

GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH
(Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod)
LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS
April 12, 2015

THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

PRAYER UPON ENTERING CHURCH

Lord Jesus Christ, You were in the beginning with God and in time and space You came to be among us mortals, giving Your life into death, only to be raised from the dead. You were seen, heard and touched by many as You brought healing and hope. You give to me healing for my sin-sickness and hope unto eternal life. Strengthen my faith in Your redeeming work through Word and Sacrament, so that I need not doubt but trust that in You I have forgiveness and everlasting life. In Your name I pray. Amen

WELCOME

Alleluia, Christ Is Risen! He Is Risen Indeed, Alleluia! We continue to celebrate Easter on this Second Sunday of Easter! **Welcome** to everyone gathered here this day to be strengthened in Your faith through the proclamation of the Gospel. Each Sunday throughout the year is a celebration of the resurrection of our Lord. **We invite you to come and worship with us again.**

We ask that everyone fill out an attendance registration card found at each pew and return it to an Usher as the Offering is collected. Children are welcome in our Service and will be invited to come forward for a Children's Message. Parents may accompany them if they wish. We have a staffed nursery facility for infants and toddlers located downstairs in this building for anyone who has need. Restroom facilities are located downstairs as well or on this floor level across the bridge before entering the fellowship hall. If you have any questions, please speak with an usher or greeter.

HOLY COMMUNION

Holy Communion will be celebrated in the 8:15 Service today. In this sacrament we receive Christ's very body and blood for the forgiveness of sins. Those who are not members of Grace are asked to speak with our Pastor before partaking of this sacrament so that the unity of faith might be established. Thank you for honoring this request.

AS WE GATHER

On this Second Sunday of Easter, the Gospel recalls the issue of the absence of the apostle Thomas at the Lord's first appearance and His special appearance to Thomas "eight days later." Because of that he has become known in tradition as "doubting Thomas." Doubting is actually a kind word for the apostle's refusal to believe! Thankfully for Thomas the Lord Jesus gave him an opportunity to see Him with his eyes, hear Him with his ears and touch Him with his hands. Though we have not had that opportunity this scriptural story and the truth that it expresses has been given to us so that not seeing, not hearing and not touching Jesus we are still given to believe, because the Holy Spirit has used this Gospel account to create and sustain faith in our hearts! **Christ is Risen Indeed!**

THE ALTAR FLOWERS

The Altar Flowers are given today to the glory of God and the beautification of His House by Greg and Barb Warren in honor of Andrew's 16th and Matthew's 13th baptismal birthdays and in thanksgiving for God's many blessings.

THOSE WHO SERVE

Pastor:		Rev. James C. Walter
Director of Parish Music:		Nathan Beethe
Secretary:		Pat Funk
Early Childhood Center Director:		Colleen Moorman
Acolyte:	(8:15)	Mason Andrews
Cantor:	(8:15)	Randy Middaugh
Communion Assistant:	(8:15)	Craig Schluterman
Ushers:	(8:15)	Roy Andrews, Roy Bullard John Ketcher, Gary Proud
Greeters:	(8:15)	Roy and Ame Andrews, Perryn, Mason and Ethan
Altar Guild:	(8:15)	Lori Bloom and Angie Proud
Acolyte:	(10:45)	Jack Manchester
Cantor:	(10:45)	Jeff Ralston
Ushers:	(10:45)	Paul Krueger, Gervais LeBlanc, Jeff Ralston
Greeters:	(10:45)	Ann Stoker, Cynthia McCrory, and Owen McCrory
Altar Guild:	(10:45)	Ginny Ralston
Coffee Hosts:		
Altar Guild:	(Wed. evening)	Suzanne Raddle and Wilma Richter
Nursery Attendant:		Mary Ann Dyer

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS – The appointed readings for next Sunday, April 19th, The Third Sunday of Easter, are: The First Reading: Acts 3:11-21, The Epistle Reading: 1 John 3:1-7, and The Gospel Reading: Luke 24:36-49.

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THE ORDER OF DIVINE SERVICE for THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

Pre-Service Music

O Sons and Daughters of the King - Mark Bender

Lighting of the Chancel Candles

Prelude

O Sons and Daughters of the King - John Leavitt

Ringling of the Church Bell

Opening Hymn: O Sons and Daughters of the King

LSB 470 sts. 1-4

Confession and Absolution

Stand

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

Invocation

Matthew 28:19b; [18:20]

- P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C Amen

Exhortation

1 John 1:8-9

- P** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
C **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

Confession of Sins

- P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
C **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what**

we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen

Absolution (8:15)

John 20:19–23

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen**

Declaration of Grace (10:45)

John 1:12; Philippians 1:6

P In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for His sake God forgives us all our sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ He gives the power to become the children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit. May the Lord, who has begun this good work in us, bring it to completion in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.

C **Amen**

Service of the Word

Introit

Ps. 105:1–5, 8; antiphon: 1 Peter 2:2–3

P Like newborn infants, long for the pure spiritual milk, that by it you may grow up to salvation—

C **if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good.**

P Oh give thanks to the LORD; call upon his name;

C **make known his deeds among the peoples!**

P Sing to him, sing praises to him;

C **tell of all his wondrous works!**

P Glory in his holy name;

C **let the hearts of those who seek the LORD rejoice!**

P Seek the LORD and his strength;

C **seek his presence continually!**

P Remember the wondrous works that he has done,

C **his miracles, and the judgments he uttered.**

P He remembers his covenant forever,
C the word that he commanded, for a thousand generations.

C 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

P Like newborn infants, long for the pure spiritual milk, that by it you may grow up to salvation—

C if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good.

Kyrie

Mark 10:47



A In peace let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



A For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



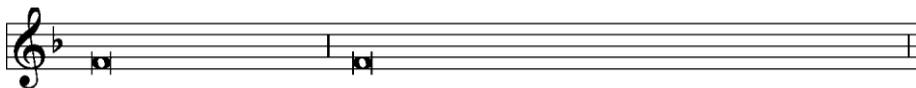
A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



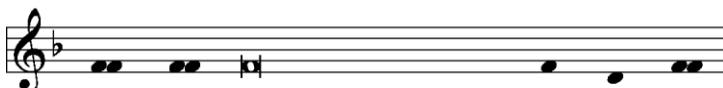
A For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise



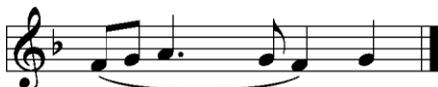
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C Lord, have mer - cy.



A Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord.



C A - men.

This Is the Feast

Revelation 5:12-13; 19:5-9



C This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



1 — Wor-thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose
2 Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and
3 Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and
4 Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and might be to
5 For the Lamb who was slain has be -

blood set us free to be peo - ple of God. *Refrain*
 hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are His. *Refrain*
 join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: *Stanza 4*
 God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men. *Refrain*
 gun His reign. Al - le - lu - ia. *Final Refrain*

Final Refrain

This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C And al - so with you.

P Let us pray.
 Almighty God, grant that we who have celebrated the Lord's resurrection may by Your grace confess in our life and conversation that Jesus is Lord and God; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C A - men.

First Reading

Acts 4:32–35

- P** This is the Word of the Lord.
- C** Thanks be to God.

Gradual

adapt. from Matt. 28:7; Heb. 2:7; Ps. 8:6



Christ has risen | from the dead.*

[God the Father] has crowned him with glory and | honor,
He has given him dominion over the works | of his hands,*
he has put all things un- | der his feet.

Epistle

1 John 1:1—2:2

- P** This is the Word of the Lord.
- C** Thanks be to God.

Stand

Alleluia and Verse

Rom. 6:9; John 20:29b

- P** Alleluia. We know that Christ being raised from the dead will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. Alleluia. Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed. Alleluia.

C Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Holy Gospel

John 20:19–31

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the twentieth chapter.



C Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

The reading of the Holy Gospel.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



C Praise to You, O Christ.

Sit

Children's Message

Sermon Hymn: O Sons and Daughters of the King

LSB 470 sts. 5-9

Sermon

“That Which We Have...Touched”

1 John 1:1—2:2

Stand

Nicene Creed (8:15)

C I believe in one God,
the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth
and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of His Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,
very God of very God,
begotten, not made,
being of one substance with the Father,
by whom all things were made;

who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary
and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.
He suffered and was buried.
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures
and ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of the Father.
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,
whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,
who spoke by the prophets.
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
and I look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life ✝ of the world to come. Amen

Apostles' Creed (10:45)

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

And 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 sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From thence 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

Prayer of the Church

- P** Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

Each petition ends with the following:

- P** Lord, in Your mercy,
C **hear our prayer.**

The prayers conclude with the following:

- P** Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.
C **Amen**

Sit

Offering

O Sons and Daughters of the King - John Leavitt

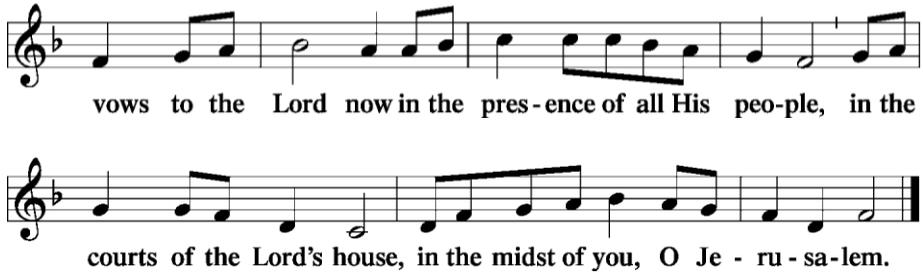
Stand

Offertory

Psalm 116:12-13, 17-19



C What shall I ren-der to the Lord for all His ben-e-fits to
me? I will of - fer the sac-ri-fice of thanks-giv - ing and will
call on the name of the Lord. I will take the cup of sal-
va - tion and will call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my



vows to the Lord now in the pres-ence of all His peo-ple, in the
courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Je - ru - sa - lem.

10:45 Service continues on page 18

Service of the Sacrament (8:15)

Preface

2 Timothy 4:22; [Colossians 3:1]; [Psalm 136]



P The Lord be with you.



C And al - so with you.



P Lift up your hearts.



C We lift them to the Lord.



P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

Proper Preface

P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God. And most especially are we bound to praise You on this day for the glorious resurrection of Your Son, Jesus Christ, the very Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us and bore the sins of the world. By His dying He has destroyed death, and by His rising again He has restored to us everlasting life. Therefore with Mary Magdalene, Peter and John, and with all the witnesses of the resurrection, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus

Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9



C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:



Heav-en and earth are full of Your glo - ry. Ho - san-na. Ho -



san-na. 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.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

- P** Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

- C** Amen

The Words of Our Lord

*Matthew 26:26–28; Mark 14:22–24
Luke 22:19–20; 1 Corinthians 11:23–25*

- P** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: “Take, eat; this is My ✠ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me.”

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: “Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✠ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.”

Proclamation of Christ

1 Corinthians 11:26; Revelation 22:20

- P** As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord’s death until He comes.

- C** Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

- P** O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:



Sit

Distribution

Communion Instructions: The Pastor invites the communicants, those who are able, to kneel and then distributes the host which may be received into the hand or the mouth. The Elder distributes the individual cups. The communicants are asked to hold their cups until the Pastor says, “Take and drink.”

Hymn: Your Table I Approach

LSB 628

Hymn: Alleluia, Alleluia! Hearts to Heaven

LSB 477

Hymn: The Day of Resurrection

LSB 478

Stand

Thank the Lord



☐ Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev-'ry-one what He has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re - jice and proud-ly bear His name.



He re-calls His prom-is - es and leads His peo-ple forth in joy



with shouts of thanks-giv-ing. Al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia.

Post-Communion Collect

P Let us pray.

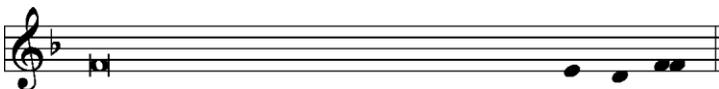
We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C A - men.

Benediction

Numbers 6:24-26



P The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you
and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.



C A - men.

Closing Hymn: We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight

LSB 720

Postlude

We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight - Lynn Trapp



Service Concludes (10:45)

Lord's Prayer

Matthew 6:9-13

P Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

C **Our Father who art in heaven,**
hallowed be Thy name,
Thy kingdom come,
Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven;
give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.

**For Thine is the kingdom
and the power and the glory
forever and ever. Amen**

Closing Collect

P Blessed Lord, You have caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning. Grant that we may so hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them that, by patience and comfort of Your holy Word, we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C **Amen**

Benediction

P The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord lift His countenance upon you and ✠ give you peace.

C **Amen**

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THIS WEEK AT GRACE

SUNDAY:	8:15 a.m. – Divine Service with Holy Communion Fellowship and Coffee in the Parlor 9:45 a.m. – Sunday School and Pastor Walter’s Bible Class 10:45 a.m. – Divine Service
MON - FRI:	7:30 a.m. – Early Childhood Development Center (ECDC)
MONDAY:	7:00 p.m. – Young Adult Bible Class
TUESDAY:	<u>NO</u> Women’s Bible Class 5:15 p.m. – 8 th Grade Confirmation 5:30 p.m. – Handbells 6:30 p.m. – Adult Choir
WEDNESDAY:	6:30 a.m. – Men’s Bible Study (St. Vincent’s) 7:00 p.m. – Mid-Week Service
THURSDAY:	5:15 p.m. – 7 th Grade Confirmation 6:00 p.m. – Women of Grace meet at La Casa Real
SATURDAY:	9:00 a.m. – Kantorei rehearsal

TODAY IN SUNDAY SCHOOL - Today in Sunday School, we study “Jesus Reinstates Peter.” We are all like Peter in our words and actions, denying our Lord and weeping bitterly over what we have done. We are in need of the same comfort that Peter received—the comfort of sins forgiven and the assurance that even though we are faithless, Jesus will remain faithful. You might discuss, “*How did Peter express his sorrow and repentance? What specific directions did Jesus give to Peter?*”

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES for children ages 3 years through 6th grade meet in the lower level of the Family Life Center. **JUNIOR HIGH AND HIGH SCHOOL CLASSES** meet in classrooms downstairs in the church.

PASTOR WALTER’S CLASS meets upstairs in Parker Hall. Pastor Walter has started a new study from the series **God’s Word for Today: Galatians – The Cost of Freedom.** Pastor will continue with **Lesson 2 – “How Could This Happen?”**

HAPPY BIRTHDAY AND GOD’S BLESSINGS TO:

April 13 – David Raddle

April 14 – C.C. Cate, Annaleigha Davis, Connor Stephens

April 15 – Abby Buchanan

April 16 – Daniel Maniard

April 17 – Joshua Bryant

April 18 – Cecillia Gelzine

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Sammye Sue Harrill is recovering following knee surgery.

Grant Geuther is hospitalized at the VA Fort Roots in North Little Rock.

Evelyn Chotkowski is in room 606 at Good Shepherd Nursing and Rehabilitation.

Beth Paulson is continuing her recovery at home.

Joan Ann Olsen is in The Lakes at Maumelle Health and Rehab.

Dennis Fastenau is continuing chemotherapy treatment.

LAST WEEK'S STEWARDSHIP – Attendance: Easter Sunday 4/5: 396 (6:30 – 43, 8:15 – 192 and 10:45 – 161). Maundy Thursday: 107. Good Friday: 159 Mid-Week Service 4/8: 11. Offerings: Sunday 4/5: \$12,611.00. Maundy Thursday Offering: \$1,378.00. Good Friday: \$1,314.00. Missions: \$70.00. Building Fund: \$225.00. Memorials and Honorariums: \$500.00. Scholarship Fund: \$180.00.

8th CONFIRMATION is Tuesday at 5:15 p.m. in the Parlor.

7th CONFIRMATION is Thursday at 5:15 p.m. in the Parlor.

PORTALS OF PRAYER devotion books for April – June are available on the table in the back of the sanctuary. Please take a moment to pick up your copy and remember to recycle your old copy in the box in the breezeway.

EASTER LILIES – Our thanks to everyone who placed lilies in the sanctuary for Easter. If you purchased one of these lilies, you may pick it up after the 10:45 service this morning.

MID-WEEK SERVICES - We have a Worship Service each Wednesday night at 7:00 p.m. Each week's theme follows the theme of the previous Sunday. Holy Communion is celebrated on the second and fourth Wednesday. Please join us for worship.

STAY IN TOUCH - Evelyn Chotkowski has settled into her new room at Good Shepherd Nursing and Rehab. She is in a private room - Room 606; and she has the same telephone number 501-666-1363. Give Evelyn a call, she would love to hear from you!

A WEDDING SHOWER to honor Jess Kindschi and Paul Walter will be held Sunday, May 3rd, from 12:30 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. in the Grace Parlor. Jess and Paul will be married on November 7th. They are registered at Bed, Bath and Beyond and Target. The hostesses are Lori Bloom, Pat Funk, Riley Middaugh, Margaret Schulz, Ann Stoker and Sheila Wilimzig.

WOMEN OF GRACE - Join the *Women of Grace* on **Thursday, April 16th**, at 6:00 p.m. for a *Meet and Eat evening* at La Casa Real Restaurant just off Rodney Parham behind Franke's Cafeteria. A great time to make new friends and learn more about who we are and how we serve our Grace Family. Contact Pat Funk by Tuesday afternoon if you're coming so we can make reservations.

FELLOWSHIP CLUB will meet on **Tuesday, April 21st, at 12:00 noon** in Parker Hall for a delicious lunch served by our ACTS friends. Join us for fun, food, and fellowship. Call the church office for more information.

OUR THANKS to all who helped with the preparation for our Holy Week and Easter services. Thank you to Kim Woodyard for organizing the cleaning of the sanctuary and to all of those who helped with the cleaning. Also, thank you to Diane Roberts, the Board of Parish Fellowship and all who helped with the preparing and the serving of our Easter breakfast. We also appreciate the Senior Youth for their participation in the Good Friday Service. Again, we thank all who served in various capacities in each of the services during Holy Week and Easter. You are all truly a blessing as you use your time and talents to serve our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Thank You!

COFFEE AND FELLOWSHIP – **Sundays in April and May** are available to serve refreshments in the Parlor between services. Please check the list on the bulletin board by the Parlor and sign up for a Sunday on which you want to serve.

2015 SUMMER CAMP at LUTHERAN CAMP ON PETIT JEAN - ROOTS - Campers will venture deep into Cedar Canyon as they explore the natural wonders of Petit Jean Mountain. They will also delve into God's Word to discover what it means to be a child of God. The camp theme, **ROOTS**, is based on the promises found in Ephesians 3:14-21 where the Apostle Paul writes of believers being "rooted and grounded in love." Brochures with more information are on the table by the ramp door and registration forms are on line at lutherancamp.org. Register by April 30th and save \$35.00. A multi-child discount of \$35.00 is also available for siblings of campers. For more information contact the camp director David Cox at director@lutherancamp.org or at 501-652-6304.

A GIFT has been given to the Grace General Fund by Janet Pulliam in honor of the 55th anniversary of her confirmation and for the blessing of her godparents Charles Schonert and Dora Kindervater.

An Easter Service
of
Evening Prayer

Sunday, April 26th
6:00 p.m.

at

Grace Lutheran Church
5124 Hillcrest
Little Rock, Arkansas

Featuring the Central Arkansas Kantorei
with Alisa Coffey playing the harp

Participants are members of
Lutheran Churches in Central Arkansas
Nathan Beethe, Director

For more information, contact Nathan Beethe at
501-663-3631 or nathan@gracelutheranlr.org

A Reception will be held following the Service in Parker Hall

Walk for the Waiting

Saturday – May 2nd
9:00 a.m.

War Memorial Stadium

Did you know there are over 4,000 kids in Arkansas' foster care system on any given day? Did you know there are over 500 kids in Arkansas waiting to be adopted? Because of the shortage of families, nearly 250 kids will “age out” of the system this year and enter into adulthood without having found a family.

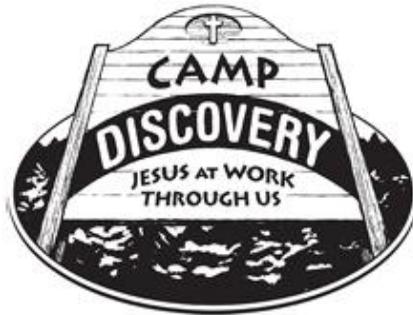
Did you know you can help? How? You can walk!

Come and walk with us on Saturday, May 2nd, 9:00 a.m. at War Memorial Stadium.

We cannot all foster or adopt, but we can all walk or just gather in fellowship to benefit kids waiting to be placed in families. **The Call, Project Zero and Immerse Arkansas** are joining forces to support waiting children and the families that care for them. Show your support for these kids and families by joining us to walk.

Watch for more information from Shaun and Justine Baker as they set up a display on the bridge explaining how to become a Sponsored Walker as part of the Grace Lutheran team.

We're going to walk; will you walk with us?



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL June 7 - 11, 2015

The volunteer sign-up sheet is available in the breezeway for **VBS 2015**. The theme is **Camp Discovery: Jesus at Work Through Us** and we would love for you to join us on this adventure! The dates are **June 7-11**. If you have any questions, please contact Catherine Manchester at cmanchester@mac.com or 821-4140.