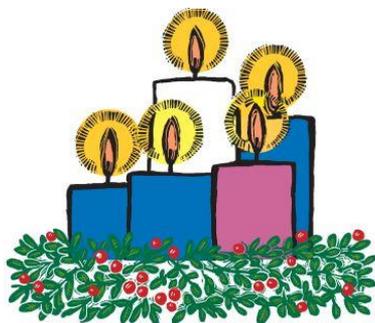


The American Lutheran Church of Windom



CHRISTMAS EVE

**Christmas Eve Service
December 24, 2018 10:00 pm**

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CHRISTMAS EVE WORSHIP
The American Lutheran Church of Windom
Pastor Sarah Tadé and Adam Roberts
Monday, December 24th, 2018 10:00 pm
MicheLe Larson, organist

WELCOME TO OUR SERVICE THIS EVENING! *Our service will be aired on KDOM radio (103.1 FM) at 7:00 pm tonight. This broadcast is sponsored by Elaine Henry and family in memory of Ken Henry.*

CHRISTMAS GATHERING MUSIC

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

CANDLE LIGHTING LITANY:

We pause in the stillness of this precious night.

God is here. We await the simple sounds of borning cries!

A birth proclaimed by angels and prophets, by shepherds and magi.

The time has come and the waiting is over.

For unto us a child is born,

to us a son is given,

and the government will be on his shoulders.

And he will be called

Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God,

Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

Light the Birthday candles!

The waiting is over.

Time to celebrate!

The light of the world is here! (candle is now lit)

OPENING CAROL *“O Come, All Ye Faithful”*

(vss. 1, 2, & 3) ELW 283

CALL TO WORSHIP

L: A child is born! God’s son has come to us!

C: Glory to God in the highest heaven!

L: Do not be afraid—this is good news!

C: Glory to God in the highest heaven!

L: Let the heavens be glad, and the earth rejoice!

C: Glory to God in the highest heaven!

DISTRIBUTION (Communion Assistants: Don & Cheryl
Brugman, and Sharon Thompson)

HYMNS DURING DISTRIBUTION

ELW #277, #296, #270, #300

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

DISTRIBUTION OF CANDLES (see notes below)

CANDLELIGHT CAROL *“Silent Night”*

*Silent night, holy night! All is calm, all is bright
Round yon virgin mother and child.*

Holy infant, so tender and mild,

Sleep in heavenly peace, sleep in heavenly peace.

Silent night, holy night! Shepherds quake at the sight;

Glories stream from heaven afar,

Heav’nly hosts sing, alleluia!

Christ, the Savior, is born! Christ, the Savior, is born!

Silent night, holy night! Son of God, love’s pure light

Radiant beams from your holy face,

With the dawn of redeeming grace

Jesus, Lord, at your birth, Jesus, Lord, at your birth.

BLESSING

(Extinguish candles)

CLOSING CAROL *“Joy to the World”*

ELW #267

SENDING: Go in joy and peace to love and serve the Lord.

We will! Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

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CANDLELIGHT NOTES: Candles and holders are in front of you under each pew on the center aisle. After the offering, pass the candles down the pew for each person to receive their candle. When lighting the candles, hold the candle upright when giving light to the one next to you. Try not to spill wax. When candles are extinguished, return them to the holder, pass the holder to the center aisle and place it back under the pew, so they are ready for the next service. Battery operated candles for small children are in the Narthex.