

Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost
Friends & Family Sunday
October 14, 2012



Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church





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-University! 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.

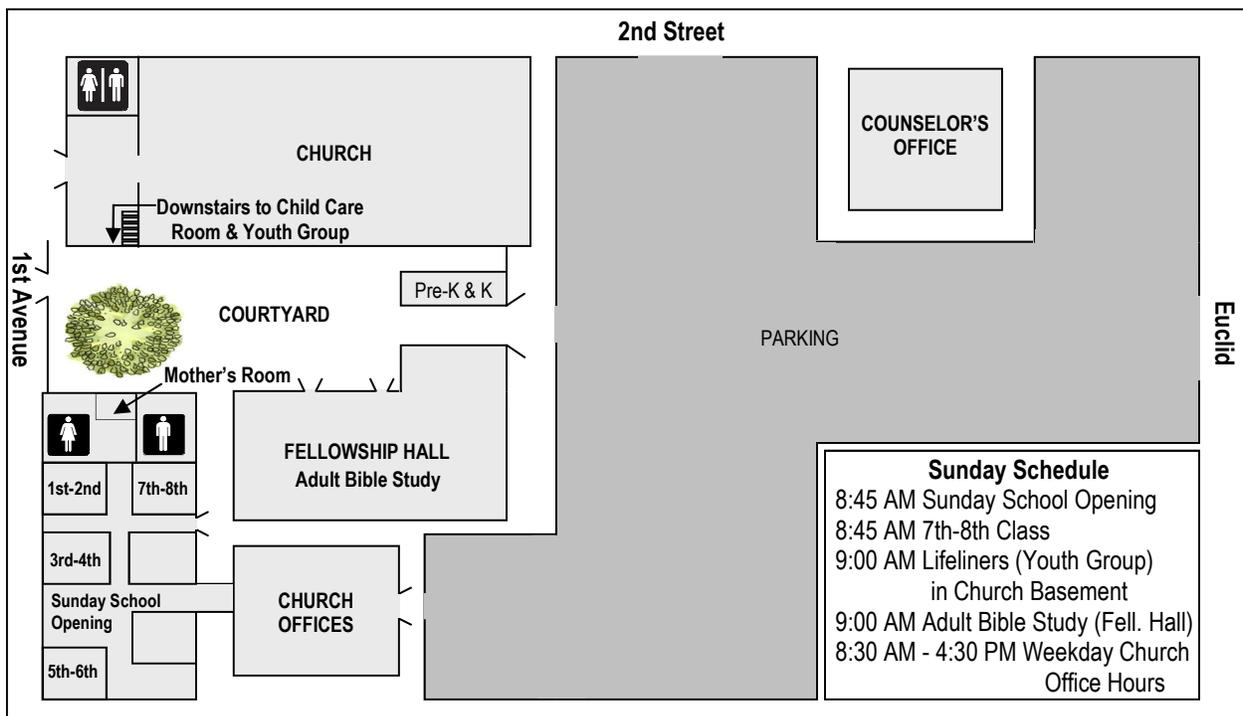
Hymns are found in our hymnal, *Christian Worship*, which is the red book in the pew rack in front of you.

Large print worship folders 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 back entryway, sometimes that's all that's needed
- go down the stairs to the left in the front 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 along with CDs of the entire worship service for those who would like to review or take to a friend or family member. You may also find sermons and services in print, audio and video on our website: www.GraceTucsonWELS.com



SERVICE OF THE WORD

Christian Worship

HYMN

Lord of the Home
Christian Worship #502

Please stand

Minister: The grace of our Lord (†) Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

Congregation: And also with you.

CONFESSION OF SINS

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

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

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

C: Amen.

PRAYER AND PRAISE

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

OH, TASTE AND SEE



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



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



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



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



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

PRESERVICE MUSIC:

7:45—

God, Give Us
Christian Homes
Arr. by Cindy Berry

10:00—

Let Children Hear
the Mighty Deeds

By Johann Crüger
Setting by Benjamin
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We come before the true God only because of his mercy and not because we deserve to come. We confess our unworthiness and rejoice to hear the assurance of forgiveness.

In response to God's mercy and forgiveness, Christians praise God and proclaim his goodness. This song is comprised of two Bible passages: Psalm 34:8 and Psalm 119:89.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: Let us pray. Almighty God, in your bountiful goodness keep us safe from every evil of body and soul. Make us ready, with cheerful hearts, to do whatever pleases you; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C: A - men.

Please be seated

THE WORD

FIRST LESSON

The LORD God said, "It is not good for the man to be alone. I will make a helper suitable for him." Now the LORD God had formed out of the ground all the beasts of the field and all the birds of the air. He brought them to the man to see what he would name them; and whatever the man called each living creature, that was its name. So the man gave names to all the livestock, the birds of the air and all the beasts of the field. But for Adam no suitable helper was found. So the LORD God caused the man to fall

Genesis 2:18-24

into a deep sleep; and while he was sleeping, he took one of the man's ribs and closed up the place with flesh. Then the LORD God made a woman from the rib he had taken out of the man, and he brought her to the man. The man said, "This is now bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh; she shall be called 'woman,' for she was taken out of man." For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be united to his wife, and they will become one flesh. (NIV)

PSALM OF THE DAY

PSALM 139b

Refrain



Psalm Tone



1. O Lord, you created my inmost / being;* you knit me together in my / mother's womb.
2. I praise you because I am fearfully and wonder- / fully made,* your works are
wonderful, I know that / full well.
3. My frame was not hidden / from you;* your eyes saw my unformed / body.

Refrain

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.

4. All the days or- / dained for me* were written in your book before one of them / came to be.
5. How precious to me are your / thoughts, O God!* How vast is the / sum of them!
6. Were I to / count them,* they would outnumber the / grains of sand.
7. Glory be to the Father and / to the Son* and to the Holy / Spirit, as it was in the be- / ginning,* is now, and will be forever. / Amen.

Refrain

SECOND LESSON

Ephesians 5:21-6:4

Submit to one another out of reverence for Christ. Wives, submit to your husbands as to the Lord. For the husband is the head of the wife as Christ is the head of the church, his body, of which he is the Savior. Now as the church submits to Christ, so also wives should submit to their husbands in everything. Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her to make her holy, cleansing her by the washing with water through the word, and to present her to himself as a radiant church, without stain or wrinkle or any other blemish, but holy and blameless. In this same way, husbands ought to love their wives as their own bodies. He who loves his wife loves himself. After all, no one ever hated his own body, but he feeds and cares for it,

just as Christ does the church—for we are members of his body. For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be united to his wife, and the two will become one flesh. This is a profound mystery—but I am talking about Christ and the church. However, each one of you also must love his wife as he loves himself, and the wife must respect her husband. Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right. Honor your father and mother—which is the first commandment with a promise—that it may go well with you and that you may enjoy long life on the earth. Fathers, do not exasperate your children; instead, bring them up in the training and instruction of the Lord. (NIV)

VERSE OF THE DAY

C: A - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! These words are
 writ - ten that we may be - lieve that Je - sus is the Christ, the
 Son of God. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

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

Today's Verse of the Day is John 20:31.

Please stand

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

GOSPEL

Some Pharisees came and tested him by asking, "Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife?" "What did Moses command you?" he replied. They said, "Moses permitted a man to write a certificate of divorce and send her away." "It was because your hearts were hard that Moses wrote you this law," Jesus replied. "But at the beginning of creation God 'made them male and female. For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be united to his wife, and the two will become one flesh. So they are no longer two, but one. Therefore what God has joined together, let man not separate.'" When they were in the house again, the disciples asked Jesus

Mark 10:2-16

about this. He answered, "Anyone who divorces his wife and marries another woman commits adultery against her. And if she divorces her husband and marries another man, she commits adultery." People were bringing little children to Jesus to have him touch them, but the disciples rebuked them. When Jesus saw this, he was indignant. He said to them, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these. I tell you the truth, anyone who will not receive the kingdom of God like a little child will never enter it." And he took the children in his arms, put his hands on them and blessed them. (NIV)

After the Gospel, the congregation sings:



C: Praise — be to you, O Christ!

Please be seated

HYMN OF THE DAY

For Christian Homes, O Lord, We Pray
Christian Worship #500

SERMON

Mark 10:2-16
Jesus Loves Families

Please stand

APOSTLES' CREED

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

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

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.

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

Please be seated

OFFERING

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

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

VOICES OF GRACE (10:00 AM)

Please stand

**This is My Will
Christian Worship #497
Arranged by Koiné**

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

M: Lord God, our maker and preserver, we praise and thank you for all that you give us day after day.

C: **We are not worthy of all the mercies you show us.**

M: You have given us your precious Word to nourish our souls and to protect us from the temptations of the devil, the world, and our sinful nature.

C: **We thank you for those who teach and preach your saving truth at this place and everywhere. Grant them a rich measure of patience, wisdom, and love.**

M: Heavenly Father, we pray that you shield us from every kind of danger: sudden catastrophe, terrors of crime, and the pain of disease. Watch over those who travel by land, sea, and air. Keep our loved ones from whatever perils may threaten them.

C: **Heal those who are sick, cheer those who are sad, calm those who are distressed, and comfort all who are old and infirm.**

M: Bless our land, our people, and those who hold offices of high trust. Keep our government and schools upright and strong for the advancement of good citizenship and useful vocations, that we may enjoy your gifts of peace, security, and well-being.

C: **Grant your blessing to every nation on earth. Where there are wars, may there be peace. Where there is hatred, let it be healed. Where there is poverty, danger, or disaster, come with your almighty power to help and restore.**

Special prayers and intercessions may follow.

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



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

**7:45 AM—
Love Is the Gracious Gift
Arr. by Valerie Floeter**

Christians stand for congregational prayer showing the freedom of God's children to come boldly into his presence. The Christian theologian Augustine (400 AD) adds, "We pray standing. . . as a sign of the Resurrection."

Silent prayer.

M: We bring these requests before you in the name of Jesus our Lord, and ask you to hear us. Take all that we have, our bodies and minds, our time and skills, our ministries and offerings, and use them to your glory.

C: We give ourselves to you that we may serve you in whatever way is pleasing in your sight. Amen.

Matthew 6 and Luke 11 record how Jesus taught his disciples to pray. We use his example prayer as part of our public worship, trusting that he will hear and answer our prayers.

LORD'S PRAYER

C: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

Please be seated

HYMN

Oh, Blessed Home, Where Man and Wife
Christian Worship #503

Please stand

PRAYER

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



C: A - men.

Please be seated

VOICES OF GRACE

A Closing Prayer
By Don Besig

*The time has come, O Lord, for us to leave this place;
Guide us and protect us and lead us in thy grace.
Wherever life may take us as we go our sep'rate ways,
Help us share with others the things we've shared today.*

*May the peace of God the Father, and the love of Christ, His Son
Guide us in the days ahead and strengthen us, each one.
May the blessings of the spirit fill us from within;
God bless us and return us to this fellowship once again. Amen.*

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

CLOSING HYMN

Christians, While on Earth Abiding
Christian Worship #408

POSTLUDE

(7:45 AM)

God Be With You Till We Meet Again
Arr. by Mildred Alexander

(10:00 AM)

Gift of Love
By Hal Hopson

THOSE ASSISTING IN WORSHIP TODAY

Preacher Pastor Nathan Kassulke
Worship Leader Pastor Sam Clemons (10:00 AM)
Accompanists..... Stephanie Kania (7:45 AM)
Teri Guenther (10:00 AM)
Voices of Grace Director Beth Kassulke
Piano Accompanist Elaine Goldie
Sound & Recording Tech Jeremy Snavelly (10:00 AM)

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Thank You

Thank you for joining us for our Friends and Family Sunday at Grace-University. It is always our pleasure to have the opportunity to share God's word and to worship him. If you are a guest with us today and do not have a church home of your own, we invite you to join us on a regular basis. We would also be happy to speak to you about making Grace your church.

Anyone who is interested in receiving more information about Grace should feel free to take a Guest Packet. These are available at the entrances to church and also in the Fellowship Hall and contain a number of helpful brochures and information sheets regarding our church. It is also appreciated if you fill out the friendship register so that we have a record of your visit with us and can send you a personal note of thanks.

Please join us after this morning's worship service to enjoy some cookies and coffee or other refreshments. Take the time to meet those worshipping with you today. The pastors and members of Grace would be pleased to answer any questions you may have as well.

Finally, we'd also like to thank everyone who assisted with our "Spanferkelfest" Pig Roast event this past Friday. To all who helped set up for the event, bring food, serve food, clean up, entertain us, or help in any other way, we are very grateful and appreciate your hard work. A special thank you to Rick Street who cooked the pig for our festivities. Thank you also to everyone who came out to enjoy it!



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

**Enjoy worship, Bible study
and activities at both
Grace-University and Grace-Vail.**



This Week at Grace • Oct 14-Oct 21

*Unless otherwise noted, calendar events take place at Grace-University. Grace-Vail events are shown in red.

TODAY FRIENDS & FAMILY SUNDAY

Worship Services 7:45 & 10:00a
 Coffee Fellowship following both services
 Children's Sunday School 8:45a
 Youth Confirmation Class 8:45a
 Lifeliners (High School Group): *Bible Study*..... 9:00a
 Adult Bible Study:
 • *The Life of Christ: Jesus' Miracles* (Fellowship Hall)..... 9:00a
Grace-Vail Bible Study at Cottonwood Elementary 9:00a
Grace-Vail Sunday School at Cottonwood Elem. 9:00a
Grace-Vail Worship at Cottonwood Elementary 10:00a
 WELS TCM Bible Study: *Does the Bible Contradict Itself?*... 7:00p

Monday

Bible Study at Vail Golf Club: *Book of Acts* 9:30a
 English as a Second Language Classes 6:30p

Tuesday

NO Handbell Practice
 English as a Second Language Classes 6:30p
 AZ-CA Pastor Conference, Phoenix, AZ (The pastors will attend Tues-Thurs)

Wednesday

NO Midweek Bible Studies
NO Wind Ensemble
NO Bible Study at the Prigges.....

Thursday

NO Women's Bible Study.....
 Worship Choir 6:30p
Financial Peace University in Vail 7:00p
 Grow in Grace Class (Conference Room in Office)..... 7:30p

Saturday

Grace-Vail Canvassing Blitz..... 9:30a

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 WELS TCM Bible Study: *Is Jesus a Republican?* 7:00p

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For Our Guests

If you are visiting Grace today, we are happy that you joined us for Worship. Please help yourself to a Guest Packet as you leave this morning. You'll find them in the church entryway.

Altar Flowers

The flowers beautifying our worship this morning have been given by the Hawkins family in loving memory of husband and father, Chick Hawkins.

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, Nancy Miles, Pat Rader 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

2 Kings 5:14-27

Hebrews 13:1-8

Mark 10:17-27

Sermon Text & Theme

Hebrews 13:1-8

I Can Be Content



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Bible Studies Cancelled Tues-Thursday this week

There will be no Grace-University or Grace-Vail Bible studies this Tuesday through Thursday since the pastors will be in Phoenix at the Pastor's conference. Pastor Rieke will still hold his Acts Bible Study at the Vail Golf Club tomorrow, October 15 at 9:30 AM.

Grace Polo Shirts

We are excited to announce that polo shirts with the Grace logo will be offered for sale at both Grace-University and Grace-Vail. Youth, Ladies, and Men sizes will be available in two styles and five colors (white, light blue, royal blue, royal purple, and lime green). Sample shirts of each style and all colors will be at both sites to help you make your selection. Prices: Poly/Cotton - Youth \$14.50, Ladies & Men \$17.00; Polyester Cool/Wicking polo \$24.00. (Prices are slightly higher for XX and larger sizes.) Today is the final day to take orders. Payment should be made when shirts are ordered. Shirts will be available for pick up Sunday, 11/4.

We especially hope that all of the people who volunteer to work at the Vail Country Fair on Saturday, 11/10, will be able to wear the new polo shirt during our outreach to the Vail community. If you have questions see Diane Kramm.

Grace-Vail Canvassing Blitz this Saturday

There is a canvassing blitz for Grace-Vail this Saturday, October 20, starting at 9:30 AM. This is a great way to share information about our second site and also a way to share the love of Christ. We will be meeting at Cottonwood Elementary School (9950 E. Rees Loop) at 9:30 AM this Saturday, October 20.



Grace Pastors Serving in New Ways

Pastor Kassulke has been appointed by our AZ-CA District President to serve as the Circuit Pastor for our Saguaro Circuit (Tucson, Marana and Vail congregations). The circuit pastor serves as the “pastors’ pastor” and he assists the District President in matters of doctrine and practice in the area. In addition, he conducts regular meetings of the pastors in the circuit for the purpose of study, business and fellowship.

Pastor Koehler stepped down from the position of Circuit Pastor because he was asked to begin serving on the AZ-CA District Mission Board (DMB). The DMB works with and encourages our district’s mission congregations and their pastors. They also work to find new areas for our mission work to expand. The DMB is made up of laymen and pastors from our district, who each have pastors and mission congregations for whom they serve as “shepherds.” Pastor Koehler will be joining Grace member Jesse Huggins who has been serving on the DMB for the last 12 years.

Financial Peace University

Financial Peace University (FPU) started at Grace-Vail this past week. It’s not too late to join if you would still like to get valuable information about wisely managing the money God has entrusted to you. Class is held on Thursday evenings at 7:00 PM at Cottonwood Elementary (9950 E. Rees Loop) in room 409. The cost of a membership is \$95 per family. If you have purchased a membership before, there is no additional cost, though there is an option to upgrade to new materials if you would like. If you have any questions please call Pastor Rieke at 343-9881.



New Men’s Group

New opportunities for study, encouragement and fellowship for men who are at least 21 years old are coming soon! Watch for information on the first gathering of GRACE IRON MEN.

Area Reformation Service

Please join the WELS churches of Tucson/Vail/Marana for the Area Reformation Service, celebrating the unity that we have in Christ and his Word. The service will be held here at Grace-University on Sunday, November 4 at 3:00 PM. Our Reformation preacher is retired pastor and professor Joel Gerlach, who formerly served Grace and now lives in Milwaukee, WI. A dessert fellowship will be provided following worship. We hope you will join us!

Support the Lifeliners

The Lifeliners, members of our high school youth group, are selling Entertainment Coupon Books (\$30) and Bible Verse Calendars (\$8 or 2 for \$15). Visit their table in the Courtyard to make your purchase. All proceeds support Lifeliner activities.

WELS TCM Bible Study Tonight

WELS Tucson Campus Ministry will be meeting tonight at 7:00 PM in the Student Center located in the Grace-University basement. The topic will be *Does the Bible Contradict Itself?* We invite all college students and others of approximately college age to join us.