

Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany



Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church
Tucson, AZ
January 28, 2018



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.

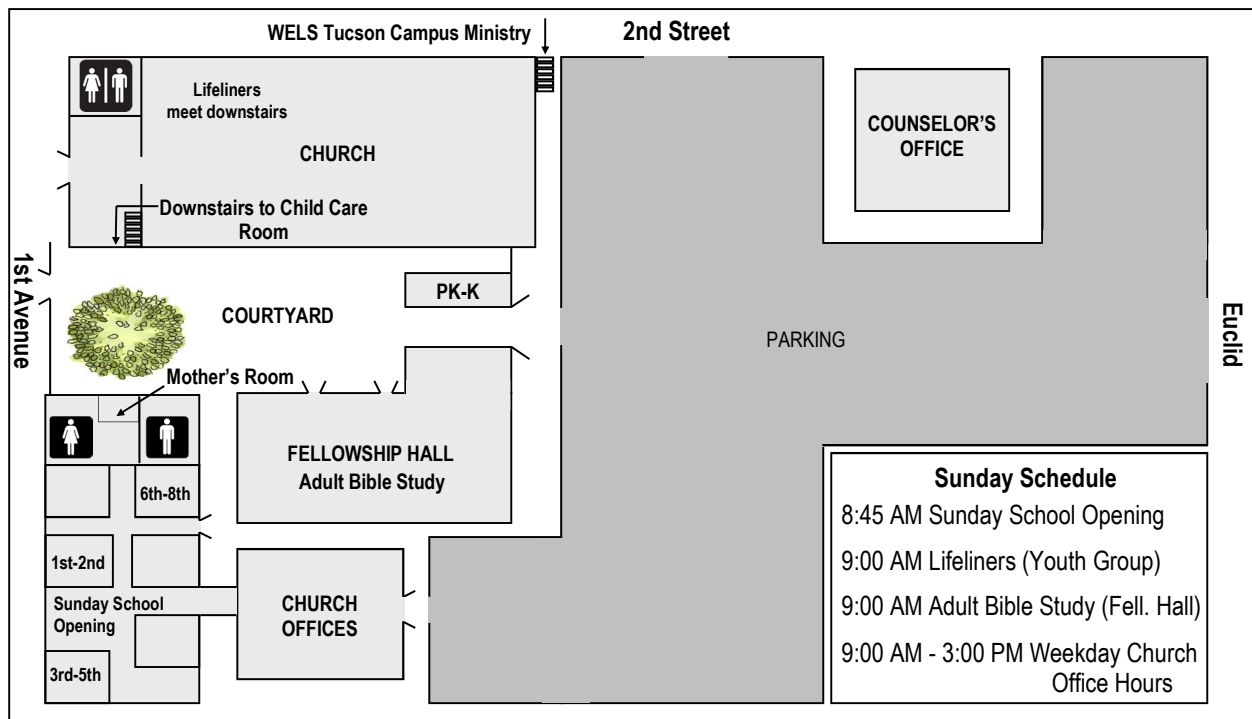
Hymns are found in our hymnal, *Christian Worship*, which is the red book in the pew rack in front of you.

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 see and 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



During the weeks following The Festival of Epiphany (January 6) and preceding the Lenten season, which begins with Ash Wednesday, the Church celebrates the season of Epiphany. During these weeks the focus is on events in the life of Christ, who has appeared as the Light of the World and Savior of all people. The color of the season is green, which brings to mind the growth and life of Christ.

GATHERING RITE ON THE WORD OF GOD

Christian Worship Supplement

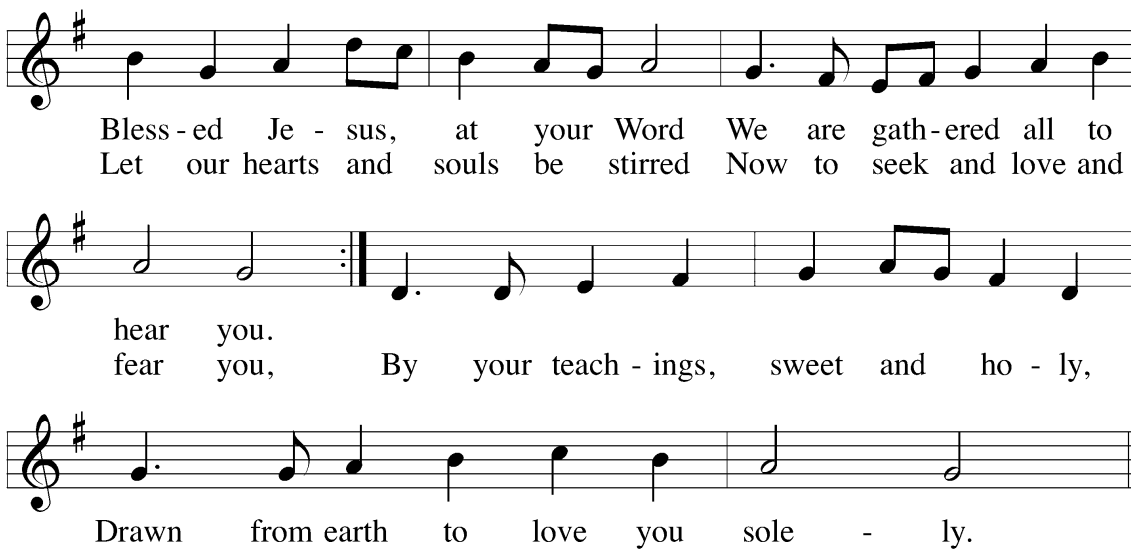
WELCOME

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

7:45:

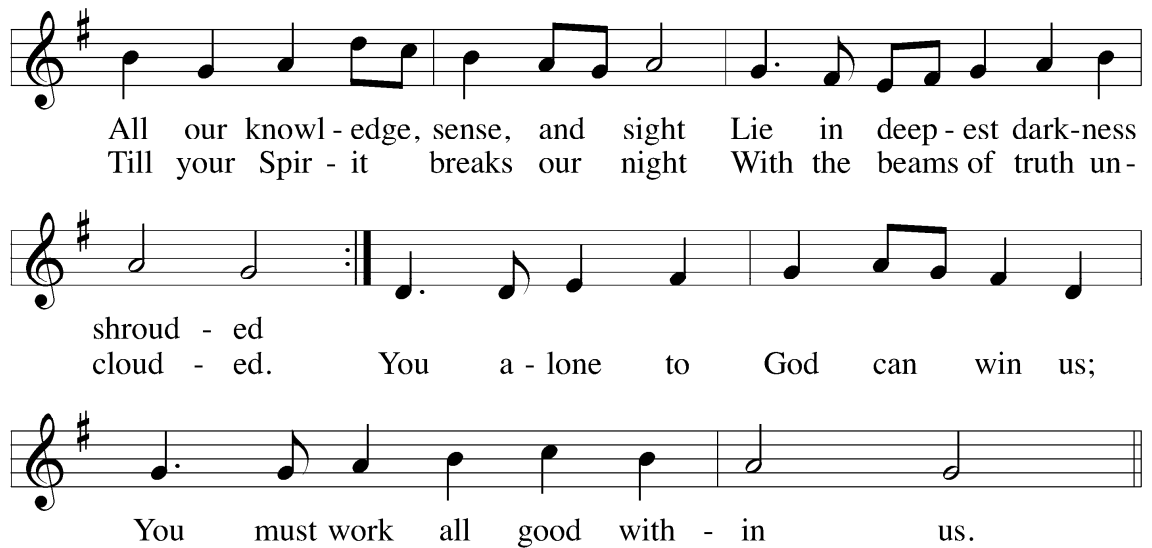
*Our God, Our Help
in Ages Past*
Arranged by
Victor Labenske

10:00:

*You Are My Hiding
Place*
Arranged by
Mark Hayes

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 phrase of music is repeated (with the words on the second line) prior to the singing of the final phrase.

*Psalm 119:97-99,
103*



All our knowl - edge, sense, and sight Lie in deep - est dark-ness
Till your Spir - it breaks our night With the beams of truth un-
shroud - ed
cloud - ed. You a - lone to God can win us;
You must work all good with - in us.

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

2 Timothy 3:16, 17

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.



Gra-cious Sav - ior, good and kind, Light from Light, from God pro-
O - pen now our heart and mind; Help us by your Spir-it's
ceed - ing,
plead - ing. Hear the cry your peo - ple rais - es;
Hear and bless our prayers and prais - es.

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 God, you know that we are surrounded by many dangers and that we often stumble and fall. Strengthen us in body and mind, and bring us safely through all temptations; through Jesus Christ, your Son, 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

Deuteronomy 18:15-20

The Lord your God will raise up for you a prophet like me from among you, from your fellow Israelites. You must listen to him. For this is what you asked of the Lord your God at Horeb on the day of the assembly when you said, “Let us not hear the voice of the Lord our God nor see this great fire anymore, or we will die.” The Lord said to me: “What they say is good. I will raise up for them a

prophet like you from among their fellow Israelites, and I will put my words in his mouth. He will tell them everything I command him. I myself will call to account anyone who does not listen to my words that the prophet speaks in my name. But a prophet who presumes to speak in my name anything I have not commanded, or a prophet who speaks in the name of other gods, is to be put to death.”

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.

PSALM OF THE DAY

PSALM 1

The vocalist will sing the psalm verses.

The congregation is invited to join in the refrain and the final verse.

Refrain



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

Psalm tone



Blessed is the man who does not walk in the counsel of the wicked*
or stand in the way of sinners.

But his delight is in the law of the LORD,*
and on his law he meditates day and night.

He is like a tree planted by streams of water, which yields its fruit in season*
and whose leaf does not wither. Whatever he does prospers.

Refrain

Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment,*
nor sinners in the assembly of the righteous.

For the LORD watches over the way of the righteous,*
but the way of the wicked will perish.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son*
and to the Holy Spirit,
as it was in the beginning,*
is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Refrain

SECOND LESSON

Hebrews 3:1-6

Therefore, holy brothers and sisters, who share in the heavenly calling, fix your thoughts on Jesus, whom we acknowledge as our apostle and high priest. He was faithful to the one who appointed him, just as Moses was faithful in all God's house. Jesus has been found worthy of greater honor than Moses, just as the builder of a house has greater honor than the

house itself. For every house is built by someone, but God is the builder of everything. "Moses was faithful as a servant in all God's house," bearing witness to what would be spoken by God in the future. But Christ is faithful as the Son over God's house. And we are his house, if indeed we hold firmly to our confidence and the hope in which we glory.

VERSE OF THE DAY

Luke 4:18

M: Alleluia. The Spirit of the Lord is on me; he has anointed me to preach good news. Alleluia.

Please stand

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

GOSPEL

Mark 1:21-28

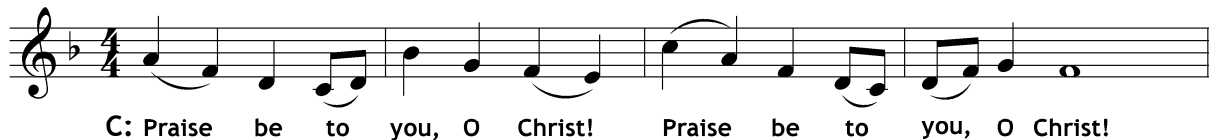
After the announcement of the Gospel, the congregation sings:



They went to Capernaum, and when the Sabbath came, Jesus went into the synagogue and began to teach. The people were amazed at his teaching, because he taught them as one who had authority, not as the teachers of the law. Just then a man in their synagogue who was possessed by an impure spirit cried out, "What do you want with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who

you are—the Holy One of God!" "Be quiet!" said Jesus sternly. "Come out of him!" The impure spirit shook the man violently and came out of him with a shriek. The people were all so amazed that they asked each other, "What is this? A new teaching—and with authority! He even gives orders to impure spirits and they obey him." News about him spread quickly over the whole region of Galilee.

After the Gospel, the congregation sings:



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.

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 be seated

HYMN OF THE DAY

Songs of Thankfulness and Praise
Christian Worship #82

SERMON

Mark 1:21-28
A New Teaching with Authority

Please stand

After the sermon, please join in singing the response below:



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

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



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!

OFFERTORY MUSIC

Hiding Place (7:45)
Arranged by Jonathan Kohrs

Come, Ye Thankful People Come (10:00)
Arranged by George Jon Elvey

Please stand

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

M: Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God and Mary's son, in the fullness of time you came into our world to save us from sin and death.

C: You ushered in the day of grace so long foretold.

M: Beloved Son of the Father, revered by the Magi, baptized by John, you came preaching and teaching, healing and comforting, forgiving and encouraging.

C: You brought the light of life to those walking in darkness, and the joy of salvation to those doomed to death.

M: Prince of peace, shine like a beacon for us and the people of our world. Let the good news of salvation be heard in the remotest corners of the earth. Open our own lips to speak your name to those around us who still live without faith or hope.

C: Arouse us and our missionaries to flood the world with the light of your gospel.

M: Lord of the Church, let your peace rule our hearts that we may use our gifts to serve you and each other in willing gratitude and joy. Watch over our loved ones near and far, that they may remember your love and rejoice in your salvation. Strengthen the faith of the sick and the disheartened. Give hope to those in despair and comfort those who mourn.

C: Be gracious to all and lead us to reflect your love in everything we say and do.

Special prayers and intercessions may follow.

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

Silent prayer.

M: Finally, bring us and all your believers to the heavenly home where we will stand in the full light of your glory and with all your saints and angels sing the everlasting song of triumph.

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.

Please be seated

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

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

Please stand

PRAYER

M: Blessed Lord, you have given us your Holy Scriptures for our learning. May we so hear them, read, learn, and take them to heart, that being strengthened and comforted by your Holy Word, we may cling to the blessed hope of everlasting life, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

BLESSING

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

Abide, O Dearest Jesus Christian Worship #333

POSTLUDE

7:45:

*How Firm a
Foundation*

Arranged by

Victor Labenske

10:00:

Be Thou My Vision

Arranged by

Greg Bottomley

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THOSE ASSISTING IN WORSHIP TODAY

Preacher Pastor Tim Patoka
Worship Leader Pastor Nathan Kassulke (10:00 AM)
Accompanists..... Kathy Parra (7:45 AM), Teri Guenther (10:00 AM)
Vocalists..... Nicole Peterson (7:45 AM), Dylan Guenther (10:00 AM)
Ushers Rusty King, Vic Thornton (7:45 AM)
Ed Ethington, Jonathan Ganster, Lucas Guenther (10:00 AM)
Ferdie Kramm, Jacob Miller, Jonathan Miller (10:00 AM)
Sound, Recording & Video Tech Dylan Guenther (10:00 AM)
Altar Prep Team Elaine Goldie, Karen Grorud
Greeters..... Ed & Judy Ethington (10:00 AM)
Banner Committee Jeanette O'Donald, Nadine Rentschler, Sandy Weir

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 Pat Messer to the glory of God and with thanks for all his blessings.

You Are Invited

You are invited to a coffee fellowship this morning in the courtyard following the 7:45 AM service this morning. Following the 10:00 AM service, we hope you can stay for the chupala lunch prepared by the Lifeliners.

NEXT SUNDAY

Next week's Scripture Lessons for Devotional Reading this Week

Job 7:1-7
Romans 8:28-30
Mark 1:29-39

Sermon Text
Mark 1:29-39
This Is Why Jesus Came

Lifeliners Chupala Lunch

Grace's high school youth group, the Lifeliners, invite you to join them immediately following the 10:00 worship service today for their annual Chupala Lunch. Chupala is a delicious chicken and bean dish with southwestern spices that is served with tortillas or corn chips and toppings (lettuce, tomatoes, olives, cheese, etc.). The lunch after church is a great time to enjoy some fellowship.

The Chupala Lunch is also one of the ways that the Lifeliners raise funds for their activities. Donations are appreciated (checks may be made out to Grace), but you are welcome to eat even if you are unable to contribute. The funding for this event is sponsored by a Thrivent Action Team Grant.

2017 Offering Statements Available

Today is the last day to pick up your year-end offering statement. Those who use numbered offering envelopes or *Simply Giving* for their giving to the Lord will find an envelope with their name on it in the courtyard. Please pick yours up today. We hope you'll appreciate the opportunity to check for any recording errors we may have made and perhaps use it to review your gifts of love to your Savior. This statement may be useful if you choose to itemize tax deductions. Offerings to Grace Lutheran Church are considered charitable donations.

Divine Call Extended

Please continue to keep Pastor Matt Westra and his family in your prayers as he carefully considers whether to continue serving Living Promise Lutheran Church in Morristown, TN or to accept our call to serve as our pastor at Grace-Benson and Grace-Vail. Pastor Westra has been in contact with leaders of our church and continues to have valuable conversations with those involved in ministry at both congregations. Prayers are also welcome for Living Promise, our congregation here, and the ministry of God's Church wherever it is conducted.

Adult Bible Studies

Join us for Bible Studies!

Church-Mission-Ministry meets on Sunday mornings at 9:00AM in the Fellowship Hall.

Church History is currently studying the Reformation and meets on Wednesdays at 10:00AM and 7:00PM in the Fellowship Hall. This class will continue through February 7th and will then take a break during the Lenten season due to midweek Lenten worship.

Women's Bible Study on *Key Bible Words* meets on Thursdays 9:00AM in the east wing of the Fellowship Hall. Join Pastor Koehler for a study that looks at individual words found in Scripture which will deepen your understanding of God and his message of salvation. Whether the Bible is new to you or you are a Bible study veteran, you will appreciate this study that includes words like *mercy, righteousness, peace, justification, hope, sin*, and much more! New words are studied each week, so you can jump in and out of this class as your weekly schedule permits!

Women of Grace Valentine Tea

The Women of Grace will have their annual Valentine's Tea at Grace-Tucson on February 10 at 11:30 AM. Female members from all sites are encouraged to participate in this popular event, which will include a luncheon and presentation by Mary Clemons on John 15:17 under the theme "Love My People." Women are needed to host tables, provide food, set-up and clean-up, and to invite other women to attend. To RSVP and to indicate how you can help, please sign-up on the sheets located in the Fellowship Hall. If you have questions, please contact Diane Kramm (520-440-8564).

LWMS Spring Rally

The 2018 Spring Rally for our Circuit of the Lutheran Women's Missionary Society (LWMS) is scheduled for April 14 at Church of the Open Bible, Whiteriver, AZ. Registration AND Mission Money offering due dates will be announced soon. Watch for forms at your Grace site and at www.GrandCanyonLWMS.org. Information about lodging in the White Mountain area will also be available. **NOTE:** If you are among those ladies using the little **Mission boxes** to set aside your Mission offering, remember to write a check or send paper currency to the circuit Treasurer, Rose Petersen, before the deadline. Please, do not send boxes of coins. All checks are to be made out to **Grand Canyon Circuit East** for both mission money and registration. Please watch for further details in upcoming worship folders and newsletters. If you have questions, contact Diane Kramm (520-440-8564).

Worship Choir

Worship Choir will have rehearsals on Thursday evenings beginning February 8 at 6:30 PM in the sanctuary. All interested members are invited to come! We will be preparing music for the Lenten season and for Easter Sunday (April 1). If you have any questions, please contact Music Coordinator Beth Kassulke: 520-260-3649, music@gracelutheransaz.org.

ALA Basketball Tournament

The annual men's church league basketball tournament at Arizona Lutheran Academy (located in Tempe) will be held on Saturday, March 17 (starting time is still to be determined). Any men interested in playing on a team from Grace should contact Jeff Weinstein: 520-909-7649, trustee@gracelutheransaz.org by February 15.

Groundskeeper Position Available

Grace Lutheran Church of Southern AZ is looking for a part-time Groundskeeper for Grace-Tucson. If you have any interest please contact the Trustee, Jeff Weinstein: 520-909-7649, trustee@gracelutheransaz.org.

Guest Musicians Coming to Grace

Several WELS musicians will be coming to Grace in the coming weeks.

Sunday, February 4: Chris Driesbach will be at Grace-Vail for 9:00 AM Bible Class and 10:00 AM Worship.

Friday, February 9: Chris Driesbach will be at Grace-Tucson for a 7:00 PM Concert.

Wednesday, February 28: Branches Band will be at Grace-Tucson for the 10:00 AM and 7:00 PM worship services.

Sunday, March 4: Branches Band will be at Grace-Sahuarita for the 7:45 AM and 10:00 AM worship services.

Sunday March 4: Koine will be at Grace-Tucson for the 7:45 AM and 10:00 AM worship services.

Additional details about these musicians and events are given below.

Chris Driesbach

On Sunday, February 4, WELS member and musician Chris Driesbach will lead the music for a special worship service at Grace-Vail at 10:00 AM, focusing on *Creation*. He will also share his story of becoming a Christian (a fascinating story from a former atheist) and sing more of his original songs during Bible Class at 9:00 AM. Chris will also offer at concert at Grace-Tucson on Friday, February 9 at 7:00 PM. On both days, he will have CDs available for purchase and congregation members will have an opportunity to make donations toward Chris' ministry. To learn more about Chris and his music, you can visit his website, www.ChrisDriesbach.com. *If you would like to see Chris but cannot attend on either of these days, he is offering another concert at Redeemer Lutheran Church in Marana on Wednesday, February 7 at 6:30 PM.*

Branches Band

WELS musicians Andy and Rachel Braun of the Branches Band will lead our music in worship services on Wednesday, February 28 at Grace-Tucson for both the 10:00 AM and 7:00 PM midweek Lenten services. They will also lead worship music on Sunday, March 4 at Grace-Sahuarita for both the 7:45 AM and 10:00 AM worship services. Andy and Rachel travel around the country with this ministry, playing hymns and original songs based on scripture. Their CDs and other merchandise will be available for purchase. Congregation members will also have an opportunity to make donations to support the ministry of the Branches Band. For more information about the group, please visit www.BranchedBand.com or [www.Facebook.com/BranchesBand](https://www.facebook.com/BranchesBand).

KOINE

WELS band KOINE will lead music in our worship services on Sunday, March 4 at Grace-Tucson for both the 7:45 AM and 10:00 AM worship services. The service they will be presenting is called *Footsteps to the Cross*, a very visual and moving musical narrative following Christ from the Mount of Transfiguration to the cross. KOINE is an award winning worship band known for combining century-old hymns with modern accompaniment. After the services, their CDs and other merchandise will be available for purchase. Congregation members will also have an opportunity to make donations to support their music ministry. For more information about the group, please visit www.KoineMusic.com or [www.Facebook.com/Koine](https://www.facebook.com/Koine). *If you would like to see KOINE but cannot attend Grace-Tucson this morning or would like to hear more of their music, they will be presenting a concert featuring the hymns of Martin Luther at Redeemer Lutheran Church in Marana on Sunday, March 4 at 6:00 PM.*

Thank You

Thank you to everyone who contributed hats, scarves and blankets to Holy Cross for the Missions Project and the Vets Project in 2017. They were able to send over 600 hats and 150 scarves to Mission to the Children and the Apache Mission. They also were able to send a total of 20 afghans and 116 pairs of white socks to our Vets. Holy Cross will be collecting items for these groups again this year. Caps and scarves, flannel blankets, afghans, white socks, skull caps for our military men and women in active duty and skull caps for those who are going through cancer treatment are needed. Donations can be dropped off in the office at Grace-Tucson. There is no deadline. Please contact Karen Manning at 520-241-0909 if you have any questions.

Arizona Lutheran Academy Gala

Mark your calendar now for Saturday, March 24, 2018. This is the date for the 7th Annual Gala, *Global Adventure*, celebrating the rich diversity of God's children at ALA. This big fundraising event will support ALA students by raising money to make campus improvements and assist families with need-based tuition assistance.



Ways to participate:

ATTEND. Tickets will be available soon at ALAcoyotes.org/gala. *Note:* All alumni who graduated from ALA in years ending in 3 or 8 can attend the 2018 Gala for half-price. This is a great opportunity to have a class reunion at the Gala!

DONATE. Auction items are being accepted. If you prefer, you can donate money to go toward the fundraising effort. Go ALAcoyotes.org/gala and look for the donation form.

SPONSOR. Go to ALAcoyotes.org/gala to find more information about sponsorships and advertising at the Gala.

Open House at Redeemer Lutheran School

An Early Childhood Open House will be held at Redeemer on Monday, January 29 from 4:00-7:00 PM. Children and parents may come at any time, meet the teachers, and receive information on curriculum, tuition assistance, tax credits and registration for Preschool, Pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten. For more information, please go to www.RedeemerTucson.com or call 520-572-8136. Redeemer is one of our sister congregations and partners with us to provide Christ-centered education to children age 3 through 8th grade.

ACSTO and Tuition Tax Credit

The Arizona Christian School Tuition Organization (ACSTO) exists to provide tuition scholarships to students at Christian schools by receiving tax credit donations. ACSTO works closely with our WELS schools in Arizona, including Redeemer Lutheran School here in Tucson and our area Lutheran high school, Arizona Lutheran Academy (ALA) in Phoenix. Currently, 13 members of Grace attend Redeemer Lutheran School, and 4 members attend ALA.

The support of ACSTO, which allows many families to afford the Lutheran education that they want for their children, is made possible by Arizona residents who make donations. In fact, specific children may even be recommended to receive a scholarship from your donation. Arizona law also allows you to receive the full amount, up to certain limits, as a tax credit on your state income taxes. This means that you can direct money that you would otherwise pay to the state to support a cause that interests you. You can donate to Lutheran education without spending any extra money.

ACSTO has an excellent video explaining the tax credit law in Arizona, and you can view that video on their website at www.ACSTO.org. Donations made before April 15 may be applied to your 2017 taxes. Please keep in mind this opportunity and make use of it as you are able!

If you have questions about this program, please ask. There are several people at Grace who know it well and would be happy to help!



**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 • Jan 28 - Feb 4

TUCSON

Today

Worship Services 7:45 & 10:00a
Coffee Fellowship 8:45a
Children's Sunday School 8:45a
Youth Confirmation Class 8:45a
Lifeliners (High School Group) 9:00a
Adult Bible Study (Fellowship Hall):
• *Church-Mission-Ministry* 9:00a
Chupala Lunch hosted by Lifeliners **11:00a**
WELS TCM: *How Many Wise Men Came?* 7:00p

Monday

English as a Second Language Classes 6:30p

Tuesday

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Wednesday

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

Thursday

Women's Bible Study: *Key Bible Words* 9:00a
NO Handbell or Choir Practice.....

Sunday

Worship Services/Communion 7:45 & 10:00a
Coffee Fellowship following both services
Children's Sunday School 8:45a
Youth Confirmation Class 8:45a
Lifeliners (High School Group) 9:00a
Adult Bible Study (Fellowship Hall):
• *Church-Mission-Ministry* 9:00a
NO WELS TCM Bible Study.....

SAHUARITA

Today

Children's Sunday School 9:00a
Adult Bible Study: *Means of Grace* 9:00a
Worship Services 7:45 & 10:00a
Coffee Fellowship following worship

Wednesday

Bible Study: *The Lord's Prayer* 10:00a

Sunday

Children's Sunday School 9:00a
Adult Bible Study: *Means of Grace* 9:00a
Worship Services/Communion 7:45 & 10:00a
Coffee Fellowship following worship

VAIL

Today

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

Wednesday

Ministry Center Office Hours 3:00p
Bible Study at Ministry Center: *Key Bible Words* 6:30p

Sunday

Children's Sunday School 9:00a
Youth Confirmation Class 9:00a
Chris Driesbach Presentation **9:00a**
Creation Worship Service w/Chris Driesbach **10:00a**
Coffee Fellowship following worship.....

BENSON

Today

Worship Service 7:30a

Sunday

NO Worship Service.....

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