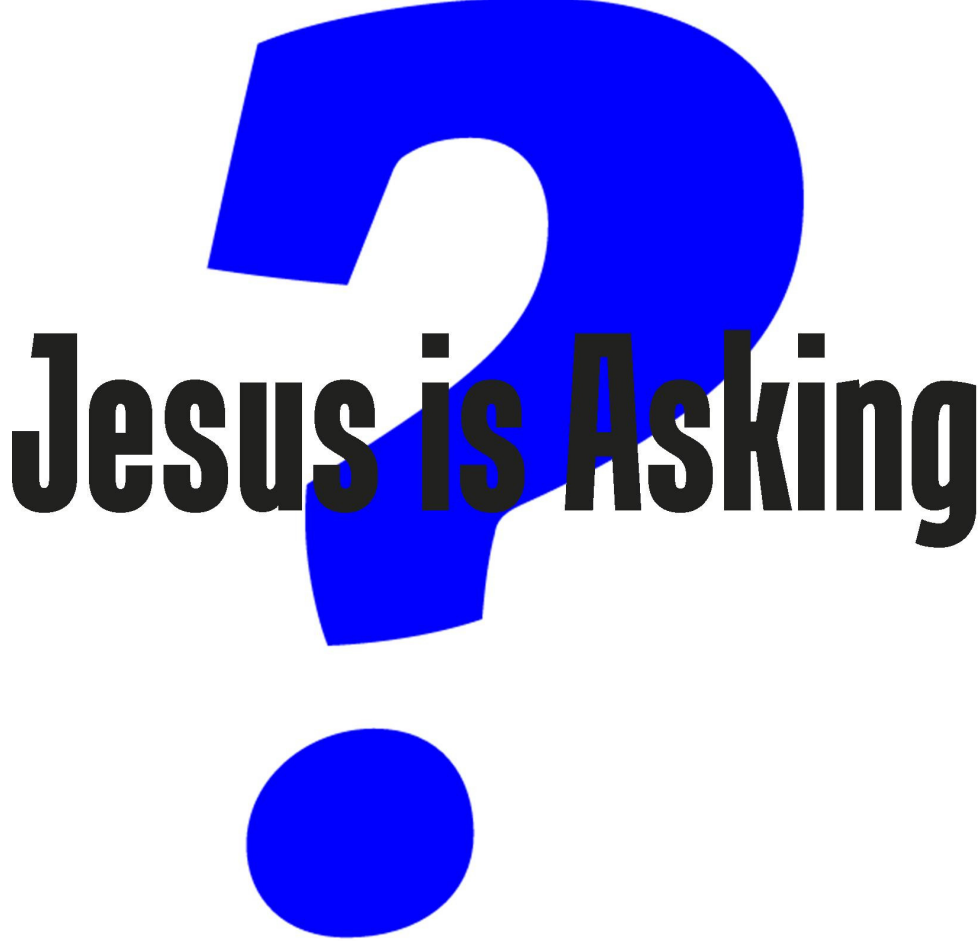


Sixth Sunday after Pentecost



# Jesus is Asking

"If you love those who love you,  
what reward will you get?"

Grace Lutheran Church  
June 30, 2013





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.

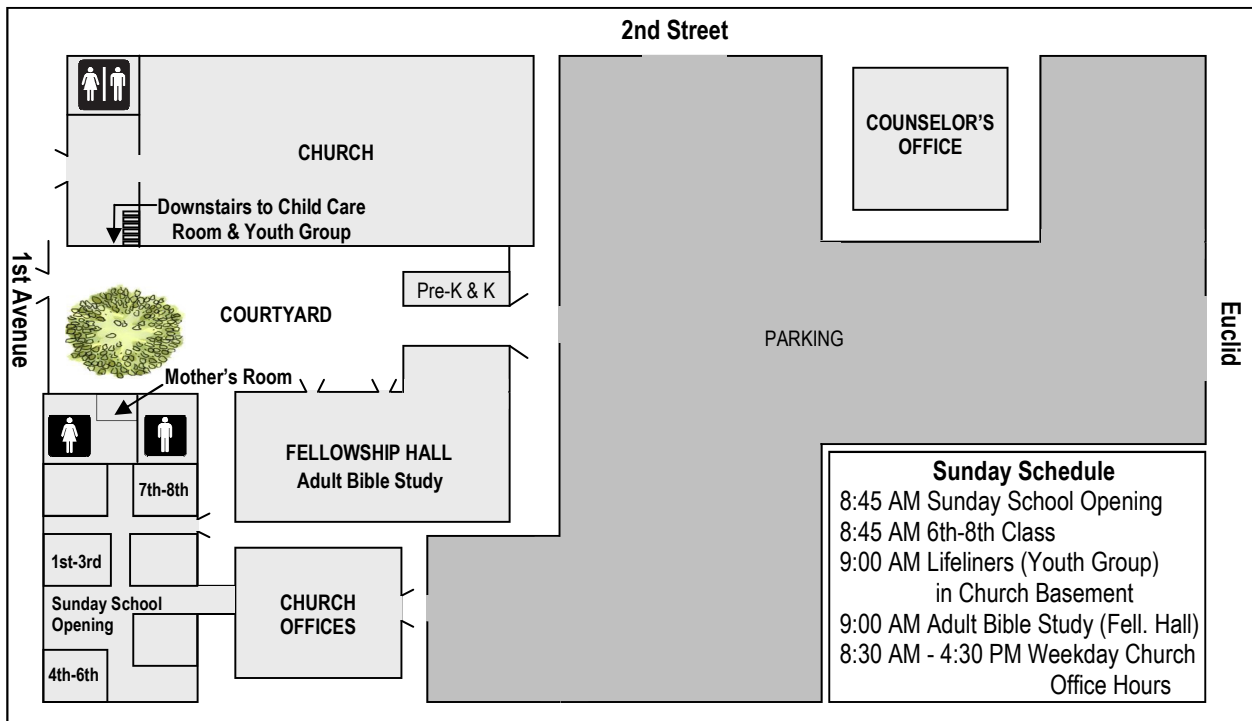
**Hymns** are found in our hymnal, *Christian Worship*, which is the red book in the pew rack in front of you.

**Large print** hymn sheets 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 entryway, sometimes that's all that's needed
- go down the stairs to the left in the 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. CDs of the entire worship service will be made upon request from the sound technician in the balcony. It only takes a few minutes to copy. You may also find sermons and services in print, audio and video on our website: [www.GraceTucsonWELS.com](http://www.GraceTucsonWELS.com)



# SERVICE OF THE WORD

Christian Worship

## WELCOME

## HYMN

God Himself Is Present  
Christian Worship #224

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 AM-  
In Babilone  
Arr. by Penny  
Rodriguez

10:00 AM-  
Blest be the Tie  
that Binds  
Arr. by Johann G.  
Nageli

*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.*

7:45 AM - Please continue on page 4 with the Prayer of the Day.

*Please be seated*

## **SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM (10:00 AM)**

*Amanda & Naomi Clendon*

**M:** Amanda & Naomi, in coming to be baptized, you are doing what is God-pleasing. We are reminded of how Ananias said to the apostle Paul after his conversion to faith, “Get up, be baptized and wash your sins away.” By the power of the Word, the Holy Spirit has led you to believe that new life in Christ is yours. Now in Holy Baptism the Lord Jesus assures you of your salvation. That you may give public testimony of your faith, I therefore ask you:

Do you believe that you were born in sin and therefore eternally lost?

**R:** **Yes, I believe.**

**M:** Do you believe in the triune God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit?

**R:** **Yes, I believe.**

**M:** Do you believe that this triune God planned and carried out your salvation?

**R:** **Yes, I believe.**

**M:** Do you believe that God grants you the forgiveness of sins in Holy Baptism?

**R:** **Yes, I believe.**

**M:** Do you desire to be baptized?

**R:** **Yes, I do.**

**M:** Receive the sign of the cross to mark you as a redeemed child of Christ.

Amanda Dawn/Naomi Ruth Clendon, I baptize you in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

The Almighty God—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit—has forgiven all your sins. By your baptism, you are born again and made dear children of your Father in heaven.

May God strengthen you to live in your baptismal grace all the days of your life. Peace be with you.

*Please stand*

### **EXHORTATION**

**M:** Brothers and sisters in Christ:

Our Lord commands that we teach his precious truths to all who are baptized. Christian love therefore urges all of us, especially parents, to assist in whatever manner possible so that Amanda & Naomi may remain children of God until death. If you are willing to carry out this responsibility, then answer: Yes, as God gives me strength.

**C:** **Yes, as God gives me strength.**

M: Let us pray:

Merciful Father in heaven, we thank you for the blessing of baptism by which you offer and grant the forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation. Help us to regard our baptism as the robe of righteousness we are to wear all the days of our life. Look with special favor on Amanda & Naomi and grant them a rich measure of your Spirit that they may grow in faith and godly living. Make us willing to carry out our responsibilities to those who have been baptized, so that all of us may finally come to the blessed joys of heaven, through Jesus our Lord.

C: Amen.

### PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: Almighty and everlasting God, give us an increase of faith, hope, and love; and, that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command; 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 said to Moses, "Speak to the entire assembly of Israel and say to them: 'Be holy because I, the LORD your God, am holy. Do not seek

#### Leviticus 19:1-2, 18-19a (NIV)

revenge or bear a grudge against one of your people, but love your neighbor as yourself. I am the LORD. Keep my decrees.'"

*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.*

*Refrain*



*Psalm Tone*



1. How good and pleas- / ant it is\* when brothers live together in / unity!
2. For there the Lord bestows his / blessing,\* even life for- / evermore.

*Refrain*

3. Praise the Lord, all you servants / of the Lord\* who minister in the house / of the Lord.
4. Lift up your hands in the sanctu- / ary,\* and / praise the Lord.
5. May the Lord, the maker of heav- / en and earth,\* bless you from / Zion.
6. 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*

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**SECOND LESSON**

**James 2:1-9 (NIV)**

My brothers, as believers in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ, don't show favoritism. Suppose a man comes into your meeting wearing a gold ring and fine clothes, and a poor man in shabby clothes also comes in. If you show special attention to the man wearing fine clothes and say, "Here's a good seat for you," but say to the poor man, "You stand there" or "Sit on the floor by my feet," have you not discriminated among yourselves and become judges with evil thoughts? Listen, my dear brothers: Has not God chosen those who are poor in the eyes

of the world to be rich in faith and to inherit the kingdom he promised those who love him? But you have insulted the poor. Is it not the rich who are exploiting you? Are they not the ones who are dragging you into court? Are they not the ones who are slandering the noble name of him to whom you belong? If you really keep the royal law found in Scripture, "Love your neighbor as yourself," you are doing right. But if you show favoritism, you sin and are convicted by the law as lawbreakers.

## 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.*

*Please stand*

## GOSPEL

"You have heard that it was said, 'Love your neighbor and hate your enemy.' But I tell you: Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, that you may be sons of your Father in heaven. He causes his sun to rise on the evil and the good, and sends rain on the righteous and the unrighteous.

## Matthew 5:43-48 (NIV)

If you love those who love you, what reward will you get? Are not even the tax collectors doing that? And if you greet only your brothers, what are you doing more than others? Do not even pagans do that? Be perfect, therefore, as your heavenly Father is perfect."

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

*After the Gospel, the congregation sings:*

C: Praise\_ be to you, O Christ!

*Please be seated*

## HYMN OF THE DAY

**O Master of the Loving Heart**  
*Christian Worship #491*

## SERMON

**Matthew 5:46-47**  
If you love those who love you,  
what reward will you get?

*Please stand*

*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.*

## **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.

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!*

*Please stand*

## **PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

**M:** Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, we praise you for reconciling us to yourself through the sufferings and death of your dear Son. Through him we have confidence to enter into your presence and to bring you our prayers and petitions.

Out of the infinite bounty of your goodness, grant us a rich measure of your Spirit. Let the love of Christ fill your Church, so that it may flourish in all good works. Help us show love and compassion for all who are in need. Bestow on the nations of the earth the knowledge of your mercy, that they may turn to you, the only God, and find salvation in you.

Strengthen our faith so that we unfailingly come to you in prayer for all our bodily needs. Give a special measure of your power to those who are sorrowful or mourning, to those who are in pain or sickness, to those who may be in temptation or peril, that they may receive your blessed aid. And help us patiently endure any chastening and afflictions you permit to come into our lives, knowing that you are using them in love to prepare us for that joyful communion with you, which is ours for all eternity.

Accept our prayers and intercessions, and provide for all our needs not because we are worthy but for the sake of Jesus our Savior. Amen.



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

### **OFFERTORY**

**MUSIC:**

**7:45 AM-**

*Variations on This is My Will (CW #497)*

**10:00 AM-**

*Blest be the Tie that Binds*

*Arr. by Lowell Mason*



## 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

**Son of God, Eternal Savior**  
*Christian Worship #492*

*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.

## BLESSING

**M:** Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another.  
Serve the Lord with gladness.  
The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make his face shine upon you and be gracious to you.  
The Lord look on you with favor and (†) give you peace.



**C:** A - men. A - men. A - men.

*Please be seated*

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

## CLOSING HYMN

**O God of Mercy, God of Might**  
*Christian Worship #499*

*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.*

*The blessing of Aaron has been spoken over God's people for over 3,500 years. The Lord said, "So I will put my name on [them], and I will bless them." Numbers 6:27*

## POSTLUDE:

**7:45 AM-**  
*The Gift of Love*  
Arr. by Lloyd Larson

**10:00 AM-**  
*America the Beautiful*  
Arr. by Samuel Ward

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at TWO places!**

**Enjoy worship, Bible study  
and activities at both  
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**This Week at Grace • June 30-July 7**

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

**TODAY**

- 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 (Fellowship Hall):
  - *The Life of Christ: Prayers of Jesus*.....9:00a
- Grace-Vail Bible Study Cottonwood Elem: *Exodus*..... 9:00a
- Grace-Vail Sunday School at Cottonwood Elem. .... 9:00a
- Grace-Vail Worship at Cottonwood Elementary..... 10:00a

**Monday**

- Bible Study at Vail Golf Club: *Book of Acts* .....9:30a

**Wednesday**

- Grace Extension Group Meeting.....9:00a
- Midweek Bible Study: *Church History*..... 10:00a

**Wednesday (continued)**

- Grow in Grace Bible Study at the Prigge's ..... 7:00p
- Midweek Bible Study: Church History ..... 7:00p

**Thursday INDEPENDENCE DAY!**

- NO** Women's Bible Study .....
- Church Office Closed** .....

**Sunday**

- Worship Services/Communion ..... 7:45 & 10:00a
- Coffee Fellowship following both services .....
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THOSE ASSISTING IN WORSHIP TODAY

Preacher ..... Pastor Sam Clemons
Worship Leader ..... Pastor Ron Koehler (10:00 AM)
Accompanists..... Kathy Parra (7:45 AM), Teri Guenther (10:00 AM)
Ushers ..... Vic Thornton, Vernon Neal (7:45 AM)
Mark Christianson, Jon Dongoske, Danny Koehler (10:00 AM)
Taylor Parra, Rick Street (10:00 AM)
Sound & Recording Tech ..... Jeremy Snavely (10:00 AM)
Altar Prep Team ..... Lauri Colton, Audrey Street

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 Mr. & Mrs. Ted Malchow in memory of loved ones.

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 the Weinsteins. 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

Malachi 1:6-14
Romans 8:5-15
Luke 6:46-49

Sermon Text & Theme

Luke 6:46-47
The Difficulty in Following Jesus

Christian Fellowship Group—Part 2 of Matthew

Saturday, July 13 at 9:30 AM in the Grace-University Fellowship Hall, the Christian Fellowship Group will meet to watch part 2 of the movie "Matthew." Matthew is the first of the four Gospel accounts. This DVD is the prequel to the "Road to Emmaus" DVD made by the same company. If you missed part 1 you can still come for part 2. There will be fresh popcorn to snack on and everyone is invited to come! The Christian Fellowship Group provides people 55 and better with an opportunity to enjoy the company of others on a very informal basis. They are hosting this special event and all ages are welcome to attend!

Summer Worship Series

Our summer worship series is "Jesus is Asking." We are looking at questions Jesus asked others and considering our response to the Savior. The 12-week series will be followed at both Grace-University and Grace-Vail. The same text will be used at both sites each week but the sermons will be slightly different because different pastors will be preaching! You may read or listen to both on the Grace website throughout the summer.



## Roast Beef Dinner & Craft Fair!

The Women of Grace will host a craft fair in conjunction with the roast beef dinner on Friday, November 15, so begin your craft making now! Anyone interested in donating crafts please let Debbie Koehler (293-5617) know. Don't forget, there are Scrip gift cards available for Michael's & Joann's Fabrics.

## Church Office Request

If you've changed any of your phone numbers or your address we'd like to have the updated information here in the church office. You may write it in the red friendship register at the end of the pew or call Cora in the church office at 623-6633. Thank you!

## Grace Photo Directory

Do you ever see people at church and wonder what their names are? Have you ever heard an announcement regarding a member and wished you could put a face with a name? Are you a new member and wish you had something to help you put names with faces? Help is on the way! We are producing a new pictorial directory this fall here at Grace! There is no cost to our church, and each participating family will receive a **complimentary 8x10 portrait and directory** and have the opportunity to purchase additional portraits to share with family & friends. Watch for more details in the coming weeks.

## Volunteers Needed

Volunteers are needed to help make our new directory a success! Marsha Hoffman is coordinating volunteers for our new directory. If you are interested in helping during our photography sign-ups, telephoning our members, or serving as a host or hostess during the photography sessions, contact Marsha at 591-7516, email her at [marshalh49@gmail.com](mailto:marshalh49@gmail.com) or call the church office (623-6633).

## WELS Tucson Campus Ministry

WELS TCM is on hiatus for the summer, but mark your calendars for the Welcome Back Party on August 25 at 6:00 PM. All college students or anyone of approximately college age is encouraged to attend. Information will be available regarding our semester schedule for Bible studies and activities, as well as food and fun, and an opportunity to sign up for parking permits for the semester. Contact Pastor Kassulke in the office if you have any questions (623-6633).