

# 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.

### Giving to Grace

- Your weekly envelopes or those in the pews
- Online from your bank website
- Scan the QR code to the right
- Text the amount to 84321
- On the Grace Giving Page at [gracesandiego.com](http://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

God doesn't celebrate Thanksgiving. I'm sorry if that sounds like a sacrilegious thing to say on a national day of Thanksgiving, but the truth is, He has no one to thank. The earth is the Lord's and all it contains. He receives nothing as a gift. Rather, He is both the Giver and the gift. God gives, we receive, and that is the sum of all reality for this day and every day. Thus, we give thanks to the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit that our God cares enough for us to use even a turkey, stuffing, and possibly some family members to call us to repentance, to teach us faith, and to say once again: "Let us bless the Lord."

### Collect:

Almighty God, Your mercies are new every morning and You graciously provide for all our needs of body and soul. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may acknowledge Your goodness, give thanks for Your benefits, and serve You in willing obedience all our days; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

### Luke 17:11-19

<sup>11</sup> On the way to Jerusalem he was passing along between Samaria and Galilee. <sup>12</sup> And as he entered a village, he was met by ten lepers, who stood at a distance <sup>13</sup> and lifted up their voices, saying, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us." <sup>14</sup> When he saw them he said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went they were cleansed. <sup>15</sup> Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice; <sup>16</sup> and he fell on his face at Jesus' feet, giving him thanks. Now he was a Samaritan. <sup>17</sup> Then Jesus answered, "Were not ten cleansed? Where are the nine?" <sup>18</sup> Was no one found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?" <sup>19</sup> And he said to him, "Rise and go your way; your faith has made you well."

## DIVINE SERVICE

SETTING 4

*Five Settings of "Nun Danket Alle Gott"*

<b>We Praise You, O God</b>	785
Confession & Absolution (kneel)	203
<b>Kyrie</b>	<b>204</b>
<b>Gloria</b>	<b>204</b>
<b>Salutation and Collect</b>	<b>205</b>
Reading	Deuteronomy 8:1-10
Gradual	
Reading	Philippians 4:6-20
<b>Alleluia</b>	<b>205</b>
<b>Gospel</b>	<b>Luke 17:11-19</b>
<b>Anthem</b>	<i>Sing to the Lord of Harvest</i> Renee Thompson, Sandi Garcia, recorders
Sermon	<i>"Your Life is Not Your Own"</i> Luke 17:11-19
<b>Nicene Creed</b>	<b>206</b>
<b>Prayer of the Church</b>	
Offertory Hymn	
<i>For the Fruits of His Creation</i>	894
<b>Preface</b>	<b>208</b>
<b>Sanctus</b>	<b>208</b>
Memorial Acclamation (2 x)	
Christ has died,	
Christ is risen,	
Christ will come again.	
Lord's Prayer	209
The Words of Our Lord	209
<b>Pax Domini</b>	<b>209</b>
<b>Agnus Dei</b>	<b>210</b>
<b>Eucharist</b>	
<i>Entrust Your Days and Burdens</i>	754
<b>Nunc Dimittis</b>	<b>211</b>
<b>Post Communion Collect</b>	<b>212</b>
<b>Benediction</b>	<b>212</b>
<b>Now Thank We All Our God</b>	<b>895</b>
<i>Now Thank We All Our God</i>	arr. Manz

\* bold indicates standing

### WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

**Pastor** Rev. Brian Thomas  
**Director of Music** Dale Sorenson

#### SERVING TODAY AT 9 AM

**Elder** Jason Huntley  
**Altar Guild** Huntley Family  
**Crucifer** Spencer Huntley  
**Lector** Rev. Ken Licht  
**Usher** Harold Nichols

#### 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

#### 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 - SUNDAY NOV. 26TH AT 9:15 AM**  
Meet in the Fellowship Hall to review and vote on the 2024 budget and slate of new Council officers.
- ✝ **GIVING TUESDAY - TUESDAY NOV. 28TH** A global day inspiring you to give, collaborate, and celebrate generosity. If you would like to give something extra to Grace Lutheran you can do so at: <https://gracesandiego.churchcenter.com/giving>.
- ✝ **ADVENT DECORATING - SATURDAY, DEC. 2ND AT 9:00 AM**  
Everyone is welcome to come and join the fun. Help decorate the sanctuary and our beautiful Christmas tree. Breakfast goodies will be served.
- ✝ **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. Join us for a nice evening as we prepare for the birth of Jesus Christ. If you would like to bring something for the Soup Supper, please sing 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

## THANKSGIVING

November 23, 2023

9:00 am



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