The American Lutheran Church of Windom

I have set shall be a between me and the earth GENESIS 9:13, NRSV

September 9th, 2018 9:00 AM 16th Sunday after Pentecost

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> Pastors Sarah Tadé and Adam Roberts Ministers: Everyone

WELCOME! <u>WE ARE HAPPY YOU ARE HERE TODAY!</u> 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

Dustin Stevens, Pianist

SING ALONG on screen: "Amazing Grace/My Chains are Gone"

WELCOME and GREET YOUR NEIGHBOR

ANNOUNCEMENTS

NOISY OFFERING Prayer Shawl Ministry

CALL TO WORSHIP

- L: You are my children—all you creatures, wild and tame.
- C: Come, let us praise the Lord!
- L: I will remember my covenant with you.
- C: Come, let us praise the Lord!
- L: Never again will I utterly destroy you.
- C: Come, let us praise the Lord!

OPENING HYMN

"Protector of My Soul" ALC #117

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

L: We confess our sins before God and one another. *Pause for silence and reflection.*

L: Faithful God,

C: You have called us to places unknown and have promised to be our guide. Yet we prefer to find our own way and do our own thing, taking credit when things go well and blaming others when they don't. We resist putting our trust in you. We forget your covenant with us. And we suffer for it. Turn us around to walk where you are leading. Forgive us for wandering from the path. In Jesus' name. Amen.

L: God is faithful at all times and to all who seek guidance. May you know the grace which has been freely offered to you, and the special blessing which God continually grants to all who simply ask. Receive the forgiveness of your loving creator, for the sake of Jesus our Lord. Amen.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

O Lord, you preserved Noah as a sign that you hadn't completely given up on your creation. Assure us of your mercy that we might live to proclaim it and share your promises with all humanity. In Jesus' name. Amen.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Pastor Sarah

READING Genesis 6:5-22; 8:6-12; 9:8-17 Pew Bible p. 5 The Word of the Lord/ **Thanks be to God.**

MESSAGE

Pastor Kathryn Skoglund

SONG OF THE DAY *"Lift High the Cross"* ELW #660

INSTALLATION OF PASTOR ADAM ROBERTS

APOSTLES' CREED

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PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

OFFERING

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

RESPONSE "Everybody's Got Something to Offer" ALC #12

PRAYER

Give us grateful hearts, O God, for all that you have bestowed upon us, though undeserving. Bless these token gifts that we offer back to you, in service to a world that is broken, unequal, and crying out for justice. Use us in your mission and make us true servants of your Son, in whose name we pray. Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

BENEDICTION

CLOSING SONG

"In His Time"

ALC #105

DISMISSAL

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

POSTLUDE

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WELCOME to worship at American Lutheran! We are glad you are here today to worship, and for the installation of Pastor Adam Roberts. Following the service, please join us for a brunch to celebrate his ministry among us in the Fellowship Hall.

ADDITIONAL WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY

GREETERS: Carolyn Torkelson **SCRIPTURE READER:** Judy Woizeschke **SOUNDS TECH:** Jen Anderson

RADIO SPONSORSHIP was given today in loving memory of Dale Bacon given by Doris and Family.

Attendance last Saturday 33; Sunday 174 Offering: \$7,365 Borrowed to date: \$31,000 **BROUGHT TO CHRIST** through Holy Baptism yesterday is Jocelyn Noelia Mendoza Hernandez, daughter of Catarino and Rebecca Mendoza Hernandez. Jocelyn's sponsors are Hannah Oakland, Kara Dauer, Marc Oakland & Anita Xaykosy. May God bless Jocelyn and her family!

WE WELCOME PASTOR KATHRYN SKOGLAND of the Southwest MN Synod today, guest for the installation of Pastor Adam Roberts. A brunch will be held in the Fellowship Hall following this service of worship to celebrate the occasion and give thanks to God for an answer to prayer.

TODAY'S NOISY OFFERING is for our Prayer Shawl Ministry. Prayer shawls are knit by members of our congregation and then delivered to those who are experiencing a time of sickness, or challenge, with the prayers of the knitter, and the love of the congregation knit right in. Yarn is purchased, as well as bags for the delivery. A beautiful written prayer is included with the shawl, and prayed, as the shawl is wrapped around the receiver. This is a beautiful ministry of the congregation that shares God's love and brings hope and comfort. Thank you for your support of this ministry.

AMERICAN LUTHERAN HANDBELL CHOIR will begin practice on Monday, Sept. 10th at 6:30 PM in the church sanctuary. If you would be interested in being a substitute player please contact Jane Cartwright at 831-5032. We are willing to train individuals.

HELLO ALC FAMILIES! Wednesday night suppers will soon begin and we are still looking for helpers to serve! 5 people are sufficient to serve but more hands are always better! All you need to do is sign up for any Wednesday night to help serve and cleanup. If you are interested please contact Melanie Shamp (507)380-8656; or contact the church office. Please note: If there is no BAM scheduled for a Wednesday night, supper will not be served. However, Thanksgiving Eve and Living Nativity there will be NO BAM, but supper will be served.

COME SING! The ALC Choir begins rehearsals this Tuesday, September 11 at 6:30 PM in the choir room. All are welcome! This fall, the Choir will sing for Sunday morning worship once a month and for Thanksgiving Eve. During September, we'll be practicing those fall anthems. Our Community Christmas Cantata practices will begin on October 2 **THE MINNESOTA WELSH HYMN FESTIVAL** will be held at First Presbyterian Church in Mankato on Sunday, September 23 at 1:30. Enjoy great congregational singing of hymns and music by the Southwest MN Men's Chorus.

SHALOM HILL FARM'S BIGGEST CELEBRATION is

today, Sunday, September 9th, and everyone is invited! The Fall Festival will begin at noon with fresh food and fun activities for the whole family to enjoy. Minnesota musicians Six Mile Grove will perform at 1pm and 3pm, and you can enjoy live music with a free lunch, served from noon until two.

BENSON FAMILY SINGERS: All ages are welcomed to enjoy a night of free family fun. Tonight, Sunday, September 9th at the Storden Baptist Church. Games will begin at 5 pm, meal at 6:15 pm, and the Benson Family will perform at 7 pm.

SOUP & BREAD GROUP BEGINS ON 09/16, and hereafter, the 1st and 3rd Sunday of each month from 5-7 pm at the American Lutheran Church basement kitchen. All are welcome, you do not need to be a church member, bring a friend! Child care is provided so adults can enjoy being adults. What we do: share a meal and discussion with each other, game nights playing board games, cards trivia, craft activities around the holidays, community service such as cooking and serving lenten meals, and lots more.

YOU ARE INVITED to a 50th Wedding Anniversary celebration honoring Merle and Gayle Derickson Saturday, September 22, 2018 from 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm at American Lutheran Church. Let your presence be your gift!

ALC FALL FAMILY EVENT/BURGER BASH AND KICK BALL Sunday, September 23 at Kastle Kingdom, Burgers at 6:00 PM followed by Kick ball. EVERYBODY COME!

FOOD SHELF DONATION is getting low. Church in Society are collecting items for the local food shelf. We will take any items anytime. Cash is also great!!!

LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF BACKPACK SUPPLIES: We have met our goal for the Backpack challenge. It's because of your generosity; we will be able to send 100 underprivileged kids to school. "Every charitable act is a stepping stone toward heaven" – Henry Ward Beecher. Thank you for your love and compassion.

YOUTH NEWS:



SENIOR LEAGUE: Attention ALL 9th - 12th Graders! Senior League is YOUR League. Think about joining us on Wednesday Nights at 8pm. Everyone is welcome! A few things that we have been kicking around as a group are:

- Hosting F3 Events after School Events. What is an F3 Event? Faith, Food & Friends (F3). The ALC Youth are going to host a time where everyone can just hangout after the games. There is an open invitation to all youth from 6th to 12th grade.
- A Lock-In or Retreat over MEA Weekend.
- Next Summer's Events including a Mission Trip and other Trip Ideas.
- Reworking the Youth Room and turning it into more of a teen center space..

• ALC YOUTH - Online Community - Podcasts & Blogs PLUS A TON MORE...THIS IS YOUR YOUTH GROUP...IT CAN ONLY BE WHAT YOU WANT TO MAKE IT. Come Join in the Fun!! Come Join the Community!!

JUNIOR LEAGUE: Attention ALL 6th - 8th Graders! The start of another season of Jr League is here. You and your parents types come to the church on Sunday, September 16th at 6pm - 8pm. We will be throwing a Kick-Off Party welcoming all the new 6th Graders.

THIS WEEK AT AMERICAN LUTHERAN CHURCH

Sunday, September 9th Second Sunday Noisy Offering 9:00 AM Worship & Installation of Pastor Adam 10:00 AM Brunch in Fellowship Hall 12:00-5:00 PM Shalom Hill Farm Festival

> Monday, September 10th 6:30 PM Bell Choir

Tuesday, September 11th 7:15 AM Men's Breakfast Bible Study 12:00 PM Trust Fund 1:30 PM Staff Meeting 2:00 PM Altar Guild 6:30 PM ALC Choir 6:30 PM Disc/Marketing & Stewardship Bd. 7:00 PM Budget & Finance Bd, Spiritual Life & Fellowship Bd, & Properties Bd. 8:00 PM Church Council

Wednesday, September 12th

5:00 PM Supper: Walking tacos, jello cups & cookies 5:45 PM WOW (Worship on Wed.) 6:30 PM BAM-W Begins/Rally 6:30 PM Confirmation Parent Mtg 8:00 PM Sr. league

> **Thursday, September 13th** 9:00 AM Windom Ministerial Association 10:00 AM & 6:30 PM Cable TV 4:30 PM Grief Group 7:00 PM Strategic Planning

Friday, September 14th Saturday, September 15th 8:30 AM Gather Bible Study @ River City Eatery 9:00 AM Shetek Fall Gathering 5:30 PM Chapel Service w/Holy Communion

Sunday, September 16th 9:00 AM Worship & Installation of BAM Volunteers, Befrienders, & Confirmation Guides 10:00 AM Coffee Hour 10:15 AM BAM-S Begins/Rally 5:00 PM Soup & Bread 6:00 PM Jr. League Kick off