

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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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

Every year, the Church's calendar contains a natural transitional period between Epiphany and Lent called Gesimatide (also known as pre-Lent or Shrovetide). These three Latin-named Sundays mark the dates before Easter and have a distinctly Lutheran flavor since the Gospel lessons correspond to the famous three solas: *sola gratia*, *sola Scriptura*, and *sola fide*. To begin with *Septuagesima*, the Gospel reading is the parable of the workers in the vineyard (Matthew 20:1-16), a lesson that shows that we are saved by God's indiscriminate grace alone (*sola gratia*).

Collect:

O Lord God, You led your people through the wilderness and brought them to the promised land. Guide the people of your Church that following our Savior we may walk through the wilderness of this world toward the glory of the world to come; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Matthew 20:1-16

"For the kingdom of heaven is like a master of a house who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard. ²After agreeing with the laborers for a denarius a day, he sent them into his vineyard. ³And going out about the third hour he saw others standing idle in the marketplace, ⁴and to them he said, 'You go into the vineyard too, and whatever is right I will give you.' ⁵So they went. Going out again about the sixth hour and the ninth hour, he did the same. ⁶And about the eleventh hour he went out and found others standing. And he said to them, 'Why do you stand here idle all day?' ⁷They said to him, 'Because no one has hired us.' He said to them, 'You go into the vineyard too.' ⁸And when evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his foreman, 'Call the laborers and pay them their wages, beginning with the last, up to the first.' ⁹And when those hired about the eleventh hour came, each of them received a denarius. ¹⁰Now when those hired first came, they thought they would receive more, but each of them also received a denarius. ¹¹And on receiving it they grumbled at the master of the house, ¹²saying, 'These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.' ¹³But he replied to one of them, 'Friend, I am doing you no wrong. Did you not agree with me for a denarius? ¹⁴Take what belongs to you and go. I choose to give to this last worker as I give to you. ¹⁵Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or do you begrudge my generosity?' ¹⁶So the last will be first, and the first last."

DIVINE SERVICE

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* bold indicates standing

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Pastor Rev. Brian Thomas
Director of Music Dale Sorenson

SERVING TODAY AT 8 AM

Elder Jason Huntley
Altar Guild Huntley Family
Crucifer Spencer Huntley
Lector Jason Huntley
Usher Harold Nichols

SERVING TODAY AT 10:30 AM

Elder Jeremy Fullam
Altar Guild John Barber
Crucifer Kariff Gomez
Lector Jeremy Fullam
Cantor Sandi Garcia
Usher Harold Nichols

SERVING 2/4 AT 8 AM

Elder Daryl Newton
Altar Guild Jack & Judy George
Crucifer Spencer Huntley
Lector Daryl Newton
Usher Heath Russert

SERVING 2/4 AT 10:30 AM

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

SUNDAY SCHOOL

9:30 – 10:15 AM
St. Mark Classroom, Nursery, & Den

WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY

10:00—11:00 am
St. Mark Classroom

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

2023 OFFERING STATEMENTS ARE IN YOUR MAILBOX IN THE HALLWAY.
If you don't have one, please contact Gretchen in the Church Office.

SHROVE TUESDAY DINNER Don't forget to RSVP at the Welcome Desk.
We need volunteers to help clean up afterwards.

ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICES are at Noon & 6:30 pm on February 14th.

LENTEN SOUP SUPPER & SERVICE Please join us each Wednesday in Lent for a delicious soup supper at 5:30pm in the Fellowship Hall followed by evening prayer at 6:30 pm in the Sanctuary. There is a sign-up sheet on the Welcome Desk to bring a homemade soup.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED to help with Sunday fellowship. Sign up at the Welcome Desk to bring something to enjoy in between the services. We supply the beverages and setup. We need help cleaning up for a few minutes, too.

SHROVE TUESDAY DINNER

February 13 | 6:00 p.m.

NEW ORLEANS POTLUCK
LIVE JAZZ BAND

Sign-Up at Welcome Desk

PRAYERS FOR STRENGTH AND HEALING

Dave, Bill, Phil, Mike, John, Heidi, Edward, Daniel, Nancy,
Jan, Kathy, and Joe & Kay

PRAYERS FOR OUR MISSIONARIES & SEMINARIANS

Rev. Dr. John Bombaro, Rev. Dr. Tardelli Voss,
and Vicar Rowan Turner

PRAYERS FOR OUR MILITARY MEMBERS

Rev. Mario Ancira, Micah Burge, Tajj George, Daniel Fohey,
Nathan Farish, Matthew Morgan, Jeff & Jordan Gruetzmacher

PRAYERS FOR THOSE UNABLE TO ATTEND

Joyce Rochester

SEPTUAGESIMA

January 28, 2024

8:00 and 10:30 AM



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