

The American Lutheran Church of Windom



The Parable of the Ten Bridesmaids

March 31, 2019 9:00 AM

Fourth Sunday in Lent

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**Saturdays 5:30 pm Chapel Worship
Sundays 9:00 am Worship & 10:15 am BAM-S
Wednesdays 5:45 pm WOW & 6:30 pm BAM-W**

Pastors Sarah Tadé and Adam Roberts

Ministers: Everyone

WELCOME! WE ARE HAPPY YOU ARE HERE 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.

PRAYER CANDLES are 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.

AUDIO AND VIDEO RECORDING may be in progress during church services /events. Audio, video, and/or photos of the services/events may be posted or aired online for public viewing.

GATHERING MUSIC

Karen Wojahn, Organist

SING ALONG VIDEO

“Jesus Messiah”

(screens)

WELCOME

GREET YOUR NEIGHBOR

Please be mindful that this is cold and flu season and greet those around you without shaking hands. Thank you!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

TEMPLE TALK

Lenten Challenge: *Southwest Crisis Center*

YOUTH SKIT

CALL TO WORSHIP

from Psalm 43:3-4 and Matthew 25:1-13

L: O send out your light and your truth.

C: Keep awake and know the joy of your master.

L: Bring me to your holy hill and to your dwelling.

C: Keep awake and know the joy of your master.

L: I will come to your altar and praise you with the harp.

C: Keep awake and know the joy of your master.

OPENING HYMN

“Jesus, the Very Thought of You”

ELW #754

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

L: We confess our sins before God and one another.

Pause for silence and reflection.

L: Faithful Lord,

C: You were obedient in every way, even when that obedience led to death. As we walk this penitent season with you, fill us with remorse at all the ways we have fallen short of being faithful, loving servants. Forgive us our shortsightedness, our waste, and our criticism of ourselves and others. We long for your grace and rely on your loving kindness. Amen.

L: Our God is indeed slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. You have been forgiven and granted another chance to turn away from all which does not give life. Be assured and be made whole again. Through Jesus Christ. Amen.

KYRIE

(Setting One)

ELW p. 98

PRAYER OF THE DAY

O Lord, you bid us stay alert and active in the work of your kingdom. Keep us focused on things which matter, awaiting your return with eagerness and longing. Through Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen.

CHILDREN’S SERMON

Melanie Shamp, CE Coordinator

LENTEN GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

ELW p. 151

“Return to the Lord, your God, for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love.”

READING

Matthew 25:1-13

Pew Bible p. 806

The Word of the Lord/ **Thanks be to God.**

MESSAGE

Pastor Adam

SONG OF THE DAY

“Rejoice, Rejoice Believers”

ELW #244

WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY

Scripture reader: Chloe Shamp

Greeter: Brok Derickson and Jaydan Petersen

Media Ministry Team: Eugene Hanchett, Tim Hiley,
Dan Knigge, and Mark Brodin

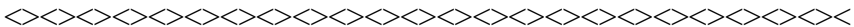
Acolytes: Vance Koch and Damion Pohlman

RADIO SPONSORSHIP of today's service is in memory of Clara Tasler given by Carolyn Torkelson.

A RADIO GIFT was also given in memory of Robert Pabst, brother of Donny Pabst and in memory of Roger J. Anderson, special education teacher of Robert and Donny Pabst given by Irene Wiens Meken, sister of Roger J. Anderson.



Attendance last Wednesday 156; last Saturday 64;
last Sunday 141; Offering \$5,058, Borrowed to date: \$28,000



EASTER CHOIR practices will be held on Tuesdays, April 3, 10 and 17 at 6:30 PM. Come and rehearse music for our 9:00 AM Festival Easter Worship service. All ages welcome!



2019 YEARBOOKS are available and can be picked up at the back of the church or in the church office.



If you would like to donate to the **LUTHERAN DISASTER RESPONSE WITH U.S. FLOODING** the donation forms are located at the back of the church. Gifts to the U.S. flooding will be used in full (100 percent) to assist those affected by flooding. Please give today!

Come to **ECUMENICAL WORSHIP/LUNCHEON** at the Presbyterian Church Wednesdays, April 3rd, and April 10th at 12 Noon.



GLOW SEWING DAYS are Tuesday, April 2nd & Tuesday, April 16th, 9:00 am. Come to the Fellowship Hall to make quilts, baby care kits, fabric kits, personal care kits, and school kits for missions. No experience necessary! Questions? Contact Carolyn Janssen, (507)831-3082.

During Lent the Spiritual Life and Fellowship Board encourages you to reach out to someone you don't know and engage them in conversation. These relationships will bring us all closer and make new friendships

LENTEN 5 WEEK STUDY following Lenten worship at 6:30 in the Skylight Court. ***“Living Well: Christian Practices for Everyday Life”***
1. Forgiving 2. Managing Household Life 3. Participating in Community 4. Praying 5. Reading the Bible Childcare will be provided.



LENTEN SUPPERS are served by various ministries of our church. The fifth Lenten supper on Wednesday, April 3rd will be hosted by the Scholarship Committee. Through these contacts we are able to build a stronger Church community where all are welcomed. We are also given an opportunity to learn more about these ministries and what they do. Perhaps you would enjoy being involved with a group. Those serving the meals are using this as a fund raiser. If you are able we appreciate your generosity towards our ministries. **COME EAT! ALL ARE WELCOME!**

WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS are needed for April. Please sign up on the Worship & Music bulletin board!

Forty Day Challenge! Church and Society is challenging **EVERYONE** to give \$1 a day for forty days during lent. The money collected will be given to the Southwest Crisis Center. Donations help provide a safe place, food, and clothing for men, women, or children escaping domestic violence, sexual assault, child abuse, or sex trafficking. Hotels are frequently used for a temporary safe place till housing is found. Please join us in supporting this important ministry. Please make checks to the Southwest Minnesota Crisis Center.



Didn't bring cash or a checkbook to worship but would still like to give an offering? Use this **QR CODE** to give an offering. Remember it costs thirty-nine cents per transaction plus three percent of how much you give. This is another great way to give.



CHRISTIAN EDUCATION NEWS:

JOIN US Sunday, April 7th from 2pm-3pm for a Family Fun day hosted by the Christian Ed Board! Tina Mesner will lead us in painting an Easter

themed painting! Please sign up on the sign-up sheet on the bulletin board by the office so we know how many supplies to get.

April 1st is the deadline to get the Early Bird discount for Camp Shetek! Be sure to get your kids signed up soon to get in on the discount!



YOUTH NEWS:

SAVE THE DATE: April 13th

The youth that are going on the San Diego Mission trip will be having a Pasta Bar and Silent Auction on Saturday, April 13th 5:30-7:30 pm! Menu includes 3 choices of

pasta (Spaghetti, fettuccine, and rigatoni), 4 sauce choices (red sauce with meat, red sauce without meat, garlic Alfredo sauce with chicken or garlic Alfredo sauce without chicken), garlic bread, bars, coffee, milk, pop and water. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for ages 10 and under. Get your tickets from the youth after services or by stopping in the church office.

If you would like to donate a themed basket or gift card for the Silent Auction, please contact John Shamp (507)822-2644, shamp2644@gmail.com or Melanie Shamp (507)380-8656, melanieatalc@gmail.com. Thank you!

SAVE THE DATE: APRIL 21st

Join us for the annual Easter Breakfast! Hosted by Youth and Family Board and the youth! Served on Easter Sunday from 8am-9am! Menu is assorted egg bakes, rolls, coffee orange juice and milk! \$5 donations suggested.

Jr League meets every 1st & 3rd Sunday Evenings from 6:30pm-8:30pm. Everyone is welcome, bring a friend

Sr League Wednesday Evenings at 8pm. Hope to See You There! Everyone is Welcome!

THIS WEEK AT AMERICAN LUTHERAN CHURCH

Sunday, March 31

9:00 AM Worship
10:00 AM Coffee Hour
10:15 AM BAM-S

Monday, April 1

6:00 PM Bell Choir

Tuesday, April 2

7:15 AM Men's Breakfast Bible Study
9:00 AM Sewing-GLOW
1:15 PM Staff Team Huddle
5:00 PM CIS Board
6:30 PM ALC Choir
7:00 PM Worship & Music Board

Wednesday, April 3

10:30 AM Good Samaritan Communion @ Sogge
12:00 PM Ecumenical Worship-Presbyterian Church
5:00 PM Supper- Hosted by Scholarship Committee
5:45 PM Lenten Worship w/Holy Communion
6:30 PM Lenten Study, Skylight Court
6:30 PM BAM-W
6:30 PM Confirmation
8:00 PM Senior League

Thursday, April 4

9:00 AM Bulletin Deadline
10:00 AM & 6:30 PM Cable TV

Friday, April 5

Saturday, April 6

4:00 PM Mission Trip Youth Work @ Barc
5:30 PM Chapel Service

Sunday, April 7

9:00 AM Worship w/Holy Communion
10:00 AM Coffee Hour- Mission Trip Fundraiser
10:15 AM BAM-S
2:00 PM- 3:00 PM Easter Painting Family Day
4:30 PM Soup & Bread-Board Games
6:30 PM Jr. League- Movie Night