

# 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

The Lord provided bread from heaven for His people in the wilderness (Ex 16:2–21). Now He who is Himself the Living Bread from heaven miraculously provides bread for five thousand people (Jn 6:1–15). This takes place near the time of the Passover after a great multitude followed Jesus across the Sea when He went up on a mountain. Thus we see that Jesus is our new and greater Moses, who releases us from the bondage of Mt. Sinai and makes us free children of the promise (Gal 4:21–31). Five loaves become twelve baskets, that is, the five books of Moses find their goal and fulfillment in Christ.

### Collect:

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, Your mercies are new every morning; and though we deserve only punishment, You receive us as Your children and provide for all our needs of body and soul. Grant that we may heartily acknowledge Your merciful goodness, give thanks for all Your benefits, and serve You in willing obedience; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

### John 6:1-15

After this Jesus went away to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, which is the Sea of Tiberias.<sup>2</sup> And a large crowd was following him, because they saw the signs that he was doing on the sick.<sup>3</sup> Jesus went up on the mountain, and there he sat down with his disciples.<sup>4</sup> Now the Passover, the feast of the Jews, was at hand.<sup>5</sup> Lifting up his eyes, then, and seeing that a large crowd was coming toward him, Jesus said to Philip, “Where are we to buy bread, so that these people may eat?”<sup>6</sup> He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he would do.<sup>7</sup> Philip answered him, “Two hundred denarii worth of bread would not be enough for each of them to get a little.”<sup>8</sup> One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother, said to him,<sup>9</sup> “There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish, but what are they for so many?”<sup>10</sup> Jesus said, “Have the people sit down.” Now there was much grass in the place. So the men sat down, about five thousand in number.<sup>11</sup> Jesus then took the loaves, and when he had given thanks, he distributed them to those who were seated. So also the fish, as much as they wanted.<sup>12</sup> And when they had eaten their fill, he told his disciples, “Gather up the leftover fragments, that nothing may be lost.”<sup>13</sup> So they gathered them up and filled twelve baskets with fragments from the five barley loaves left by those who had eaten.<sup>14</sup> When the people saw the sign that he had done, they said, “This is indeed the Prophet who is to come into the world!”

<sup>15</sup> Perceiving then that they were about to come and take him by force to make him king, Jesus withdrew again to the mountain by himself.

## DIVINE SERVICE SETTING 2

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Sermon	
“Comfort Food” John 6:1-15	
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\* bold indicates standing

**WORSHIP ASSISTANTS**

<b>Pastor</b>	Rev. Brian Thomas
<b>Director of Music</b>	Dale Sorenson

**SERVING TODAY AT 8:00 AM**

<b>Elder</b>	Steve Hollman
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Jack & Judy George
<b>Crucifer</b>	Spencer Huntley
<b>Lector</b>	Mark Jordan
<b>Usher</b>	Heath Russert

**SERVING TODAY AT 10:30 AM**

<b>Elder</b>	Jeremy Fullam
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Cindy Hansen
	Kelley Schmidt
<b>Crucifer</b>	Anderson Lee
<b>Lector</b>	Jeremy Fullam
<b>Cantor</b>	Richard Segarra
<b>Usher</b>	Harold Nichols

**SERVING 3/26/23 AT 8:00 AM**

<b>Elder</b>	Jason Huntley
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Philip & Rachel Hawthorne
<b>Crucifer</b>	Spencer Huntley
<b>Lector</b>	Jason Huntley
<b>Usher</b>	Carl Lehman

**SERVING 3/26/23 AT 10:30 AM**

<b>Elder</b>	Ted Nilsen
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Cindy Hansen
	Kelley Schmidt
<b>Crucifer</b>	Kariff Gomez
<b>Lector</b>	Rev. Ken Licht
<b>Cantor</b>	Randy Houts
<b>Usher</b>	Harold Nichols

**SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR ADULTS AND CHILDREN**

9:30 am to 10:15 am

**WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY—ON RECESS**

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**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**VOTER'S MEETING** - We will hold a Voter's Meeting on Sunday, April 16th, between services from 9:15-10:15 a.m. to vote on moving forward with a solar power proposal our church council has been researching. An email summary of the project will be sent to all voting members prior to the meeting to make our time more efficient. Church council members are standing by to field whatever questions or concerns you may have.

**WELCOME** - We welcome Concordia Theological Seminary Fort Wayne seminarian, Rowan Turner, who will share his conversion to Lutheranism and plans for ministry in the LCMS during our Sunday School hour in our St. Mark's classroom.

**MARCH WITTENBERG WAY IS AVAILABLE NOW.**

**CHILDREN'S CHOIR** - All children are invited to join Robin Segarra for the Children's Choir as they rehearse a song for Easter. They meet each Sunday morning in our music room 10:15-10:30 a.m.

**Holy Week Services**

Palm Sunday	8:00 & 10:30am
Maunday Thursday	6:00pm
Good Friday	Noon & 6:00pm
Easter Vigil	9:00pm
Easter Morning	8:00 & 10:30am

**PRAYERS FOR STRENGTH AND HEALING**

Joyce, Dave, Bill, Phil, Edward, Colter, Connor, Mary, Daniel, Larry, Taj, Charlotte, Pr. Burkey, and the Ramey Family

**PRAYERS FOR OUR MISSIONARIES**

Rev. Tyler McMiller, Joshua Salas, Lorenzo Murrone, Luiz Lange, Michael & Nance Morizio (Lutheran Church planters & seminarians in Italy)

**PRAYERS FOR OUR MILITARY SERVICE MEMBERS**

John Campisi, Taji George, Jack George, Jr., Jeff and Jordan Gruetzmacher, Philip Hawthorne, Josh Martin, Matthew Morgan, Nathan Farish, and Elliott Perko

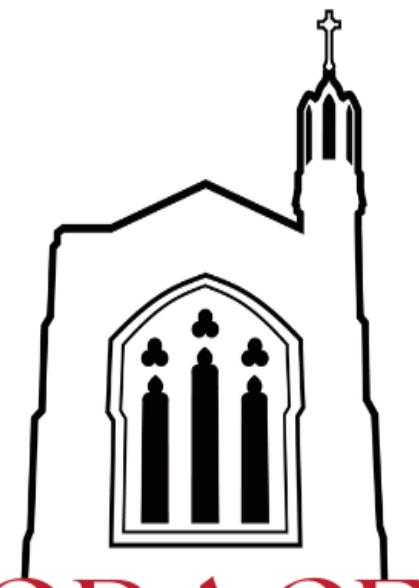
**PRAYERS FOR THOSE UNABLE TO ATTEND SERVICES**

Joyce Rochester

**LAETARE****LENT 4**

March 19, 2023

8:00 and 10:30 am



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