Summer Worship Series



WEEK 8: Holy Communion

Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church Tucson, Arizona August 6, 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.

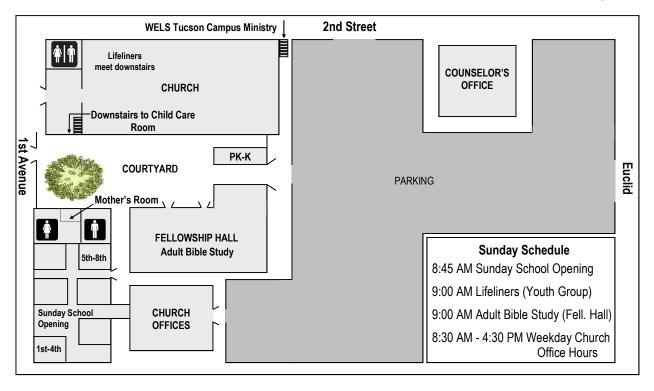
Hymns are found in our hymnal, *Christian Worship*, which is the red book in the pew rack in front of you.

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



SERVICE OF WORD AND SACRAMENT

Christian Worship

WELCOME

HYMN

Draw Near and Take the Body of the Lord Christian Worship #309

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: God invites us to come into his presence and worship him with humble and penitent hearts. Therefore, let us acknowledge our sinfulness and ask him to forgive us.

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, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. 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.

PRAYER AND PRAISE

LORD, HAVE MERCY Kyrie

M: For all that we need in life and for the wisdom to use all your gifts with gratitude and joy, hear our prayer, O Lord.



The banner in front of church features several major themes from our Summer Worship Series. It also includes a Luther's Seal, a visual representation of the theology that he learned from the Bible. The parts of the seal include a black cross that represents Christ's death for our sins inside a red heart representing faith that holds to Christ and brings spiritual life. The white rose signifies joy, comfort, and peace. The sky-blue field signifies the beginning of heavenly joy, as does the gold ring which indicates that this joy is eternal.

PRESERVICE MUSIC:

7:45 AM— Old Hundredth Arr. by Victor Labenske

10:00 AM— Come to the Table Setting by Nancy Raabe

Draw Near and Take the Body of the Lord Arr. by Valerie Floeter M: For the steadfast assurance that nothing can separate us from your love and for the courage to stand firm against the assaults of Satan and every evil, hear our prayer, O Christ.



M: For the well-being of your holy Church in all the world and for those who offer here their worship and praise, hear our prayer, O Lord.

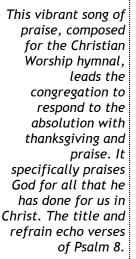


M: Merciful God, maker and preserver of life, uphold us by your power and keep us in your tender care:



O LORD, OUR LORD

M: The works of the Lord are great and glorious; his name is worthy of praise.







PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: Let us pray.

Lord Jesus Christ, in the sacrament of Holy Communion you give us your true body and blood as a remembrance of your suffering and death on the cross. Grant us so firmly to believe your words and promise that we may always partake of this sacrament to our eternal good; for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



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

Then Moses summoned all the elders of Israel and said to them, "Go at once and select the animals for your families and slaughter the Passover lamb. Take a bunch of hyssop, dip it into the blood in the basin and put some of the blood on the top and on both sides of the doorframe. Not one of you shall go out the door of his house until morning. When the LORD goes through the land to strike down the Egyptians, he will see the blood on the top and sides of the doorframe and will pass over that doorway, and he will not permit the destroyer to enter your houses and strike you down. Obey these instructions as a lasting ordinance for you and your descendants. When you enter the land that the LORD will give you as he promised, observe this ceremony. And

Exodus 12:21-30 (NIV)

when your children ask you, 'What does this ceremony mean to you?' then tell them, 'It is the Passover sacrifice to the LORD, who passed over the houses of the Israelites in Egypt and spared our homes when he struck down the Egyptians." Then the people bowed down and worshiped. The Israelites did just what the LORD commanded Moses and Aaron. At midnight the LORD struck down all the firstborn in Egypt, from the firstborn of Pharaoh, who sat on the throne, to the firstborn of the prisoner, who was in the dungeon, and the firstborn of all the livestock as well. Pharaoh and all his officials and all the Egyptians got up during the night, and there was loud wailing in Egypt, for there was not a house without someone dead.

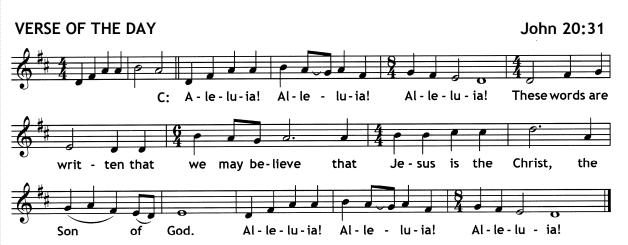
SECOND LESSON

Is not the cup of thanksgiving for which we give thanks a participation in the blood of Christ? And is not the bread that we break a participation in

1 Corinthians 10:16-17 (NIV)

the body of Christ? Because there is one loaf, we, who are many, are one body, for we all partake of the one loaf.

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



Please stand

GOSPEL

Mark 14:12-26 (NIV)

On the first day of the Feast of Unleavened Bread, when it was customary to sacrifice the Passover lamb, Jesus' disciples asked him, "Where do you want us to go and make preparations for you to eat the Passover?" So he sent two of his disciples, telling them, "Go into the city, and a man carrying a jar of water will meet you. Follow him. Say to the owner of the house he enters, 'The Teacher asks: Where is my guest room, where I may eat the Passover with my disciples?' He will show you a large upper room, furnished and ready. Make preparations for us there." The disciples left, went into the city and found things just as Jesus had told them. So they prepared the Passover. When evening came, Jesus arrived with the Twelve. While they were reclining at the table eating, he

will betray me—one who is eating with me." They were saddened, and one by one they said to him, "Surely not !?" "It is one of the Twelve," he replied, "one who dips bread into the bowl with me. The Son of Man will go just as it is written about him. But woe to that man who betrays the Son of Man! It would be better for him if he had not been born." While they were eating, Jesus took bread, gave thanks and broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take it; this is my body." Then he took the cup, gave thanks and offered it to them, and they all drank from it. "This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many," he said to them. "I tell you the truth, I will not drink again of the fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it anew in the kingdom of God." When they had sung a hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives.

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

After the Gospel, the congregation sings:

said, "I tell you the truth, one of you



Please be seated

HYMN OF THE DAY (see page 12)

What Is This Bread? Christian Worship Supplement #742

SERMON

1 Corinthians 10:16-17 Holy Communion 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.

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.

Please be seated



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

OFFERTORY MUSIC:

7:45 AM— Blessings Arr. by Jim Brickman

10:00 AM— Communion Prayer Setting by John Leavitt

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: Lord God, heavenly Father, author of the everlasting covenant and giver of the cup of salvation,
- C: We gather in your courts to offer you our sacrifice of thanksgiving.
- M: For fulfilling your promise to establish a new covenant through the blood of your Son, Jesus Christ,
- C: We give you humble and hearty thanks.
- M: As our Lord Jesus Christ gave thanks to you when he broke the bread, as he gave thanks to you when he took the cup,
- C: We also give you thanks.
- M: Precious Savior, both Priest and offering, awe and wonder fill our hearts as we partake of your body, broken for us, and your blood, shed for us.
- C: We praise you, bless you, and adore you, Lord Jesus Christ.

- M: In our poverty of righteousness, we have nothing to offer. Without your tremendous sacrifice, we would still be in our sins,
- C: But through your sacrament of the New Testament, we are assured that our iniquities are forgiven and our sins are no longer remembered.
- M: O Holy Spirit, dwell within us as we remember our Lord's death in this sacrament. Enter our hearts to strengthen our faith and fill us with gratitude for your great mercy.
- C: Move us to encourage one another to love and to do good works.

Special prayers and intercessions may follow.

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

Silent prayer.

- M: As our Lord served his disciples by washing their feet, so may we also humbly serve one another.
- C: Help us live our lives as sacrifices of thanksgiving to him who first loved us. 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 9 with the Words of Institution.

THE SACRAMENT

M: The Lord be with you.



M: Lift up your hearts.



C: We lift them up to the Lord.

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: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

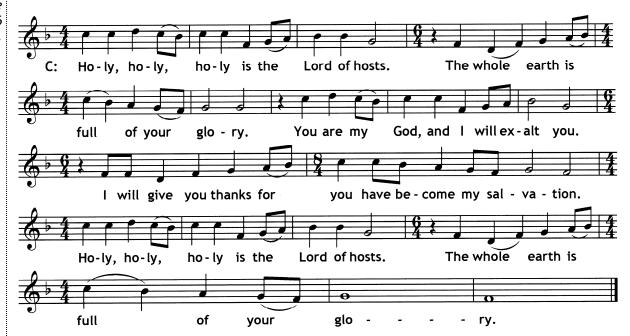


C: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

M: Praise to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In love he has blessed us with every spiritual blessing. He sends the Holy Spirit to testify that we are his children and to strengthen us when we are weak. Now have come the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Christ. To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be praise and thanks and honor and glory for ever and ever.

This ancient worship song is based on songs of praise recorded in Isaiah 6 and Psalm 118.

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY Sanctus



As he speaks the Words of Institution, the pastor both proclaims the words of Jesus to the congregation and sets apart the bread and wine for this special use. The sign of the cross reminds us of Christ's death.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

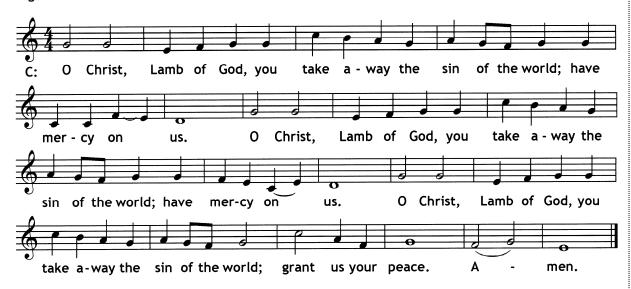
M: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

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.



O CHRIST, LAMB OF GOD Agnus Dei



Jesus is the Lamb of God who was offered as a sacrifice for sin once for all. The words of this song are based on John 1:29, where John the Baptist refers to Jesus this way.

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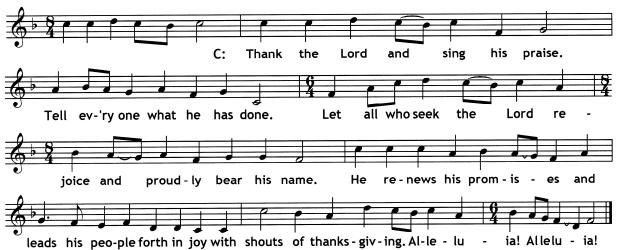
DISTRIBUTION

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.

Please stand

THANK THE LORD



We provide glutenfree 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.

PRAYER

M: Hear the prayer of your people, O Lord, that the lips which have praised you here may glorify you in the world, that the eyes which have seen the coming of your Son may long for his coming again, and that all who have received in his true body and blood the pledge of your forgiveness may be restored to live a new and holy life, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

POSTLUDE:

7:45 AM— Sent Forth by God's

Blessing CW #318

10:00 AM-

Sent Forth by God's Blessing Setting by Nancy Raabe

Sent forth by God's blessing, Our true faith confessing, the people of God from his dwelling take leave. The supper is ended; Oh, be now extended the fruits of this service in all who believe. The seed of his teaching, receptive souls reaching, Shall blossom in action for God and for all. His grace did invite us: His love shall unite us to work for God's Kingdom and answer his call.

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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

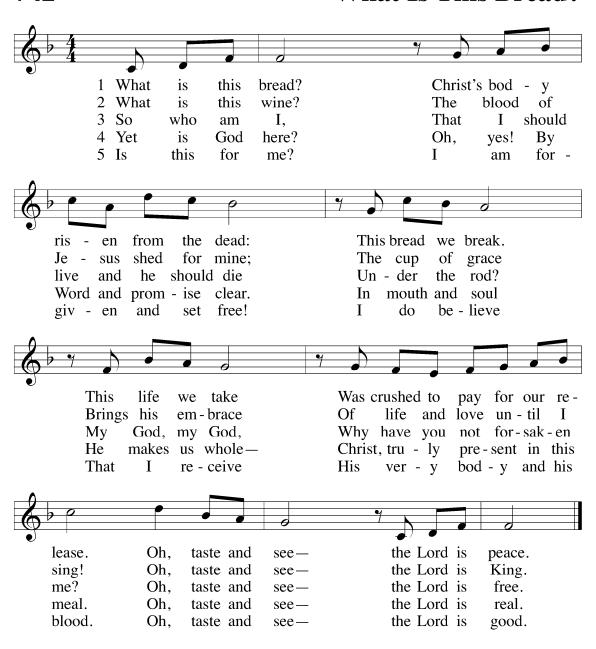
CLOSING HYMN

O Jesus, Blessed Lord, to Thee Christian Worship #316

THOSE ASSISTING IN WORSHIP TODAY

Preacher	Pastor Nathan Kassulke
Worship Leader	Pastor Tim Patoka (10:00 AM)
	Spiritual Needs Elder Jake Kassulke (10:00 AM)
	Education Elder Mark Christianson (10:00 AM)
Accompanists	Kathy Parra (7:45 AM), Teri Guenther (10:00 AM)
Violin	
Ushers	Rusty King, Rick Street (7:45 AM)
	Jon Dongoske, Dylan Guenther, Danny Koehler (10:00 AM)
	Dustin Pauley, James Pauley, Colton Watson (10:00 AM)
Sound & Recording Tech Jeremy Snavely (10:00 AM	
Greeters	Jeff & Stephanie Weinstein (10:00 AM)
Altar Prep Team	Cindi Breitkreitz, Terry Kosanke, Sally Littau
Banner Committee	Jeanette O'Donald, Nadine Rentschler, Sandy Weir

What Is This Bread?



Attention Thrivent Members—"Summer of Impact" FREE MONEY to Give!

If you are a Thrivent Financial member, you have until August 31 (or whenever the allotted funds run out) to direct \$50 to the charity of your choice. This is money Thrivent is giving you! The process is simple:

- 1. Log into your Thrivent account.
- 2. Go to Direct Choice Dollars and you will find the \$50 dollars there along with any Choice Dollars you have accumulated.
- 3. Search for Grace among the list of charities and you should see the Grace logo, the address of our central office in Tucson, and our website listed.
- 4. Then check the amount and direct the gift.

Grace has a fund set up to receive these dollars—it is a general fund of the congregation and not site-specific. Please consider the ministry the Lord has blessed us with at Grace as you direct this special gift.

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.

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 Greg and Karen Grorud to the glory of God and in loving memory of Karen's father, August Lehet.

New Members

In 7:30 AM worship at Grace-Benson this morning, we welcome Dennis & Mary Goeglein as new members of Grace through Profession of Faith. We welcome them to Grace and ask God's blessings upon them!

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 Sally Littau and Nancy Miles. We hope you'll take advantage of this opportunity to greet your brothers and sisters in Christ.

Member Feedback Meeting Today at Grace-Vail

The third and final Member Feedback Meeting will take place today at 11:30 AM at Grace-Vail (9400 S. Atterbury Wash Way). Everyone is invited to attend. We would like to gather the input of members concerning plans to move forward with acquiring land and building new facilities in Sahuarita. The council recently heard a presentation by WELS Kingdom Workers about entering into their pilot program which offers consulting for this process. We've also been encouraged by the WELS Home Missions to make use of their services. There is a document in the Fellowship Hall and at the other sites that outlines a plan under consideration. It explains how we might accomplish this plan and how it would further our congregation's mission work in Sahuarita. Please join us to discuss the ministry and plans for Grace Lutheran Church Sahuarita.

NEXT SUNDAY

Next week's Scripture Lessons for Devotional Reading this Week

> Nehemiah 8:1-12 Romans 10:8-10 Luke 12:4-10

Sermon Text & Theme

Luke 12:4-10

Lutheran Confessions

Pastor Koehler is preaching at Grace-Benson and Grace-Vail this morning.

Divine Call Extended

On July 30, our congregation extended a Divine Call for Pastor Daniel Lindner from Minneapolis, MN to serve as our pastor at Grace-Benson and Grace-Vail. Over the next weeks, he will spend time in prayer and discussions with leaders at Grace and with his members in Minneapolis as he considers whether to accept the Call to Grace or to remain in Minnesota. Please keep Pastor Lindner in your prayers along with his wife, Heidi, and his congregation, St. John's Lutheran 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 • Aug 6-Aug 13

Wednesday

Worship Services/Communion	
SAHUARITA	
Today Children's Sunday School	0:002
Adult Bible Study: Christians in Conflict	
Worship Service/Communion	
Coffee Fellowship following worship	
Member Feedback Meeting at Grace-Vail	11:30a
Wednesday Bible Study: Luther: Return to Grace	10:00a
Sunday	
Children's Sunday School	
Adult Bible Study: Christians in Conflict	9:00a
Worship Service	
Coffee Fellowship following worship	
BENSON Today	
Worship Service/Communion	7:30a
Member Feedback Meeting at Grace-Vail	11:30a
Sunday	
Worship Service	7:30a

Midweek Bible Study: Church History Midweek Bible Study: Church History	
Thursday Women's Bible Study: Key Bible Words	9:00a
Sunday	
Worship Services7:45 & Coffee Fellowship following both services	
Children's Sunday School	
Lifeliners (High School Group): Romans 1-8 Adult Bible Study (Fellowship Hall):	
Church-Mission-Ministry	9:00a
VAIL	
Today	
Children's Sunday School	9:00a
Adult Bible Study: Hebrews 11: Heroes of Faith	
Worship Service/Communion	

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Special Voters' Meeting

There will be a special Voters' Meeting on Sunday, August 20 at 2:00 PM in the Grace-Tucson Fellowship Hall. The voters will be asked to consider whether we will move forward with acquiring land and building new facilities in Sahuarita as has been discussed in the Member Feedback Meetings. More information will be available from the Church Council after the final Member Feedback Meeting and prior to the Voters' Meeting.

High School Bowling Event

Shepherd of the Hills is organizing a bowling event for all the WELS high school students in Tucson. Friends are invited! It will take place on Saturday, August 19 from 2-4 PM at Bedroxx Bowling (4385 W. Ina Rd). Tickets are \$15 (includes shoes, games and food). **RSVP to Pastor Patoka by August 16.**

ESL Volunteers Needed

English as a Second Language is in need of childcare volunteers, a teacher for the beginning class (level 1), and snack preparers 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.*

WELS Tucson Campus Ministry

All college students and others of approximately college age are invited to join in our WELS Tucson Campus Ministry activities. After a summer off, we're eager to get started with a new semester at our Welcome Back Party on Sunday, August 20 at 7:00 PM.

The first WELS TCM Bible Study of the semester will be on Sunday, August 27 at 7:00 PM entitled *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God*. Find us at www.facebook.com/WELSTCM and at www.WELSTCM.com.

Kids Carnival at Grace-Vail

On Saturday, August 26, 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, face-painting, balloon animals, carnival games and a free drawing! There is no cost to attend the carnival, but please bring non-perishable food items, which will be collected for the Vail Food Bank (see below for a list of items the Food Bank wants). There will be flyers available soon to hand out at all the Grace sites.

Food Bank suggestions: Tomato Sauce (cans), pasta (1lb packages), canned fruit, peanut butter (in plastic), cereal, canned meats, rice, mac & cheese (1lb packages)



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.