



# March 2020

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WINDOM, MN Church



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## Please Join Us For Worship!

### Sunday, March 1

9:00 AM Worship w/Holy Communion

### Wednesday, March 4

5:45 PM Lenten Worship w/Holy Communion

### Saturday, March 7

5:30 PM Chapel Service

### Sunday, March 8

**Girl Scout Sunday**  
(Second Sunday Noisy Offering)  
9:00 AM Worship

### Wednesday, March 11

5:45 PM Lenten Worship w/Noisy Offering

### Saturday, March 14

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

### Sunday, March 15

9:00 AM Worship

### Wednesday, March 18

5:45 PM Lenten Worship

### Saturday, March 21

5:30PM Chapel Service w/Holy Communion

### Sunday, March 22

9:00 AM Worship w/Holy Communion

### Wednesday, March 25

5:45 PM Lenten Worship

### Saturday, March 28

5:30PM Chapel Service

### Sunday, March 29

9:00 AM Worship

## Our Vision:

People experiencing a life-giving relationship with God.

## Mission:

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

## Values:

Relationships

God. Each other. Creation.

Belonging

Affirmed. Included. Valued.



# Pastor's Message

When I began seminary in 1998, one of the things I had to learn right off the bat was to pray an alternate version of the Lord's prayer. This version came out with the Lutheran Book of Worship (the Green Book) published in 1978, twenty years earlier. What happened was that the prayer began to take on new meaning for me. "Save us from the time of trial" became one of my favorite parts of the prayer, taking on a whole new dimension that I had never understood when I prayed "lead us not into temptation." Learning to pray the prayer that Jesus taught in a new way it was rich! This Lent we will be using the alternate version of the Lord's Prayer in worship. It will seem strange at first. You may not like it but stick with it through Lent! You may find yourself praying with new depth.

We have been studying the Lord's Prayer in Confirmation with our 47 students and 18 Small Group Guides. What I like about teaching is that it "learns" me! Jesus taught the Lord's Prayer in response to those who were "heaping up empty words". Matthew 6.7 Yet how often, when we pray the Lord's Prayer has it become an empty recitation? I long to slow down, to focus on each phrase, as together we pray the words that have been preserved, repeated, and translated in countless languages, and treasured by Christians throughout the ages.

Here is my reflections on the Lord's Prayer that was published in the Citizen on 02.12.20.

*The prayer that Jesus taught us to pray is dangerous. If we meant what we prayed, a whole lot of things would change.*

**Our Father** So everybody praying has the same parent, which makes us all family? Think about that...

*Kids come to their parents with their needs. (a pattern that continues even as they become college age, we are finding....) We stand before God in need. We are not self-sufficient.*

**May your name be holy.** *God's name is not for throwing around. Yet, we do, and nobody seems to care. Please stop. This is God you are talking about.*

**Your kingdom come.** *"May the world that You want take shape here and now in our world." How much does the world around us look like the world that God would rule, if God was really in charge?*

**Your will be done.** *The world doesn't look or feel like God's world because we don't do what God wants most of the time. Do you and I want what God wants? Here, we are giving over our will to God's. Expect things to change, beginning in your own heart, and moving out from there.*

*How much does the way we spend our time and our money reflect God's will? "May what you want happen in my life, God!"*

**Provide bread for today.** *God is the source of our bread and provides what we need. That gives me permission to worry less. It also brings me down a notch. I didn't earn what I have. It came from God.*

**Forgive me in the same way that I forgive others.** *"Wait, no!!! I'm not very good at forgiving. Forgive me more than I forgive others." That's not the prayer that Jesus taught. Help me, forgiving God to be more like You.*

**Do not put me to the test. Let the evil one have no power over me.** *Amen. May this be so. Amen!*

May our prayers be from the heart, and may Our Father hear, and answer!

Pastor Sarah





# Worship & Music Notes

from Jane Cartwright, Worship & Music Coordinator (831- 5032)

March 1	Mark 10:17-31	First Last and Last First
March 8	Mark 10: 32-52	Bartimaeus Healed
March 15	Mark 12: 1-12 (13-17)	Parable of the Tenants
March 22	Mark 12: 28-44	Great Commandment
March 29	Mark 13: 1-8, 24-37	End of the Age

“Good Morning!” shouted a youngster, who was approximately 7 years old, as he perched himself on top of a large boulder that sat outside the entry way of the church. He set the stage to welcome all members and visitors to the worship service. Through his actions, one wanted to see what else was happening inside the building, through the large barn style doors. Sitting amongst the membership, hands were extended in blessings. The worship service was filled with a variety of musical selections. Congregational members were participating at all age levels. These were simple gestures that made any visitor feel at ease and helped to create the desire to visit and worship a second time. Ponder how you approach each worship opportunity during the next few weeks. Do you feel like a participant or a spectator?

As a congregation, we are nearing the end of Epiphany, and moving into the Lenten/Easter seasons. Beginning on Ash Wednesday, February 26<sup>th</sup>, the worship focus will explore how God’s word makes a connection to one’s individual life, congregation, and the world. The service will include Imposition of Ashes and Holy Communion. Please note, supper is served at 5:00 PM, with worship to follow the first night at 6:00 PM. Service time for the additional five weeks will be at 5:45 PM. Come explore God’s word.

Themes will include:

- The Word Creates
- The Word Calls
- The Word Commands
- The Word Saves
- The Word Sustains
- The Word Shapes
- The Word Sends



Following each weekly service, consider participating in the Lenten Study, “He Chose the Nails”, by Max Lucado. Sessions will run from 6:30-7:15 PM in the Skylight Court.

Maundy Thursday is held at 6:00 PM with Holy Communion. During this service, individuals in the First Communion class will help prepare the bread used for communion.

Good Friday, April 10<sup>th</sup>, worship will be held at 6:00 PM. Come prepare to experience worship centered around the cross and nails.

Easter Sunday, April 12<sup>th</sup>, will offer three worship opportunities. Sunrise Youth Worship Service will be at 7:00 AM followed by an Easter Breakfast. Festival Easter Worship Services with Holy Communion will be offered at 9:00 AM and 11:00 AM. If you would like to participate in one or more services as a musician- vocal or instrumental, please contact me, Jane Cartwright at [cartj58@gmail.com](mailto:cartj58@gmail.com). For those willing to help decorate the Sanctuary, flower orders need to be placed before Monday, March 16th. Come, join the festival celebration with shouts of Alleluias.

## Noisy Offering This Month: Windom Area Sharing Center

The Windom Area Sharing Center is a food pantry to help those in need. Please consider donating to this great organization.

Tune in to ALC’s Worship Broadcasts on Sunday at 10:30 AM on KDOM 103.1 FM  
Thursdays at 10:00 AM & 6:30 PM on  
Windom Cable TV, Channel 3



# Christian Education & Youth News:

Greetings ALC Family!

As I type this, the sun is shining and stuff is melting! I can feel spring in the air even! I can only pray that we have it this mild until spring!

Lent is coming upon us and I'm excited to start working with some kids on the Easter Sunday Sunrise service. We just had our Mentor night at confirmation where a person from altar guild, usher, media, worship and music, and bell ringing come and talk to confirmation kids about the different rolls that go into each worship service. The kids then sign up to do these rolls during lent. I think it is so important for the kids to take part in this and connect with those that do it and see what a worship service all entails!



We are starting fundraising for the small service trip to Minneapolis we will take this summer and also for the big National ELCA Youth Gathering that will be in Minneapolis in June of 2021! Please mark your calendars for the upcoming fundraisers I will list below!

Along with Lent for the 5<sup>th</sup> graders comes First communion! What an excited rite of passage for them! A letter will be sent out to 5<sup>th</sup> graders and their parents will all the information for this and I will also list it below.

As you go along in Lent, I pray you can spend some quiet time reflecting on what this season means to you and for you!

God's peace

Melanie,

Christian Education/Youth and Family Coordinator



**Mankato Snow Tubing– February 23rd, 2020**

## **BAM-Sunday 10:15 AM**

March 1– Jesus and the Rich Man  
 March 8– Jesus came to Serve– **Family Day**  
 March 15– Parable of the Wicked Tenant  
 March 22– The Widows Gift  
 March 29– The End of the Age



## **BAM-Wednesday 6:30 PM**

March 4– Jesus came to Serve– **Family Day**  
 March 11– Parable of the Wicked Tenant  
 March 18– The Widows Gift  
 March 25– The End of the Age

## **Confirmation Wednesdays 6:30 PM**

March 4th– Serving others through Vocation  
 March 11th– Theology of the Cross, Theology of Glory  
 March 18th– Connecting with God through Prayer  
 March 25th– Forgiveness

## **March Acolyte schedule:**

Sunday, Mar. 1st– Aviana Watson & Peyton Winters  
 Wednesday, Mar. 4th– Leah Hauge & Aubri Spielman  
 Sunday, Mar. 8th– Olivia Hoffman & Eli Friewald  
 Wednesday, Mar. 11th– Camryn Elness & Riley Borer  
 Sunday, Mar. 15th– Wyatt Scrivens & Chloe Shamp  
 Wednesday, Mar. 18th– Isaac Armstrong & Emma Holtz  
 Sunday, Mar. 22nd– Adam Dahna & Makayla Marcy  
 Wednesday, Mar. 25th– Henry Erickson & Bekah Johnson  
 Sunday, Mar. 29th– Ethan Zafft & Miranda Cory



# Christian Education & Youth News:

## Youth Events:

**Lenten Supper-** Some of the Confirmation Youth and their families will be serving Lent Supper on March 11<sup>th</sup>. A Free will donation will be taken and all proceeds will go to the youth!

**Hotdish Sales!** March 15<sup>th</sup> at 10AM! The youth will continue selling oven ready hotdishes on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of each month! There is always a great variety and they can be frozen if you don't need them that day or week! A 9x13 will sell for \$15 and an 8x8 will sell for \$10.



## **Jr. League:**

March 1<sup>st</sup>, 6:30pm-We will be working on our topic for March from our "New Year's Resolutions", Focus on Faith. There will also be snacks and games!

March 15<sup>th</sup>, 6:30-We will work on the same topic but in a different way!

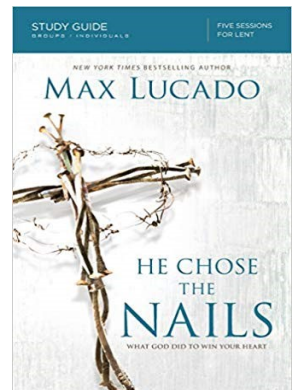
## **Sr. League:**

The event for this month is the ELCA Sr. High Youth Gathering in Mankato! This will be on March 27<sup>th</sup>-28<sup>th</sup>. We will leave at 3 on Friday and be home by 5 on Saturday. Very similar to the Jr. High Youth Gathering in Wilmar, but geared toward older high school kids. It is a great opportunity for kids to grow in their faith along with others their age! Registration closes on March 12<sup>th</sup> so please sign-up soon!

## **Christian Ed News:**

**FAMILY DAY AT BAM!** Wednesday, March 4<sup>th</sup> and Sunday, March 8<sup>th</sup> is Family Day at BAM! Moms, Dads, Grandmas, Grandpas, Aunts, Uncles and those you consider family are invited to come to BAM! The kids will sing, we will have some fun activities and a treat!

**He Chose The Nails Lenten Study:** Pastor Sarah and Melanie will be leading a Lenten Bible study starting on March 4<sup>th</sup>. We will be doing He Chose the Nails by Max Lucado. You can purchase a study guide for \$5 or you can attend without the guide. The study will be on Wednesday evenings after worship in the Skylight Court.



**Shetek Camp Drawing winners!** Megan Marsh-Daughter of Paul and Tashia Marsh-won the mini camper-ship drawing. Chloe Shamp-Daughter of John and Melanie Shamp-won the full week campership drawing.

**Shetek Scholarships-** A reminder that ALC will pay \$200 of towards ALC members full week of camp and \$100 towards ALC members mini-camp. They will also pay up to \$200 of Family camp or Grandparent camp!



**First Communion Classes-** First Communion Classes for 5<sup>th</sup> Graders will start on Sunday, March 22<sup>nd</sup> out at Shetek Lutheran Ministries. We will be taking the church bus and we will leave the church parking lot at 1pm. We will return by 5pm. Parents are invited to attend this as well! The next class will be on Thursday, April 2<sup>nd</sup> from 3:30pm to 5pm at church. The church bus will pick the kids up from school. Please contact the church office if your child needs to ride the church bus on April 2<sup>nd</sup>. Please pick your child up at church at 5. Bread making with parents and kids will take place on Wednesday, April 8<sup>th</sup> at 6pm and First Communion will happen on Maundy Thursday, April 9<sup>th</sup> at the 6pm service. There will be a small reception for families after the service in the Fellowship Hall.

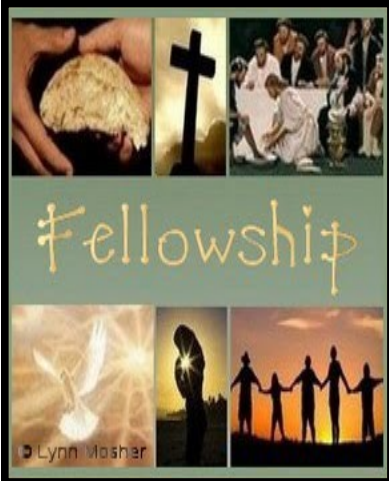


# Good to Know

## Wednesday Suppers

**Lenten Suppers** Beginning Ash Wednesday. As in the past, various groups will be serving dinner on Wednesdays during Lent to familiarize the congregation about their ministry and to raise funds for this ministry. Those serving in March:

- March 4<sup>th</sup> - Soup and Bread
- March 11<sup>th</sup> - Youth & Family
- March 18<sup>th</sup> - South African Partnership
- March 25<sup>th</sup> - Scholarship Committee



**SOUP & BREAD** is a great fellowship opportunity. We usually meet on the 1st and 3rd Sunday of the month. We'd love to have you join us! Child care is provided.

March plans:

**March 1st:** Card Game Night

**March 15th:** St. Patrick's Day Party

For more information, contact Kathryn Ralston at (507) 822-0686.

**United Community Action** is offering FREE tax preparation at Riverview Apartments Community Room Windom, MN every Tuesday during February, March, and until April 15th. Hours are 10:00 AM–4:00 PM. For more information or to schedule an appointment, please call 507-537-1416 ext. #2163.

## Adult Learning: Christians & Other World Religions

**Sunday, March 8th, 2020**

**10:15 in the Meeting Room**

We live in a world with many different religions. Even in our own country Americans have many different religious beliefs. Some religions are peaceful and content, some religions blatantly attack Christianity and Christians. What does the Bible say about other religions? How are God's people supposed to respond to those of other faiths? Join pastor Adam as he discusses this topic at adult education on Sunday March 8<sup>th</sup> after worship.



**February 2020**

**American Lutheran Church**

**Meals on Wheels:**

A **HUGE THANK YOU** to all the members who helped with Meals on Wheels in February. Especially all those who battle the winter weather. Thank you for giving your time to a great cause!



**Volunteers:** Dick & Betty Wiens, Roger Nerhus, Al Peterson, John Berge, Robert Halvorson, Dave & Donna Vaupel, Betty Olson, Jackie Turner, Dean Schoeb, Tom Cowan, Kermit & Betty Twait, Deanna Voth, Lou Masters, Steve & Lori Seifert, Tim & Kathy Hiley, Page Kern, Marge Paschke, Rozanne Gronseth, and Jane Moldaschel.

**Subs:** Barb Pingeon, LeAnn Steere, Duane Pingeon, Tim Jenniges, Lori Mikelson, Gordy Scarset, Deb Minion, and Jerry Torkelson.

**Annual Assembly of the Shetek Conference**

**Sunday, March 8th, 2020 at 2PM at Christ Lutheran Church, Slayton**

**(2959 Queen Ave, Slayton, MN)**

All members of the Shetek Conference of the Southwest Minnesota Synod of the ELCA are welcome to attend. Each Congregation may have up to six members eligible to vote at this meeting.

# Good to Know



## World Day of Prayer Service

Friday, March 6  
9:30 AM

**First United Methodist Church, Windom**

All are invited to the 2020 World Day of Prayer service on Friday, March 16, 9:30 a.m. at the First United Methodist Church, Windom. The focus is on the Women of Zimbabwe with the theme "Rise! Take Your Mat and Walk", John 5:2-9a. EVERYONE IS WELCOME!

If you are interested in purchasing **Easter Flowers** there is an Order sheet in that Narthex on the back table, in the church office, or you can go to ALC's Facebook or website and print one off there. The Deadline to order Easter Flowers is **March 16th at 12 noon.**



## Mid-week Ecumenical Lenten Services at the Presbyterian Church

**Where?** First United Presbyterian Church, 336 11<sup>th</sup> St.

**What?** 30 minute Lenten Worship followed by a meal in the basement

**When?** Wednesdays at 12:00 noon

March 4th, March 11th, **March 18th (ALC Hosts)**, March 25th, and April 3rd.



**March is Food Share Month!** Church and Society will be collecting items through March for the local food shelf.

- \* First week - Cleaning and Paper items (Pledge, Detergent, paper towels,...)
- \* Second week - Personal Items (Toiletries, diapers, soap...)
- \* Third week - Breakfast Items (Juice, cereal, oatmeal...)
- \* Fourth week - Canned Goods (Fruits, veggies, soup,...)

We will take any items anytime - this is suggestions only!! Cash is also great!!!



**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.

Thank you!





# Lent 2020

**American Lutheran Church  
Windom, Minnesota**

## Ash Wednesday, February 26

6:00 PM Worship with Holy Communion and  
Imposition of Ashes;  
Nursery - 4th grade  
students will sing

## Palm Sunday, April 5

9:00 AM Worship  
Nursery - 4th grade sing  
students will sing

## Maundy Thursday, April 9

6:00 PM Worship with Holy  
Communion / 1st Communion

## Good Friday, April 10

6:00 PM Worship

## Easter Sunday, April 12

The Resurrection of Our Lord  
7:00 AM Youth Sunrise Service  
8:00 AM Easter Breakfast

## Lenten Worship Theme

### *"Seven Wonders of the Word"*

The Word Creates - Ash Wed., Feb. 26th  
The Word Calls - Lent 1, March 4th  
The Word Commands - Lent 2, March 11th  
The Word Saves - Lent 3, March 18th  
The Word Sustains - Lent 4, March 25th  
The Word Shapes - Lent 5, April 1st  
The Word Sends - Maundy Thursday



NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR  
**MAX LUCADO**

# GOD'S GREATEST GIFTS ~~X~~ EVER GIVEN TO US

In this five-session video Bible study, Max Lucado explores the gifts that Christ gave at his crucifixion. These include not only the gift of the cross, but also the gift of the thorns that pierced his brow, nails that tore his flesh, seamless robe that he removed for us, and empty tomb where he defeated death. The cross is rich with God's gifts of grace, and as we unwrap them, we will hear him whisper, "I did it just for you."

Join us for this incredible Lenten study! It will be held Wednesday evenings in Lent right after worship in the Skylight Court. We will be starting on Wednesday, March 4th. Cost for a study guide is \$5. Please sign up on the bulletin board across from the office and pay by February 21st. If you don't want to buy a study guide you are still welcome to come to the study!

THOMAS NELSON  
EST. 1938

## Wednesday Lenten Schedule

March 4, 11, 18, 25, & April 1  
5:00 PM Supper  
5:45 PM Worship  
6:30 - 7:15 PM Lenten Study  
in Skylight Court  
6:30 - 7:15 PM BAM-W  
6:30 - 8:00 PM Confirmation

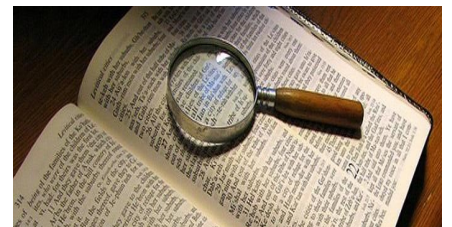


## Lenten Study

### *"He Chose the Nails"*

What God did to win Your Heart

1. He Chose to Be one of Us
2. He Chose To Forgive Us
3. He Chose to Invite Us into His Presence
4. He Chose to Love Us Forever.
5. He Chose to Give Us Victory





# For the Record

## From the Church Records

### Baptisms:



### Burials:

Lucille Polzin

*In Loving  
Memory*

## SUNDAY USHERS FOR FEBRUARY:

Gary Nelson, Ryan Elston, Scott Ralston, Kevin Heggeseth, Dick Torkelson, Larry Eike, Don Brugman, Lindsey Cartwright, Vern Heubert, Dan Knigge, and Steve Johnson.



## SATURDAY USHERS:

March 7 – Ron Becker

March 14 – Lori Seifert (Noisy Offering/Communion)

March 21 – Eric & Kari Hanson (Communion)

March 28 – Kermit Twait

## ALC FINANCIAL UPDATE

As of 2/20/20:

Income: \$52,927

Expenses: \$70,931

Borrowed: \$16,000

(These figures do not include January end-of-month commitments and benevolences.)

### MEMORIALS:

**Bell Choir Fund:** In memory of Lucille Polzin.

**Organ Fund:** In memory of Lucille Polzin.

**New Skylight Court Faucet:** In memory of Lucille Polzin.

**Renovation Fund:** In memory of Lucille Polzin.



## CHURCH COUNCIL NOTES FROM February 11th, 2020 MEETING

- Keith Pohlman provided an update; \$13,000 has been borrowed with an additional \$7,000 to \$8,000 to yet be borrowed to cover expenses. The expenses in Church Building, Parsonages & Misc were noted. MM/S/C to approve as presented.
- Synod Commitment Update - Keith Pohlman provided an update on Equipping God's Mission; we have a balance of \$2825 to complete this year. Budget and Finance will be providing information to the congregation via bulletins and the Messenger.



## Board Reports:

**Worship and Music Board** – Secretary Kern read the written report provided by Kelly Kleven. The committee is filled and Sarah Tailowright will be the chair. They continue to work on details for the Lenten Services. Kari Vaupel will bring a Children's Performing Group to ALC on Sunday, April 19. They will perform "Children of Eden" at the 9am service.

**Spiritual Life and Fellowship Board** – Sharon Thompson provided an update on the lutefisk meal; there was a profit of \$958.20 with \$500 donated to the ALC youth. They have two Lenten meal providers to find.

**Discipleship/Marketing & Stewardship Board** – No Report

**Properties Board** – Linda Jaakola updated the board on the door projects, bids for the carpet cleaning, and the parsonage, shed, and bus.

**Budget and Finance** – Keith Pohlman reported that the bills are paid and restated the borrowing status.

**Christian Education Board** – Gina Freiwald shared information and dates for Family Day (3-4 and 3-8); they are reviewing BAM and considering VBS dates.

**Youth and Family Board** – John Shamp reported on the upcoming tubing outing and the scrap booking retreat.

**Church in Society** – No Report

**GLOW** – No Report



# GLOW In March

## *Gals Living Our Witness*

All women of American Lutheran Church  
are members of GLOW!

Our Purpose Statement: "As a community of women created in the image of God, called to discipleship in Jesus Christ and empowered by the Holy Spirit we commit ourselves to grow in faith, affirm our gifts, support one another in our callings, engage in ministry and action, and promote healing and wholeness in our church, our society, and our world."



### March Bible Study

Thursday, March 19  
2 p.m.

ALC Meeting Room  
March "Gather" Magazine  
Bible Study

"We are called!" Session Three,  
Called to Serve page 20.  
Questions?

Contact Carolyn Torkelson  
831-5986



### Sewing Days

March 3&17

1st & 3rd Tuesdays

@ 9:00 a.m.

Meet in 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 2:00p.m.).  
No experience  
necessary!

Sew  
with  
Love.

Questions? Contact  
Kathy Hiley, 831-4109  
OR Jackie Turner, 831-3871



### GLOW Team Meeting

Sunday, March 8  
10:00 a.m.

ALC meeting room  
Let's get together  
and plan future events!  
All are Welcome!



### World Day Of Prayer

Friday, March 6  
9:30 a.m.

First United Methodist  
Church, Windom  
Pray with Windom's Faith  
Community along with  
Christians around the World.

## For Your Information



Are you interested in **SPONSORING THE RADIO BROADCAST** on Sundays? The cost is \$57 for a Sunday

service sponsorship. Please contact the ALC office if you are interested in a sponsorship.

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.

**HAVE YOU BEEN** receiving weekly emails from us here at ALC with weekly happenings? If not, and you would like to, please call the church office to update your email address and keep you posted on events!

**Follow us on Facebook!**



If you or a loved one are hospitalized, going through any medical treatments or need pastoral care of any kind please call the church office to let us know.



Have you recently cancelled your telephone landline or changed your cell phone number? Please let the church office know, so that we can stay in touch with you!



**ALC Prayer Chain**

Request  
Change: All  
prayer chain

requests will now be handled through the church office. To activate ALC's Prayer Chain please call the church office at 831-1794 or an email may be sent to [winalc@windomnet.com](mailto:winalc@windomnet.com) If you are not part of the ALC Prayer Chain and would like to be, please send the church your email address. Thank you!

### Bits and Pieces

**PRAYER SHAWLS:** If you know of someone in our church family who could use a Prayer Shawl, call the church office.

**KEEP SAVING** those empty printer ink cartridges. They are turned in for cash for our Education Department. The container is located in the hallway by the offices.

**KEEP SAVING** your canceled stamps. Correctly cut stamps by leaving 1/4" to 1/3" boarder around the stamp. You can turn your stamps in at the church office.

**CONTINUE** to remember the Windom Sharing Center in the coming months. Monetary gifts may be sent to PO Box 173, Windom. Contributions may be left here at the church or at the Center on Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 10 am to 1 pm. Call 822-7210,

**PRAYER CHAIN:** To activate ALC's Prayer Chain, please call the church office at 831-1794 or an email may be sent to [winalc@windomnet.com](mailto:winalc@windomnet.com).

**REMEMBER** 2nd Thursday of every month at Senior Dining. Join your ALC family once a month for lunch at the Windom Community Center.

**MISSING A CAKE PAN?** Our collection of orphaned pots and pans in Room 102 is growing! Please stop in and see if one of them is yours. Thanks for all the food you have shared!

**WANT TO RECEIVE THE MESSENGER ELECTRONICALLY?** Save the church paper, ink and postage! Contact the church office to share your email address.



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**March 2020**



## Shetek Lutheran Ministries Where Christ Renews and Empowers

### Sugarbush Pancake Breakfast!

Sunday, March 22 – 9am – 1pm

A delicious breakfast with real maple syrup  
 from Shetek's maple trees.



*Sign up for summer camp at Shetek!*

*Take advantage of our Early Bird special if you sign up  
 before April 1!*

### Shetek is seeking summer staff.

A great opportunity to develop the following lifelong skills that  
 employers want to see on resumes!

- Creativity
- Oral communication skills
- Critical thinking and problem solving skills
- Interpersonal and Leadership skills
- Collaborative skills

To find out more and apply online – <https://shetek.org/work-at-shetek/>

Help send kids to Camp...Become a Pelican Club or Timber Society member today. Pelican Club members support the ministry with a gift of \$100 - \$499 a year and Timber Society members give \$500 or more a year. Thanks for your support!

### Mark your Calendar 2020

Family Day – Syrup on the Prairie – March 7  
 Pre-Marriage Retreat – March 14  
 Sugarbush Pancake Breakfast – March 22  
 Pre-marriage Retreat – April 18  
 Confirmation Retreat – April 24-25  
 Spring Toddlers and Trees – April 25  
 Spring Clean-up Days – come help get camp ready  
 for a great summer – April 25 + May 2  
 Road Scholars – May 3-8  
 First Day of Camp!! – June 7  
 Saturday Worship at Shetek- 5:30 starting June 13  
 Fun in the Sun with Waterbugs – June 13  
 Golf Tournament – June 22  
 Quilt Auction – June 27

Can you help Shetek out? Here's our Wish List!

Vehicles in good condition (Mini-vans)

17 foot aluminum canoes

Flatscreen TV's

4 Drawer dressers

Office supplies – reams of paper, dry erase markers

Box fans

Here's an update on our  
 "Building on the  
 Foundation" capital  
 campaign. We've raised  
 over \$985,000 in  
 gifts/pledges towards our  
 \$1,500,000 goal! Check  
 our website for more info.

