The American Lutheran Church of Windom



"And now, my daughter, do not be afraid, I will do for you all that you ask, for all the assembly of my people know that you are a worthy woman." Ruth 3:11

July 8th, 2018 9:00 AM 7th Sunday of Pentecost Sunday

906 Prospect Ave, PO Box 188 Windom MN 56101; Phone: 507-831-1794 E-Mail: <u>winalc@windomnet.com</u> Website: <u>www.alcofwindom.com</u> 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.

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

GATHERING MUSIC

Carol Vought, Organist

SING ALONG *"Lord I Need You"*

WELCOME and GREET YOUR NEIGHBOR ANNOUNCMENTS

NOISY OFFERING School Kit Supplies

CALL TO WORSHIP

- L: Come and see that God is faithful.
- C: The Lord will bless us.
- L: Trust and follow God's leading.
- C: The Lord will bless us.
- L: Seek the Lord and you will be satisfied.
- C: The Lord will bless us.
- All: Amen.

OPENING SONG "Great is Thy Faithfulness" ELW #733

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: Loving 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

Assuring God, you give us courage when we need it most. Make us bold to ask for what we want, and to reach beyond our comfort for the sake of your Gospel. In Jesus' name. Amen.

CHILDREN'S SERMON		Pastor Hank
READING The Word	Ruth 3:1-18 of the Lord/ Thanks be to	Pew Bible p. 211 God.
MESSAGE		Pastor Hank
SONG OF THE DAY	"We Are Called"	ELW #720
PRAYERS OF THE F	PEOPLE	
OFFERING We give, because G	od gives to us! Our ministr love.	ies share God's
SPECIAL MUSIC	"Whither Thou Goest"	Jean Johnson
RESPONSE	"Create in Me"	ELW #186

PRAYER

Sometimes you surprise us, O God, with your generosity. We offer these gifts in gratitude for all your unexpected blessings, and pray that you would bless them to your greater purpose. Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

BENEDICTION

CLOSING SONG

"Praise My Soul"

ELW #864

DISMISSAL

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

SENDING MUSIC

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WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY SCRIPTURE READER: Tim Herron

GREETERS: Don & Cheryl Brugman **ASSISTANT MINISTER:** Karen Skarphol **SOUND TECH:** Lindsey Cartwright **MEDIA MINISTRY:** Tom Wickie

A GIFT: has been given to the radio fund in memory of Lee Wilkins.

THANK YOU to Karen Skarphol for serving as our Assistant Minister today, while Pastor Sarah is on vacation.



NOISY OFFERING will go

towards school supplies for the ELCA Mission in Action Backpacks filled with school



supplies. These backpacks are assembled by GLOW and are distributed internationally to children in need. Thank you for giving!

CAMPFIRE WORSHIP: This Wednesday, July 11, join us for Campfire Worship on the church lawn at 6:00 PM, led by Pastor Sarah. "Supper on a Stick" will follow the informal service.

FAMILY FUN KASTLE KINGDOM PARK PLAY this coming Wednesday July 11th 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.

WORSHIP AT THE LAKE: Next Sunday July 15, our 9:00 AM worship service will be held at Cottonwood Lake. Bring your own lawn chair and a friend! The Spiritual Life & Fellowship Board will serve root beer floats after the service.

THERE WILL BE A SPECIAL MEETING of the congregation immediately following worship on July 15 for the purpose of voting to call an associate pastor to American Lutheran church.

INCOMING 2ND GRADERS! Shetek Day Play is Tuesday, July 17th from 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.

JR & SR LEAGUE are combining the League's over the summer months. The next League Night will be Wednesday, July 18th at 7pm!! EVERYONE IS WELCOME AT LEAGUE.

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.

OUR MID-YEAR MEETING will be held on Sunday July 22nd immediately following worship. Please join us for this important congregation meeting.

YOUTH NEWS: We are back home from the ELCA National Youth Gathering!! We are tired, but pumped up. The theme was, "This Changes Everything" and It Did!! We all saw our bigger church come together to talk about the fact that everyone has a CALL. We learned about our responsibilities to reflect Christ's LOVE. That there is plenty of GRACE for everyone and that Christ's HOPE is what the ELCA plans to afford everyone in this world. We are planning on talking to you some more during the service on July 22nd. Hope you will come and join us worship the Lord!!

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 22nd & July 29th (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!

CHURCH IN SOCIETY: Has met their goal of \$1,000 for the Banquet. Still need volunteers and drivers.

CHURCH SOFTBALL TONIGHT

6:45 PM ALC 2 vs. The Gathering @ Bergen 6:45 PM ALC 1 vs. Methodist @ Eagle Field



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!

THIS WEEK AT AMERICAN LUTHERAN CHURCH

TODAY Sunday, July 8th

Second Sunday Noisy Offering 9:00 AM Worship 10:00 AM Coffee Hour

Monday, July 9th 7:00 PM Christian Ed. Bd. Mtg

Tuesday, July 10th 7:15 AM Men's Breakfast Bible Study 12:00 PM Trust Fund 1:30 PM Staff Meeting 6:30 PM Disc/Marketing & Stewardship Bd. Mtg 7:00 PM Budget & Finance Bd. Mtg 7:00 PM Properties Bd. Mtg 8:00 PM Church Council



Wednesday, July 11th 6:00 PM Campfire Church 7:00 PM Kastle Kingdom Park Play 7:00 PM Tech Committee Mtg

Thursday, July 12th 2nd Thursday at Senior Dining 9:00 AM Bulletin Deadline 10:00 AM & 6:30 PM Cable TV

Friday, July 13th

Saturday, July 14th 5:30 PM Chapel Service w/Holy Communion

Sunday, July 15th

9:00 AM Worship at Cottonwood Lake Root beer floats will be served after Worship 6:30 PM ALC Family Swim Night