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 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 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.

Giving to Grace

- Your weekly envelopes or those in the pews
- Online from your bank website
- Scan the QR code to the right
- On the Grace Giving Page at gracesandiego.com
- Time & Talents - contact Pr. Brian

Please silence cell phones and be mindful of those preparing for worship.

Restrooms are available in the hallway outside the sanctuary.

ASSISTIVE LISTENING AVAILABLE

As We Gather

Every generation must wrestle with two questions: Who says? Who saves? The Reformation reminds us that God has not left us to figure out either answer for ourselves. His Word speaks with authority, and His Son saves us by grace through faith, apart from our works or worthiness. Today, we return to these enduring truths: Scripture alone is our authority, and Christ alone is our Savior. The Church is always called back to the enduring Word and the Savior who sets sinners free.

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.

John 8:31-36

31 So Jesus said to the Jews who had believed him, "If you abide in my word,
you are truly my disciples, 32 and you will know the truth, and the truth will
set you free." 33 They answered him, "We are offspring of Abraham and have
never been enslaved to anyone. How is it that you say, 'You will become
free'?" 34 Jesus answered them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, everyone who
practices sin is a slave to sin. 35 The slave does not remain in the house
forever; the son remains forever. 36 So if the Son sets you free, you will be
free indeed.

Giving Thanks for Our Deaconess

We thank God for the gift of Deaconess Snashall and for her faithful service among us. Through works of mercy, Christian care, and encouragement in Christ, she reflects our Lord's love to His people. We invite you to remember her in your prayers and to share your appreciation for her ministry as we give thanks for those whom God has called to serve His Church.

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Worship Assistants

Pastor	Rev.BrianThomas
Deaconess	Doris Snashall
Director of Music	Dale Sorenson

Serving Today

Elder
Jeremy Fullam

Altar Guild
Jeremy Fullam

Crucifer
Ande Gertz

Acolytes
Georgia Thompson & Leopold Fullam

Lector
Jeremy Fullam

Usher
Harold Nichols & John Downey

Prayer List

For Strength and Healing
Dave, Jose, Dale, and Madison

For Our Missionaries & Seminarians

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

For Our Military Members

Hannah Downey, Nathan Farish, Joshua Simmons, Jon Lushenko, and Daniel Fohey

(If you are in the military, please send your info to elsyglc@gmail.com to be added to the prayer list)

For Those Unable to Attend

Joyce Rochester, Herb Foelber, and Janice Keitel

Announcements

Sunday School for all ages today at 10:30 a.m. Children will meet in the den; Adults in St. Mark's Classroom.

Come celebrate Oktoberfest and Reformation with us after Sunday School! Enjoy a time of food, fellowship, and fun.

All Saints is Next Sunday. Sign up at the Welcome Desk if you would like to add the names of the departed you would like remembered during the tolling of the bells.





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Reformation Day

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9:00 am



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