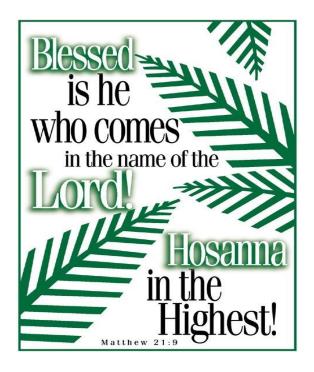
The American Lutheran Church of Windom



April 14, 2019 9:00 AM Palm Sunday Worship

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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

WELCOME and INVITATION TO THE PROCESSION

ANNOUNCEMENTS

HANDBELL CHOIR & ORGAN

"Festival Procession"

OPENING HYMN "All Glory, Laud and Honor" ELW #344

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.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Holy Jesus, you came to Jerusalem seeking not empty worship but faithfulness to your commandments. Guide us now as we begin this week of contemplation and keep us close to your side as we retrace the steps of your final earthly journey. In your name, we pray. Amen.

HANDBELL CHOIR "Ex

"Exuberant Jov"

BAM Nursery – Kindergarten Students

"Hosanna" "King Jesus"

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Melanie Shamp, CE Coordinator

NOISY OFFERING

The Banquet

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 21:1-17 Pew Bible p. 802 The Word of the Lord/ **Thanks be to God.**

VIDEO "Palm Sunday" From 40 Days with Jesus

MESSAGE Pastor Adam

SONG OF THE DAY "He Comes to Us as One Unknown"

ELW#737

APOSTLES' CREED ELW page 105

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

OFFERING We give, because God gives to us!

Our ministries share God's love.

RESPONSE "Create in Me" ELW #186

PRAYER

Lord, you seek not sacrifices, but sincerity of heart and generosity of spirit. Bless the gifts that we bring before you now and use them for the good of your mission on earth. For Jesus' sake. Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

ELW p. 112

BENEDICTION

CLOSING HYMN "Ride On, Ride On in Majesty" ELW #346

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 scripture reading, word of Jesus has spread. Those in power are getting scared and are desperate to prevent change. But Jesus has come for change. He overturns the temple when he sees how corrupt it has become. Those without power are feeling hopeful. Maybe something is about to change.

JOIN US THIS WEEK as the story continues. We will follow Jesus through his betrayal, crucifixion and resurrection at our worship services on Thursday, Friday and next Sunday.

OUR MISSION:

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

WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY

Scripture reader: LaVern Christianson

Greeter: Ethan Brockman

Media Ministry Team: Todd Armstrong, Lindsey Cartwright

Acolytes: Allison Negen and Ethan Zafft

RADIO SPONSORSHIP of today's service is in memory of Dale Minion on their 56th Wedding Anniversary April 27th given by LaVonne Minion.

A GIFT was also given in honor of Donny Pabst's Birthday on April 16th. God's Blessings and our love Donny given by Irene Wiens Menken.

Attendance last Wednesday 164; last Saturday 27; last Sunday 159; Offering \$7,469, Borrowed to date: \$28,000

BROUGHT TO CHRIST through Holy Baptism at the Saturday evening service was Makhi Phaengkhouane, son of Hong (David) Phaengkhouane and Jessica Krumwiede. Makhi's sponsors are Amber Levenze and Jason Krumwiede. May God bless this little one!

TODAY'S NOISY OFFERING is designated for The Banquet. The Banquet meal ministry is a volunteer-based ministry, meals are paid for, prepared by, and served by volunteer groups who come from Sioux Falls and the surrounding area. The American Lutheran will be going to serve at The Banquet on July 25th, 2019.

COME CELEBRATE Donny Pabst's birthday during coffee hour today!

The Windom Lions are holding their annual **PALM SUNDAY PANCAKE BRUNCH** today at the Community Center from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. The menu includes pancakes, eggs, sausage plus biscuits and gravy. Donations will be accepted. We appreciate your help so we can help others. Thank you.

EASTER WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS are needed! Please sign up on the Worship & Music bulletin board to be a scripture reader, greeter or communion assistant on Easter Sunday.

GOOD FRIDAY PRAYER VIGIL April 19th, 7:30 AM- 5:00 PM in the Sanctuary and 7:00 AM- 7:00 PM in the Chapel. We ask you, your family, friends, neighbors, to come take PAUSE in your day to thank God for the sacrifice of Jesus, suffering for all of us. Experience in prayer and meditation, the unselfish love that took Jesus to the cross, and may it flow to all we connect with in our daily work: Bibles, Prayer books, and suggested reading will be available.

GLOW SEWING DAY 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! Contact Carolyn Janssen, (507)831-3082.





EASTER CHOIR practices will be held on Tuesday, April 16 at 6:30 PM. Come and rehearse music for our 9:00 AM Festival Easter Worship service. All ages welcome!

The American Lutheran Church is preparing to welcome **NEW MEMBERS**! If you have been worshiping with us, and would like to deepen your relationship with this community of faith and with God, now would be a great time to join! New Member *Faith and Friends* will take place on April 25 at 7:00. Please contact the church office or one of the pastors for more information.

The **WORSHIP & MUSIC BOARD** is seeking photos of beauty in nature for "Care of Creation Sunday" on May 5. Please email your favorite snapshots of God's creation to the church office: winalc@windomnet.com

Due to the weather, the **LENTEN SUPPER** that was canceled on Wednesday, April 10th will be **POSTPONED** to Wednesday, April 24th. This supper is hosted by the South African Partnership group. Members of ALC have participated in three different trips of the Shetek Conference visiting the Ondini Circuit. COME EAT! ALL ARE WELCOME! Menu items include beef stew on rice, coleslaw, hot cross buns, and sherbet.

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

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.



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!



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:

Thank you to all who attended the Family Fun Easter Painting. It was a fun time! Thank you to Tina Mesner for leading the painting!

There will be **NO BAM** on Wednesday, April 17th due to Holy Week.

First communicants and their parents will be baking bread on Wednesday, April 17th at 6pm.

Maundy Thursday, April 18th, the 5th grade students will be receiving their 1st Communion.



YOUTH NEWS:

A HUGE thank you to everyone who came and supported the youth going on the Mission Trip last night at the Pasta Bar and Silent Auction. It took many hands and donations to make this successful

and the youth are grateful for everyone involved!

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, April 14

Palm Sunday | Second Sunday Noisy Offering

9:00 AM Worship w/BAM N-K Sing

10:00 AM Coffee Hour/Hotdish Sunday- Mission Trip Fundraiser

10:15 AM BAM-S

Monday, April 15

3:30 PM- 5:00 PM First Communion Class @ ALC (Make-up)

6:30 PM Bell Choir

Tuesday, April 16

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, April 17

No Supper

No Lenten Worship

No BAM-W

No Confirmation

No Senior League

6:00 PM Bread Baking-First Communion

Thursday, April 18

Maundy Thursday

Messenger Deadline

9:00 AM Bulletin Deadline

10:00 AM & 6:30 PM Cable TV

6:00 PM Maundy Thursday Worship w/Holy Communion/First Communion

Friday, April 19

Good Friday

Church Office-closed at 12 noon

7:30 AM- 7:00 PM Prayer Vigil

6:00 PM Good Friday Worship

Saturday, April 20

5:30 PM Chapel Service w/Holy Communion

Sunday, April 21

Easter Sunday

No BAM-S

7:00 AM Sunrise Service w/Holy Communion led by youth

8:00 AM Easter Breakfast

9:00 AM Festival Easter Worship w/Holy Communion

11:00 AM Festival Easter Worship w/Holy Communion