

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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During the prelude, please be mindful of those preparing for worship.

Restrooms are available in the hallway outside the sanctuary.

AS WE GATHER

Dear brothers and sisters of our Lord Jesus Christ, on this day the Church begins a holy season of prayerful and penitential reflection. Our attention is especially directed to the holy sufferings and death of the Lord Jesus.

From ancient times the season of Lent has been kept as a time of special devotion, self-denial, and humble repentance born of a faithful heart that dwells confidently on His Word and draws from it resurrection life and hope.

Let us pray that our Father in heaven, for the sake of His beloved Son and in the power of His Holy Spirit, might richly bless this Lententide for us so that we may come to Easter with glad hearts and keep the feast in sincerity and truth.

Prayer of Imposition

Almighty God, You have created us out of the dust of the earth: Grant that these ashes may be to us a sign of our mortality and penitence, that we may remember that it is only by Your gracious gift that we are given everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Collect

Almighty and everlasting God, You despise nothing You have made and forgive the sins of all who are penitent. Create in us new and contrite hearts that lamenting our sins and acknowledging our wretchedness we may receive from You full pardon and forgiveness; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen.

2 Corinthians 5:17-21

¹⁷ Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come. ¹⁸ All this is from God, who through Christ reconciled us to himself and gave us the ministry of reconciliation; ¹⁹ that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation. ²⁰ Therefore, we are ambassadors for Christ, God making his appeal through us. We implore you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. ²¹ For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

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WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Pastor Rev. Brian Thomas
Music Director Dale Sorenson

SERVING ON 3/9 AT 9:00 AM

Elder Jeremy Fullam
Altar Guild Jack & Judy George
Crucifer Spencer Huntley
Georgia Thompson
Lector Jeremy Fullam
Usher Daryl Svensson

SERVING ON 3/16 AT 9:00 AM

Elder Daryl Newton
Altar Guild Kelley Clark
Crucifer Spencer Huntley
Lector Daryl Newton
Usher Harold Nichols

If you are interested in serving on the Altar Guild, as a Crucifer, 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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME Don't forget to turn your clocks ahead one hour on Saturday night March 8th!

MIDWEEK OFFERINGS During the season of Lent, our offerings will support our seminarian, Rowan Turner at CTSFW,

LENTEN DEVOTIONALS are available in the hallway and in the Narthex.
Savior Servant Friend by A. Trevor Sutton

WEDNESDAY SOUP SUPPERS AND SERVICE - Please sign up at the Welcome Desk to bring something to share for supper. Soup Supper is at 5:30. Prayer service immediately follow at 6:30 pm.



PRAYER LIST

FOR STRENGTH AND HEALING

Dave, Mike, Heidi, Arleen, Laura, Carlitos, Eddie, Michelle, Charlie, Thomas, Ingrid, Lucy, and Mary

FOR OUR EXPECTANT MOTHERS

Elsy Lehman

FOR OUR MISSIONARIES & SEMINARIANS

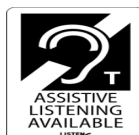
Rev. Dr. Tardelli Voss, Vicar Rowan Turner, and Vicar William Baker

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



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ASH WEDNESDAY

March 5, 2025

Noon and 6:30 pm



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