

Saint Martin Lutheran Church

presently worshipping at
Heritage Preparatory School
1824 Piedmont Avenue NE
Atlanta, GA 30324
Education 9:30 a.m. (during school year)
Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m.
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The Reverend Dr. James A. Clark, is an ordained Lutheran pastor with an earned doctorate in pastoral care and education. With over fifty years of pastoral experience he has also served as Spiritual Director and Pastoral Care Coordinator at Anchor Hospital in Riverdale, Georgia. Along with serving several congregations in Georgia, he has also been chaplain at Atlanta International Airport. Pastor Clark and his wife have two children and three grandchildren. He enjoys gardening, reading, birding and classical music.

What do people say about Saint Martin Lutheran Church?

After worshipping in the same sanctuary from 1981 until 2019, we were thrilled to see that a new congregation was coming to Rock Spring. On our first day, we were welcomed so warmly that we HAD to go back. The members are loving, caring, and welcoming. We are making it our new church home.

We are just so delighted to have found a traditional, real and liturgical Lutheran church in our city. We had almost given up on finding such a caring and vibrant congregation.

Saint Martin is a wonderfully warm and caring congregation. I have been attending regularly and have found a church home with traditional Christian worship and genuine Christian values.

Saint Martin is a welcoming community of traditional, liturgical Lutherans living out Christ's commandment to make disciples in his name.

Saint Martin Lutheran Church brings me back to my Lutheran roots when scripture was the spoken word from the pulpit. Often we arrive to church stressed and troubled but leave Saint Martin with a truly renewed spirit and the strength to tackle the week ahead.

I like Saint Martin Lutheran Church because I feel the love of God from the people and worship there. The people seem glad that I am there, and the reading and teaching from the Bible strengthens my spirit each week.

Saint Martin Lutheran Church

We are a community who live as imperfect people in an imperfect world by the grace of God in Jesus Christ.



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traditional, liturgical, authentic
Lutheran flavor

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What We Believe

We are a church centered on the Gospel of Jesus Christ, animated by missions and evangelism and grounded in the 2,000-year tradition of Christian faith. We rejoice in God's certain promise of eternal love, forgiveness, and salvation through His grace that He alone has the power to bestow.

Saint Martin Lutheran Church confesses:

The Triune God — Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

+ Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior and the Gospel as the power of God for the salvation of all who believe.

+ The canonical Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments are the written Word of God. Inspired by the Holy Spirit speaking through their authors, they record and announce God's revelation centering in Jesus Christ. Through them the Holy Spirit speaks to us to create and sustain Christian faith and fellowship for service in the world.

+ The canonical Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments as the inspired Word of God and the authoritative source and norm of its proclamation, faith and life, "according to which all doctrines should and must be judged." (Formula of Concord)

+ The Apostles', Nicene, and Athanasian Creeds as true declarations of the faith of the Church.

+ The Unaltered Augsburg Confession as a true witness to the Gospel, acknowledging as one with it in faith and doctrine all churches that likewise accept the teachings of the Unaltered Augsburg Confession.



+ The Gospel, recorded in the Holy Scriptures and confessed in the ecumenical creeds and Lutheran confessional writings, as the power of God to create and sustain the Church for God's mission in the world.

We Worship

God delivers his grace through Word and Sacrament. Each Sunday we celebrate the presence of the Triune God hearing the Word and gathering at the Lord's Table. We follow the church (liturgical) year with an annual cycle of seasons and days observed in the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ.

We Learn

Education is a core principle of the Lutheran Church tradition. Jesus was a teacher. His and the other words written down for us in the Bible are vital for living. We have four readings from the Bible each week during worship, often from the Old Testament, Psalms, the New Testament and one of the four Gospels. We provide education classes each Sunday for all ages, helping each person grow in faith.

We Serve

We live out our faith serving others, those who come to our church and those who will never come. Jesus tells us to care for others, to be helpful to those in need. Community food drives for a local food pantry (Toco Hills Community Alliance), collecting diapers for a women's charity (Helping Mamas), and serving with our gifts and talents in the community are just a few examples of what we do.



CORE VALUES

Christ Centered

We confess the apostolic faith in Jesus Christ according to the Holy Scriptures. We affirm the authority of the Scriptures as the authoritative source and norm, "according to which all doctrines should and must be judged" (Formula of Concord). We accept the ecumenical creeds and the Lutheran Confessions as true witnesses to the Word of God.

Mission Driven

We believe that the mission of the Church is to preach the Gospel and to make disciples for Christ. We believe that making disciples — in our congregations, in our communities and nations, and around the world — must be a priority of the Church in the present age.

Traditionally Grounded

We affirm the ecumenical creeds and the faithful witness of the Church across time and space. We endorse the form and practices of the universal Church that are consistent with Scripture, particularly the office of the ministry and the tradition of worship under Word and Sacrament. We seek dialogue and fellowship with other Lutheran churches and with faithful Christians of other confessions.

Congregationally Focused

We strive to be a church that is organized to facilitate the ministries of local congregations in a posture of servanthood and a spirit of partnership, through the provision of resources, connections and information.



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