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

Today we hear St. Paul's words of comfort to grieving Christians: "We do not want you to be uninformed, brothers, about those who are asleep, that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope." Because Jesus died and rose again, death does not have the final word. Today we gather around that promise and encourage one another with these words: Christ is risen, and because He lives, we too shall live!

Collect:
Lord God, heavenly Father, send forth Your Son to lead home His Bride, the church, that with all the company of the redeemed we may finally enter into His eternal wedding feast; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

1 Thessalonians 4:13–18
13 But we do not want you to be uninformed, brothers, about those who are
asleep, that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. 14 For since we
believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring
with him those who have fallen asleep. 15 For this we declare to you by a word
from the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord,
will not precede those who have fallen asleep. 16 For the Lord himself will
descend from heaven with a cry of command, with the voice of an archangel,
and with the sound of the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first.
17 Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up together with them in
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Therefore encourage one another with these words.

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Worship Assistants

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

Serving Today

Elder	Steve Hollman
Altar Guild	Gloria Berge
Crucifer	Ande Gertz
Lector	Chris Latham
Usher	Daryl Svensson

Serving 11/15/26

Elder	Jason Huntley
Altar Guild	Huntley Family
Crucifer	Ande Gertz
Lector	Jason Huntley
Usher	Jackson Huntley

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

Today, we celebrate the Holy Baptism of Denni Christian Swan

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





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