

# The American LUTHERAN Church

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## ALC Statement Of Mission:

In the Name of the Triune God,  
we welcome all  
walk together  
reflect love and  
serve creation.

## Please Join Us!

*Here is our weekly worship schedule:*

**Saturdays 5:30 pm Chapel Worship**

**Sundays 9:00 am Worship**



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## Saturday, August 4<sup>th</sup>

5:30 PM Worship

## Sunday, August 5<sup>th</sup>

9:00 AM Worship w/ Holy Communion

10:00 AM Farewell to Pastor Hank

## Saturday, August 11<sup>th</sup>

5:30 PM Worship w/Holy Communion

## Sunday, August 12<sup>th</sup>

*Second Sunday Noisy Offering*

9:00 AM Worship

## Saturday, August 18<sup>th</sup>

5:30 PM Worship w/ Holy Communion

## Sunday, August 19<sup>th</sup>

9:00 AM Worship

6:00 PM VBS: Shipwrecked Begins!

## Saturday, August 25<sup>th</sup>

5:30 PM Worship

## Sunday, August 26<sup>th</sup>

9:00 AM Worship w/Holy Communion

10:00 AM Coffee with Pastor Adam Roberts



## A Note from Pastor Hank

God is forever on the move. As God told Israel, "I will give you a land flowing with milk and honey." Their 40 years in the wilderness was not exactly a vacation. And yet, the people Israel learned to trust God in the receiving of vital blessings and faith lessons along the way.

Jesus also traveled – as the Bible says he went from town to town – teaching and healing for the Kingdom of God.

We may make pilgrimages to holy sights to see firsthand where Jesus walked and talked 2000 years ago. Or, we can at least imagine what it was like in that time and place. But, when I think of the world that God so loves, I also appreciate this insight from philosopher/activist/ farmer Wendell Berry, .....*"and the world cannot be discovered by a journey of miles no matter how long, but only by a spiritual journey; a journey of one inch, very arduous and humbling and joyful, by which we arrive at the ground at our own feet, and learn to be at home."* -- from "The Unforeseen Wilderness".

God is forever on the move. God is everywhere. God is here and now. And yet, Jesus also said the Kingdom of God is within. God is most of all in the place that is always with us, wherever we are - within our hearts. "I am with you always" is Christ's Gospel promise.

May our journeys reveal to us the God who is our home, and may God find a home within our hearts. And may the Church of Jesus Christ be a place where this can happen for each and all.

My thanksgiving to the members of American Lutheran Church in Windom for your kindness, grace and dedication shared with me during my Interim Ministry journey here at ALC! Also my appreciation to Lead Pastor Sarah and the ALC Staff for their cooperation, dedication and leadership! May God bless a new chapter of sharing and celebrating Christ's ministry with the arrival of Rev. Adam Roberts here at ALC!

Blessings,

*Interim Pastor Hank Campbell*



## Youth News!

From Lisa Petersen, Youth Coordinator

**AUGUST 2018:** Well, Houston sure did "Change Everything"!! We are planning on get together once a week on Wednesday's, 8pm, everyone is welcome to join in. Bring your friends.

The Youth & Family Board has invited a Youth to attend their monthly board meeting, so the kid's have a voice at the table. After the kids talked about it, Eliana Tade' volunteered to be an ambassador and will be joining them this coming month. On that same note, there is a chair open for a interested adult. We could always use more ideas and help. If you are interested, you can always give me (Lisa) a call the church office. Think about it!!

The kids are I are thinking that it is time for us to get a little more organized. So, they're going to be electing officers; President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasure. The goals for meeting every week is to conduct league business and planning, studying of the Word of God and to socialize and hangout – Community!

When I asked them what they wanted to do next? Who can we give back to? How can we apply what we just learned from going to Our (ELCA) National Youth Gathering? How can we live our "CALL" as God's Kids? How can we live like we have unconditionally "LOVE"? Forever reminding each other, "There's "GRACE" for That". And how can we take the "HOPE" that we gained by a Gift and give is to someone else?



These are the things that we will be working on every time we get together.

**CALL / LOVE / GRACE / HOPE**

Don't be surprised to see the Hot Dish Thingy continue...The kids loved doing that. Plus, they are still talking about snack supplying for Sunday Services. I will let you know as soon as I know.

ALC is blessed by the youth that attend it!! They're our future and they have been called, loved, filled and released to do what God called us to do..."Love your Lord God with all of your heart and love your neighbor as yourself." They have already started talking about what the mission trip could be next summer. These kids are fired up!!



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Come and join in for  
Smoke fun!



Campfire  
Church

### CAMPFIRE CHURCH SEASON!!

The Youth and Family Board and the Music and Worship Board will be hosting 1 more Campfire Church Services this summer on Wednesday Night, August 8th at 6pm. There will be Supper on a Stick, along with music, worship and community time. Please bring your own chairs and beverages and come and join us around the fire pit up at the church. WHAT'S SUPPER ON A STICK? (Hotdogs with all the fixin's and S'mores...WHOO!!)

ONCE AGAIN >>> Sr. League MARK YOUR CALENDAR'S - The next League Night will be on Wednesday Nights at 8pm!! EVERYONE IS WELCOME! It is a time set aside for the Youth to get together, socialize, grow in faith, maybe even do some service projects. Don't miss out on great community time!!

ATTENTION!! → Jr. League: Watch for Fall Kick off in September! ←

Attention Adults: If you are interested in getting involved in the youth program, let me know. I would love to have some other positive adults involved.

Any questions, please give me a call at 507-831-1794, my cell 507-822-6680 or send me an email at [lcpete2@gmail.com](mailto:lcpete2@gmail.com).

Sincerely,

**Lisa**

**Eph. 2:8-10**



**Mark Your Calendars!!**

8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup>

**Grade Acolyte Training:**

8<sup>th</sup> Grade: Tuesday, August 28<sup>th</sup> 7:00 PM

9<sup>th</sup> Grade: Thursday, August 30<sup>th</sup> 7:00 PM

*Our acolytes set the stage for worship, and close the close the curtains, as they light and extinguish the candles. We are grateful for their role in our life together, and look forward to this important training!*

# Dates to Remember:

- \* BAM Sunday starts on Sunday, September 16th.
- \* BAM Wednesday starts on Wednesday, September 12th.
- \* Gather Magazine Study at River City Eatry will start on Saturday, September 15th at 8:30 AM.



## Christian Education

### Family Swim Nights!

We have added a couple family swim nights because of the missed time. Come and enjoy fellowship with other ALC families at the local Windom Pool. ALC will pay for families without pool passes.

- ⇒ Sunday July 29th
- ⇒ Wednesday August 1st
- ⇒ Sunday August 5th
- ⇒ Wednesday August 8th



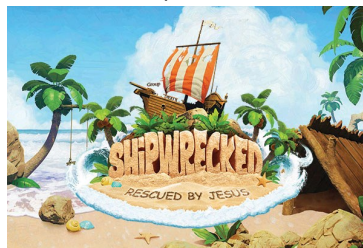
## Christian Education Corner – August 2018

By Abby Grove, Christian Education Coordinator

## Shipwrecked – Vacation Bible School!!!

We are looking for volunteers August 19<sup>th</sup> -23<sup>rd</sup>!! 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!

**\*PLEASE** register your kids via the website or Church Office!



## BAM! Bibles and Me

As BAM grows and evolves, we are excited to try new things. We will be offering BAM Wednesday (just like last year!) & BAM Sundays. These two offerings will be similar but different! BAM Wednesday will continue as before, immediately following worship with a start time of 6:30pm and end time of 7:15pm. BAM Sunday will begin at 10:15am following worship service and conclude at 11:00am. We would really appreciate a registration for each family to be completed this year. This will allow us to find adequate teachers for both choices as well as other planning purposes. Both BAM class times will include music and we will come together as a whole to present a Christmas program. Please look for more information in your mailboxes to come! If you have any specific questions, please let me know.



*By Karen Wojahn, Worship & Music Coordinator (831-3161)*

As we worship together on Sunday mornings, there are several people working behind the scenes in the balcony to enhance our worship experience and provide audio and video recordings for our broadcast ministry through KDOM and Windom Cable TV. This Technology Team of 12 Sound Technicians, 6 Videographers and 3 Projectionists work in the balcony during worship on a rotating schedule. They are led by Mark Brodin, our Technology Coordinator.

Mark recently held a training meeting for the Technology Team to discuss updates and improvements to the sound and video systems. Demonstrations were given and members had a chance to ask questions. We are blessed to have so many volunteers along with Mark's expertise and experience, which make possible these vital parts of our ministry!

During August our weekend worship services will continue the series theme of "Enough?" and then we will focus on Stewardship & Generosity:

August 5	Enough Love?	1 John 3: 16-18 & Luke 10: 25-37
August 12	Enough Power?	2 Corinthians 12: 9-10 & John 6: 35
August 19	Freed to Serve in Gratitude	Matthew 6: 19-34
August 26	We Can't Earn What Has Been Given	Mark 10: 17-31

Attention Singers! Come meet me in the Choir Room at 8:15 AM on Sunday, August 26 to practice an anthem for worship. All ages welcome – no prior choir experience necessary.

Sign up to be a volunteer during our worship services this fall. We need Greeters, Scripture Readers, Communion Assistants and Wednesday Worship Ushers. Look for the sign-up sheets on the Worship & Music bulletin board.

See you in church!



**Tech training for  
our volunteers.  
Thanks for all  
that you do!**



**From the Church Records:****Baptisms:**

Madalynn Jean Carlson,  
daughter of Kurt Carlson and  
Brittany Sour.

Drew Raymond Elston, son of  
Chad and Emily Elston.

**Burials:**

Carol Frederickson  
Donna Diekmann

**SUNDAY USHERS FOR AUGUST:**

Ron Vought, John Berge, Kermit Twait, Steve Nasby, Kyle Ludewig, Keith Bloomgren, Jay Mickelson, John Holt, Todd Mattson, Bruce Turner, Paul Turner, Steve Haglund, Travis Freiwald, Ken Fast, Jason Rupp.

**SATURDAY USHERS:**

August 4th – Ron Becker  
August 11th – Lori Seifert – Noisy Offering, Communion  
August 18th – Jean Blanshan, Communion  
August 25th – Cheryl Hochstein

**Finances****ALC FINANCIAL UPDATE**

As of 7/23/18:

Income: \$218,255

Expenses: \$255,470

Borrowed to date: \$31,000

These figures do not include  
July end-of -month commit  
ments and benevolences

**Memorials:**

Renovation Fund—In memory of Lee Wilkin

Worship & Music Fund—In memory of Grace Peterson, and Carol Frederickson

Christian Education—In memory of Twyla Smith Larson

Prayer Shawl Ministry—In memory of Carol Frederickson

Radio Fund—In memory of Lee Wilkin

Video/Media Fund—In memory of Lee Wilkin & Carol Frederickson

Vacation Bible School—In memory of Mildred Martinka, Aunt of Jane Moldaschel



*In  
Loving  
Memory*



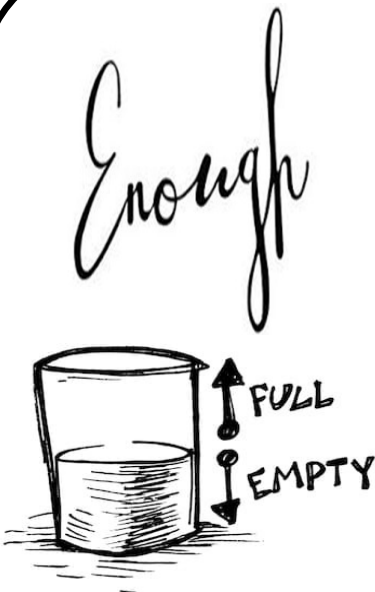
# Church Council

## Summary of Minutes

July 10, 2018



- \* Page will be following up on dates with Luke and Lisa to continue with Strategic Planning
- \* Cake for Volunteer Recognition was ordered, Melanie will be cutting and serving cake.
- \* Shetek Conference restructuring: Roskamp and Friewald motioned that we stay in Zone 2 conference and not be moved to Zone 3 conference.
- \* Kevin brought forward 3 motions to bring to the Mid-Year Meeting: Motion 1– Properties board recommends to repair canopy and soffits on East Entry and South Entry for the amount of \$18,120. Motion was passed. Motion 2– Properties board recommends to replace sanctuary and skylight court lights to LED bulbs for \$6,285. Motion was passed. Motion 3– Properties board recommends to install air conditioner units for 2nd floor cost of \$13,350, and 3rd floor at a cost of \$6,600. Motions were passed at Mid-year meeting.
- \* Lisa Petersen spoke on a new collaborative program that Wartburg Seminary has developed. If agreed upon this would be a collaborative with Wartburg, the Synod and ALC. This will allow Lisa to “train” under Pastor Sarah and also be able to continue Youth and Family coordinator duties on a path toward ordained ministry. More details will be forwarded to ALC Leadership and Boards to allow the congregation to reflect on embarking on this process with Lisa.



**Preaching Series ENOUGH?** On July 29 we began a three-week preaching series “**Enough?**” Do you have *enough* in your life? Enough time? Enough people you can count on? Enough money and influence? Are you tall enough, strong enough, smart enough? Is your glass half empty or half full? How would God who made you, and who sent Jesus to save you answer these questions? Don’t miss any of these topics!

**07/29 Enough Time? 08/05 Enough Love?**  
**08/12 Enough Power?**

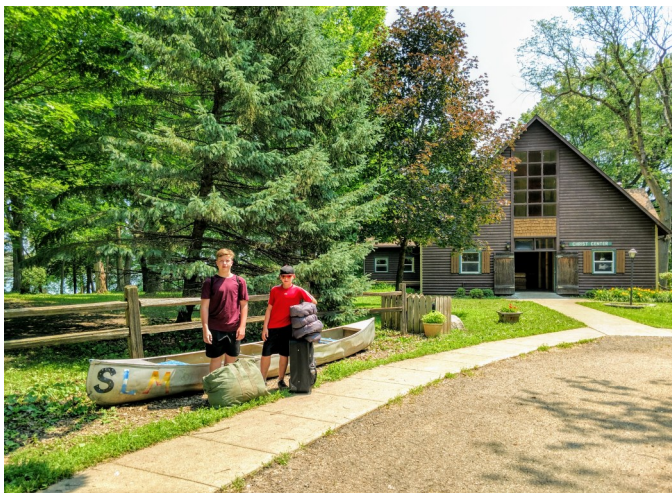




**GLOW Summer Bible Study “PRAYER”**



**From Shetek: Adam, Eli Freiwald, and Isaac Armstrong at the closing**



**Ava Peterson, Sophia Herding, and Abby Grove at Shetek play day**





**Worship at the Lake from Sunday July 22nd**





**Welcoming A  
New Pastor!**



**August 26th we will be welcoming the Roberts  
family during coffee hour following the Worship  
service!**

# A New Pastor to be With Us Soon!!

**At a special congregational meeting on July 15 the members of American Lutheran voted unanimously to extend a call to Pastor Adam Roberts to serve as pastor with Pastor Sarah Tade´.**

**Pastor Roberts comes to us with ten years of pastoral experience. This is his third call. He previously served calls in North Dakota and, most recently, in Wisconsin.**

**His ministry gifts and expertise align very well with the needs of American Lutheran as described in the Ministry Site Profile that was developed in preparation for the call process. The Call Committee feels he will be a strong asset for our congregation and an excellent addition to our staff.**

**Pastor Roberts is married. He and his wife, Beth, have two elementary school age children. Their son, Xavier, is a fifth grader. Their daughter, Penelope, is in second grade.**

**They will be moving to Windom the middle of August, and, he will begin his ministry with us soon after arriving. We ask you to do all you can to welcome them to ALC and to Windom.**

**Thanks are due to a number of people: first, to you for your patience and understanding as we moved through this process; second, to the Call Committee for their diligence, persistence, and input as we interviewed candidates and perceived whom we would like to call. Your call committee was LaVern Christianson, Kathryn Ralston, Sandi Bartosh, Lou Masters, Nancy Michalski, Gary Olson, Sydney Paulson, Brandon Roskamp, Sharon Thompson, and Linda Kintzi.**

**Thanks also to Pastor Sarah, ALC officers, and ALC staff for your invaluable assistance. We thank our interim pastors Gene Alm and Hank Campbell for their excellent service during this period. Finally, thanks to Synod Minister Pastor Kathryn Skoglund for her help and advice.**

*LaVern Christianson  
Call Committee Chair*

**CAN YOU HELP??** Our challenge to you is to help fill 100 backpacks for kids in need. Each backpack must contain the following items:

**ITEMS NEEDED FOR 100 BACKPACKS:**

- 4 – 70 count theme notebooks
- 5 pens (black or blue)
- 5 pencils
- 2 ½” erasers
- 16 or 24 count crayons
- Pencil sharpeners

Items can be placed in marked container near Sky-light Court.

May the Holy Spirit move you to help us with this project.

**IF YOU OR A LOVED ONE** are hospitalized, going through any medical treatments or need pastoral care of any kind, please call the church office to let us know. 831-1794



**On Saturday, August 25, 2018 Pastor Laurie Skow-Anderson will be installed as Bishop to the Northwest Synod of Wisconsin at 2:00 PM in Hudson WI! Please pray for Pastor Laurie as she begins this new chapter of service. Her 1st call was here at American Lutheran Church from 1986-1990.**

**Bits and Pieces**

**PRAYER SHAWLS:** If you know of someone in our church family who could use a Prayer Shawl, call the church office.

**KEEP SAVING** those empty printer ink cartridges. They are turned in for cash for our Education Department. The container is located in the hallway by the offices.

**CONTINUE** to remember the Windom Sharing Center in the coming months. Monetary gifts may be sent to PO Box 173, Windom. Contributions may be left here at the church or at the Center on Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 10 am to 1 pm. Call 822-7210,

**PRAYER CHAIN:** To activate ALC's Prayer Chain, call one of these women. Rosalie Brodin at 831-2330 or LaVonne Swenson at 831-5018. An email may be sent to swenson@windomnet.com.

**REMEMBER** 2nd Thursday of every month at Senior Dining. Join your ALC family once a month for lunch at the Windom Community Center.

**MISSING A CAKE PAN?** Our collection of orphaned pots and pans in Room 102 is growing! Please stop in and see if one of them is yours. Thanks for all the food you have shared!

**WANT TO RECEIVE THE MESSENGER ELECTRONICALLY?** Save the church paper, ink and postage! Contact the church office to share your email address.



**GLOW**

## ***GLOW in August***

*Gals Living Our Witness*

### **GLOW Summer Outing**



Plans are being made for an outing to Round Lake Winery in August! Watch for more information via weekly bulletins, posters and FaceBook!

### **GLOW Team Meeting**

Sunday, August 19 @ 10:00am (after worship)

Please join us as we plan GLOW events for the fall! All are welcome!

### **Shetek Lutheran Ministries**



**SHETEK**  
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**a retreat for those 55+**

Join us for time away at camp!

[WWW.SHETEK.ORG](http://WWW.SHETEK.ORG)

**HEART RETREAT**

Renew and recharge rooted in Christ during the Young at Heart Retreat. Spend time in Christian community; enjoying good company, good food and lodging, and hearing the Good News of Jesus Christ. Enjoy time in Bible Study, playing in a games tournament, doing a craft or spending time in nature and eating s'mores and singing around a campfire! The Shetek staff will be on hand to lead camp activities and to ensure that you enjoy a comfortable stay!

*August 2018*



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# CANEWS FROM CAMP

**Shetek Lutheran Ministries Where Christ Renews and Empowers**

Young at Heart Retreat – a retreat for those 55+

August 24-25, 2018

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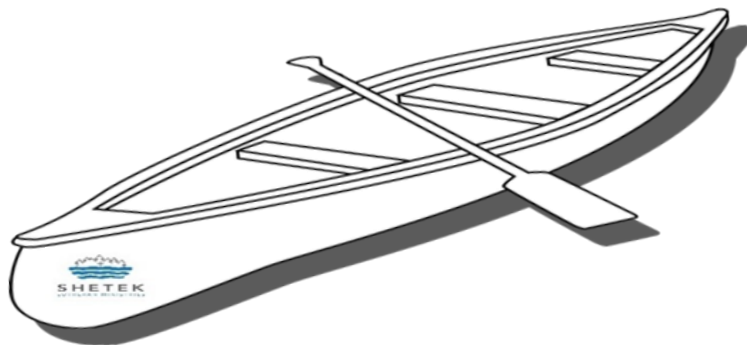
For more information see page 13 in this Messenger or call 507-763-3567 or check out Shetek.org

## Mark your Calendar

August 24-26 – Young at Heart Retreat  
September 15 – Shetek WELCA Conf.  
Sept. 16-21 – Road Scholars  
Sept. 28-29 – Youth gathering  
Sept. 30 – Toddlers and Trees  
October 19-20 – Oktoberfest retreat  
October 26-27 – Women's Retreat  
November 2-3 – Confirmation retreat

For more information call 763-3567

or check out our [www.shetek.org](http://www.shetek.org)



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