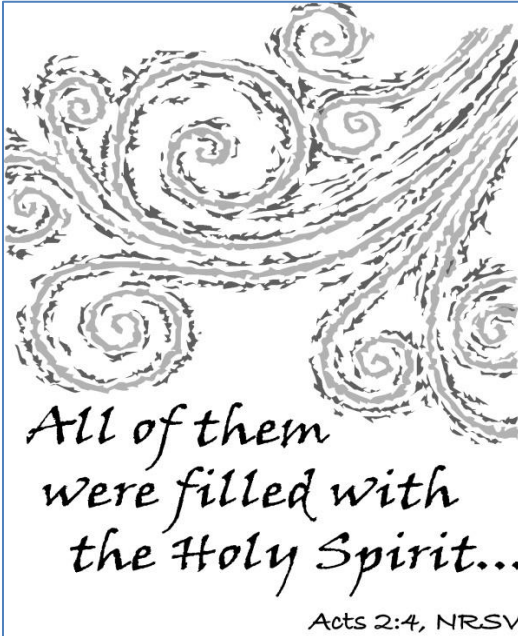


# The American Lutheran Church of Windom

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



**September 1, 2019 9:00 AM**  
Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

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Saturdays 5:30 pm Chapel Worship  
Sundays 9:00 am Worship

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

CALL TO WORSHIP

L: With wind and with wisdom,

**C: Come, Holy Spirit!**

L: With fire and fury,

**C: Come, Holy Spirit!**

L: With visions and prophecy,

**C: Come, Holy Spirit!**

L: Inspire and enliven us!

**C: Come, Holy Spirit!**

OPENING HYMN

*“Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross”*

ELW #335

## CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

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

*Pause for silence and reflection.*

P: Sustaining God,

**C: You have made all things good, but we do not always treat them as we ought. We disrespect ourselves, others, the world which you have lovingly crafted. We forget that we are your children, loved and redeemed. And we ignore your spirit to chase after our own desires. Have mercy and forgive us, O Lord. Amen.**

P: God never lets us go, no matter how far we stray. Receive the promise of your redemption, the mark of your forgiveness and the spirit which sets you free. In the name of Jesus Christ, amen.

KYRIE

(Setting Ten)

ELW p. 203

HYMN OF PRAISE

“Glory be to God”

(vs 2)

ELW #204

PRAYER OF THE DAY

**God of mystery, You come to us in many ways we do not understand. Inspire and challenge us by your spirit to go forth into the far corners of the world with your gospel of love. In the name of Jesus, amen.**

INSTALLATION OF JANE CARTWRIGHT, Music and Worship Coordinator

CHILDREN’S SERMON

Pastor Adam

READING

Acts 2:1-18

Pew Bible p. 885

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

GOSPEL READING

Matthew 28: 17-20

Pew Bible p.811

Response before: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Response after: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

MESSAGE

Pastor Adam

SONG OF THE DAY **“God of Tempest, God of Whirlwind”**

ELW #400

APOSTLES’ CREED

Third Article of the Apostles’ Creed

ELW p. 1162

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

**“Create in Me”**

ALC #14

PRAYER

**So much you have given us, O Lord, and so much we have to share. Accept these gifts as a sign of our gratitude and love for your children around the world. Move us to serve you with our whole lives and find our fulfillment in your life of grace. Amen.**

HOLY COMMUNION

Words of Institution

Lords’ Prayer

ELW p. 112

Songs during Distribution

*“Spirit of Gentleness”* ELW #396

*“Spirit Song”* ALC #50

Post Communion Prayer

Congregational response: **Amen**

*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.*

BENEDICTION

CLOSING HYMN

**“Lift High the Cross”**

ELW #660

DISMISSAL

Go in Peace, Serve the Lord.

**We will! Thanks be to God!**

POSTLUDE

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**WELCOME** to worship at American Lutheran! Today, we finish with the last week of the Apostles’ Creed. In our scripture reading today we learn that the Holy Spirit is a mystery—wind, and fire and understanding. But we know this—with the Spirit, we can see, hear, and touch God in ways we could not without it. Ultimately, the Holy Spirit is the fulfillment of God’s promise always to be with us, and that sin and death will not prevail. The Spirit guides us, unites us, fights for us, and speaks to us and through us. It is strength, confidence, and wisdom.

**JOIN US NEXT WEEK** for Rally Day and the Benson Family Singers.

**WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY**

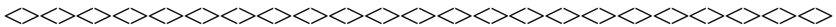
**Scripture Reader:** Steve Johnson

**Greeters:** Ronald and Carol Vought

**Communion Assistants:** Steve & Rhonda Haglund, Gary & Betty Olson

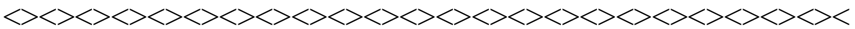
**Media Ministry Team:** Mark Brodin, Lindsey Cartwright, Dan Knigge, Tom Wickie

**RADIO SPONSORSHIP** for today’s service is in memory of Bob Brodin given by Rosalie Brodin.



Attendance last Saturday 28; last Sunday 149;

Offering: \$3,550; Borrowed to date: \$50,000



**WELCOME** to Jane Cartwright, Worship & Music Coordinator. Please welcome Jane to her new position.

Next Sunday’s **NOISY OFFERING** will be designated for our Prayer Shawl Ministry here at ALC. Bring your spare change!

**AD HOC COMMITTEE *Question & Answer*** will be September 8<sup>th</sup> following Worship in the Meeting Room. If you have any questions or would like to follow up on the process in determining policies for Same-Sex Marriage please attend this Q & A, or contact your Council

members. A recommendation created by the Ad hoc committee was brought to Church Council and later tabled to get more insight from the ALC Congregation. Copies of the full recommendation are available in the narthex, through the office, and were sent to each member in the August newsletter.

**What:** Two, 9-week Dave Ramsey's Financial Peace University Classes  
**When:** Starting Wednesday (Sept. 18th) from 6:30-8 pm and Sunday (Sept. 22nd) from 5-6:30 pm **Who:** ANYONE. Members, non-members, people in debt, people not in debt, anyone. **Where:** Here at American Lutheran **Why:** To take control of your money instead of your money controlling you! Dave Ramsey and his team of financial experts will teach you how to beat debt and build wealth with the most powerful tool there is... your own income! Contact: Sarah & Chris Tailowright (507) 830-0311 or check out the links on the posters in the church to sign up!  
\*\*Assistance is available to ALC members upon request.  
\*\*You must attend 8 out of the 9 classes to "graduate."

Many of our Middle School and High School students are in need of personal hygiene items during the school hours and at home. The women of American Lutheran, GLOW (Gals Living Our Witness), is spearheading an effort to collect items for students through donations to a **COMFORT CUPBOARD**, located in the Skylight Court. Items include: women's & men's deodorant, tampons, sanitary napkins, toothpaste, toothbrushes, shampoo, conditioner, body wash/bar soap, hand lotion, body lotion, men's & women's shaving cream, razors, and dental floss. These items will be collected and brought to the MS/HS periodically. THANK YOU for whatever you can give!!!



**WOW (WORSHIP ON WEDNESDAYS)** begins Wednesday, September 4<sup>th</sup> at 5:45 PM. Come for **SUPPER** at 5:00 PM. Supper that night will be walking tacos, fruit cups, and a cookie. **We need VOLUNTEERS to help serve the meals for Wednesday suppers** to continue. Melanie is now on staff and is unable to serve all of the meals. If you would like to be a volunteer please contact the church office at (507)831-1794. Thanks!

**Choir members, this one's for you!** It is time to gather near the piano downstairs in the choir room, Tuesday, September 3rd at 6:30 PM. Jamie Pohlmann is excited to share musical selections. Bring a friend or another family member! There's something special about sharing God's message in song.

Nick and Judy Trotter are eager to share their Honduras mission trip experiences. Please join them after worship on Sunday September 15 for a brief presentation. Thanks!

**American Lutheran Handbell Choir** will be ringing once again starting on Monday, September 9th at 6:30 PM, in the church sanctuary. This is a group of 11 individuals - assigned generally 2 notes (flats and sharps) over 3 octaves. The music is written in a style similar to that of piano sheet music. If you would be interested in being a practice substitute for this group, contact Jane Cartwright at 507-831-5032.

**ELCA as a sanctuary denomination:** In an action by the ELCA Church Wide Assembly, held in Milwaukee August 5-10th, the ELCA voted to become a sanctuary denomination, publicly declaring that walking alongside immigrants & refugees is a matter of faith. It doesn't call for anyone to engage in something illegal, but it's about loving our neighbors. Pick up a document on the table in the narthex to learn more.

**BENSON FAMILY SINGERS** are looking for a host home to stay in for Saturday evening, September 7th. They would need room for 7. Preferably no dogs. Please contact Melanie Shamp if you would host.



**FAMILY 101:** Today is the last session! We will try to offer this great study again!

**BAM WEDNESDAY RALLY DAY IS SEPTEMBER 4TH!** Come for supper at 5, then worship, then BAM. Students will go to their rooms to meet their teachers and play some games and parents will meet in the Fellowship Hall for a meeting and registration!

**BAM SUNDAY RALLY DAY IS SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8TH!** The Benson Family Singers will come and perform and give us an awesome start to our BAM and Confirmation year! Following worship the BAM format will be the same as Wednesday.



**Jr League:** Jr. League will meet the 1st and 3rd Sundays each month. These dates in September are Sunday, September 1st (No Jr. League due to Labor Day) and Sunday, September, 15th. Jr. League is for grades 6th-8th! Bring your friends! Welcome to the new 6th Graders!

**Sr League:** Sr. League will meet on Wednesday, September 4th at 8pm. Reminder that Sr. League is for 9th-12th Grade! Welcome to the new 9th Graders! Bring your friends! We will meet every Wednesday evening at 8pm unless announced otherwise.

## THIS WEEK AT AMERICAN LUTHERAN CHURCH

### **Sunday, September 1**

9:00 AM Worship w/Holy Communion & Installtion of Jane Cartwright  
10:00 AM Coffee Hour  
10:15 AM Last Family 101of the Summer  
10:30 AM Radio Broadcast 103.1 FM

### **Monday, September 2**

#### ***Labor Day***

Building/Office Closed



### **Tuesday, September 3**

7:15 AM Men's Breakfast Bible Study  
1:15 PM Staff Team Huddle  
5:00 PM Church in Society Board Meeting  
6:30 PM ALC Choir  
7:00 PM Christian Education Board Meeting  
7:00 PM Worship & Music Board Meeting

### **Wednesday, September 4**

10:30 AM Good Samaritan Communion @ Sogge  
5:00 PM Supper- Walking Tacos  
5:45 PM WOW (Worship on Wednesday) w/Holy Communion & Installation of Melanie Shamp, Youth & Family Coordinator  
6:30 PM BAM-W Rally Day!!  
6:30 PM Small Group Guide Orientation  
8:00 PM Senior League

### **Thursday, September 5**

9:00 AM Bulletin Deadline  
10:00 AM & 6:30 PM ALC Worship on Windom Cable Channel 3

### **Friday, September 6**

### **Saturday, September 7**

5:30 PM Chapel Service

### **Sunday, September 8**

#### ***Second Sunday Noisy Offering***

9:00 AM Worship w/Benson Family Singers  
10:00 AM Ad hoc Committee Questions & Answers  
10:00 AM Coffee Hour  
10:15 AM BAM-S Rally Day  
10:30 AM Radio Broadcast 103.1 FM