

THE AMERICAN
LUTHERAN CHURCH
OF WINDOM

SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2010, 8:30 A.M.

Second



SUNDAY

IN LENT

906 PROSPECT AVE; PO BOX 188

WINDOM MN 56101

PHONE - 507 831-1794

E-MAIL: WINALC@WINDOMNET.COM

WEBSITE: WWW.ALCOFWINDOM.COM

5:30 PM SATURDAY CHAPEL WORSHIP

8:30 & 11:00 AM SUNDAY WORSHIP

9:45 AM SUNDAY SCHOOL

RON LETNES, INTERIM LEAD PASTOR

TERRY J. FROVIK, PASTOR

TERA ELNESS, EDUCATION & YOUTH COORDINATOR

COMPANION TO THE LUTHERAN CHURCH OF CHRIST
IN NIGERIA #1 DEMSA
ORDER FOR HOLY COMMUNION WORSHIP

GATHERING MUSIC.....Karen Wojahn, organist
WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS/FRIENDSHIP PADS

GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS.....Pg 94

GATHERING SONG “*Guide Me Ever...*” ELW #618

APOSTOLIC GREETING:

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

AND ALSO WITH YOU.

KYRIEPg 98

HYMN OF PRAISE “*Glory to God*” Pg 99

PRAYER OF THE DAY (On Scripture Insert)

WORD

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching & song

KIDS’ WORSHIP & PRAISE CHOIR...”*Jesus Brought Us Love*”

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE.....Tera Elness

FIRST READING.....Genesis 15:1-12, 17-18

The Word of the Lord / **Thanks Be to God**

PSALM 27 (Read Responsively)

SECOND READING.....Philippians 3:17—4:1

The Word of the Lord / **Thanks Be to God**

LENTEN RESPONSE: (Pg 103)

Let your steadfast love come to us, O Lord.

Save us as you promised; we will trust your word.

GOSPEL READING.....Luke 13:31-35

Response before: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Response after: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON **STAY STRONG** Pastor Ron Letnes

SONG OF THE DAY “*Have No Fear, Little Flock*” ELW #764

WORDS OF INSTITUTION
LORD'S PRAYER
APOSTLES' CREED.....Pg 105
PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION **Hear our Prayer**

MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ

OFFERING *(Stand as the offering is brought forward)*

PRAYER:

Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts: our selves, our time, and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered, in feeding the world with your love, through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. AMEN

GREAT THANKSGIVING:

Distribution

“*Lamb of God*”.....Pg 154

Distribution Songs: **ELW #759 and ELW #697**

Table Blessing and Prayer.....Pg 155

SENDING

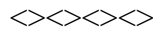
God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world

BLESSING **Amen**

DISMISSAL **Thanks be to God**

SENDING SONG “*Lead On, O King Eternal!*” ELW #805

SENDING MUSIC



WELCOME TO WORSHIP *at American Lutheran. Holy Communion is served to all who believe in the presence of Christ in the bread and wine given to us for the forgiveness of sins. Grape juice & rice cakes are an option. Children may come forward for a blessing.*

Attendance last Saturday 48; Sunday 224; Offering \$5901

Sunday School \$39.74; Ash Wednesday \$1438

RADIO SPONSORSHIP this morning is given in memory of Reinhold Steen whose birthdate is February 24, given by Beatrice Steen & Family.

THIS WEEK AT AMERICAN LUTHERAN

TODAY: Coffee Fellowship between Services; 9:45 am Sunday School; NO Book of the month discussion; 9:45 am Beyond the Walls; 5-7 pm Youth Group; 5-7:30 pm Fireside.

MONDAY: 7:15 am Youth Breakfast at Si Jambo's; 7 pm Handbells; 7 pm People's Review.

TUESDAY: 6:45 am Men's Breakfast; 9 am Staff; 9-3 pm Sewing; 10 10 am Kaleidoscope; 5:30 pm Church in Society Board; 6:15 pm "Walk by Faith"; 7 pm Worship & Music Board.

WEDNESDAY: 9 am Heritage Court; 9:30 am Sogge Home; 10:15 am Mikkelsen Manor; Noon Ecumenical Worship at Presbyterian Church; 3:30 pm Kids of the Kingdom; 5:15 pm Kids' Choir; 5-6 pm Supper; 6:30 pm WORSHIP; 7:15 pm Cantata Rehearsal.

THURSDAY: 6:30 pm Cable TV.

FRIDAY: 9:30 am World Day of Prayer at ALC; 11 am Friendship Group; LMM Synod Men's Retreat at Green Lake.

SATURDAY: 8 am to 8 pm Youth Room Food Collection for Sharing Center; 5:30 pm Chapel Worship.

SUNDAY: 8:30 & 11:00 am WORSHIP with Holy Communion; Girl Scout Sunday; 9:45 am Sunday School; 2-5 pm Transition Team; 2-6 pm Youth Cosmic Bowling; 5-7:30 pm Fireside.

WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS:

ACOLYTES – Scott Rahn & Patrick Yonker
GREETERS – Arlen & Adaline Rossow
READER - Mary Erickson
COMMUNION ASSISTANT – Arlen & Adaline Rossow;
Natalie Burmeister

BROUGHT TO CHRIST through the Sacrament of Holy Baptism at the Saturday Service was **MASON ROBERT CHESTER**, son of Brad & Trina Chester. Mason's sponsors are Don & Deb Zimmer and Mandy Chester. **BAPTIZED** at the 11:00 am Service is **ASHTEN LEE ENGLER**, son of Rachel Engler. Ashten's sponsors are Missy Bockelmann, Steve Kuntz, Andrew & Jolene Tesch.

THE "ARK" PROJECT is underway. The movie "Evan Almighty" had to be postponed and will be now shown on March 26 at 7 pm. ARK stands for "Acts of Random Kindness". Take note of the Ark display on

the bulletin board in the north hallway and the opportunity to help build the Ark by showing kindness to one-another. For further details, check the March newsletter.

CALL COMMITTEE APPLICATIONS are available next to the YES box, the church office, or on the Transition Team bulletin board. Deadline is TODAY!!! Applications can be placed in the YES box or dropped off at the office. NEED MORE INFORMATION about serving on the Call Committee? A paper has been prepared entitled “What Do Call Committees Do?” You can pick up the paper at the same location as the application. For further questions, talk with Pastor Ron.

BEYOND THE WALLS --- It is the mission of the Church to minister to those persons and situations “Beyond the Walls” of the congregation. We gather to hear the Word, to feel each others’ support, to be empowered by the Spirit of Christ to be Jesus’ disciples. Then we go out, into the community, “Beyond the Walls” to be the hearts & hands of Jesus. It is therefore important to understand the issues & challenges within our community “Beyond the Walls” of ALC. And then, to listen and learn of ways that each of us can step-up and step-out to be a partner in addressing these issues and challenges. This is what it means to be a CHURCH IN MISSION. **The Church exists for MISSION.** THEREFORE, the congregation is invited to engage in conversation with several of our community leaders today from 9:45-10:45 am in the Skylight Court. They are....Kirby Kruse: Mayor of Windom; Jeff Shirkey: Chief of Police; Jason Purrington: Sheriff; Mike Wojahn: Agriculture; Craig Myers: Cottonwood County Family Services.

COME LEARN & QUESTION!

FIRESIDE AT THE PROSPECT PARSONAGE will be held tonite from 5 to 7:30 pm with the discussion continuing on Dietrich Bonhoeffer. Bring some goodies and come & join the group.

PEOPLE’S REVIEW OF FUTURE MINISTRY PRIORITIES will be held on **Monday, March 1 at 7 pm** in the Chapel. A time to come and hear a report on the results of the FMP. It is also a time to ask questions and make comments. All are welcome!

SEWING DAY on Tuesday from 9-3 pm. Come for the day or any part of it. **NEEDED FOR LAYETTES:** New or used sleepers & receiving blankets.

THE ALC CHOIR will be singing an Easter Cantata on Sunday, April 11 at both worship services. Rehearsal will begin on Wednesday, March

3 following the Lenten Service at 7:15 pm. "Amazing Grace" will be the cantata and all are welcome to join in!

FOR LENTEN SERVICES on Wednesdays we will be using the Lenten Holden Evening Prayer and using the Theme: PRAYER FOR THE PROMISES. Bethany Lutheran & First Presbyterian Church will be joining us. Speakers each week will give a ten minute homily on the Promises. Following worship, discussion & coffee will be held in the Skylight Court and conversation about how we, as a congregation, can fulfill the PROMISES within our congregation.

Mch 3 – WITNESSING – Tera Elness

Mch 10 – SERVING – Gary Natterstad (Service this evening will be at Bethany Lutheran)

Mch 17 – COMMUNITY – Linda Jaakola

Mch 24 – PEACE & JUSTICE – Pastor Sarah Butler of First Presbyterian Church

SUPPER will be served each Wednesday from 5-6 pm with the following groups providing.

Mch 3 – ELCA Scholarship Committee; Beef Stroganoff

Mch 10 – Bethany Lutheran Church

Mch 17 – ELCA Scholarship Committee; BBQ Pork Sandwich

Mch 24 – First Presbyterian Church

Apr 1 (Maundy Thursday) – ALC Youth --- Spuds & Splits

NOON ECUMENICAL WORSHIP with several churches in town will be held on Wednesdays at First Presbyterian Church. Come at noon for worship and lunch.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER is scheduled for next Friday at 9:30 am here at ALC. Several local churches will be participating. The service is written by the women of the Cameroon with the theme being "Let Everything that has Breath Praise God." Refreshments will be served. Men & Women are invited.

HOLDEN VILLAGE TRIP NEEDS YOU! The group traveling to Holden Village, June 19-27, needs at least one more person to ride the train to Holden Village. If interested, please contact Pastor Terry as soon as possible.

WANTED TO BORROW: An adult sized Superhero costume. It will be needed in March. Please let the church office know if you have one.

YOUTH NOTES.....

- TODAY: 5-7 pm Youth Group
- MONDAY: 7:15 am Youth Breakfast Si Jambo's.
- WEDNESDAY: 5:15 pm Kids' Choir.
- WEDNESDAY: 3:30 to 5 pm Kids of the Kingdom.
- SATURDAY: Collection of Non-perishable food items for the Cottonwood County Sharing Center in the Youth Room – 8 am to 8 pm.
- SUNDAY: 2-6 pm Cosmic Bowling Party for 6th graders on up at Springfield Lanes. Cost is \$22. Sign-up today!

WHAT'S FOR BREAKFAST?

Next Sunday starts March FoodShare Month. American Lutheran is joining with area churches "To be a SUPERHERO in the Minnesota Fight Against Hunger". The first Sunday of March is "What's for Breakfast?" Suggested items are cereal, oatmeal, breakfast bars, toaster pastries, apple juice, pancake mix & syrup, sugar, flour and salt. Any cash and food donations are welcome. Mark cash donations "Sharing Center" and place in offering plate or mail to the church office. Give once or give every week!!

UPCOMING.....Join Tera in the Youth Room on March 8, 15, 22 & 29 from 7 to 8 pm for a Joyce Meyer "Battlefield of the Mind" DVD Series. This series will teach you how to overcome negative thoughts and take personal responsibility for your own joy! EVERYONE WELCOME