



✠ Sharing God's Grace

✠ Living His Word

✠ Making Disciples

Sunday School – 9:10 am
Sunday Divine Worship – 10:30 am
Monday Divine Worship – 7:00pm

Grace in Action

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For the Week Beginning January 14, 2018

Holy Communion is celebrated today *after* the divine service. When you see the sanctuary doors close, come back in. Take a registration slip from a pew, fill it out and go to the altar steps. You are encouraged to use pages 329-330 in Lutheran Service Book to aid in your preparation for this sacred meal.

Need A Prayer: for yourself or someone else? In the entryway our Stephen Ministers are available and easy to spot. Just look for their blue nametag. Remember the power of prayer!

Active Shooter Training: TODAY the Board of Elders is hosting a course in the Fellowship Hall after Divine Service. Lunch is provided.

LifeDate: The Winter 2018 edition is now available. We are proudly pro-life, so pick up your copy at our resource center.

Monday Service is TOMORROW at 7pm! Look around, see who's been missing lately and invite them to come with you.

Football Extravaganza: is TODAY, 1/14 from 3-7pm. Saints vs Vikings is the game. Come to the Fellowship Hall and enjoy fellowship and playoff football.

Wow! What a Response! As of this printing (Friday am) we have only 14 more Bibles to be adopted to replace our NIV pew Bibles with ESV pew Bibles. The poster is in the entryway. *Sign your name on each Bible you wish to purchase. This is all we are doing NOW.* Payment and dedication will come later.

Clarification on Bible Disposal: Yes, the proper way to dispose of Bibles is either burying or burning. NO, we will not burn all the current pew Bibles. We will be burning only those which are irreparable. The others in good shape will find a good home. If you have Bibles at home that are irreparable and need to be disposed of, this will be your opportunity to do it a way that is dignified and proper. More details coming later

2018 Offering Envelopes are on the table in the entryway. Please get yours today.

New Email Addresses: We are excited to announce an update to Grace's email system. Here are our new email addresses:
Pastor Pase – pastorpase@gracelutheranmidlandtx.org,
Pastor Allman – pastorallman@gracelutheranmidlandtx.org, &
Victoria – office@gracelutheranmidlandtx.org.

Wednesday Ministry Activities: Are back to regular schedule. There's a place for YOU at Grace on Wednesdays too!

Wednesday Meal: Is back at 5:15 in the Fellowship Hall. The menu this week is **Hamburgers & Hot Dogs**. A free-will offering to help cover expenses is always appreciated.

SANCTITY OF HUMAN LIFE: Keep filling those Baby Bottles for Midland Life Center and look for a special service next Sunday, which is LIFE SUNDAY here and many other churches across the nation. For more information about life issues (including end of life decisions), pick up one of the *Life Dates* magazines from the shelves in narthex. This is published by our own Lutherans for Life each quarter. You can also join this organization and get your own copy online or in mail.

Watch Your Mailbox for your 2018 commitment form. Our sealed commitments will be placed in the baptismal font on Sunday, January 28th (Monday, the 29th). The letter should be arriving this week.

Voters Assembly meets next Sunday after the Divine Service. Lunch will be served and all voting members are reminded of their privilege and responsibility.

Blood Drive Coming Soon! You saw the poster as you came in today. Sign up in the church office or call Victoria and set your time to give the gift of life. Wednesday, February 7th is the date from 4:15 – 7:00pm.

Happy Campers: All youth are welcome and we would love to have our Bibleville Youth (3-6) there. We're planning on Early to mid-June to go to Camp Lone Star. Check your January newsletter and watch the Youth Board for more information.

Nursery HELP: We are looking for some NEW faces to help out in our NEW nursery on Sunday mornings. This is a once a quarter commitment. Contact Sharon Burks for more info.

Sunday School Offering: for Jan-June 2018 is The Life Center, a non-profit, faith-based organization offering an alternative to abortion. West TX centers uphold and promote the value of human life at every stage of existence and development.

Check the MIT Board: The 2018 sign-up sheets for **Tellers & Worship Service Delivery** are up for Grace members to volunteer. It doesn't take much time to do either one but the fulfillment is amazing. Contact Victoria in the church office if you have any questions.

Connection Groups is what we call small groups of 4 to 12 people. We have Connections who meet twice monthly on Sunday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursdays in age or interest related Groups. For more information, please contact Pastor Allman.

Stephen Ministry: Every day you see people who are hurting: those who have lost a job, lost a loved one, gone through a divorce, or are battling a terminal illness. Stephen Ministers are God's representatives who bring his love to those who are hurting. God is waiting to make a difference in their lives through you!

Listen...God is Calling: 1 Corinthians 6:19-20 – “You are not your own, for you were bought with a price. So glorify God in your body.” God owns everything, including our very selves. We were made to serve Him and glorify Him and will never truly be happy or find our fulfillment until we learn that lesson. Jesus has redeemed us and brought us back into the Kingdom of the Father – and that has set us free to serve Him in joy, generosity, liberty, and faith.

Life Quote: “The church must be reminded that it is ... the conscience of the state ... It must be the guide and the critic of the state ... If the church does not recapture its prophetic zeal, it will become an irrelevant social club without moral or spiritual authority.” *Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • www.lutheransforlife.org*

The Lutheran Hour: "Meeting Millennials Where They're at" Guest Speaker: Rev. Dr. Dale A. Meyer Robots can't produce disciples. How can we mentor those who don't know Jesus, or don't know Him well enough? (*Mark 1:14-20 (Jesus calls His first disciples.)*) The Lutheran Hour airs at 7:30am on KWEL AM 1070 & 107.1 FM.

Family Shield Ministries: “TBA” Airs at 8:00am on KWEL AM 1070 & 107.1 FM.

Last Week at Grace

Divine Service (01/07)..... 117
 Sunday School Attendance (01/07).....63
 Monday Divine Service (01/08).....7
 First Fruit Giving (01/07)\$8,035.00

Sunday Morning Sunday School/Faith Formation

Coffee, juice, & donuts are served at 9:00

Adult..... Fellowship Hall
Isaiah Pastor Pase
Adult..... Community Room
Growing in Christ.....Pastor Allman
Adult.....Parlor
Sunday Lessons..... Pete Lufholm
Grades 7-8..... Youth Room
.....Rotation
Grades 9-12..... Youth Room
..... Chad & Lisa Dalager

Adventure Zones in Bibleville Bibleville
..... Ages 3 years – 6th Grade
Little Lambs (Ages 0-2)..... Room 12
..... Kelly Patterson & Larissa Keller

Graceful Living This Week

This Sunday **01.14.18**

7:30.....Vision & Skills Huddle
 7:30*The Lutheran Hour* KWEL AM
 1070 & 107.1 FM
 8:00 *Family Shield* KWEL AM
 AM 1070 & 107.1 FM
 9:10 Sunday School
 10:30Divine Service
 11:45Active Shooter Training
 2:30Legacy Ranch Service
 3:00Football Extravaganza

Monday

9:00Circuit Meeting, Monahans
 6:00Joyful Tones
 7:00Divine Service

Tuesday

7:30 God’s Groupies

Wednesday

6:45 Men of Grace
 10:00ECP Puppet Chapel
 5:15Meal – **Hamburgers & Hot Dogs**
 6:30 C.R.U.E.
6:30Midweek Ministries
 Bible Bits 3-4 yrs.
 Bible Bunch K-2nd
 C.R.U.E.
 Pre-Confirmation 3rd-4th
 Pre-Confirmation 5th-6th
 1st Year Confirmation
 2nd Year Confirmation
 Joyful Chorus
 Adult Study

Thursday

9:30Quilters
 10:00ECP Puppet Chapel
 11:30 Polity Committee
 6:00Board of Stewardship

Next Sunday

Life Sunday

01.21.18

7:30*The Lutheran Hour* KWEL AM
 1070 & 107.1 FM
 8:00 *Family Shield* KWEL AM
 AM 1070 & 107.1 FM
 9:10 Sunday School
 10:30Divine Service w/Communion
11:45 Voters’ Assembly
 2:30Legacy Ranch Service

Our ECP continues to *Shine* this week.
 You are invited to read
 Luke 2:40-52 *with us this week.*

