

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

Today is a celebration of a different kind of King. He doesn’t need your vote, your approval, or your campaign donation. He’s not running for office—He already owns the universe. And the crazy thing? This King rules with grace, not guilt. He’s the kind of King who traded His throne for a cross and His crown for thorns, to make you His own. So take a deep breath, relax, and remember—you’re in the presence of the only King who really deserves the title... and who actually loves you.

Collect

Almighty and everlasting God, whose will it is to restore all things in your beloved Son, the King of kings and Lord of lords: Mercifully grant that the peoples of the earth, now divided and enslaved by sin, may be freed and brought together under His most gracious rule; who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Colossians 1:13-20

¹³ He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, ¹⁴in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. ¹⁵ He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. ¹⁶For by him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities—all things were created through him and for him. ¹⁷And he is before all things, and in him all things hold together. ¹⁸And he is the head of the body, the church. He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in everything he might be preeminent. ¹⁹For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, ²⁰and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of his cross.

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<i>* bold indicates standing</i>	

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

Serving Today	
Elder	Jason Huntley
Altar Guild	Huntley Family
Crucifer	Andrew Gertz
Acolytes	Johnathan and Tobias Sorrels
Lector	Jason Huntley
Cantor	Sandi Garcia
Usher	Jackson Huntley
Serving 11/27/25	
Elder	Daryl Newton
Altar Guild	Michael Tow
Crucifer	
Lector	Mark Jordan
Cantor	
Usher	Harold Nichols

Prayer List
<p>FOR STRENGTH AND HEALING Dave, Arleen, Eddie, Michelle, Mark, Kristi, Jacque, Dave, Phyllis, Floyd, Kathy, and Faye</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, Gavin Robillard, Joshua Simmons, 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

No plans for Thanksgiving? Reach out to Pastor Brian. We’d love to make sure everyone has a place to go this holiday.

Sunday School for all ages begins at 10:15am.

Wednesday Bible Study is on recess until January 14th.

Advent Decorating Join us this Saturday, November 29th, at 9 am to decorate the church for the Advent season. All are welcome! Refreshments will be provided.



UPCOMING SERVICES & EVENTS

(In addition to Sunday services)

November 27 Thanksgiving Day service @ 9:00am

November 29 Advent Church Decorating @ 9:00am

December 3 Advent Midweek @ 6:30pm
Following soup supper

December 10 Advent Midweek @ 6:30pm
Following soup supper

December 17 Advent Midweek @ 6:30pm
Following soup supper

Christmas Eve @ 6:30pm

Christmas Day @ 9:00am



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9:00 am



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