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Forever<sup>+</sup>*

## LIVE A LIFE OF COURAGEOUS WITNESS



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# WELCOME TO GRACE!

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We're glad you're here! May the Word of God bring you comfort in Christ alone. You can follow along with the service using this worship folder or using the screens above the chancel. If you're new here, below is some helpful information about our sanctuary and our worship...

- Please reserve the **BACK PEWS** for parents with **SMALL CHILDREN**.
- A **PARENT'S ROOM** with private changing area and restroom is available through the door at the back of the middle aisle. Windows from the room allow you to still watch the service and speakers allow you to hear as well. A volume control is available on the wall by the door.
- Ask an usher to receive an **AUDIO RECEIVER** and **HEADSET** if you need hearing assistance in the sanctuary or Fellowship Hall.
- **RESTROOMS** are available in the Narthex. Exit out of the north doors from the Sanctuary and go to the left. They are located in the alcove behind Luther's Seal.
- **LARGE PRINT** bulletins are available. See an usher to receive one.
- Visit our **WEBSITE** at <http://www.graceglendale.org> for additional information about our ministries and upcoming events.

## CONTACT US...

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## AT TODAY'S SERVICE...

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**Preaching Minister:** Pastor Sellnow

**Liturgist:** Pastor Jacobson

**Senior ushers:** 8:00 AM – Bruce Rademacher

10:30 AM – Owen Beilke / Nash Beilke

**Organist:** Michael Wilde

**A/V Team:** 8:00 AM – Jon Scheel / Mark Breiling

10:30 AM – Paul Sullivan

## ABOUT THE THEME

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*Jesus repeatedly told his followers that living as his disciples would bring hardship. Living life according to God's Law is going to make one appear odd in the eyes of the world, perhaps even evil. Sharing a message of mankind's sin and God's gracious salvation can cause offense. So why not just stay silent if that makes life easier? Why not keep our faith private? Answer: because we are going to live forever. In gratitude for Christ saving us and giving us eternal life, we share the gospel with others, hoping that they will believe and be saved too. Since we know we are going to live forever in the perfection of heaven, we don't worry if being a witness for Christ brings hardship or even death.*

*Martin Luther wanted to reform the false teaching of the church. He stood firm in the truth of the gospel, knowing it might cost him his life. But Luther knew that, thanks to Christ, he would live forever. So will we. Therefore, like Luther, let us live a life of courageous witness as we hold on to the gospel and hold it out for others.*

## ORDER OF SERVICE

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**HYMN: BY FAITH**

CW 868

*Please stand*

### **INVOCATION**

In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
**Amen.**

### **CONFESSION**

If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.

**If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.**

Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

**Holy God, gracious Father, I am sinful by nature and have sinned against you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have not loved you with my whole heart; I have not loved others as I should. I deserve your punishment both now and forever. But Jesus, my Savior, paid for my sins with his innocent suffering and death. Trusting in him, I pray: God, have mercy on me, a sinner.**

*Silence for meditation and reflection*

## ABSOLUTION

Our gracious Father in heaven has been merciful to us. He sent his only Son, Jesus Christ, who gave his life as the atoning sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. 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.  
**Amen.**

## LORD, HAVE MERCY

In peace let us pray to the Lord.  
**Lord, have mercy.**

For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.  
**Lord, have mercy.**

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.  
**Lord, have mercy.**

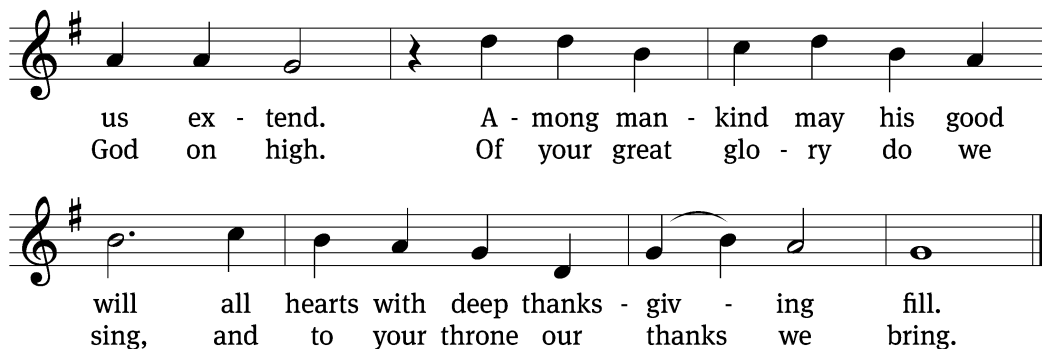
For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.  
**Lord, have mercy.**

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.  
**Amen.**

## ALL GLORY BE TO GOD ALONE

CW 936 sts. 1-2

1 All glo - ry be to God a - lone, for -  
2 We praise you, God, and you we bless; we  
ev - er - more the high - est One, who did our  
wor - ship you in hum - ble - ness. From day to  
sin - ful race be - friend and grace and peace to  
day we glo - ri - fy the ev - er - last - ing



us ex - tend. A - mong man - kind may his good  
God on high. Of your great glo - ry do we  
will all hearts with deep thanks - giv - ing fill.  
sing, and to your throne our thanks we bring.

*Text: tr. W. Gustave Polack, 1890–1950, alt.; Martin Luther, 1483–1546, abr.  
Tune: Gesangbuch . . . Psalmen, Geistliche Lieder, Strassburg, 1541, abr.  
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## **SALUTATION**

The Lord be with you.  
**And also with you.**

## **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Let us pray.

Gracious Lord, our refuge and strength, pour out your Holy Spirit on your faithful people. Keep them steadfast in your Word, protect and comfort them in all temptations, defend them against all their enemies, and bestow on the church your saving peace; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.  
**Amen.**

*Please be seated*

## **ADULT CHOIR**

*"Stand up, Stand up for Jesus"*

*Lara Johnson and Aaron Huxtable, trumpets*

# **THREE REFORMATION MEDITATIONS ON THE GOSPEL IN WORD & SACRAMENT**

## **THE GOSPEL IN THE WORD**

*Romans 10:8–17*

<sup>8</sup>But what does it say? "The word is near you; it is in your mouth and in your heart," that is, the message concerning faith that we proclaim: <sup>9</sup>If you declare with your mouth, "Jesus is Lord," and believe in your heart that God raised him

from the dead, you will be saved. <sup>10</sup>For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you profess your faith and are saved. <sup>11</sup>As Scripture says, “Anyone who believes in him will never be put to shame.” <sup>12</sup>For there is no difference between Jew and Gentile—the same Lord is Lord of all and richly blesses all who call on him, <sup>13</sup>for, “Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.”

<sup>14</sup>How, then, can they call on the one they have not believed in? And how can they believe in the one of whom they have not heard? And how can they hear without someone preaching to them? <sup>15</sup>And how can anyone preach unless they are sent? As it is written: “How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!”

<sup>16</sup>But not all the Israelites accepted the good news. For Isaiah says, “Lord, who has believed our message?” <sup>17</sup>Consequently, faith comes from hearing the message, and the message is heard through the word about Christ.

### **HYMN: LORD, KEEP US STEADFAST IN YOUR WORD**

*CW 862*

### **THE GOSPEL IN HOLY COMMUNION**

*1 Corinthians 11:23–26*

<sup>23</sup>For I received from the Lord what I also passed on to you: The Lord Jesus, on the night he was betrayed, took bread, <sup>24</sup>and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, “**This is my body, which is for you; do this in remembrance of me.**” <sup>25</sup>In the same way, after supper he took the cup, saying, “**This cup is the new covenant in my blood; do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me.**” <sup>26</sup>For whenever you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord’s death until he comes.

### **HYMN: SOUL, ADORN YOURSELF WITH GLADNESS**

*CW 663 sts. 1, 5, 8*

### **THE GOSPEL IN BAPTISM**

*Titus 3:3–7*

<sup>3</sup>At one time we too were foolish, disobedient, deceived and enslaved by all kinds of passions and pleasures. We lived in malice and envy, being hated and hating one another. <sup>4</sup>But when the kindness and love of God our Savior appeared, <sup>5</sup>he saved us, not because of righteous things we had done, but because of his mercy. He saved us through the washing of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit, <sup>6</sup>whom he poured out on us generously through Jesus Christ our Savior, <sup>7</sup>so that, having been justified by his grace, we might become heirs having the hope of eternal life.

### **HYMN: ALL WHO BELIEVE AND ARE BAPTIZED**

*CW 692*

*Please stand*

## **APOSTLES' CREED**

**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.**

*Please be seated*

## **PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

Almighty and eternal God, when the set time had come, you sent your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, to take our place under the demands of the law and endure the just punishment for our sins. You raised him from death in glorious splendor and for his sake, you richly and daily forgive sins.

**Praise the Lord, my soul, and forget not all his benefits.**

When the set time had come, you poured out your Spirit on your people and called them to proclaim the gospel to every creature. Equipped and encouraged, they carried the story of salvation to all the world.

**The Lord reigns, let the earth be glad; let the distant shores rejoice.**

When the set time had come, you raised up your servant Martin Luther to destroy the idols of the medieval age and to restore the pure teaching of the Scriptures. You granted power and success to the proclamation of the gospel, and your holy Church grew and prospered throughout the world.

**God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble.**

When the set time had come, you made our fathers bold to take their stand on the truth of your Word. Guided by your Spirit, they joined hands and hearts under a shared confession and with a determined resolve to work together in the ministry. You have blessed their sons and daughters and enabled us to preserve and proclaim the saving gospel of your Son.

**Sing to the Lord, for he has done glorious things; let this be known to all the world.**

Let this be the time when you renew us again by Word and Sacrament, when you reform our hearts and minds, and when you restore to us the joy of fellowship and service. Grant to us in this age and in this place the courage of the apostles, the steadfastness of the reformers, and the dedication of the fathers of our church's past.

**May the Lord our God be with us as he was with our fathers; may he never leave us or forsake us.**

Let this be a time to imitate the kind-hearted souls in our church who served the sick, helped the disabled, cared for the abandoned, and comforted the dying. Provide occasions to serve them and times to pray for them. Keep all your children in your powerful and gracious care.

**As we have opportunity, let us do good to all people, especially to those who belong to the family of believers.**

### *Special Intercessions*

Let this be a time when we recommit ourselves to the ministry of the gospel of your Son. Let us find joy in our unity, zeal for our work, and, if it is your will, success in our labor. And give us faith to take up again the trumpet none can silence or mistake and grant us courage to proclaim once more for all the world to hear: The feast is ready! Come to the feast!

**May God be gracious to us and bless us and make his face shine upon us, that your ways may be known on earth, your salvation among all nations.**

Let this time and all our times be used to give thanks for your grace in Christ and to praise you for calling us into your mission to save.

**Satisfy us in the morning with your unfailing love and establish the work of our hands. Amen.**

### **OFFERINGS OF LOVE TO OUR LORD**

Please complete the "Welcome to Grace" register in your pew at this time.

### **HYMN: REFORMATION SONG**

*CW 877*

*Please stand*

### **PRAYER**

Almighty God, through the preaching of your servants, the blessed Reformers, you caused the light of the gospel to shine forth. Grant that we may faithfully defend it against all enemies and joyfully proclaim it for the salvation of people everywhere, to the glory of your holy name; through your Son, Jesus Christ our



Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

### **LORD'S PRAYER**

**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.**

### **BLESSING**

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.

**Amen.**

### **HYMN: A MIGHTY FORTRESS IS OUR GOD**

*CW 863*

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### **TODAY'S ALTAR FLOWERS:**

Altar flowers are donated by Jeff Wegner in memory of his Grandma and for the 507th anniversary of the Lutheran Reformation.

### **ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK:**

Worship: 8:00 AM – 166 – 10:30 AM – 154

Communed: 8:00 AM – 140 – 10:30 AM – 100

Sunday School: Adults: 116 – Children: 27

Midweek Bible Class: Fri: 11

### **HOSPITALIZED OR RECUPERATING AT HOME:**

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## **OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

1. The October issue of *Forward in Christ* and November Bible-reading and activity calendars are in the Narthex and south entrance to the church.
2. There was no cleaning crew scheduled for Oct 26. The team scheduled for November 2 is led by Don Petersen, with Debbie Petersen, Derek & Emily Fraser, Matt & Kris Groth, Alex Groth, Jacob Groth, and David Petersen.

**ALTAR FLOWER SIGN-UP SHEETS...** Please sign up for altar flower donations by filling out the Altar Flower binder in the narthex. Altar bouquets cost \$35 each. Enclose payment in a pink envelope (checks payable to Grace Ladies Aid) and place it in the collection plate.

**SCRIPTURAL THANKSGIVING, CHRISTMAS & GREETING CARDS...** are available for purchase before Bible Class in the Fellowship Hall. The price per box varies this year. Proceeds support the ministry of Grace Ladies' Aid.

**COMING SOON: 2025 Scriptural Calendars...** there will be 25 available at \$9.00 each. Keep an eye on the bulletin to learn when they have arrived!

## **THIS WEEK AT GRACE:**

**TODAY : WORSHIP, 8:00 & 10:30 AM**

Bible Class (new class begins today - FH) & Sunday School, 9:30 AM

**VOTERS Meeting, 12:00 PM** (lunch @ 11:30 for those attending meeting)

**West Valley Reformation Service 4 PM @ Emmaus Lutheran**

MON - Handbells, 6:15 PM; Choir 7:00 PM

TUE - Newsletter Assembly, 8 AM; Bible Class 2:00 PM

WED - Bible Class, 7 PM

THU - Reformation Day

FRI - Bible Class, 10 AM

SAT - ALPHA Pregnancy 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration 11 AM – 2 PM

SUN - **WORSHIP, 8:00 & 10:30 AM**

Bible Class & Sunday School, 9:30 AM

## **OTHER EVENTS COMING UP...**

**NEW BIBLE CLASS BEGINS TODAY IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL... *One by One*** *Sharing the Gospel one soul at a time.*) WELS Pastor David Rosenau helps Christians understand why it is so important to see every soul as a treasure and why we want to be willing to spend the time and effort to share the gospel with each one. This class will feature questions, discussion, and portions of a video of Pastor Rosenau's presentation at the 2020 WELS National Conference on Lutheran Leadership.

**WEST VALLEY REFORMATION SERVICE 4 PM @ Emmaus Lutheran Church**  
 3841 W Sweetwater Ave, Phoenix, AZ 85029. All are invited to this special worship. Holy Communion will be celebrated and there will be a meal following the service. (Subs provided. You may bring a dessert or side to share.)

**ALPHA PREGNANCY RESOURCE CENTER – NOVEMBER 2, 11 AM – 2 PM...**  
 Celebrating 40 years in Phoenix. All are invited for lunch at 11:30, tours, displays, and special guests. 3040 N 7<sup>th</sup> Ave, Phoenix 85013.

**ABC: ADULT BREAKFAST & COFFEE – November 6<sup>th</sup> at 8:30 AM at Village Inn at 9490 W Northern...** We enjoy gathering for breakfast twice a month on Wednesdays. Everyone is welcome and we all pay for our own meals when we eat out. In November, we will **NOT** meet on the third Wednesday, instead we will meet Nov 27 at 8:25 AM at Grace for the Thanksgiving celebration and Grandparents’ Day. (No Breakfast will be served. Coffee & pie will be served after the activities.) Sign up by contacting Pat Walker by text, voice or email at numbers and address below. You may also sign up on the registration sheet in the narthex. When registering please include the names of all those who wish to attend. If this is the first time you will be attending, please include a mobile phone number which may be used for text messages, or include a landline.  
**Pat Walker - 480-717-0131 - patwalker1950@gmail.com**

**FINANCIAL UPDATE:**

Need amounts are based on a goal of **\$968,775.00 by 6/30/2025.**

**Week ending 10/20/2024:**

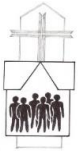
Weekly Need:	17,500.00
Weekly Actual:	13,364.00
Weekly +/-:	<b>-4,136.00</b>

**YTD 7/1/2024 through 10/20/2024:**

YTD Need:	291,000.00
YTD Actual:	236,874.45
YTD +/-:	<b>-54,125.55</b>

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# Grace Groups

Gathering Together Around God's Word

## THE GOSPEL IN WORD & SACRAMENT

*Based on all 3 readings*

Give a one sentence definition of “the gospel”. Why is this such good news? Why is it the only thing that can address your deepest need?

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In what ways are you tempted to set the Word of God aside in your daily life? How does remembering the gospel in God's Word help you when it comes to the law in God's Word?

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Why is the Lord's Supper also rightly called “the gospel”? How would you explain what the Lord's Supper is to a 5-year old? To an unchurched friend?

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In what way is the gospel the same in the Word, Communion, and Baptism? In what way is it different? Why does God offer us each of these means to receive his gospel?

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Luther liked to write on walls, tables, desks, etc. in order to be reminded of the truths of the gospel in Word and Sacrament. How can you daily remind yourself of these truths? How might you remind others?

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