

# 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 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 at the bottom
- 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

The Almighty Father creates, redeems, and calls every human life special, precious, and priceless, no matter what age, appearance, or ability, from fertilization to forever. We receive each neighbor as a gift and privilege, just like God embraces us, speaking courage, showing compassion, and sharing every good. Today we extol the gift of life, our salvation in Christ, and why it is worth proclaiming and protecting.

## Collect:

O God of all grace, You sent Your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, to bring life and immortality to light. We give You thanks that by His death He destroyed the power of death and by His resurrection, He opened the kingdom of heaven to all believers. Strengthen us in the confidence that because He lives, we shall live also, and that neither death nor life nor things present nor things to come will be able to separate us from Your love, which is in Christ Jesus, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

## John 8:1-12

<sup>1</sup> but Jesus went to the Mount of Olives. <sup>2</sup> Early in the morning he came again to the temple. All the people came to him, and he sat down and taught them. <sup>3</sup> The scribes and the Pharisees brought a woman who had been caught in adultery, and placing her in the midst <sup>4</sup> they said to him, "Teacher, this woman has been caught in the act of adultery. <sup>5</sup> Now in the Law, Moses commanded us to stone such women. So what do you say?" <sup>6</sup> This they said to test him, that they might have some charge to bring against him. Jesus bent down and wrote with his finger on the ground. <sup>7</sup> And as they continued to ask him, he stood up and said to them, "Let him who is without sin among you be the first to throw a stone at her." <sup>8</sup> And once more he bent down and wrote on the ground. <sup>9</sup> But when they heard it, they went away one by one, beginning with the older ones, and Jesus was left alone with the woman standing before him. <sup>10</sup> Jesus stood up and said to her, "Woman, where are they? Has no one condemned you?" <sup>11</sup> She said, "No one, Lord." And Jesus said, "Neither do I condemn you; go, and from now on sin no more."

<sup>12</sup> Again Jesus spoke to them, saying, "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life."

## DIVINE SERVICE SETTING 1

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\* bold indicates standing

**WORSHIP ASSISTANTS**

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

**SERVING TODAY AT 9:00 AM**

**Elder** Jason Huntley  
**Altar Guild** Huntley Family  
**Crucifer** Spencer Huntley  
**Lector** Jason Huntley  
**Cantor** Sandi Garcia  
**Usher** John Downey

**SERVING 1/26 AT 9:00 AM**

**Elder** Jeremy Fullam  
**Altar Guild** Kelley Clark  
**Crucifer** Spencer Huntley  
**Lector** Jeremy Fullam  
**Cantor**  
**Usher** Jackson Huntley

**SUNDAY SCHOOL**

10:15 – 11:00 AM

St. Mark Classroom, Nursery, & Den

**WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY**

10:00—11:00 am

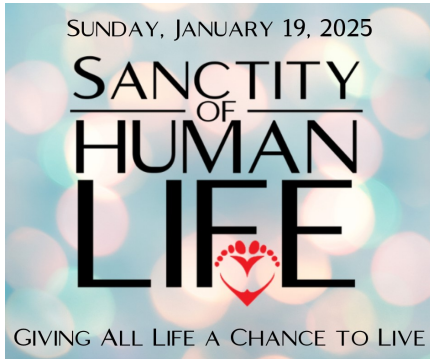
St. Mark Classroom



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**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**OFFERING STATEMENTS FOR 2024** Check your mailbox for your statement. If you don't have one, please contact Gretchen in the church office.



Today is **SANCTITY OF LIFE SUNDAY**. Representatives from CAPS are here to share what God is doing with this vital ministry to promote life.



**TNT** - January 30th from 4:30-6:30 p.m. at Common Theory for Happy Hour at: 4805 Convoy St. SD 92111. Check out their menu at: <https://commontheorysd.com/convoy-menus/>

**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.

**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

**SANCTITY OF LIFE**

January 19, 2025

9:00 am



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