

The American Lutheran Church of Windom



February 17, 2019 9:00 AM
Sixth Sunday after Epiphany
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Website: www.alcofwindom.com
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

Carol Vought, organist

SING ALONG

“Glorious Day (Living He Loved Me)”

WELCOME and GREET YOUR NEIGHBOR

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

L: How lovely is your dwelling place, O Lord!

C: Happy are those whose strength is in you, O God.

L: My soul longs for the courts of the Lord.

C: Happy are those whose strength is in you, O God.

L: Even the sparrow finds a home at your altar.

C: Happy are those whose strength is in you, O God.

OPENING HYMN

“*God is Here!*” (vss. 1, 2, 4) ELW#526

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

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

Pause for silence and reflection.

L: Patient God,

C: You have taught us all we need to be your faithful people. And yet we persist in going our own way, doing our own thing, and minding our own business when we ought to be about the business of your kingdom. Forgive our selfish neglect of others and bring us back into wholeness with our brothers and sisters. Amen.

L: God is merciful, patient, kind and forgiving. We have been pardoned for all that we have done, and all that we have overlooked. May we give now as we have received: generously and extravagantly, in the way of our loving teacher, savior and Lord. Amen.

HYMN OF PRAISE

“All People That on Earth”

(vss. 1 & 5) ELW #883

PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God, your ways are beyond our understanding and your mercy is wide enough to include everyone. May we lay aside our temptation to judge, and instead seek after your heavenly kingdom on earth. In Jesus’ name. Amen.

ALC CHOIR

“Tell Me the Stories of Jesus”

CHILDREN’S SERMON

Melanie Shamp, CE Coordinator

READING

Matthew 13:24-46

Pew Bible p. 794

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

MESSAGE

Pastor Sarah

SONG OF THE DAY ***“Lord of Glory, You Have Bought Us”***

ELW #707

HOLY BAPTISM

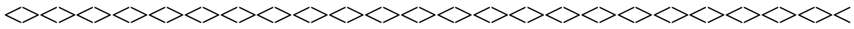
ELW p. 227

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

RADIO SPONSORSHIP for today's worship service is in memory of Kate Zimmerman given by Husband Chris Zimmerman and the Zimmerman Family.



Attendance last Wednesday 100; last Saturday 31;
last Sunday 110; Offering \$3,542,
Borrowed to date: \$16,000



BROUGHT TO CHRIST through Holy Baptism today is Sebastian William Huff, son of Carly Wehmeyer & Jeremiah Huff. Sebastian's sponsors are Scarlett Vander Berg, Kiefer Huff, Andrea Schoenenberger, and Justin Krogman. May God bless Sebastian and his family!

WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS are needed for March! Please sign up on the Worship & Music bulletin board to be a Scripture Reader, Greeter, or Communion Assistant.

If you are interested in **SPONSORING THE RADIO BROADCAST** on Sundays, the month of March is open. The cost is \$57 for a Sunday service sponsorship. Please contact the ALC office if you are interested in a sponsorship.

ALC CHOIR practice is on Tuesdays, come have fun singing with a group for the spring season! Please note there will not be choir practice on Tuesday, February 12.

GLOW SEWING DAY Tuesday, February 19th at 9:00 am. Come to the



Fellowship Hall to make quilts, baby care kits, fabric kits, personal care kits, and school kits for missions. Come for part of the day or bring a sack lunch and spend the day (until about 2:00 p.m.). No experience necessary! Questions? Contact Carolyn Janssen, (507)831-3082.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY FORMS may be returned today in the box at the back of the church or this week at the church office. Thanks for taking an active role in your church!

FOR YOUR INFORMATION: The Annual Report packet serves as the Yearbook. A listing of all 2019 Board and Council members will be printed soon for distribution.

OH, KNITTERS (AND CROCHETERS) IT'S COLD

OUTSIDE! It's the perfect weather to cuddle up with new yarn and needles to make a Prayer Shawl. New yarn has been purchased and is available in the church library's closet. I recently was thanked by a recipient for the Prayer Shawl she received and how much it means to her. I want to pass that Thank You on to you, those knitters and crocheters who are knitting, hooking and praying! If you have any questions about the Prayer Shawl Ministry, please contact me, Kathy Hiley @ 831-4109 or momhiley@gmail.com.



“TALKING TOGETHER ABOUT SHARED MINISTRY WITH SAME-SEX COUPLES AND THEIR FAMILIES”

based on a document developed for congregations by the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. An opportunity for:

* Respectful conversation. *Learning from God's Word.

* Listening to each other. *Growing together as a community of faith.

February 24th and March 3rd 10 AM – 12 PM at the American Lutheran Church, Fellowship Hall at the round tables. This conversation will be facilitated by Bryan Joyce and Pastor Sarah Tade. All are welcome!



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.

Did you know that you can see sermons on the **ALC WEBSITE**? Don't miss out. Go to <http://www.alcofwindom.com/> and click on the Media tab to hear a sermon that you might have missed.

Christian Education News:

CAMP SHETEK SUNDAY.....

Is next Sunday, February 24th! And

they will also be here Wednesday

February 27th! If you have any

questions about Shetek, they would LOVE to answer them!



SAVE THE DATE for Family Day at BAM! Wednesday, March 20th and Sunday, March 24th. We would love to see moms and dads, grandparents and/or aunts and uncles or special family friends! Anyone is welcome to join! We will gather in the Fellowship Hall and have some music by the kids, a family Scavenger hunt and a snack!

Camp Shetek is hosting a Winter Toddlers & Trees event on Saturday, February 23rd, 3pm-4:30pm. This includes fun winter activities for the whole family! The Lord has gifted us plenty of snow for winter activities!

The church bus will be going to Camp Shetek to Syrup on the Prairie Family Day on Saturday, March 2nd, 10am-2pm. Cabin Fever may be setting in, so get out and go enjoy the wonderful scenery at Camp Shetek and see how to tap maple trees to make your own syrup! We will be leaving the church parking lot at 9am! **Sign-up** on the bulletin board by the office to ride the bus. Space limited to 15 seats, so sign up soon!



YOUTH NEWS!

DATES TO SAVE:

Game Night Extravaganza

March 10th / 5:30 – 8:30pm

It's a night of socializing. We play games as teams and we'll watch the 2nd Annual "Not So Newlywed Show"!!

Hot Dog Bar & Beverages Available

Come and have one of the many different Hot Dogs we will have or make up your own.

You could have a Plain Jane, German Dog, Nacho Dog, Slaw Dog, Chili Dog, Baked Bean Dog, Reuben Dog, Avocado Dog, Discover Dog or a Chicago Dog.

Watch the Bulletin for Details

Scrapbook/Crafting Retreat

Everyone is welcome to attend. Bring your favorite crafting past time, rent a table and hangout with others that love to craft also.

Friday, March 29th 9am - 9pm & Saturday, March 30th 9am - 7pm

Contact Mary Mohlencamp for information.

mary.b.mohlencamp@state.mn.us

Every 1st Sunday, the Mission Trip Youth will be bringing in homemade cookies or bars as a fundraiser for their 2019 Mission Trip. There will be a freewill offering, please consider supporting the youth!

Jr League meets every 1st & 3rd Sunday Evenings from 6:30pm-8:40pm. 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, February 17

9:00 AM Worship
10:00 AM Coffee Hour/Hotdish- Mission Trip Fundraiser
10:15 AM BAM-S
2:00 PM Strategic Planning- All Boards
4:30 PM Soup & Bread- Not So Newly Wed Game
6:30 PM Jr League- Movie Night

Monday, February 18

Presidents' Day
6:30 PM Bell Choir



Tuesday, February 19

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

Wednesday, February 20 (*Messenger Deadline*)

5:00 PM Supper- Goulash, buttered bread, corn, & cookies
5:45 PM WOW (Worship on Wednesday)
6:30 PM BAM-W
6:30 PM Confirmation
8:00 PM Senior League

Thursday, February 21

9:00 AM Bulletin Deadline
10:00 AM & 6:30 PM Cable TV
2:00 PM Women's Bible Study

Friday, February 22

Saturday, February 23

8:30AM-3:30PM Equipping Congregations Day, Willmar, MN
5:30 PM Chapel Service

Sunday, February 24

Shetek Sunday
9:00 AM Worship w/Holy Communion
10:00 AM Coffee Hour
10:00 AM Talking Together: Shared Ministry with Same-Sex Couples and their Families
10:15 AM BAM-S