

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

Restrooms are available in the hallway outside the sanctuary.



AS WE GATHER

Some come this morning feeling strong in faith. Others are running on fumes. Paul once wrote to his young friend Timothy, “Be strong in the grace that is in Christ Jesus.” Notice he didn’t say, “Be strong in yourself.” Thank God for that. Strength in grace—that’s a whole different deal. So, welcome to a place where grace is stronger than your weakness, where failure isn’t final, and where Jesus is always faithful... even when we’re not.

Collect

Almighty God, You show mercy to Your people in all their troubles. Grant us always to recognize Your goodness, give thanks for Your compassion, and praise Your holy name; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen.

2 Timothy 2:1-13

You then, my child, be strengthened by the grace that is in Christ Jesus, ² and what you have heard from me in the presence of many witnesses entrust to faithful men, who will be able to teach others also. ³ Share in suffering as a good soldier of Christ Jesus. ⁴ No soldier gets entangled in civilian pursuits, since his aim is to please the one who enlisted him. ⁵ An athlete is not crowned unless he competes according to the rules. ⁶ It is the hard-working farmer who ought to have the first share of the crops. ⁷ Think over what I say, for the Lord will give you understanding in everything.

⁸ Remember Jesus Christ, risen from the dead, the offspring of David, as preached in my gospel, ⁹ for which I am suffering, bound with chains as a criminal. But the word of God is not bound! ¹⁰ Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect, that they also may obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus with eternal glory. ¹¹ The saying is trustworthy, for: If we have died with him, we will also live with him; ¹² if we endure, we will also reign with him; if we deny him, he also will deny us; ¹³ if we are faithless, he remains faithful—for he cannot deny himself.

DIVINE SERVICE Setting 1

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Worship Assistants	
Pastor	Rev. Brian Thomas
Director of Music	Dale Sorenson

Serving Today	
Elder	Randy Houts
Altar Guild	Michael Tow
Crucifer	Greta Rucks
Lector	Randy Houts
Cantor	Jeremy Fullam
Usher	John Downey

Serving 10/19/25	
Elder	Steve Hollman
Altar Guild	Gloria Berge
Crucifer	Andrew Gertz
Lector	Mark Jordan
Cantor	John Barber
Usher	Jackson Huntley

Prayer List
<p>FOR STRENGTH AND HEALING Dave, Arleen, Eddie, Michelle, Mark, Steve, Kristi, and Floyd</p> <p>FOR OUR MISSIONARIES & SEMINARIANS Rev. Dr. Tardelli Voss, Vicar Rowan Turner, and Vicar William Baker</p> <p>FOR OUR MILITARY MEMBERS Rev. Mario Ancira, Micah Burge, Hannah Downey, Nathan Farish, Joshua Simmons, Gavin Robillard and Jeff & Jordan Gruetzmacher, <i>(If you are in the military, please send your info to elsyglc@gmail.com to be added to the prayer list)</i></p> <p>FOR THOSE UNABLE TO ATTEND Joyce Rochester, Herb & Marge Foelber, and Janice Keitel</p>

Announcements

Choir has started Please see Dale Sorenson if you are interested.

Sunday School for children five and above meets at 10:15 a.m. in the Den. Children under five can join us in the nursery.

Sunday School for Adults a Bible study on Ecclesiastes meets in the St. Mark’s classroom at 10:15.

Wednesday Bible Study on the book of Acts meets in the St. Mark’s Classroom from 10:00-11:00am.

Join us for Oktoberfest on Sunday, October 26th following Reformation service and Sunday school. RSVP available at welcome desk.

Celebrating Church Worker Appreciation Day

**Happy Church Worker Appreciation Day,
Pastor Brian and Deaconess Snashall!**

**We are grateful for your dedication in
teaching, leading, and nurturing our church
family with the love of Christ.**

Join us after the service for a time of fellowship as we celebrate and thank Pastor Brian and Deaconess Snashall for their faithful service!

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

PENTECOST 18

October 12, 2025
 9:00 am