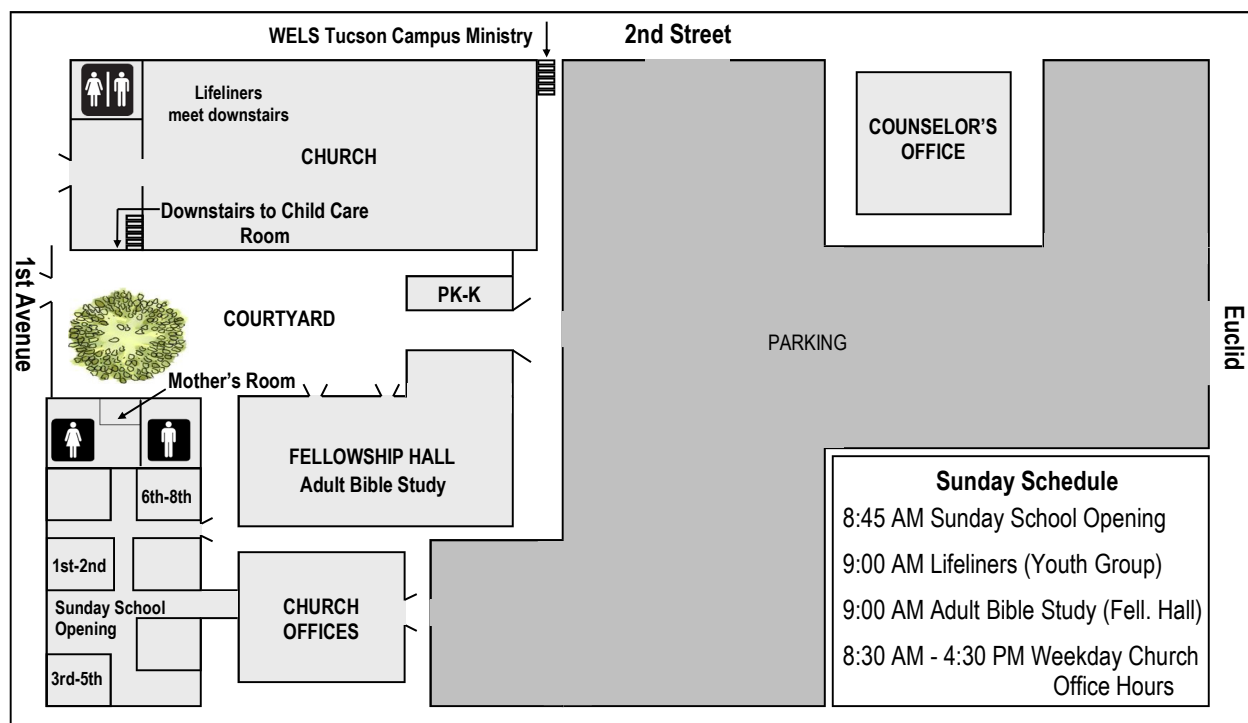
Hymns are found in our hymnal, *Christian Worship*, which is the red book in the pew rack in front of you.

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



The Season of Lent leads the Church on a forty-day journey of repentance, remembrance and prayer. It is a time to consider the sufferings and death of Jesus and to prepare for Easter. This is especially true during midweek services in Lent. The Sundays in Lent are not counted in the forty days and have only hints of the season's mood, such as the omission of "Alleluias." Sundays are islands of refreshment in our Lenten walk. Purple is the color of the season and represents repentance and solemnity.

GATHERING RITE ON THE WORD OF GOD

Christian Worship Supplement

WELCOME

Please stand

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

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

Bless-ed Je - sus, at your Word We are gath-ered all to
Let our hearts and souls be stirred Now to seek and love and

hear you.
fear you, By your teach - ings, sweet and ho - ly,

Drawn from earth to love you sole - ly.

M: Oh, how I love your law!

C: I meditate on it all day long.

M: Your commands make me wiser than my enemies,

C: for they are ever with me.

M: I have more insight than all my teachers,

C: for I meditate on your statutes.

M: How sweet are your words to my taste,

C: sweeter than honey to my mouth!

PRESERVICE MUSIC:

10:00 AM—
Jesus Priceless
Treasure Five
Variations

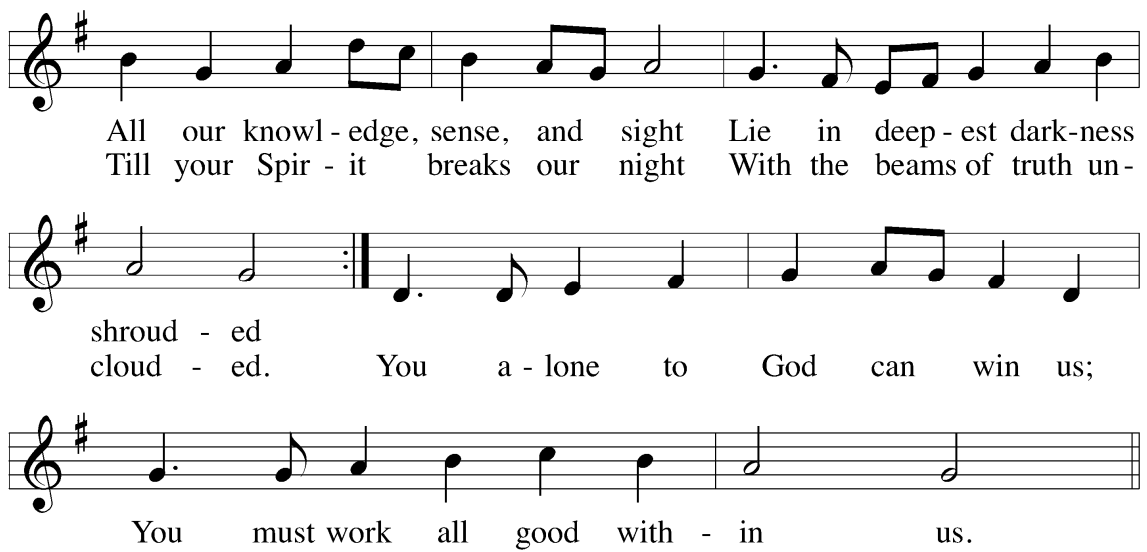
Tune by Johann
Cruger

Setting by Friedrich
Wilhelm Zachau

Edited by Charles
Callahan

Our service today begins with a "gathering rite." This order musically ties together the invocation, confession, and absolution and also replaces an opening hymn. The hymn stanzas come from Christian Worship hymn 221. For those who may be unfamiliar, the musical notation indicates that the first line phrase of music is repeated (with the words on the second line) prior to the singing of the final phrase.

Psalms 119:97-99,
103



2 Timothy 3:16, 17

M: All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness,

C: so that the man of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work.

M: Yet so often we have despised God's Word and failed to gladly hear and learn it. For this and all our sins, we bow before God and humbly ask his 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.



M: God gave his Word so "that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name" (*John 20:31*). The Scriptures testify about Jesus, who lived a perfect life for you, died on the cross to pay for all your sins, and rose again to assure you of your salvation. 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.

Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost, Praise to you and ad - o -
Grant that we your Word may trust, Con - fi - dent of our sal -
ra - tion!
va - tion, While we here be - low must wan - der,
Till we sing your prais - es yon - der.

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.

C: Amen.

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

Genesis 3:1-15 (NIV)

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 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

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.

Scripture Lesson continues on page 5.

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."

SECOND LESSON

Romans 5:12-19 (NIV)

Therefore, just as sin entered the world through one man, and death through sin, and in this way death came to all men, because all sinned—for before the law was given, sin was in the world. But sin is not taken into account when there is no law. Nevertheless, death reigned from the time of Adam to the time of Moses, even over those who did not sin by breaking a command, as did Adam, who was a pattern of the one to come. But the gift is not like the trespass. For if the many died by the trespass of the one man, how much more did God's grace and the gift that came by the grace of the one man, Jesus Christ, overflow to the many! Again, the gift of God is not like the result of the one man's sin: The judgment

followed one sin and brought condemnation, but the gift followed many trespasses and brought justification. For if, by the trespass of the one man, death reigned through that one man, how much more will those who receive God's abundant provision of grace and of the gift of righteousness reign in life through the one man, Jesus Christ. Consequently, just as the result of one trespass was condemnation for all men, so also the result of one act of righteousness was justification that brings life for all men. For just as through the disobedience of the one man the many were made sinners, so also through the obedience of the one man the many will be made righteous.

VERSE OF THE DAY (7:45 AM)

Matthew 4:10b (NIV)

M: It is written: "Worship the Lord your God, and serve him only."

Based on Matthew
4:1-10

VOICES OF GRACE (10:00 AM)

When Jesus Walked the Wilderness

*When Jesus walked the wilderness he fasted and he prayed.
Alone, he battled Pride and Greed as false promises were made.
The Temptor's promises were scorned; no bread transformed from stone.
"One does not live by bread alone, does not live by bread alone."*

*Then challenged was the Son of God: "O there is naught to fear!
Go, cast yourself from pinnacles; God's angels hover near."
The Temptor's promises were scorned, the challenge laid to rest:
"Do not put the Lord God to the test, do not put God to the test."*

*When Jesus walked the wilderness for forty days and nights,
Rebuked were snares in shadows there, authority and might.
The Temptor's promises were scorned for God was placed above
All Satan's wiles: "One God to serve, one God to serve and love."*

*When Jesus walked the wilderness rejecting Pride and Greed,
He lifted up the bitter cup that the will of God decreed.*

GOSPEL

Matthew 4:1-11 (NIV)

After the announcement of the Gospel, the congregation sings:

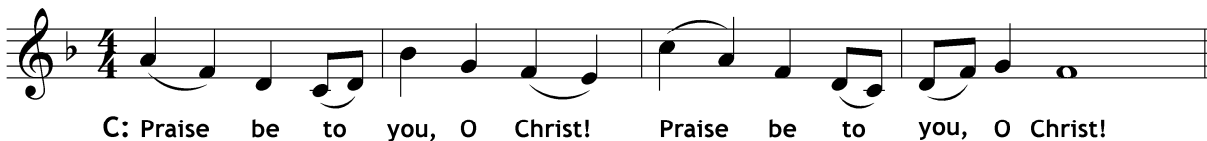


The congregation stands out of respect for the words of Christ our King.

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:



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

HYMN OF THE DAY (see page 12)

The Tree of Life
Christian Worship Supplement #754

SERMON

Romans 5:12-19
The Great Balancing Act of God

THE LIFE THAT BROUGHT DEATH

Sin entered the world through one man (Adam) [v.12]

Death (entered the world) through sin [v.12]

Death came to all (people) [v.12]

By the trespass of the one man, death reigned [v.17]

The result of one trespass was condemnation for all (people) [v.18]

Through the disobedience of the one man the many were made sinners [v.19]

THE DEATH THAT BROUGHT LIFE

How much more will those who receive God's abundant provision of grace and of the gift of righteousness reign in life through the one man, Jesus Christ [v.17]
The result of one act of righteousness was justification that brings life for all men [v.18]

Through his obedience of the one man the many will be made righteous [v.19]

God made him who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God (2 Corinthians 5:21).

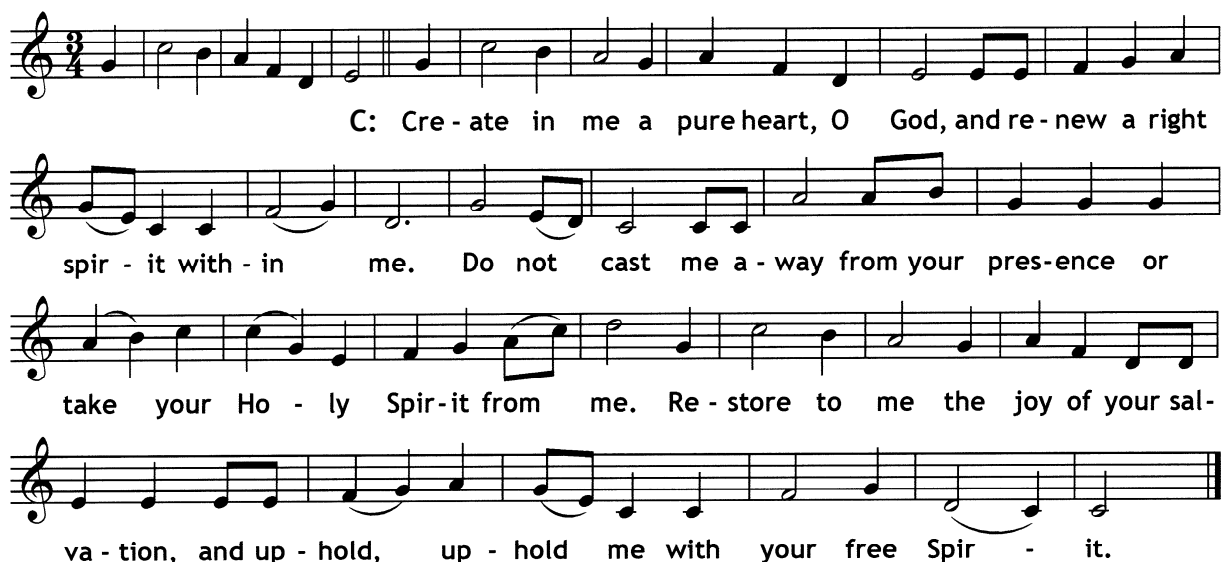
He was pierced for our transgressions, he was crushed for our iniquities; the punishment that brought us peace was upon him, and by his wounds we are healed. We all like sheep, have gone astray, each of us has turned to his own way; and the LORD laid on him the iniquity of us all (Isaiah 53:5-6).

When you were dead in your sins...God made you alive with Christ. He forgave us all our sins (Colossians 2:13).

We have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins (Ephesians 1:7).

Please stand

*After the sermon,
please join in
singing the
response to the
right*



C: Cre - ate in me a pure heart, O God, and re - new a right
spir - it with - in me. Do not cast me a - way from your pres - ence or
take your Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re - store to me the joy of your sal -
va - tion, and up - hold, up - hold me with your free 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 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—LENT

- M:** Heavenly Father, you loved the world and gave your Son to liberate us from sin and death by his obedient death on the cross.
- C:** **We confess that without your love we are lost.**
- M:** Lord of the Church, we thank you for the treasure of the gospel. By your Spirit, keep our eyes fixed on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith.
- C:** **Strengthen our determination to do what pleases you, no matter what the danger or the cost.**
- M:** Let us pray for those who carry a cross in the name of Christ and face ridicule and persecution for the sake of the kingdom: missionaries and chaplains, young people who stand up for what is right in the face of pressure to do what is wrong, and all who pay a high price for their faith and their values as Christians.
- C:** **By your Spirit, O Lord, grant them patience and endurance.**
- M:** Let us pray for those who carry heavy burdens in life: the sick and the chronically ill, the depressed and the lonely, those torn by conflict in personal relationships, those victimized by war and injustice, and all who face the terrors of life with a heavy heart.
- C:** **Grant them peace, O Lord, and in your mercy, be their guardian and friend, their comfort and hope.**
- M:** Let us pray for those who care for others: pastors and counselors; physicians and nurses; social workers and caring friends; all who feed the hungry, comfort the hurting, and stand beside the dying.
- C:** **Strengthen them in their work, O Lord, and do not let them become weary in doing good.**

Special prayers and intercessions may follow.

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

Silent prayer.



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

OFFERTORY MUSIC:

7:45 AM—

*Father, God of Grace,
You Knew Us
CWS #753*

*Father, God of grace,
you knew us,
Chose us, named us as
your own,
Through eternal ages
planning
To redeem us in your
Son.
Praise the Father,
God who loved us
Ere creation was
begun!*

*We, your creatures,
sinned against you,
And our guilt was
crimson red.
Son of God, you came
incarnate,
Crushed the crafty
serpent's head,
Died our death, now
live triumphant:
Praise the firstborn
from the dead!*

10:00 AM—

*Lord, Who
Throughout These
Forty Days (St.
Flavian)
By Jan Nieland*

*As Thou with Satan
didst contend,
And didst the victory
win,
O give us strength in
Thee to fight,
In Thee to conquer
sin.*

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.

M: Help us run with perseverance the race marked out for us. Keep us faithful even to the point of death, that we may receive the crown of life, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

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.

7:45 AM – Please continue on page 10 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.

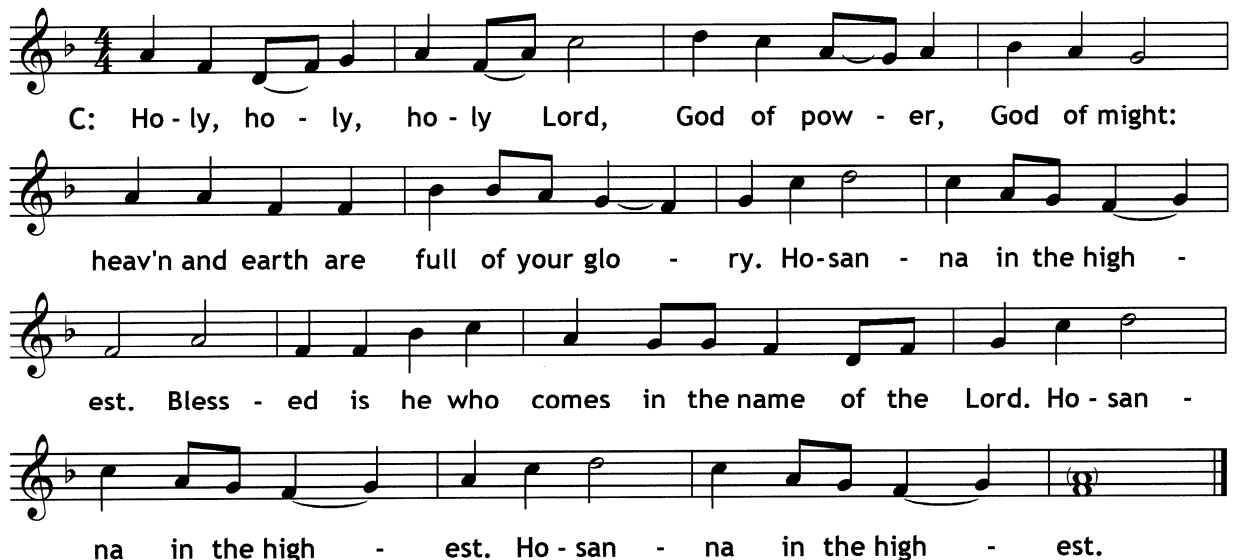
C: It is good and right so to do.

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 brought the gift of salvation to all people by his death on the tree of the cross, so that the devil, who overcame us by a tree would in turn by a tree be overcome. 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.



C: Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er, God of might:

heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho-san - na in the high -

est. Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san -

na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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*



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

Please be seated

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.

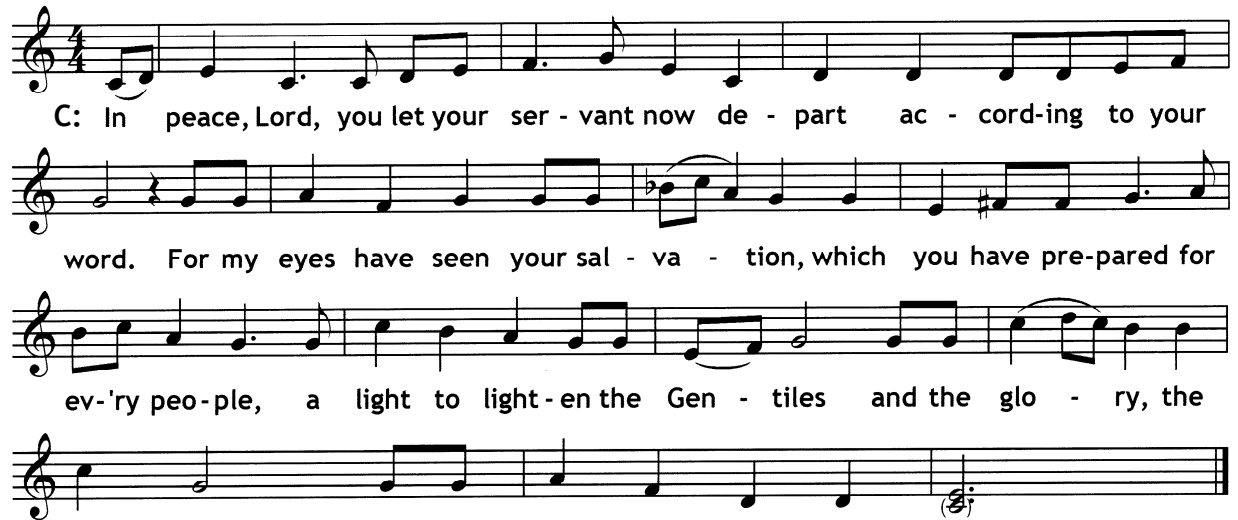
*We provide **gluten-free communion wafers** for those with wheat allergy, gluten-sensitivity or celiac disease. These wafers are stored and handled separately to avoid cross-contamination. They are "bread" as Scripture requires and are consecrated along with the rest of the bread. For those requiring 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.

Please stand

THANKSGIVING

SONG OF SIMEON

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


C: In peace, Lord, 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 pre-pared for
ev-'ry peo-ple, a light to light - en the Gen - tiles and the glo - ry, the
glo - ry of your peo - ple Is - ra - el.

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

C: And his mercy endures forever.

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.

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.

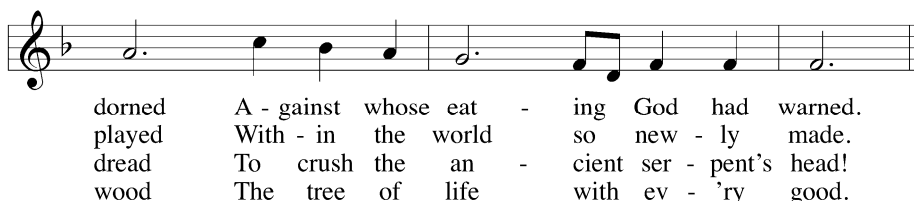
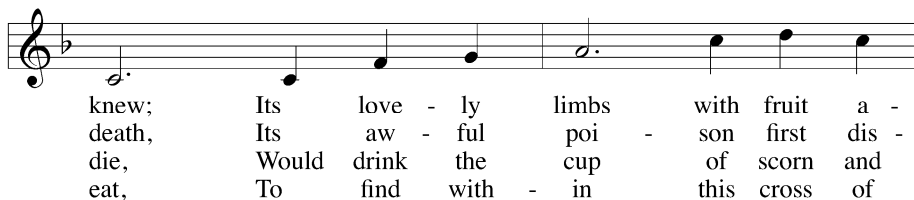
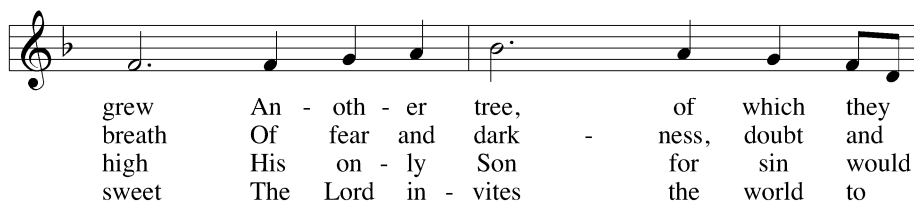
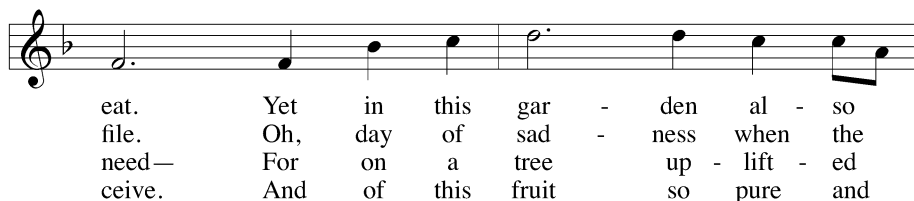
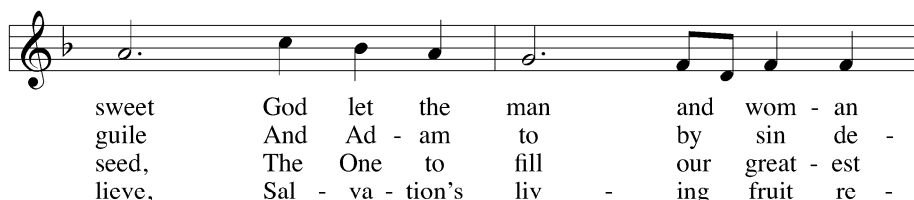
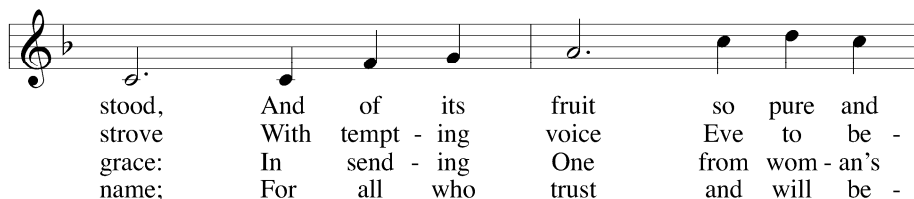
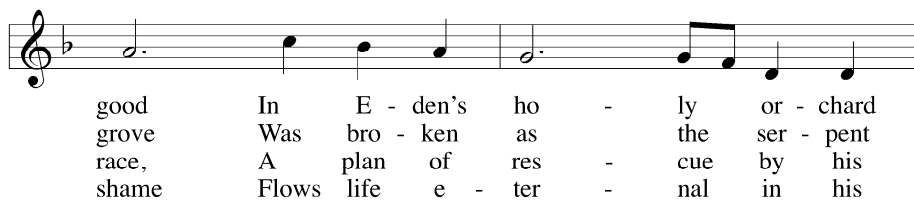
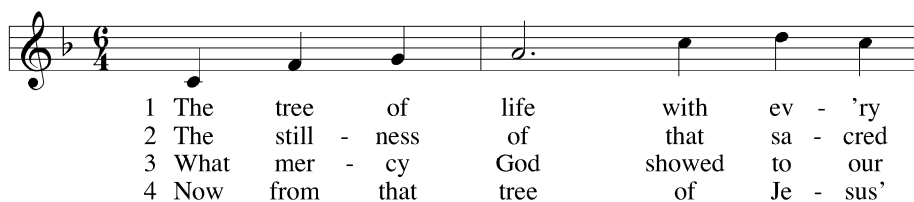
Please be seated

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CLOSING HYMN

Jesus, My Great High Priest
Christian Worship #359

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



*God's first promise
to send a Savior,
offered in the
shadow of Eden,
finds its fulfillment
on the tree of
Calvary, Jesus'
cross.*

POSTLUDE:

10:00 AM—
A Mighty Fortress Is
Our God
Arr. by Andrew
Clarke & Charles
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Preacher	Pastor Ron Koehler
Worship Leader	Pastor Tim Patoka (10:00 AM)
Communion Assistants	Pastor Nathan Kassulke (10:00 AM)
	Pastor Mark Hallemeyer (10:00 AM)
Accompanists	Kathy Parra (7:45 AM)
	Teri Guenther (10:00 AM)
Voices of Grace Director	Beth Kassulke (10:00 AM)
Ushers	Rusty King, Rick Street, Vic Thornton (7:45 AM)
	Jon Dongoske, Dylan Guenther, Danny Koehler, Colton Watson (10:00 AM)
Sound & Recording Tech	Jeremy Snively (10:00 AM)
Greeters	Jeanette O'Donald & Nadine Rentschler (10:00 AM)
Altar Prep Team	Erika Hanson, Diane Kramm, Nancy Miles

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 speak to one of the pastors. You may also grab a guest packet at either entrance of church.

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. 10 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 Dave & Cindi Breitreitz in celebration of their 40th wedding anniversary!

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, Teddy Pittsinger, Karen Salgado 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

Genesis 12:1-8
Romans 4:1-5, 13-17
John 4:5-26

Sermon Text & Theme

John 4:5-26
*Jesus Gives Living Water
for a Thirsty Soul*

Mexican Dinner at Grace-Tucson

The *Women of Grace* invite everyone to join them this Friday, March 10, between 4:30 and 6:30 PM for the annual Mexican Dinner at Grace-Tucson. *The menu includes:* Sour Cream Enchiladas, Beef Tacos, Refried Beans, Coffee, Tea, & Milk. **Grace members are asked to bring a cake for dessert.**

Thank You

Pat Rader would like to thank all those who sent cards and said prayers on her behalf after her recent hospitalization. She is now home recovering.



**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 • Mar 5-Mar 12

TUCSON

Today

Worship Services/Communion.....7:45 & 10:00a
Coffee Fellowship following both services
Children's Sunday School.....8:45a
Youth Confirmation Class8:45a
Lifeliners (High School Group): *Connecting Sinai to Calvary*....9:00a
Adult Bible Study (Fellowship Hall):
• *The Life of Christ: Jesus' Resurrection Appearances*.....9:00a
WELS TCM Bible Study: *Lutheranism 101: Sola, Sola, Sola*....7:00p

SAHUARITA

Today

Children's Sunday School9:00a
Adult Bible Study: *How We Got the Bible*9:00a
Worship Services/Communion7:45 & 10:00a
Fellowship Meal following worship
Youth Confirmation Class.....11:15a-12:30p

Wednesday

Lenten Supper.....6:00p
Lenten Worship.....7:00p

Friday

Mexican Dinner at Grace-Tucson4:30-6:30p

Sunday

Children's Sunday School.....9:00a
Adult Bible Study: *How We Got the Bible*9:00a
Worship Services.....7:45 & 10:00a
Coffee Fellowship following worship
Youth Confirmation Class11:15a-12:30p

BENSON

Today

Worship Service.....7:30a

Wednesday

Lenten Supper.....6:00p
Lenten Worship.....7:00p

Saturday

Mexican Dinner at Grace-Tucson4:30-6:30p

Sunday

Worship Service/Communion7:30a

Monday

Handbell Practice in the Sanctuary.....4:30p
English as a Second Language Classes.....6:30p

Tuesday

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

Wednesday

Lenten Worship.....10:00a
Lenten Supper in the Fellowship Hall.....6:00p
Lenten Worship.....7:00p

Thursday

Women's Bible Study: *Key Bible Words*9:00a

Friday

Mexican Dinner at Grace-Tucson4:30-6:30p

Saturday

Church Council Meeting at Grace-Tucson8:30a

Sunday

Worship Services.....7:45 & 10:00a
Coffee Fellowship following both services
Children's Sunday School.....8:45a
Youth Confirmation Class8:45a
Lifeliners (High School Group): *Connecting Sinai to Calvary*....9:00a
Adult Bible Study (Fellowship Hall):
• *The Life of Christ: Jesus' Resurrection Appearances*9:00a
NO WELS TCM Bible Study—Spring Break!.....

VAIL

Today

Children's Sunday School9:00a
Youth Confirmation Class.....9:00a
Adult Bible Study: *Of Kings & Prophets*.....9:15a
Worship Service10:00a
Coffee Fellowship following worship.....

Monday

Bible Study at the Ministry Center: *Sermon Review*9:00a

Saturday

Mexican Dinner at Grace-Tucson.....4:30-6:30p

Sunday

Children's Sunday School9:00a
Youth Confirmation Class.....9:00a
Adult Bible Study: *Of Kings & Prophets*.....9:15a
Worship Service/Communion10:00a
Coffee Fellowship following worship.....

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Lenten Services

Wednesday midweek services will be held at Grace-Benson, Grace-Sahuarita, and Grace-Tucson every Wednesday through April 5. The theme for our services is “Repent: Turn to Jesus.” See this week’s schedule here at Grace-Tucson.

March 8: 6 PM Supper
7 PM Lenten Worship “Repent: Turn to Jesus; He Holds the Key to Heaven”

Luther Movie

Grace is hosting a special screening of the movie “A Return to Grace: Luther’s Life and Legacy” at Century 20 El Con (3601 E Broadway Blvd, Tucson, AZ 85716) on Thursday evening, March 23 at 6:30 PM. This movie was developed with the help of several WELS members in recognition of the 500th anniversary of the beginning of the Lutheran Reformation this year. It is a “docudrama” that features comments from scholars (including WELS scholars) interspersed with scenes from the life of Luther. **This screening will take place only if at least 86 tickets are sold by March 16.** Help us make this happen and enjoy the movie with us! Tickets cost \$10.00 (\$9 ticket, \$1 booking fee) and can be purchased at the website Tucson.NewLutherMovie.com. Links are also available at the Grace website and Facebook page. You will not be charged for tickets until we meet the 86 ticket threshold. If you need assistance, please contact the Church Office at 623-6633.

LWMS Grand Canyon Circuit East 2017 Spring Rally: April 1

Grace (all sites) will be hosting the 2017 GCCE Spring Rally at Grace-Tucson on Saturday, April 1 from 9:00 AM-3:00 PM. The theme is *Love Your Neighbor As Yourself* (Matthew 22:37-39). We’ll hear two guest speakers: John Kramer will talk about Mission to the Children, and Redeemer member Amy Mueller will talk about her experience as a former Jehovah’s Witness. \$10 fee covers lunch and registration. Registration forms can be found in the Fellowship Hall and at the other Grace sites, or download them at www.grandcanyonlwms.org. **Rally registration and Mission Money collection deadline for Mission to the Children is March 18.** A separate check for each should be made payable to LWMS Grand Canyon Circuit East and mailed to Circuit Treasurer, Rose Pedersen, c/o Patsy & Peter Young, 6 Belmont Court, Pinehurst, NC 28374. Rose is temporarily at her daughters awaiting the birth of her grandchild. Please contact your site’s LWMS Reporter (Cindi Breitreitz /Tucson, Linda Littau/Benson, Judy Seaman/Sahuarita or Kathy Silver/Vail) or Diane Kramm with your questions.

How can you help? Women of Grace at all sites are encouraged to help with the rally. Watch for ways to do that soon. This is a privilege for our congregation as well as an opportunity to learn about WELS mission work and spend time with others from our Grand Canyon Circuit East.

Diane Kramm and Cindi Breitreitz will be available in the courtyard after 10 AM worship today with registration forms. They can answer any questions you may have.

Women’s Ministry Mini-Conference

Mark your calendars for the WELS Women’s Ministry Mentors Mini-Conference that will be held **Saturday, April 22 from 7:30 AM – 5:00 PM** at Shepherd of the Hills (8799 N Northern Ave., Tucson). This conference is a condensed version of the one that was held last summer at Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary. Six of the ladies from Shepherd of the Hills were able to attend the conference and are excited about bringing a mini-version to their fellow sisters throughout Arizona. Two of the speakers, Naomi Schmidt and Kathie Wendland, will be presenting. The cost is \$25 per person and includes snacks, lunch, and material. **Please register for the conference by mailing a registration form and check by April 1.** Registration forms can be found in the Fellowship Hall and the other Grace sites. If you have any questions, please contact Lorisa Terrell, Secretary at Shepherd of the Hills, (520) 297-5710 or info@LutheranChurchTucson.com.