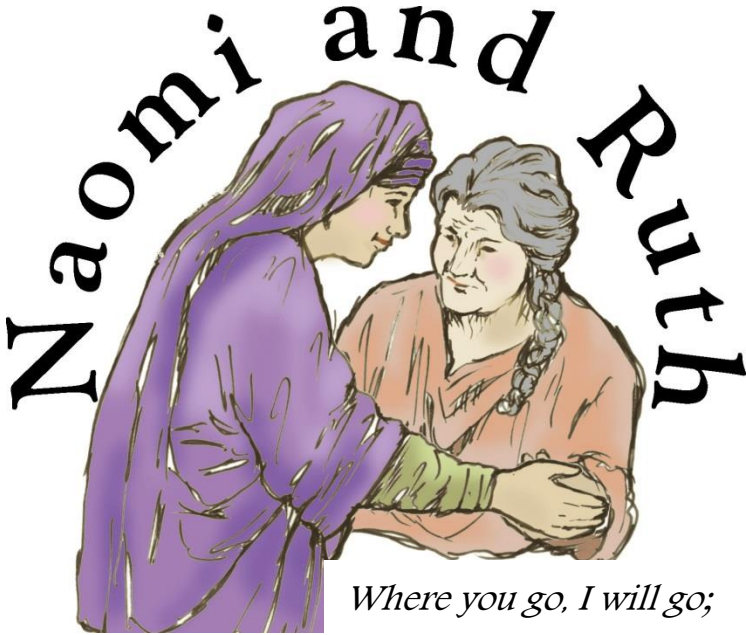


The American Lutheran Church of Windom



*Where you go, I will go;
where you lodge, I will lodge;
your people shall be my people,
and your God my God.*

June 24th, 2018 9:00 AM
5th Sunday of Pentecost Sunday

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Saturdays 5:30 pm Chapel Worship

Sundays 9:00 am Worship

Pastors Sarah Tadé and Henry Campbell

Ministers: Everyone

WELCOME! WE ARE HAPPY YOU ARE HERE TO WORSHIP WITH US
TODAY!

If you are new to us or visiting from another church, please fill out a postcard for us. We'd love to be in touch with you.

A table with PRAYER CANDLES is located near the front of the church on each side. You are invited to light a candle and say a prayer while you are here.

WORSHIP BAGS with a variety of quiet toys for small children are available at the back of the church.

LITTLE READERS BOOK NOOK in the Narthex, has books from our church library for kids to borrow for service or to take home.

COFFEE HOUR immediately follows our services every Sunday morning in our Skylight Court. ALL are welcome to join us for coffee and fellowship.

COMMUNION RECIPIENTS that wish to receive communion in the pew, please sit on the end of a pew near the side aisle. An Altar Guild member will be Holy Communion to you.

GATHERING MUSIC

MicheLe Larson, Organist

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

Melissa Vongsy

YOUTH GATHERING VIDEO

CALL TO WORSHIP

Sydney Paulson

L: Where you go, I will go.

C: The Lord, our God, is faithful.

L: Your people shall be my people.

C: The Lord, our God, is faithful.

L: Your God shall be my God.

C: The Lord, our God, is faithful. Amen.

OPENING SONG

“Amazing Grace”

ELW #779

STATEMENT of MISSION

Brooklyn Paulson

P: In the name of the Triune God,

C: We welcome all, walk together, reflect love, and serve creation

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

Lisa Petersen

L: We confess our sins before God and one another.

Pause for silence and reflection.

L: Merciful God,

C: Forgive us, for we have been faithless. Daily you offer us chances to serve you, and we decline them. We turn inward and ignore your world in need. We hoard time, energy and resources. Have mercy on us and bring us back into your favor. Amen.

L: God is faithful, just and kind, and will not forsake us, even when we go astray. Hear the words of forgiveness offered to you, that your sins are remembered no more and your creator restores your life for the sake of Jesus, your savior. Amen.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Dillon Grant

Hopeful God, you are our eternal hope, from the dawn to the dusk of our lives. Bless our efforts to walk in your path, and pardon us when we go astray, as we seek always to be fully yours. In Jesus' name. Amen.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Will Wilson & Dillon Grant

DRAMATIC READING

Ruth 1:1-22

Pew Bible p. 210

Lisa Petersen, Olivia Smith, Kai Vongsy

The Word of the Lord/ **Thanks be to God.**

YOUTH GATHERING THEME SONG:

"This Changes Everything"

MESSAGE

Lisa Petersen

SONG OF THE DAY *"They'll Know We are Christians By Our Love"*

(screens)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Audra Smith, Hannah Rahn,
Eli Mutz, Sophia Nelson, Ashley Voshage

SHARING OF THE PEACE

OFFERING

We give, because God gives to us! Our ministries share God's love.

RESPONSE

“Let the Vineyards”

ELW #184

PRAYER

Eliana Tadó

You provide for us, faithful God, even when we cannot immediately see the fruits of our labors. Accept our humble offerings and bless that which we give in service to all in need, wherever and whoever they may be. With thanksgiving we pray. Amen.

HOLY COMMUNION

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

LORD’S PRAYER

Led by Eliana Tadó

SONGS DURING DISTRIBUTION

ELW #767, #787

COMMISSIONING LITANY

Pastor Sarah

BENEDICTION

CLOSING HYMN

“Precious Lord”

ELW #773

DISMISSAL

Go in Peace, Serve the Lord. / We will! Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE

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WELCOME to worship at American Lutheran today! 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 and gluten-free wafers are available. Children may come forward for a blessing.

ADDITIONAL WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY

GREETERS: Sophia Nelson, Vincent Vongsy, AJ Steen

USHERS: Caden Wiens, Elaina Tadó, Trenton Renquist, Tatum Paulson

COMMUNION ASSISTANTS: Lisa Petersen, Ashley Soleta, Emily Steen

MEDIA MINISTRY: Tom Wickie

SOUND TECH: Todd Armstrong

Attendance last Saturday 52; Sunday 138

Offerings Received: \$5,802 Borrowed to date: \$19,000



THANK YOU to the National Youth Gathering youth and leaders for leading us in worship today.

STRATEGIC PLANNING for American Lutheran Church will be happening at Shalom Hill Farm Sunday afternoon, led by Co Directors Luke & Lisa. Participants are ALC Council, Leaders, and program staff. Please pray for this important process and cheer on those involved!

THIS MONTH OF JUNE, we are lifting up the SWMN Funding. Initiative **Embrace God's Mission, Equip God's People.** At our Mid-Year Meeting on July 16, 2017, we pledged to contribute \$7,500 over the next three years. A individual gift of \$3,750 has been given, and we as a congregation are now asked to match the remaining \$3,750! Gifts can be given through our office, or in the envelopes provided on tables in the narthex. We, as a congregation have already benefited from this fund in many ways. Thank you for your support in meeting this pledge.

HOUSTON TRIP SEND OFF AND BLESSING The theme of the Gathering in Houston is, "This Changes Everything". We are inviting you ALL to come to the church parking lot on the evening of Monday, June 25th at 9pm, to pray with us and to give us sending blessing as we leave for Houston, TX.

PLUS!! Keep an eye on ALC's Facebook Page to see daily updates on the trip and all of the stuff going on. Make sure to be in church next Sunday morning to see a live broadcast from us at the last mass worship service at the NRG Stadium in Houston.

COFFEE HOUR servers are needed for the upcoming weeks. Please sign up in the skylight court to provide refreshments after worship.

THE SW MN SYNOD WOMEN OF THE ELCA CONVENTION is Friday, June 29 and Saturday, June 30th. Time is running out for you to donate Christian literature, old shoes, also white socks and chapstick which will be given to the VA Hospital in St. Cloud. Thanks for giving.

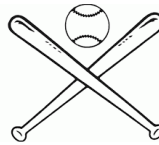
FYI: Collected for The Banquet trip to Sioux Falls \$636.45. Still needed to meet our goal of 1,000.00 is **\$363.55**.

FAMILY FUN KASTLE KINGDOM PARK PLAY this coming Wednesday June 27th from 7-8 pm. Let's gather the kids to play and pray together at the park, because it's always more fun to go to the park with your friends.

THE WORSHIP AND MUSIC BOARD would like to invite you Saturday, July 21st to help support our very own Lisa Peterson who will be preaching at Shetek Lutheran Ministries at 5:30 p.m. The bus will be going or you can carpool. We will leave the church parking lot at 4pm, and will be stopping for supper in Slayton after the service. There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board by the office if you would like to go or you can contact the church office.

INCOMING 2ND GRADERS! Shetek Day Play is July 17th & August 7th 9am-4:30pm! Let's FILL THE BUS and go to Shetek for the day! You can sign up through Shetek's website or by giving them a call and then let the church office know that you need a ride.

CHURCH SOFTBALL TONIGHT
8:00 PM ALC 2 vs. ALC 1 @ Bergen



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL –

SHIPWRECKED! We are looking for volunteers!! Do you like to craft? Would you like to lead music? Could you tell the crews about a bible story? This VBS is amazing and laid out with exactly what you need to say in a nice easy booklet. Please, if you are willing to help, even if for only a couple days, let me know! We appreciate all the help to make this the best week for the kiddos!

THE 2nd THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH was established for members of American Lutheran an opportunity to have fellowship out in our community. Members age 60+ can eat at Senior Dining for a suggested donation of \$4.50. Members under age 60 must pay the full cost of the meal, \$7.25. Dinner is served at 11:30 a.m. at the Community Center building. Reservations are encouraged by calling 831-6161 by the day before. To go meals are also available. Meals are planned by a licensed nutritionist, are well balanced, and include dessert, bread/butter & milk. Mark your calendars for July 12th.

THIS WEEK AT AMERICAN LUTHERAN CHURCH

Sunday, June 24th

9:00 AM Worship w/Holy Communion

10:00 AM Coffee Hour

1:00 PM Shalom Hill Farm: Strategic Planning

Monday, June 25th

9:00 PM Youth Send Off

Tuesday, June 26th

7:15 AM Men's Breakfast Bible Study

1:30 PM Staff Meeting

Wednesday, June 27th

7:00 PM Kastle Kingdom Park Play

Thursday, June 28th

9:00 AM Bulleting Deadline

10:00 AM & 6:30 PM Cable TV

4:30 PM Visit to St. Dysmas

Friday, June 29th

Synodical Women's Gathering

Saturday, June 30th

Synodical Women's Gathering

5:30 PM Chapel Service

Sunday, July 1st

9:00 AM Worship w/Holy Communion

10:00 AM Coffee Hour

6:30 PM ALC Family Swim Night