

# WELCOME

ADVENT | CHRISTMAS | EPIPHANY | LENT | EASTER | TRINITY

## To our visitors

We are glad you have joined us to share in the gifts of our gracious Lord as we worship Him together in spirit and truth by receiving His Word and Sacraments. We invite you to pick up information and our Wittenberg Way newsletter at our welcome desk. If you have questions concerning the Christian faith or the Lutheran tradition, please let us know as Pastor Brian would love to speak with you.

## Children are welcome in our services

Grace is a church family and we believe like any family we learn by doing things together. Bulletins are available for children that coincide with the liturgical calendar and scripture readings. We encourage parents to guide their children throughout the service, helping them to learn the language of the faith through the liturgy. A nursery with sound is located in the hallway outside the sanctuary to the right just before the glass door to the courtyard.

## Holy Communion

Our fellowship in the Lord's Supper follows the Lutheran tradition grounded in the teaching of Holy Scripture. As one baptized into the Name of our Triune God and confessing the real presence of Christ's body and blood in the Supper for the forgiveness of sins you are warmly invited to join around the table for Holy Communion. If you are not communing but wish to be blessed, then simply cross your arms at the rail and you will be blessed by the celebrant.

## Giving to Grace

- Your weekly envelopes or those in the pews
- Online from your bank website
- Scan the QR code to the right
- Text the amount to 84321
- On the Grace Giving Page at [gracesandiego.com](http://gracesandiego.com)
- Time and talents—please see Pr. Brian



Please silence cell phones and be mindful of those preparing for worship.

Restrooms are in the hallway outside the sanctuary chapel.

## AS WE GATHER

We win because Jesus won! That is the triumphant note of the Gospel message. Jesus was the first to overcome death; because He did it, we too will rise from the dead and overcome death. His victory is our victory. We who have become captive to the truth of the Word of God must recall and proclaim the resurrection as did the blessed apostles. Why? The resurrection provides the only foundation for hope beyond the grave: “[Jesus] was delivered up for our trespasses and raised for our justification” (Rom. 4:25).

## Collect:

O God, by the strength of all who put their trust in You, mercifully grant that by Your power we may be defended against all adversity; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

## Corinthians 15:21-26

<sup>21</sup>For as by a man came death, by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead. <sup>22</sup>For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive. <sup>23</sup>But each in his own order: Christ the firstfruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ. <sup>24</sup>Then comes the end, when he delivers the kingdom to God the Father after destroying every rule and every authority and power. <sup>25</sup>For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. <sup>26</sup>The last enemy to be destroyed is death.

## DIVINE SERVICE SETTING 1

<i>Good Christian Friends, Rejoice and Sing</i> Manz	
<b><i>Good Christian Friends, Rejoice and Sing</i></b>	<b>475</b>
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Organ Anthem	
<i>This Joyful Eastertide</i>	arr. Burkhardt
Sermon	Pastor Brian
“The Reason for Our Hope-Part 2”	
1 Corinthians 15:21-26	
<b>Nicene Creed</b>	<b>158</b>
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Christ will come again.	
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<b><i>Forth in the Peace of Christ We Go</i></b>	<b>920</b>
<i>Christ Jesus Lay in Death's Strong Bands</i>	
Bach	

\* bold indicates standing

**WORSHIP ASSISTANTS**

**Pastor** Rev. Brian Thomas  
**Director of Music** Dale Sorenson

**SERVING TODAY AT 9:00 AM**

**Elder** Ted Nilsen  
**Altar Guild** Michael Tow  
**Crucifer** Spencer Huntley  
**Lector** Daryl Svensson  
**Usher** Jackson Huntley

**SERVING 3/2/25 AT 9:00 AM**

**Elder** Jason Huntley  
**Altar Guild** Huntley Family  
**Crucifers** Spence Huntley  
Andrew Gertz  
**Lector** Jason Huntley  
**Usher** Jackson Huntley

If you are interested in serving on Sundays on the Altar Guild, as a Crucifer, as a Cantor, or Usher, please contact Pastor Brian.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL**

10:15 – 11:00 AM

St. Mark Classroom, Nursery, & Den

**CHOIR PRACTICE**

Sunday 10:15—11 AM  
Music Room

**WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY**

10:00—11:00 am  
St. Mark Classroom



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**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**CHOIR SEEKING NEW VOICES:** If you want to join our choir, we would love to have you. Please see Dale Sorenson after the service.

**ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICES** March 5 at Noon & 6:30 pm.

**MIDWEEK LENTEN SERVICES AND SOUP SUPPERS** begin on March 12.



*FEAST BEFORE THE FAST*

**SHROVE  
TUESDAY**

**March 4, 6:30 p.m.**

Empty out your cupboards for a Shrove Tuesday potluck. Sign-up at the welcome desk.

**PRAYER LIST**

**FOR STRENGTH AND HEALING**

Dave, Mike, Heidi, Arleen, Pr. Ken, Laura, Carlitos, Eddie, Charlie, Thomas, and Randy

**FOR OUR EXPECTANT MOTHERS**

Elsy Lehman

**FOR OUR MISSIONARIES & SEMINARIANS**

Rev. Dr. Tardelli Voss, Vicar Rowan Turner, and Vicar William Baker

**FOR OUR MILITARY MEMBERS**

Micah Burge, Henry Casey, Nick Collum, Nathan Farish, Matthew Morgan, Jeff & Jordan Gruetzmacher, Joshua Simmons, and Thomas Spencer

**FOR THOSE UNABLE TO ATTEND**

Joyce Rochester, Herb & Marge Foelber, Janice Keitel

**EPIPHANY 7**

February 23, 2025

9:00 am



*Proclaiming the Good News of God's grace in Jesus Christ*