The American Lutheran Church of Windom

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



All Saints' Sunday
November 3, 2019 9:00 AM
Twenty-first 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

Rozanne Gronseth, Pianist

WELCOME

ANNOUNCEMENTS

TEMPLE TALK Thanksgiving Boxes Donna Gravely, CIS

CALL TO WORSHIP

L: Praise the one who hears our cries!

C: The Lord indeed is God!

L: Praise the one who shows true power!

C: The Lord indeed is God!

L: Praise the one whose might is love!

C: The Lord indeed is God!

TOLLING OF THE BELL

OPENING HYMN "For All Your Saints, O Lord" ELW #427

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.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

O Lord, you alone are enough for us. Bring us back when we wander off along fruitless paths and follow ways which don't give life. Bear us home like our savior Jesus, in whose name we pray, amen.

CHILDREN'S SERMON Melanie Shamp, Christian Ed Coor.

READING 1 Kings 18:17-39 Pew Bible p. 283
The Word of the Lord/ **Thanks be to God.**

MESSAGE Pastor Sarah

SONG OF THE DAY "Come to Me, All Pilgrims Thirsty" (vs 1-3, & 6) ELW #777

APOSTLES' CREED

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Lord in your mercy, Hear our prayer.

OFFERING Stewardship Video

We give, because God gives to us!

Our ministries share God's love

PRAYER

You don't require flaming offerings as proof of our faithfulness, yet you are pleased when we bring the true gifts of our hearts, O God. Bless these tokens of our gratitude and all the blessings we have been given and use them to further your kingdom on earth. Amen.

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!"

**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 ELW #733, ELW #623

Post Communion Prayer Post Communion Blessing

Individual Prayers for Healing are available with the pastor at the side after you have received Holy Communion.

BENEDICTION

CLOSING HYMN "Shine, Jesus, Shine" ELW #671

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 is All Saints' Day. It is a day of remembrance of those who have ended their baptismal journey and now rest in God. American Lutheran Church provided services for twenty-one individuals. The bell is rung an additional 3 times to remember those loved ones in our hearts.

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.

In our scripture reading today the northern kingdom created their own blend of spirituality that included God and the gods of nearby countries. Elijah sought to put an end to their divided allegiances.

JOIN US NEXT WEEK as we explore the story of Hosea, Hosea 11:1-9

WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY

Scripture Reader: Audrey Schumann

Greeters: Gerald "Babe" and Kathy Crowell

Communion Assistants: Sharon Thompson, Deanna Voth, Teri Scott,

Judy Johnson

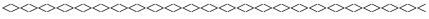
Media Ministry Team: Mark Brodin, Lindsey Cartwright,

Tom Wickie, Dan Knigge, Eugene Hanchett, Jen Anderson

Acolytes: Cragen Porath, Allison Negen

RADIO SPONSOSHIP for today's service is in memory of Wade Grams Birthday on November 4th given by Louanne Grams and family.

A RADIO GIFT was also given by Irene Menken for a thankfullness of being back home a birthday gift for her special day on November 6th.



Attendance last Wednesday 102; Saturday 27; last Sunday 9:00 AM Service 136, 10:45 AM Confirmation Service 220; Offering: \$6,931; Borrowed to date: \$62,000

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HEALING PRAYERS: "I am the Lord who heals you." Exodus 15.26b Prayer is central to our life together, as we lift before God the needs of the members of our community and world. A station for Prayers for Healing is set up in the north transept area by the baptismal font. During Holy Communion, a pastor will be available to receive your prayer request and offer prayer with you.

SKYLIGHT COURT CAFÉ offers a light snack before worship, beginning at 8:15, or following worship at 10:00. Stop in for fellowship and food.

THANK YOU TO ALL WHO CONTRIBUTED IN LEFSE DAYS!

We had 28 people over the course of 5 weeks and made 2,090 rounds of Lefse.

JOIN PASTOR ADAM in the Meeting Room after worship today for the Adult Learning **Christians and Politics:** Does Christianity play any part in our politics? Is it possible to keep the two from mixing? What does the Bible say about our faith and politics?

NEW MEMBER ORIENTATION will be on Thursday, Nov. 7th at 7:00 PM. ALC will be **WELCOMING NEW MEMBERS** on Wednesday, November 13th and Sunday, November 17th. If you are interested in a membership please call the church office at (507)831-1794.

Holiday Fair **SOUP INGREDIENT DONATIONS**- please bring canned goods and hamburger to the church basement storage room by Wednesday, Nov, 6. There is a labeled cart on which to put the items (hamburger in freezer). Holiday Fair **TURKEY DONATIONS** - please bring cooked, deboned and cut up turkey with broth to the church by 10 a.m. Friday, Nov. 8. THANK YOU!

Holiday Fair 2019 – There will be a representative in the Skylight Court to help you **SIGN UP TO HELP WITH HOLIDAY FAIR 2019**. During the week these sheets are on the bulletin board across from the office. Please signup to help make this another successful Holiday Fair! Thank you in advance.

BENEFIT for Jay and Heidi (Clement) Lippert and their baby, Briar, will be held on Saturday, November 16th from 4:00 PM- 8:00 PM at the Darfur Hall. Briar was born July 1st with an under-developed heart, also known as "half-a-heart". He has had multiple open heart surgeries and many complications, and still faces more surgeries. The benefit includes a free will donation meal and silent auction. Thrivent funds have been applied for. Donations can also be sent to "Baby Briar Benefit, Triumph State Bank, PO Box 168, Darfur, MN 56022".

GLOW MEETING, November 17th at 10AM in the Meeting Room across from the Church Office. All women are welcome. We will discuss GLOW Team Members, Holiday Fair wrap-up, Christmas planning, 2020 Brochure events, and GLOW Christmas donations to organizations. All women of ALC are members of GLOW. Come check us out. We would love your input and ideas!!

Dave Ramsay will be giving a free webinar presentation on his Financial Peace University here on November 20th from 5:45pm-8:30pm. If you missed the classes or didn't have time for all the sessions this event is for you. Childcare will also be provided thanks to the Youth &Family Board.

LOVE BOXES are "lovingly" given to shut-ins and those needing extra encouragement and support this time of year. They will be distributed on Saturday, November 23r,d by GLOW volunteers. If you would like to contribute, bring donations to the church by 4:00 PM Friday, Nov. 22nd or 9:00 AM Saturday, Nov. 23rd. Suggested donations include cookies (6 per plate,) small loaves of quick bread, muffins (4 per plate,) jelly, jam, caramel corn, pudding cups, fruit, and cash to purchase treats. If you know of someone who needs our support and love by receiving this gift, please contact the office.

The **CHURCH IN SOCIETY BOARD** is collecting canned vegetables and monetary donations to pack a minimum of 60 meals for families who could use a helping hand at Thanksgiving. See the table in the Skylight Court for more information. Any donation, big or small, would be appreciated.



Reminder- 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, a piglet and a goat!

Save the Date: Nursery-4th grade students will be singing at the Thanksgiving Eve Service, November 27th at 6pm. Children will sit with their parents and be called forward.



Group Sr. League: 9-12th Grade Meets every Wednesday night at 8pm! Come for a fun, relaxing time to recharge your spiritual battery!

Jr. League:6th-8th grade Next meeting is TONIGHT. We will be going Cosmic Bowling in Springfield! We will be taking the bus and will leave the church parking lot at 6pm and will return by 8:30pm. If parents would like to come along and drive their own child, that is fine. Cost is \$10 a person. We will be getting pizza while we are there. Please sign up on the Youth bulletin board.

Mission Trip Informational Meeting: A meeting will be held Tomorrow night at 6pm for 9th-12th grade students who are interested in going on a mission trip this summer. This will be a 5 day trip towards the end of July but not as intensive as the past few years, only 5-6 hrs away from home. Parents must attend the meeting also.

THIS WEEK AT AMERICAN LUTHERAN CHURCH

Sunday, November 3

All Saints Sunday/ Daylight-Savings Time Ends

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

9:00 AM Worship w/Holy Communion and Healing Prayers

10:15 AM Adult Leaning

10:15 AM BAM-S

10:30 AM Radio Broadcast 103.1

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

6:30 PM Jr. League-Cosmic Bowling, Springfield, MN

Monday, November 4

6:00 PM Mission Trip Information Meeting (Grs 9th-12th), Fellowship Hall 6:00 PM Bell Choir

Tuesday, November 5

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, November 6

10:30 AM Good Samaritan Communion @ Sogge

5:00 PM Supper-Ham sandwiches, chips, baby carrots w/ranch, & bars

5:45 PM WOW (Worship on Wednesday) w/Holy Communion

6:30 PM BAM-W

6:30 PM Confirmation

8:00 PM Senior League

Thursday, November 7

9:00 AM Bulletin Deadline

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

6:30 PM Youth & Family Board Meeting

7:00 PM New Member Orientation

Friday, November 8

Saturday, November 9

9:30 AM- 1:00 PM Holiday Fair

5:30 PM Chapel Service w/Holy Communion and Noisy Offering

Sunday, November 10

Second Sunday Noisy Offering

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

9:00 AM Worship

10:15 AM BAM-S

10:30 AM Radio Broadcast 103.1