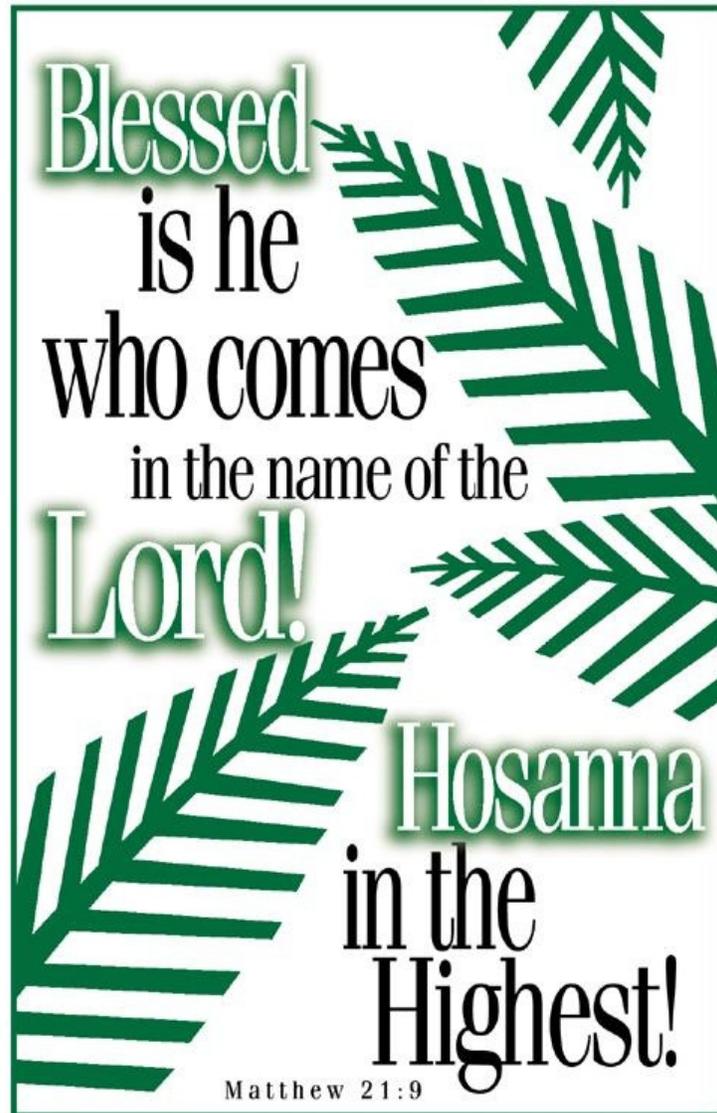


Sixth Sunday in Lent
Palm Sunday



Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church
April 1, 2012



DIVINE SERVICE I
Christian Worship Supplement

EASTER FOR KIDS CHOIR (10:00 AM)

Alive, Alive

Arr. by David McDonald

*Alive, alive, alive forevermore;
My Jesus is alive, alive forevermore.*

*Sing hallelujah! Sing hallelujah!
My Jesus is alive forevermore.
My Jesus is alive!*

WELCOME

HYMN

Hosanna, Loud Hosanna
Christian Worship #130

STAND

MINISTER: In the name of the Father and of the Son (†) and of the Holy Spirit.

CONGREGATION: Amen.

CONFESSION OF SINS

M: Beloved in the Lord: let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us 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.**

LORD, HAVE MERCY

Kyrie

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

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

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

PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

M: Let us pray. We praise you, O God, for the great acts of love by which you redeemed us through your Son, Jesus Christ. As he was acclaimed by those who scattered their garments and branches of palm in his path, so may we always hail him as our King and follow him with perfect confidence; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

BE SEATED

THE WORD

FIRST LESSON

Zechariah 9:9, 10

Rejoice greatly, O Daughter of Zion! Shout, Daughter of Jerusalem! See, your king comes to you, righteous and having salvation, gentle and riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey. I will take away the chariots from Ephraim and the war-horses

from Jerusalem, and the battle bow will be broken. He will proclaim peace to the nations. His rule will extend from sea to sea and from the River to the ends of the earth.

SECOND LESSON

Philippians 2:5-11

Your attitude should be the same as that of Christ Jesus: Who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be grasped, but made himself nothing, taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness. And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself and became obedient to death—even death on a

cross! Therefore God exalted him to the highest place and gave him the name that is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

VERSE OF THE DAY

John 12:23

M: The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified.

STAND

GOSPEL

Mark 11:1-10

After the announcement of the Gospel, the congregation sings:

C Glo-ry be to you, O Lord! Glo-ry be to you, O Lord!

As they approached Jerusalem and came to Bethphage and Bethany at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two of his disciples, saying to them, “Go to the village ahead of you, and just as you enter it, you will find a colt tied there, which no one has ever ridden. Untie it and bring it here. If anyone asks you, ‘Why are you doing this?’ tell him, ‘The Lord needs it and will send it back here shortly.’” They went and found a colt outside in the street, tied at a doorway. As they untied it, some people standing there asked,

“What are you doing, untying that colt?” They answered as Jesus had told them to, and the people let them go. When they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks over it, he sat on it. Many people spread their cloaks on the road, while others spread branches they had cut in the fields. Those who went ahead and those who followed shouted, “Hosanna!” “Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!” “Blessed is the coming kingdom of our father David!” “Hosanna in the highest!”

After the Gospel, the congregation sings:

C Praise be to you, O Christ! Praise be to you, O Christ!

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.

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HYMN OF THE DAY

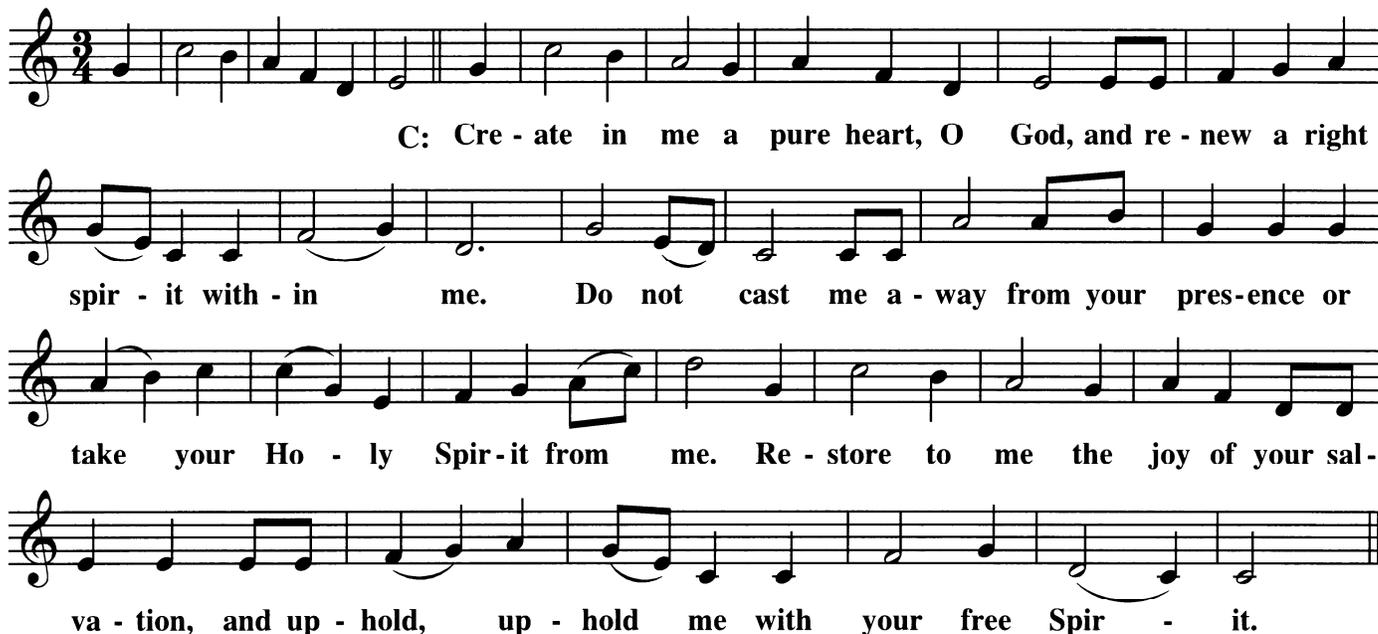
Ride On, Ride On in Majesty
Christian Worship #133

SERMON

Mark 1:1-10
Blessed is He Who Comes in the Name of the Lord

STAND

After the sermon, please join in singing the response below following a brief introduction:



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.

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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 pew and pass it along. Thank You!

OFFERTORY MUSIC	7:45 AM	Fairest Lord Jesus <i>Arr. by Richard Storrs Willis</i>	10:00 AM	Hosanna, Loud Hosanna <i>By Anne Krentz</i>
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STAND

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH — PALM SUNDAY

M: Lord Jesus, you are the King of heaven and earth. We join the first Palm Sunday worshipers in praising and glorifying you for coming to this earth to be our Savior. Though you are one with God the Father and Lord of all, you humbled yourself and became one with us. Thanks be to you for living a life of perfect conformity to God's holy law in our place. Praise be to you for being obedient to death, even death on a cross, to redeem us from sin.

Cause our voices to blend with those who sang your praises as you rode into Jerusalem. Move us to confess you before others as our Lord. Help us proclaim the message of peace and forgiveness to people of all nations. Use us to assure all people that your blood has cleansed them from sin and set them free from slavery to sin, death, and the devil. Move us to dedicate all we are and have to your glory.

Lord Jesus, you are King over all the earth. Bless the nations of this world with wise rulers and good government. Let peace prevail. Grant success to the businesses and industries of our land to serve for the common good. Cause all employers to be honest and fair-minded and all employees to be diligent and faithful. Look with favor on our nation's schools. Be with those who teach and those who learn. Comfort the sick and the afflicted with the assurance of your care and protection. Strengthen the faith of the dying.

Special prayers and intercessions may follow.

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

Silent prayer.

M: Dear Savior, as we walk with you this week toward Calvary, keep us focused on your purpose for coming into this world and on our calling to spread this wonderful message of salvation. Hear us for your mercy's sake. 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 7 with the Words of Institution.

THE SACRAMENT

PREFACE

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:



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."

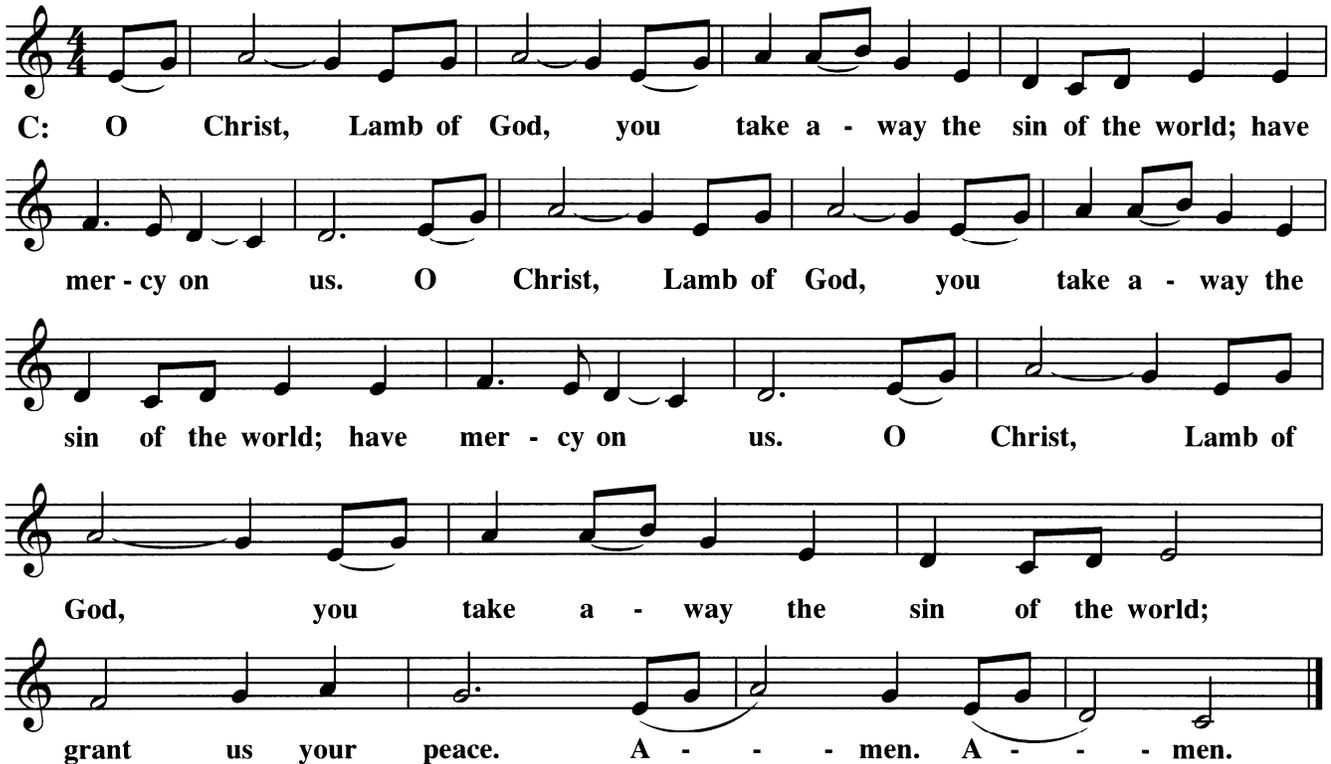
The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: Amen.

O CHRIST, LAMB OF GOD

Agnus Dei

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



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.

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DISTRIBUTION

Our church practices "Member Communion." If you are a guest today and are a confirmed member of another WELS church, we invite you to the Lord's Table with us. If you are a guest today and are not a member of one of our Wisconsin Synod churches, we ask that you would speak to one of the pastors after church today or at some other time to discuss receiving the Lord's Supper with us in the future.

*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.*

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.

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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.

BE SEATED

ANNOUNCEMENTS

HYMN

The King of Glory Comes
Christian Worship #363

POSTLUDE

7:45 AM All Hail King Jesus
Arr. by Dave Moody

10:00 AM All Glory, Laud and Honor
Arr. by Lani Smith



Welcome to Grace!

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.

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. 7 in today's worship folder under "Distribution" for information about our practice of Member Communion.

THOSE ASSISTING IN WORSHIP THIS MORNING

- Preacher**.....Pastor Nathan Kassulke
- Worship Leader**.....Pastor Sam Clemons
- Communion Assistants**..... Mark Christianson, *Spiritual Needs Elder*,
Pastor Mark Hallemeyer,
Pastor Hallemeyer is a member of Grace who retired in 2008 after serving as pastor here for 36 years.
- Accompanists**..... Kathy Parra (7:45 AM), Teri Guenther (10:00 AM)
- Trumpets**.....Pastor Nathan Kassulke, Tyler Koehler (10:00 AM)
- French Horn**.....Cora Kosanke (10:00 AM)
- Timpani**..... Danny Koehler (10:00 AM)
- Saxophone**..... Jeremy Snavelly (7:45 AM)
- Easter for Kids Choir Director**.....Ariana Weinstein (10:00 AM)
- Easter for Kids Choir Accompanist**..... Stephanie Kania (10:00 AM)
- Sound & Recording Tech**.....Jeremy Snavelly (10:00 AM)

Altar Flowers have been given by Audrey Street in memory of Richard Street.

Easter Sunday's Sermon Themes:

- "Christ's Victory is Our Victory" (Sunrise Service)*
- "Peace and Life Are Yours" (Festival Service)*

You Are Invited

You are invited to a coffee fellowship following 10:00 AM worship today. Please join us in the courtyard.

Easter Lilies!

If you would like to buy an Easter lily to beautify worship next Sunday (April 8), please sign the sheet located in the front or side entryways of church. Lilies are \$8 each (make checks payable to "Grace Lutheran Church"). Please place your payment in an envelope marked "Easter Lilies" and place it in the offering plate or bring it to the church office.

WELS Tucson Campus Ministry Movie Night

This evening, WELS Tucson Campus Ministry is meeting at 6:00 PM downstairs in the basement to watch *The Passion of the Christ*. All college students or anyone of approximately college age is encouraged to attend. Because of our early start time, supper will be provided. Hope to see you there!

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To Aid You in Worship...

- LARGE PRINT BULLETINS ARE AVAILABLE IN THE NARTHEX. ASK A GREETER OR USHER FOR A COPY.
- *For those with young children:* A private Mother's Room is located across the courtyard in the Ladies' Restroom. Parents of young children may also use the Child Care Room in the basement at any time to quiet and care for them (the service can be heard in both locations).
- Sermon copies & service CDs are available in the narthex.

This Week's Schedule (4/1/12 - 4/8/12)

Today **PALM SUNDAY**

- Worship Services/Communion.....7:45 & 10:00a
- Children's Sunday School 8:45a
- Youth Confirmation Class..... 8:45a
- Adult Bible Classes:
 - "The Road to Emmaus" DVD (Fellowship Hall) 9:00a
 - Grow in Grace Class (Conference Room in Office)..... 9:00a
- Lifeliners (High School Group): *Bible Study* 9:00a
- Vail Launch Service at Cottonwood Elementary 9:00a
- Coffee Fellowship following 10 AM Worship.....
- WELS Tucson Campus Ministry Movie Night6:00p

Monday

- Bible Study at Vail Golf Club: *Book of Acts* 9:30a
- Worship Choir Rehearsal..... 10:00a
- NO** English as a Second Language Classes

Tuesday

- Vail Choir Rehearsal @ Grace-University6:30p
- NO** English as a Second Language Classes

Wednesday

- Grace Extension Meeting..... 9:00a
- Wind Ensemble Practice: *Brass*5:00p
- Handbells Practice.....5:30p
- Worship Choir Rehearsal.....6:00p

Thursday **MAUNDY THURSDAY**

- Maundy Thursday Worship** (with Communion)10:00a
- Maundy Thursday Worship** (with Communion).....7:00p

Friday **GOOD FRIDAY**

- Good Friday Tenebrae Service**7:00p

Saturday

- Easter Concert Rehearsal** 9:00a
- Pioneers Decorate Easter Eggs** 10:00a

Sunday **EASTER**

- Sunrise Service (in the Courtyard)7:00a
- Grace-Vail Easter Breakfast at Cottonwood Elem.....8:00a
- Easter Breakfast (in the Fellowship Hall)8:00a
- Grace-Vail Festival Service at Cottonwood Elem.....9:00a
- Easter Concert (in the Church).....9:00a
- Festival Worship (in the Church)..... 10:00a

There is NO Adult Bible Class, Sunday School, or TCM Bible study on Easter Sunday.

Grace is looking for volunteers who are interested in driving the Grace van on Sunday mornings. Please call the church office for more information at 623-6633.

Maundy Thursday
Thursday, April 5, 7 PM
Receive the Blessings of the Cross!

Good Friday
Friday, April 6, 7 PM
Tenebrae Service
(Service of Darkness)
Jesus Died Willingly

Worshippers are asked to leave the Tenebrae service in silence, leaving in stillness and darkness until the dawn of a glorious Easter Day. Please visit with friends and family prior to entering church for worship.

Holy Week Schedule At Grace- University



Easter Sunday
Sunday, April 8

Sunrise Worship—7 AM
Christ's Victory is Our Victory

Easter Breakfast—8 AM
*Members please bring fruit
or sweet rolls to share*

Easter Concert—9 AM

Festival Worship—10 AM
He is Not Here!



Grace-Vail Easter Schedule

At Cottonwood Elementary
(9950 E. Rees Loop)

Easter Breakfast—8 AM

Festival Worship—9 AM

Easter Breakfast

The Easter breakfast at Grace-University this year will consist of pancakes, sausage, and orange juice, graciously made and served by the Lifeliners. **Members are asked to bring fruit or sweet rolls to share. Members are also encouraged to bring griddles or electric skillets.** Please contact Laura Lipke with any questions at 742-0211.

Easter Concert Sign-Up

As part of our Easter celebration on April 8, we will be holding a concert at Grace-University. If you are interested in participating as a performer for this event, please fill out a form (available in the Fellowship Hall and Church Office) and **turn it in to Beth Kassulke TODAY**. If you have any questions, please direct them to Beth Kassulke (293-2935) or Teri Guenther (235-1177).

Lutheran Pioneers Apache Mission Collection

The Lutheran Pioneers are meeting at Grace-University on Saturday, April 7 at 10:00 AM to color Easter eggs and to prepare for the Easter Breakfast. All Pioneer families are asked to bring one dozen hard-boiled eggs. They will also be counting their offerings for the Apache mission project. If you have been collecting using the mission boxes, or if you'd like to contribute, please turn in your offerings to one of the Pioneers, Pastor Kassulke, or to the Church Office this week.

Easter Caroling at the Sabino Canyon Rehabilitation Center TODAY

This is a final reminder for Easter Caroling at Sabino Canyon Rehabilitation (5830 E. Pima Road, east of Craycroft on the south side of Pima) **this afternoon!** Please arrive by 1:15 PM so we can begin at 1:30 PM. We will be singing familiar Easter hymns with piano accompaniment. Please join us!

Christian Fellowship Potluck

The Christian Fellowship Group will meet at noon on Saturday, April 14, at the home of Ron & Helen Kwart (2706 N. Walnut Avenue). Please bring meat to barbecue and a side dish to share. Debbie Dyjak will show a slide presentation and relate the ESL and nursing experiences she and her son, Erik, encountered while in Thailand recently. The potluck will be held outside so bring your hat and sunscreen. *The Christian Fellowship Group provides people 55 and older with an opportunity to enjoy the company of others on a very informal basis.*

Easter Invitations

Easter is a great time to invite your unchurched friends, family members, co-workers, and neighbors to church! If you have someone in your life who does not have a church home, we'd like to help you make that invitation. The following resources are all available in the Grace-University Fellowship Hall:

Printed Postcard Invitations. These full-color large postcards have information about our Easter events and activities at both Grace-University and Grace-Vail. They no longer have space available for addressing and sending them through the mail, but can be given in person or left for a friend. Especially if you leave one for someone, make an effort to follow up in person.

Road to Emmaus DVDs. These DVDs were professionally produced within the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod (WELS). They depict the biblical account of Jesus explaining his work to two disciples on their way to the town of Emmaus. We have a number of these DVDs which are available for free to be given away to an unchurched friend.

Whether or not you invite someone to church that day, remember that on Easter we expect many guests. Do your best to welcome them warmly and to share God's love with them.

Tuition Tax Credit Donations

As you prepare your 2011 tax return in the coming weeks, don't forget about the Arizona Tuition Tax Credit. State law allows you to make a donation in support of Lutheran education and to claim the same amount as a credit on your state tax return. Basically, this means that you get to decide how money that would otherwise be paid in taxes gets used. A donation made before April 15 and before you file your taxes may be claimed on the 2011 return, so you can also determine your tax liability before making a donation. Donations are made through a Student Tuition Organization (STO) such as the HELP Scholarship Foundation (www.helpscholarships.org). You may even recommend your donation for a specific student. Donations are eligible for the tax credit up to \$500 for a single person or \$1000 for a married couple in 2011, with a slight increase to \$503 and \$1006 in 2012. Please contact the church office if you have questions.