

WELCOME

ADVENT | CHRISTMAS | EPIPHANY | LENT | **EASTER** | PENTECOST

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 our pastor 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 us 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.

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Restrooms are available in the hallway outside the sanctuary.

AS WE GATHER

If you came in this morning full of confidence and strong faith, we're glad you're here. If you came in with doubts, questions, or barely hanging on—we're especially glad you're here. Because today isn't about how strong your faith is. It's about how alive your Savior is. The disciples were hiding. Thomas was doubting. And Jesus came anyway. That's the kind of Lord we have—one who doesn't wait for you to get it all together before He shows up. He walks right into locked rooms, fearful hearts, and stubborn doubts... and brings peace. Not advice. Not a pep talk. Peace.

Collect

Almighty God, grant that we who have celebrated the Lord's resurrection may by Your grace confess in our life and conversation that Jesus is Lord and God; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

1 Peter 1:3-9

³ Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, ⁴ to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, ⁵ who by God's power are being guarded through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. ⁶ In this you rejoice, though now for a little while, if necessary, you have been grieved by various trials, ⁷ so that the tested genuineness of your faith—more precious than gold that perishes though it is tested by fire—may be found to result in praise and glory and honor at the revelation of Jesus Christ. ⁸ Though you have not seen him, you love him. Though you do not now see him, you believe in him and rejoice with joy that is inexpressible and filled with glory, ⁹ obtaining the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

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* **bold indicates standing**

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Deaconess Doris Snashall
Director of Music Dale Sorenson

SERVING TODAY

Elder Ted Nilsen
Altar Guild Gloria Berge
Crucifer Greta Rucks
Acolytes Johnathan and Tobias
Lector Daryl Svensson
Cantor Jeremy Fullam
Usher Harold Nichols

SERVING 4/19/26

Elder Steve Hollman
Altar Guild Jack and Judy George
Crucifer Andrew Gertz
Acolytes Peter and Georgia
Lector Mark Jordan
Cantor Sandi Garcia
Usher Jackson Huntley

PRAYER LIST

FOR STRENGTH AND HEALING

Dave, Eddie, Michelle, David, Floyd,
Harold, Lynn, and Nancy

FOR OUR EXPECTANT MOTHERS

Jordan Gruetzmacher

FOR OUR MISSIONARIES & SEMINARIANS

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

FOR OUR MILITARY MEMBERS

Rev. Mario Ancira, Hannah Downey,
Nathan Farish, Gavin Robillard,
Joshua Simmons, and Jeff Gruetzmacher

FOR THOSE UNABLE TO ATTEND

Joyce Rochester, Herb & Marge Foelber,
and Janice Keitel

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Bible Study and Sunday school are on break. Wednesday bible study will resume on April 15th and Sunday school will resume April 19th.

Thank you to our fellowship coordinator, elders, servers, volunteers, and all church members who supported the beginning of the Easter season. We truly appreciate you and the time you've given



EASTER 2

April 12, 2026

9:00 am



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