

# The American Lutheran Church of Windom

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



**November 24, 2019 9:00 AM**  
Twenty-fourth 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.*

*SKYLIGHT COURT CAFE before and after Worship every Sunday morning. 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

Angie Erickson, Pianist

WELCOME

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

L: Blessed be the Lord,

**C: The giver of law!**

L: Blessed be the Lord,

**C: The maker of promises!**

L: Blessed be the Lord,

**C: The author of peace!**

OPENING HYMN

***“Majesty”***

ALC #128

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

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

*Pause for silence and reflection.*

P: Creator God,

**C: We have given you so many reasons to grieve. We disrespect your creation. We long for personal glory, material riches and other things which don't last. We mistreat ourselves and each other. We forget the power of your promises. We ask for your forgiveness, counting on your never-failing mercy, in Jesus' name. Amen.**

P: God's covenant is eternal and the promise is trustworthy: you are forgiven and belong to the communion of saints forever. Rejoice and be glad. Amen.

KYRIE

(Setting 10)

ELW p. 203

HYMN OF PRAISE

*“The Steadfast Love of the Lord”*

ALC #131

PRAYER OF THE DAY

**Holy Lord, you rejoice when your people are faithful. Guide us in all wisdom and keep us close to your heart as we navigate these days and the challenges which come our way. We pray in Jesus' name, amen.**

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Melanie Shamp, Christian Ed Coor.

READING

2 Kings 22:1-10, [14-20]; 23:1-3 Pew Bible p.310

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

MESSAGE

Pastor Sarah

SONG OF THE DAY

*“O God of Light”*

ELW #507

APOSTLES' CREED

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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

OFFERING

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

RESPONSE    *“Everyone’s Got Something to Offer”*    ALC #12

PRAYER

**Bless these gifts, O God, which we lay upon your table. Receive them as signs of our grateful response to your faithfulness to us, and the love which longs to embrace all of your children, for the sake of Jesus Christ, amen.**

SHARING 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!”*

**\*\*Please be mindful that this is cold and flu season and share a sign of God’s peace without shaking hands. Thank you!\*\***

HOLY COMMUNION

Words of Institution

Lords’ Prayer                      ELW p. 112

Songs during Distribution                      ALC #54, ALC #51

Post Communion Prayer

Post Communion Blessing

BENEDICTION

CLOSING SONG                      *“There Is A Redeemer”*                      ALC #71

DISMISSAL                      Go in Peace, Serve the Lord.  
**We will! Thanks be to God!**

POSTLUDE

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**WELCOME** to worship at American Lutheran! 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.

Today is Christ the King Sunday, which marks the end of the church year. Next Sunday we begin the season of Advent, a time of waiting. In our scripture reading today Josiah was quite young



TODAY'S **Sunday, November 24<sup>th</sup>** coffee hour will be in honor of Jim Haglund's 90th Birthday on November 19th. Everyone is invited for cake and coffee in our Skylight Court Cafe following worship. Stop by and wish Jim a happy birthday!

**STEWARDSHIP FORMS:** For anyone that was unable to make it to Stewardship Sunday last weekend there is a box located in the narthex to place your Volunteer Opportunity Form. Pledge cards can be placed in the offering plates. You may also return them to the office at any time. As you leave today and everyday remember to love and serve our neighbors through God! Thank You!

**Holiday Fair:** Thank you to everyone who participated, worked, and attended the Holiday Fair last weekend! It was a very successful event. Preliminary figures indicate that approximately \$8,500 was raised. Craft items will be sold at half price this weekend.

We are looking for some men to help lift and place the big Christmas trees in the Sanctuary following our Thanksgiving Eve Worship on Wednesday, November 27<sup>th</sup>. If you are able to help please stay in the Sanctuary after Worship or after pie. Thank you in advance!

**HELP DECORATE** our church for the Christmas season! Come at 9:30 am Friday, November 29th, to give the Decorating Committee a hand. Many volunteers are needed. The building/church will be open for those coming to help decorate at the parking lot door.

**Windom Chordhustler's Annual Food Shelf Benefit Sunday,** December 1st, 2019 at 2:00 PM at Bethlehem Lutheran Church 401 7th Ave. North, Lakefield, MN. There will be a community choir as part of the concert. If you love Christmas carols, please join us at 1:00 PM to practice. Admission: Non-perishable food items or a gift of cash. All proceeds go to local food shelves. Coffee fellowship and Christmas goodies following the concert.

**THANK YOU** for your generous donations to the **Comfort Cupboard!** We have had an overwhelming response so will be "closing the cupboard" at this time. When supplies dwindle and needs arise again, the Comfort Cupboard will reopen. We'll let you know. Thanks.

For those that were not able to get in on the first **QPR TRAINING**, there will be another class offered in the near future! Stay tuned for information!

**ALTAR GUILD** is looking for new members! Altar Guild prepares communion for worship, dusts the chancel area (around the altar) and changes the paraments. In both the sanctuary and the chapel. We have monthly business meetings (September - May) with dessert and fellowship. It is not a huge time commitment and it is a wonderful way to serve your church. Please consider this important ministry of American Lutheran. Questions? Please contact Kathy Hiley, 831-4109 or [momhiley@gmail.com](mailto:momhiley@gmail.com) or Judy Holt, 831-2128 or [jjholt51@gmail.com](mailto:jjholt51@gmail.com).



**BAM Offering:** Just a reminder that the BAM offering this year is going to ELCA Good Gifts to buy a family farm. The ELCA will distribute the farm where it is needed most. We are tracking our progress and so far we have bought 10 chicks, bees, 2 piglets, and a goat! We are well on our way to getting a full farm! Thank you for giving your child offering to bring to BAM and allowing them to make a big impact on the world!

**REMINDER:** Nursery-4th grade students will be singing at the Thanksgiving Eve Service at 6pm. Children will sit with their parents and be called forward.

**Save the Dates:**

Living Nativity December 11th from 5:30 pm-7:30 pm with a Youth Soup Supper from 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm. Please consider sharing your musical talents. Sign-up on the Worship and Music bulletin board or contact Jane Cartwright, 831-5032.

BAM Christmas Program will be December 22nd at 2pm!



**Sr. League: 9-12th Grade** Meets every Wednesday night at 8pm! Come for a fun, relaxing time to recharge your spiritual battery! We will not be meeting on November 27th, Thanksgiving Eve.

**Jr. League: 6th-8th grade** Jr. League will not be meeting on Dec. 1st, Thanksgiving weekend. Our next meeting will be Dec. 15th. Trying to work out a trip to Sky Zone in Sioux Falls. Stay tuned for details on that!

**Mission Trip update:** If you were not able to attend the informational meeting but you think your child may still want to go, please contact Melanie Shamp at 507-380-8656 or email at [melanieatalc@gmail.com](mailto:melanieatalc@gmail.com) for more information. Some information on the Youth Events bulletin board. Registration and down payment of \$150 is due December 2nd.

## THIS WEEK AT AMERICAN LUTHERAN CHURCH

### **Sunday, November 24**

#### ***Christ the King Sunday***

8:15 AM Skylight Court Café

9:00 AM Worship w/Holy Communion

10:00 AM Skylight Court Café

10:15 AM BAM-S

10:30 AM Radio Broadcast 103.1

### **Monday, November 25**

6:30 PM Bell Choir

### **Tuesday, November 26**

7:15 AM Men's Breakfast Bible Study

9:00 AM Bulletin Deadline

1:15 PM Staff Team Huddle

6:30 PM ALC Choir

### **Wednesday, November 27**

No BAM-W

No Confirmation

5:00 PM Chili or Chicken Noodle Soup Supper

6:00 PM Thanksgiving Eve Worship w/BAM N-4<sup>th</sup> Gr Singing

7:00 PM Pie Fellowship

### **Thursday, November 28**

#### **Thanksgiving Day**

*Building/Office Closed*

10:00 AM & 6:30 PM ALC Worship on  
Windom Cable, Channel 3



### **Friday, November 29**

*Building/Office Closed*

9:30 AM Decorating the Church for Christmas

### **Saturday, November 30**

5:30 PM Chapel Service

### **Sunday, December 1,**

#### **Advent**

8:15 AM & 10:00 AM Skylight Court Café

9:00 AM Worship w/Holy Communion

10:15 AM BAM-S

10:30 AM Radio Broadcast 103.1

4:30 PM-6:30 PM Soup & Bread- Ginger Bread Houses