

The American Lutheran Church of Windom

Living God's grace, we cultivate community to love and serve.



May 26, 2019 9:00 AM
Sixth Sunday after Easter

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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.

If you wish to RECEIVE COMMUNION in the pew, please sit on the end of a pew near the side aisle. An Altar Guild member will bring Holy Communion to you.

GATHERING MUSIC

MicheLe Larson, Organist

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

TEMPLE TALK

Lindsey Cartwright, Treasurer

CALL TO WORSHIP

L: While we were still weak,

C: Christ died for the ungodly.

L: While we still were sinners,

C: Christ died for us.

L: While we were enemies,

C: We were reconciled to God through Christ.

L: Praise be to God!

C: Who has freely offered us grace.

OPENING HYMN

“My Hope is Built”

ELW #597

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

L: Because we know sin does not reign, we boldly confess our sins before God and one another.

Pause for silence and reflection.

L: God of righteousness,

C: Our ideas, conversations, and behaviors often cause more harm than good. We are regularly pushed and pulled by the temptation to sin. But we know that your righteousness will prevail. Forgive what we have done or have failed to do. Reconcile us to your love each and every day. Amen.

L: We live in a world hand-crafted by a loving God. In our sin God does not abandon us or leave us to flounder. Instead our God offers mercy and grace. Receive the entire forgiveness of all your sins, a gift from God. You have been made new by the saving work of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

KYRIE

(Setting One)

ELW p. 98

HYMN OF PRAISE

“Bind Us Together”

ALC #108

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Infinite God, you gave your son for us when we did nothing to deserve it. Fill our hearts with gratitude so that we cannot help but spread the joyous news of your salvation, offered freely to all through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

CHILDREN’S SERMON

Melanie Shamp, CE Coordinator

READING

Romans 5:1-11

Pew Bible p. 917

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

MESSAGE

Pastor Adam

SONG OF THE DAY

“Great God, Your Love Has Called Us”

ELW #358

APOSTLES’ CREED

ELW page 105

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Lord in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

SHARING OF THE PEACE

*As we prepare for Holy Communion, we share a sign of God's
peace with those around us:*

"Peace be with you" Response: "And also with you!"

OFFERING

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

RESPONSE

"Be Not Afraid"

(2 times)

ELW #388

PRAYER

We bring these gifts before you, O Lord, not to gain approval or reward, but out of love for your children everywhere. Use them to serve your greater purpose in the world, and to keep our hearts focused on your gospel of grace. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

HOLY COMMUNION

Words of Institution

Lord's Prayer

ELW p. 112

Songs during Distribution

ELW #623, #856

BENEDICTION

CLOSING HYMN

"Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ"

ELW #674

DISMISSAL

Go in Peace, Serve the Lord.

We will! Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE

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WELCOME to worship at American Lutheran! In today's reading, Paul knew as well as anyone what it meant to live with the guilt of sin. Before his conversion, he was a persecutor and murderer of Christians. In his letter to the Romans, Paul encouraged those who were still being persecuted. He let them know their suffering was not in vain—it would lead to endurance, character, and hope. Paul also made sure they knew that they were loved. Not only by him, but by a God who gave everything for the

ones God loves. Despite all our failings, we have a God whose love is limitless, infinite.

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.

JOIN US NEXT WEEK for “Hope of Resurrection,” Romans 6:1-14.

WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY

Scripture Reader: Michael Wojahn

Greeters: LeRoy & Elaine Larson

Communion Assistants: Howard & Rosalie Davis, and Judith Johnson

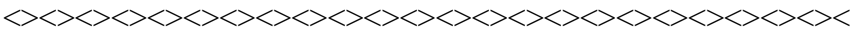
Media Ministry Team: Dan Knigge, John Shamp, Tom Wickie,
Mark Brodin

Acolytes: Kameron Rupp and Wyatt Scrivens

RADIO SPONSORSHIP of today’s service is in memory of Gordon and Ann Berge given by John Berge and family.



Attendance last Wednesday 17; last Saturday 33; last Sunday 200;
Offering: \$4,879; Borrowed to date: \$38,000



GET REGISTERED FOR ALC’S 2019 PHOTO DIRECTORY after the Worship in the Skylight Court. Someone will assist you with registration. You may also sign up through the Church website, www.alcofwindom.com, click on the link on the home page or call the Church office and Gina or Wendy will assist you

ALC is accepting applications for a part time **YOUTH AND FAMILY COORDINATOR**. Energetic and faithful members of ALC are invited to apply. You may pick up an application in the office or print one off the website. We will accept applications until June 15th.



THE Worship & Music Board invites members to purchase and bring to church **RED FLOWERS** for our Pentecost worship on the weekend of June 9. Please bring them to the church before 5:00 PM on Friday, June 7. You may pick up the flowers to take home after Sunday worship.

A sincere **THANK YOU** to everyone who helped make John & Joyce Helgeson's 70th Anniversary so special!



FROM BELL CHOIR DIRECTOR, Jane

Cartwright: What a wonderful year the bell choir has had sharing musical selections during worship services. This is a unique way to participate in church activities. This group of committed individuals practices on Mondays, during the school year, at 6:00 or 6:30 for an hour. I am so proud of the way this group takes on challenging musical pieces. This year, one member, Gayle Derickson, has decided to retire. She was a charter member when the bells were purchased back in the late 1970's. She took off a few years to raise her family. We have been blessed with her dedication. The bell choir is looking for individuals who would be available to substitute for practices throughout the next school year. It is a group that enjoys a bit of laughter while we practice. Bell choir members are assigned 2 notes (with the flats and sharps). We are willing to train interested individuals! For more information, please contact Jane Cartwright at 831-5032.

With the approval of the Properties Board, GLOW initiated a project to purchase and install a new faucet in the kitchen. A big **THANK YOU** goes out to Brent Hanson of Hanson Plumbing for donating the new faucet and its installation. It's in place and works great! Thanks, Brent!



Sign up to play **CHURCH SOFTBALL!** A sign-up sheet is located on the bulletin board across from the office. Contact Donny Boltjes at (507)830-0015 if you have any questions. (More information to come)

WORSHIP AT ST. DYSMAS — Join us for ALC's visit to worship at St. Dismas, the ELCA congregation at the South Dakota State Penitentiary in Sioux Falls. Our visit this year is scheduled for June 27. Members (inmates) serve as ushers, lectors, musicians, and communion assistants. **You can expect a warm welcome and a dynamic worship experience.** Your visit is important to the men since many of them do not receive other visitors. This is the only place they can enjoy conversation with someone other than their fellow inmates or those paid to be there. Visitor information sheets need to be completed in order to gain access to the prison. Contact LaVern Christianson (831-4549) for the visitor forms. Return completed forms to LaVern prior to June 10.

Nick & Judy Trotter are in Honduras on a **MISSION TRIP** until June 2. They're asking for your prayers and are requesting Prayer Warriors for their team. This is a medical mission through Christian Medical Dental Association. You may donate toward medications the doctors prescribe to the people we serve at cmda.org. Matthew 28 19-20

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION NEWS:

Join us for a fun family outing to Sioux Falls to see the **SIOUX FALLS CANARIES** play on Saturday, June 29th! The game starts at 6:05pm.



We will leave the church parking lot at 4pm. We will be taking the church bus (holds 14) or you can drive yourself. We will all sit together. Tickets are \$10 each (for the good seats!) if we have 10 or more go. Sign up on the Bulletin board by the Church office. Please indicate on the sign up if you will be riding the bus and how many tickets you will need.

Be looking on Facebook for **DAYS AT THE POOL** that the Christian Ed Board and ALC will be sponsoring this summer!

STARTING NEXT WEEK! We will be starting a **FAMILY** bible study! Using our great resource Grace Ministries library, we will be doing Family 101. This will start on Sunday, June 2nd right after worship in the meeting room. If you have kids that you think would enjoy doing this with you, they are welcome! There will be childcare available for littles who would not enjoy it! You can check it out ahead of time by going to www.grace101.org Username: ALCWindom Password: alcw

We are looking for **VOLUNTEERS** to help with **VBS!** We need mostly adults but there will be stuff for those ages 13 years+ to help with! Please contact the church office or Melanie Shamp (phone: 507-380-8656 or email: melanieatalc@gmail.com) if you are interested in volunteering!



YOUTH NEWS:

Are you, or do you know anyone, who is looking for a summer job?! Camp Shetek is looking for summer workers! This would be a great opportunity for anyone ages 16 and up! There is a variety of positions available! If you would like more information, you can go to www.shetek.org and click on the "Work at Shetek" tab!

Jr League will be held on Sunday, June 2nd at 6:30pm and Sunday, June 16th at 6:30pm

Sr League will be held on Wednesday, June 5th at 8pm and Wednesday, June 19th at 8pm.

THIS WEEK AT AMERICAN LUTHERAN CHURCH

Sunday, May 26

9:00 AM Worship w/Holy Communion

10:00 AM Coffee Hour

Monday, May 27

Memorial Day

Church/Office Closed



Tuesday, May 28

7:15 AM Men's Breakfast Bible Study

1:15 PM Staff Team Huddle

7:00 PM Befrienders

Wednesday, May 29

7:00 Mission Trip Bonding Meeting

Thursday, May 30

9:00 AM Bulletin Deadline

10:00 AM & 6:30 PM Cable TV

Friday, May 31

Saturday, June 1

5:30 PM Chapel Service

Sunday, June 2

National Cancer Survivor Day

9:00 AM Worship

w/Holy Communion

10:00 AM Coffee Hour

10:15 AM Family 101

6:30 PM Jr. League

NATIONAL CANCER SURVIVORS' DAY

will be observed next weekend, June 1-2, at our worship services. If you have ever had a diagnosis of cancer, we want to honor you, as well as the medical professionals and caregivers who provide care and support.

