

The American Lutheran Church of Windom

For
by
GRACE
you
have
been
**saved
through faith.**

EPHESIANS 2:8, NRSV

**July 22nd, 2018 9:00 AM
9th 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

CALL TO WORSHIP

Sydney Paulson

L: God has looked upon us with favor!

C: Praise the name of the Lord!

L: God has done great things for us!

C: Praise the name of the Lord!

L: God has remembered the promises made to us!

C: Praise the name of the Lord!

All: Amen.

OPENING SONG “Come, Now is the Time to Worship” ALC #67

STATEMENT of MISSION

P: In the name of the Triune God,

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

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

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

**Heavenly Father, we give thanks to you for the gifts you have given us. Help us to understand the reasons. Thank you for all the times you draw near to us and provide for us. We are leaning into you today and in to Your Grace. And All the People said...
Amen!**

READING Ephesians 2:8-10 Pew Bible p. 950 Kai Vongsy
The Word of the Lord/ **Thanks be to God.**

REFLECTION

Lisa Petersen

YOUTH GATHERING THEME SONG

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Hannah Rahn, Sophia Nelson, Ashley Voshage, Vincent Vongsy

SHARING OF THE PEACE

OFFERING

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

RESPONSE

“We Are An Offering”

ALC #17

PRAYER

Eliana Tadó

You have showered us with the most wonderful gifts of love and grace, O Lord. Use these gifts we offer here as tokens of our gratitude and our desire to wrap the world in your wide embrace, in Jesus' name. Amen.

HOLY COMMUNION

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

LORD'S PRAYER

SONGS DURING DISTRIBUTION

ALC #72, ALC#105

BENEDICTION

CLOSING HYMN

“Shine, Jesus, Shine”

ALC #127

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, Eliana Tadó, Trenton Renquist, Tatum Paulson

COMMUNION ASSISTANTS: Lisa Petersen, Ashley Soleta, Emily Steen

MEDIA MINISTRY: Tom Wickie and Will Wilson

SOUND TECH: Jen Anderson

A GIFT: has been given to the radio fund in memory of Lee Wilkens, Carol Frederickson, and Doris Holmen.

Attendance last Saturday 32; Sunday 146

Offerings Received: \$6,470 Borrowed to date: \$31,000

BROUGHT TO CHRIST through Holy Baptism yesterday at the Saturday service was Drew Raymond Elston, son of Chad & Emily Elston. Drew's sponsors are Donna Marcy, Brock Elston, and Molly Elston. May God bless this newest member of our congregation!



THE MID-YEAR ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING will follow today's worship service. Stay and hear about the ministry of American Lutheran!

BECOME A BEFRIENDER! Life in community means nobody goes it alone. Many are lonely, can't get out, or are shaken by an experience of loss or trauma. Many of you could be a friend, a listening ear, and a sign that God knows and is present. Join a team of Befrienders, ministering alongside the pastors in our congregation. **Training, July 23rd & July 30th (Mondays) 7:00 – 8:30 PM** led by Pr. Sarah, & Lisa Petersen who has taken the pastoral care segment of the Lay Preachers' training provided by our synod. Call the ALC church office to sign up or if you have questions, or just come!

THE BANQUET is this coming Thursday July 26th! We will leave the church at 3:00 pm. We are still looking for more people to join us and volunteers to drive. Sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board by the church office. Please sign up to help serve supper!

NEXT WEEKEND we begin 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?**

VOLUNTEER RECOGNITION next Sunday July 29th following Worship. There will be a reception with "love cake" to honor all the helping hands at ALC. To all our faithful volunteers: "**Well done, good and faithful servant.**" **Matthew 25.21** Come help us celebrate all the hearts and hands that share God's love in this place!

CHURCH SOFTBALL TONIGHT

5:30 PM ALC 1 vs. Free Church @ Bergen

6:45 PM ALC 2 vs. Methodist @ Eagle Field



PASTOR ADAM ROBERTS HAS BEEN CALLED TO SERVE AMERICAN LUTHERAN CHURCH OF WINDOM! At its congregational meeting on July 15th, the congregation voted unanimously to call Pastor Adam. We are preparing to welcome the Roberts family to Windom in mid-August and his start date is on or around August 20th. Praise God!

FAREWELL PLANNED FOR PASTOR

HANK We are thankful to have been served by good interim pastors in this time of transition. Pastor Hank will be with us through August 10th, but his last Sunday will be August 5th. We will say thank you to Pastor Hank during the coffee hour held in his honor following 9:00 AM worship on Sunday, August 5th.



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL – SHIPWRECKED! We are looking for volunteers August 19th -23rd!! 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!

CAN YOU HELP?? Our challenge to you is to help fill 100backpacks 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 Skylight Court.
May the Holy Spirit move you to help us with this project.

THIS WEEK AT AMERICAN LUTHERAN CHURCH

Sunday, July 22nd

9:00 AM Worship w/YG & Holy Communion

10:00 AM Mid-Year Congregational Mtg



MID-YEAR

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING 2018

Monday, July 23rd

7:00 PM Befrienders Training

Tuesday, July 24th

7:15 AM Men's Breakfast Bible Study

1:30 PM Staff Meeting

Wednesday, July 25th

7:00 PM Jr. & Sr. League

Thursday, July 26th

The Banquet

9:00 AM Bulletin Deadline

10:00 AM & 6:30 PM Cable TV



Friday, July 27th

Saturday, July 28th

5:30 PM Chapel Service

Sunday, July 29th

9:00 AM Worship w/Holy Communion

10:00 AM Coffee Hour & Volunteer Recognition Sunday

12:30 PM Confirmation Outing

6:30 PM ALC Family Swim Night



THANK YOU
a bunch!