

# 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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- Online from your bank website
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- 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 available in the hallway outside the sanctuary.



### AS WE GATHER

In Revelation 21:9–14, the Apostle John is given a vision of the New Jerusalem, a city radiant with God’s glory, built on the foundation of the apostles and opened to all the tribes of God's people. This image reminds us that we are part of something ancient and eternal—a spiritual temple built by God Himself, where Christ is the cornerstone and His people are the living stones. As we gather in worship today, may we remember that we are not just attending a service—we are participating in the life of the City of God, built on the grace and truth of Jesus Christ. Welcome home.

### Collect:

O God, the giver of all that is good, by Your holy inspiration grant that we may think those things that are right and by Your merciful guiding accomplish them; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

### Revelation 21:9-14

<sup>9</sup>Then came one of the seven angels who had the seven bowls full of the seven last plagues and spoke to me, saying, “Come, I will show you the Bride, the wife of the Lamb.” <sup>10</sup>And he carried me away in the Spirit to a great, high mountain, and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God, <sup>11</sup>having the glory of God, its radiance like a most rare jewel, like a jasper, clear as crystal. <sup>12</sup>It had a great, high wall, with twelve gates, and at the gates twelve angels, and on the gates the names of the twelve tribes of the sons of Israel were inscribed— <sup>13</sup>on the east three gates, on the north three gates, on the south three gates, and on the west three gates. <sup>14</sup>And the wall of the city had twelve foundations, and on them were the twelve names of the twelve apostles of the Lamb.

### DIVINE SERVICE Setting 1

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*\* bold indicates standing*

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

**SERVING TODAY AT 9:00 AM**  
**Elder** Daryl Newton  
**Altar Guild** Michael Tow  
**Crucifer** Citlali Gomez  
**Lector** Daryl Newton  
**Usher** Harold Nichols

**SERVING THURS. MAY 29 AT 6:30 PM**  
**Elder** Ted Nilsen  
**Altar Guild** Huntley Family  
**Crucifer** Spencer Huntley  
**Acolytes** Toby Sorrells  
JJ Sorrells  
**Lector** Deac. Doris Snashall  
**Usher** Daryl Svensson

**SERVING SAT. MAY 31 AT 6:30 PM**  
**Elder** Jason Huntley  
**Altar Guild** Huntley Family  
**Crucifer** Spencer Huntley  
**Acolytes** Georgia Thompson  
Duncan Mellor  
**Lector** Jason Huntley  
**Usher** Jackson Huntley

**SUNDAY SCHOOL**  
(Last class before summer recess)  
Today at 10:15 am

**CHOIR REHEARSAL**  
Join us in the music room from 10:15-11

**WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY**  
St. Mark's Classroom at 10:00 am.

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**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**ASCENSION THURSDAY SERVICE - MAY 29 @ 6:30 PM**

**SATURDAY NIGHT SERVICE - MAY 31 @ 6:30 PM** Followed by dessert and wine in the courtyard. There is no Sunday service on June 1st due to the Rock n Roll marathon.



**Spring Cleaning?** Please consider donating your gently used items. Bring donations any time & store in classroom.

**PRAYER LIST**

**FOR STRENGTH AND HEALING**  
Dave, Mike, Arleen, Eddie, Michelle, Steve, Kristi, Alma, and Floyd

**FOR OUR MISSIONARIES & SEMINARIANS**  
Rev. Dr. Tardelli Voss, Vicar Rowan Turner, and Vicar William Baker

**FOR OUR MILITARY MEMBERS**  
Micah Burge, Nathan Farish, Matthew Morgan, Jeff & Jordan Gruetzmacher, Joshua Simmons, and Thomas Spencer  
*(If you are new to Grace and in the military, please email your info to the church at: gjordan@gracesandiego.com, so we can add you to our prayer list.)*

**FOR THOSE UNABLE TO ATTEND**  
Joyce Rochester, Herb & Marge Foelber, Janice Keitel

**EASTER 6**  
May 25, 2025  
9:00 am

  
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