

# 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 to the right
- Text the amount to 84321
- On the Grace Giving Page at [gracesandiego.com](http://gracesandiego.com)
- Time & Talents - contact 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

What is Luther? The teaching is not mine. Nor was I crucified for anyone ... How did I, poor stinking bag of maggots that I am, come to the point where people call the children of Christ by my evil name? I opposed indulgences and all the papists, but never with force. I simply taught, preached, and wrote God's Word; otherwise, I did nothing. And while I slept, or drank Wittenberg beer with my friends Philip and Amsdorf, the Word so greatly weakened the papacy that no prince or emperor ever inflicted such losses upon it. I did nothing; the Word did everything

- Martin Luther, *Sermon, March 10, 1522*



## Collect:

Almighty and gracious Lord, pour out Your Holy Spirit on Your faithful people. Keep us steadfast in Your grace and truth, protect and deliver us in times of temptation, defend us against all enemies, and grant to Your Church Your saving peace; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

## Romans 3:19-28

<sup>19</sup> Now we know that whatever the law says it speaks to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be stopped, and the whole world may be held accountable to God. <sup>20</sup> For by works of the law no human being will be justified in his sight, since through the law comes knowledge of sin.

<sup>21</sup> But now the righteousness of God has been manifested apart from the law, although the Law and the Prophets bear witness to it— <sup>22</sup> the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction: <sup>23</sup> for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, <sup>24</sup> and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, <sup>25</sup> whom God put forward as a propitiation by his blood, to be received by faith. This was to show God's righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over former sins. <sup>26</sup> It was to show his righteousness at the present time, so that he might be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus.

<sup>27</sup> Then what becomes of our boasting? It is excluded. By what kind of law? By a law of works? No, but by the law of faith. <sup>28</sup> For we hold that one is justified by faith apart from works of the law.

## DIVINE SERVICE

SETTING I

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<i>Lasst Uns Erfreuen</i>	arr Manz/Schack

\* bold indicates standing

**WORSHIP ASSISTANTS**

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

**SERVING TODAY AT 9:30 AM**

**Elder** Jeremy Fullam  
**Altar Guild** Kelley Clark  
**Crucifer** Spencer Huntley  
**Cantor** Randy Houts  
**Lector** Jeremy Fullam  
**Usher** Daryl Svensson

**SERVING NOV. 3 AT 8 AM**

**Elder** Daryl Newton  
**Altar Guild** Jack & Judy George  
**Crucifer** Spencer Huntley  
**Lector** Daryl Newton  
**Usher** John Downey

**SERVING NOV. 3 AT 10:30 AM**

**Elder** Randy Houts  
**Altar Guild** Michael Tow  
**Crucifer** Kariff Gomez  
**Cantor** Richard Segarra  
**Lector** Randy Houts  
**Usher** Harold Nichols

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**ALL SAINTS SUNDAY IS NOV. 3<sup>RD</sup>** There is a sign-up list on the Welcome Desk to add the names of the departed you would like remembered.

**VOTERS' MEETING** Our annual meeting will be held on **Sun. Nov. 10<sup>th</sup>** between the services. We will be voting on the 2025 budget, new council members, and re-instating Deaconess Doris Snashall.

**VETERAN'S DAY CELEBRATION** Veterans (past or present), you and your family are invited to join Pr. Brian and Rachel at the parsonage on **Sun. Nov. 10<sup>th</sup>** at 4 pm, for an opportunity to honor those who have served our country. Appetizers & beverages will be served.

**DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME ENDS NEXT WEEK ON NOV. 3<sup>RD</sup>.** Don't forget to move your clocks back one hour on Saturday night.

**CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS CHOIR** Meet Robin Segarra in the music room at 10:15 am next Sunday to hear all about the performance.



**PRAYER LIST**

**FOR STRENGTH AND HEALING**

Dave, Mike, Heidi, Chris, Marcia, Linda, Charlie, Eddie, Marge, Arleen, Barbara, and Bobbi

**FOR OUR MISSIONARIES & SEMINARIANS**

Rev. Dr. Tardelli Voss and Vicar Rowan Turner

**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

**REFORMATION SUNDAY**

October 27, 2024  
9:30 am



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

No Sunday School this week.  
Resumes next week at 9:30 am.  
Wednesday Bible Study at 10 a.m.



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