WELCOME

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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 the 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
- Time and talents—please see Pr. Brian



Restrooms are in the hallway outside the sanctuary chapel.



As We Gather

A fundamental decision is placed before us today: Will we choose the way of blessing or the way of woe? The death and resurrection of Jesus are the pivots on which the decision turns. To be in Christ by faith means that we get planted by streams of water and are rooted among those who God counts as blessed. The acclamation of Holy Communion proclaims the basis of our hope: Christ has died. Christ has risen. Christ will come again.

Collect:

O Lord, graciously hear the prayers of Your people that we who justly suffer the consequences of our sin may be mercifully delivered by Your goodness to the glory of Your name; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

1 Corinthians 15:12-20

Now if Christ is proclaimed as raised from the dead, how can some of you say that there is no resurrection of the dead? ¹³ But if there is no resurrection of the dead, then not even Christ has been raised. ¹⁴ And if Christ has not been raised, then our preaching is in vain and your faith is in vain. ¹⁵ We are even found to be misrepresenting God, because we testified about God that he raised Christ, whom he did not raise if it is true that the dead are not raised. ¹⁶ For if the dead are not raised, not even Christ has been raised. ¹⁷ And if Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile and you are still in your sins. ¹⁸ Then those also who have fallen asleep in Christ have perished. ¹⁹ If in Christ we have hope in this life only, we are of all people most to be pitied.

²⁰ But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep.

DIVINE SERVICE SETTING 1 Trumpet in Dialogue Clerambault Alleluia! Alleluia! Hearts to Heaven 477 Confession & Absolution (kneel) 151 Kyrie 152 Gloria 154 **Salutation and Collect** 156 Reading Jeremiah 17:5-8 Gradual Epistle I Corinthians 15:12-20 Alleluia 156 Gospel Luke 6:17-26 **Anthem** Renee Thompson, clarinet Christ is Arisen - Latin Chant Pastor Brian Sermon "The Reason for Hope - Part 1" 1 Corinthians 15:12-20 **Nicene Creed** 158 **Prayer of the Church** Offertory Hymn If Christ Had Not Been Raised from Death 486 **Preface** 160 Sanctus 161 The Words of Our Lord 162 Memorial Acclamation (2x) Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again. Lord's Prayer 162 **Pax Domini** 163 **Agnus Dei** 163 **Eucharist** Psalm 1 O Jesus, King Most Wonderful 554 Thank the Lord 164 **Post Communion Collect** 166 166 Benediction Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds 465 Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds Manz

* bold indicates standing

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Pastor Rev. Brian Thomas
Director of Music Dale Sorenson

SERVING TODAY AT 9:00 AM

Elder Steve Hollman
Altar Guild Kelley Clark
Crucifer Spencer Huntley
Lector Mark Jordan
Usher John Downey

SERVING 2/23/25 AT 9:00 AM

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

WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY

10:00—11:00 am St. Mark Classroom







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ANNOUNCEMENTS

COFFEE FELLOWSHIP Please sign up to host the coffee fellowship after the service. Bring a refreshment to share and clean-up at 10:30. Please do not bring food into the sanctuary.

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

MIDWEEK LENTEN SERVICES AND SOUP SUPPERS begin on March 12.



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

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Gloria Berge's retirement from work

EPIPHANY 6

February 16, 2025 9:00 am



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