

WELCOME

ADVENT | CHRISTMAS | EPIPHANY | LENT | EASTER | TRINITY

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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- Your weekly envelopes or those in the pews
- Online from your bank website
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- Text the amount to 84321
- 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 in the hallway outside the sanctuary.

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AS WE GATHER

This Sunday marks the last Sunday of the season of ordinary time, bringing the current church year to a close. Christ the King Sunday serves as a transitional week, ushering us out of a long season of growth, and into a new season of preparation. It provides a pause in order to celebrate that Jesus is the Christ who reigns over the world. Everything in creation and culture must submit to Him. This submission happens eagerly and with joy when we remember that the upcoming Christmas season is about so much more than a baby in a manger. It is a time to honor a Sovereign Christ who is the Prince of Peace. He is the one before whom every knee will bow, and to whom every tongue will confess that he is Lord. He is the King, and long will He reign.

Collect:

O Lord, absolve Your people from their offenses that, from the bonds of our sins which by reason of our frailty we have brought upon ourselves, we may be delivered by Your bountiful goodness; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Colossians 1:15-23

¹⁵ He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. ¹⁶ For by him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities—all things were created through him and for him. ¹⁷ And he is before all things, and in him all things hold together. ¹⁸ And he is the head of the body, the church. He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in everything he might be preeminent. ¹⁹ For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, ²⁰ and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of his cross.

²¹ And you, who once were alienated and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds, ²² he has now reconciled in his body of flesh by his death, in order to present you holy and blameless and above reproach before him, ²³ if indeed you continue in the faith, stable and steadfast, not shifting from the hope of the gospel that you heard, which has been proclaimed in all creation under heaven, and of which I, Paul, became a minister.

DIVINE SERVICE

SETTING 1

<i>Beautiful Savior</i>	<i>arr. Charles Ore</i>	
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	Parish Choir	
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	“Long Will He Reign”	
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<i>Lord, Enthroned in Heavenly Splendor</i>		

* bold indicates standing

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Pastor Rev. Brian Thomas
Director of Music Dale Sorenson

SERVING 11/26 AT 8 AM

Elder Steve Hollman
Altar Guild Judy & Judy George
Crucifer
Lector Mark Jordan
Usher Harold Nichols

SERVING 11/26 AT 10:30 AM

Elder Daryl Newton
Altar Guild John Barber
Crucifer
Lector Daryl Newton
Cantor John Barber
Usher Harold Nichols

SERVING 12/3 AT 8 AM

Elder Jason Huntley
Altar Guild Huntley Family
Crucifer Spencer Huntley
Lector Jason Huntley
Usher Heath Russert

SERVING 12/3 AT 10:30 AM

Elder Ted Nilsen
Altar Guild Cindy Hansen
Kelley Schmidt
Crucifer Andersen Lee
Lector Rev. Ken Licht
Cantor Richard Segarra
Usher Harold Nichols

SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:30 – 10:15 AM
St. Mark Classroom, Nursery, & Den
On Recess thru 1/14/24

CHOIR PRACTICE 9:20—10:10 AM
Music Room

WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY 10:00—11:00 am
St. Mark Classroom
On Recess thru 1/10/24

ANNOUNCEMENTS

✝ **GRACE ANNUAL MEETING - TODAY AT 9:15 AM** Meet in the Fellowship Hall to review and vote on the 2024 budget and new Council officers.

✝ **GIVING TUESDAY - TUESDAY NOV. 28TH** If you would like to give something extra to Grace Lutheran you can do so at: <https://gracesandiego.churchcenter.com/giving> or with the special envelopes on the Welcome desk.

✝ **ADVENT SOUP SUPPERS & MIDWEEK SERVICE** - Every Wednesday in Advent (12/6, 12/13, 12/20) there will be a soup supper at 5:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall followed by a service in the sanctuary at 6:30 pm. If you would like to bring something for the Soup Supper, please sign up at the Welcome Desk.



PRAYERS FOR STRENGTH AND HEALING

Dave, Bill, Phil, Edward, Mike, John, Rita,
Grace, Jim, Nancy, and Doris

PRAYERS FOR THOSE EXPECTING A CHILD

Jeremy & Jessica Belgau and Carl & Elsy Lehman

PRAYERS FOR OUR MISSIONARIES

Rev. Tyler McMiller, Joshua Salas, Lorenzo Murrone, Luiz Lange,
Michael & Nance Morizio (Lutheran Church planters & seminarians in
Italy), Rev. Dr. John Bombaro, and Rev. Dr. Tardelli Voss

PRAYERS FOR OUR MILITARY MEMBERS

Rev. Mario Ancira, John Campisi, Tajy George, Daniel Fohey,
Nathan Farish, Philip Hawthorne, Matthew Morgan,
Jeff & Jordan Gruetzmacher

PRAYERS FOR THOSE UNABLE TO ATTEND

Joyce Rochester

CHRIST THE KING

November 26, 2023

8:00 am and 10:30 am



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