WELCOME

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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.

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As We Gather

Our newborn God keeps the Law for us and brings Abraham's promises to their fulfillment when He is circumcised. It is there that the name above all names is "bestowed on him" (Phil. 2:9), "the name given by the angel before he was conceived in the womb": Jesus, which means "the Lord saves" (Luke 2:21). He sheds the first drops of His precious blood in accordance with this name and in anticipation of His cross, "for he will save his people from their sins" (Matt. 1:21).

Collect:

Lord God, You made Your beloved Son, our Savior, subject to the Law and caused Him to shed His blood on our behalf. Grant us true circumcision of the Spirit that our hearts may be made pure from all sins; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

St. Luke 2:15-21

¹⁵ When the angels went away from them into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, "Let us go over to Bethlehem and see this thing that has happened, which the Lord has made known to us." ¹⁶ And they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the baby lying in a manger. ¹⁷ And when they saw it, they made known the saying that had been told them concerning this child. ¹⁸ And all who heard it wondered at what the shepherds told them. ¹⁹ But Mary treasured up all these things, pondering them in her heart. ²⁰ And the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them.

And at the end of eight days, when he was circumcised, he was called Jesus, the name given by the angel before he was conceived in the womb.

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WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Pastor Rev. Brian Thomas
Director of Music Dale Sorenson

SERVING TODAY AT 10:00 AM

Elder Jeremy Fullam
Altar Guild Jack & Judy George
Crucifer Claire Latham
Lector Jeremy Fullam
Usher Harold Nichols

SERVING 1/8/23 AT 8:00 AM

Elder Steve Hollman

Altar Guild Philip & Rachel Hawthorne

Crucifer Spencer Huntley
Lector Steve Hollman
Usher Heath Russert

SERVING AT 10:30 AM

Elder Ted Nilsen
Altar Guild John Barber
Crucifer Devin Houts
Lector Pr. Ken Licht
Cantor Richard Segarra
Usher Harold Nichols

NEW TO GRACE

If you wish to deepen your commitment by becoming a member of Grace, please complete an information form at the Welcome Desk. Additionally, If you have moved or are not receiving our weekly emails, be sure we have your current contact information.





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SUNDAY JAN. 8 OUR SERVICES RESUME AT 8 AM & 10:30 AM

SUNDAY SCHOOL RESUMES on Jan. 8 at 9:30 am and Bible Study on Wed. Jan. 11 at 10 AM

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Joyce, Dave, Bill, Pat, Phil, Edward, Colter, and Dale

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

Tajy 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

CIRCUMCISION AND NAME OF JESUS

January 1, 2023 10:00 am



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