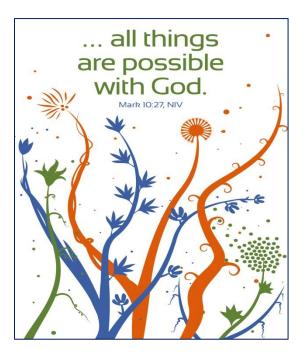
The American Lutheran Church of Windom

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



March 1, 2020 9:00 AM First Sunday of Lent

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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.

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

Carol Vought, Organist

WELCOME

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Lenten Supper Announcement - Soup & Bread

CALL TO WORSHIP

- L: Come, learn of the law of the Lord!
- C: It is renewing to the soul!
- L: The ways of God are perfect,
- C: And in them we rejoice!
- L: God's grace is all that's needed,
- **C:** To pardon and to save.

OPENING HYMN "Jesus Calls Me"

ELW #696

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

- P: We confess our sins before God and one another. Pause for silence and reflection.
- P: Merciful God,

C: Forgive us, for we have fallen short of your vision for humanity. We have put ourselves before others, ignored the vulnerable, and forgotten you altogether. We have missed the point of your kingdom. Have mercy on us, for Jesus' sake. Amen. P: Children, your God has not forgotten you. Jesus knows your weakness and sees through your presence. You are made whole simply by seeking forgiveness. Receive the Lord's pardon and believe that it is true, in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

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HYMN OF PRAISE Setting One: "Lamb of God" ELW #112

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Saving Lord, You know there is nothing we can do to save ourselves. Make us joyful in your promise of eternal life, which is ours because you choose to give it, for the sake of Jesus Christ. Amen.

ALC CHOIR ANTHEM: "My Savior"

CHILDREN'S SERMON Melanie Shamp, Christian Ed Coor.

READING Mark 10:17-31 Max McLean (screens) The Word of the Lord/ **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION..... ELW Pg. 142 (setting 3) "Return to the Lord, your God, who is gracious and merciful; slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love."

MESSAGE

Pastor Adam

SONG OF THE DAY *"What Wondrous Love Is This"*

ELW #666

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

OFFERING

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

RESPONSE

"Create in Me"

ELW #186

PRAYER

Were we to place the whole of our fortunes upon Your altar, O God, still it would not be enough to buy our redemption. Only accept these gifts as a token of our gratitude for all that you have already given us and as offerings in service to your mission on earth. In Jesus' name, Amen.

HOLY COMMUNION

Words of Institution Lords' Prayer ELW p. 112 Songs during Distribution ELW #488, ELW #742 Post Communion Prayer Post Communion Blessing

BENEDICTION

CLOSING HYMN	"Savior, Again to Your Dear Name"
	ELW #534

DISMISSAL Go in peace, remember the poor. We will! Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE

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, the reading is from Mark 10: 17-31. In our scripture reading a rich young man asked Jesus how he might inherit eternal life, perhaps believing he was already on the right track. When Jesus challenged him to sell his possessions, he recoiled. But eternal life isn't a gift we can earn. It is a gift from God for whom "all things are possible."

JOIN US NEXT WEEK for Bartimaeus Healed Mark 10: 32-52

WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY

Scripture Reader: Video Clip Greeters: Todd and Mary Schumann Communion Assistants: Jane Cartwright, Janice and Keith Pohlman Media Ministry Team: Lindsey Cartwright, Randy Olson, Eugene Hanchett Acolytes: Aviana Watson, Peyton Winters

RADIO SPONSORSHIP for today's worship service is in memory of my grandmother Signe Holmen given by Lori Seifert.

Next Sunday's NOISY OFFERING will be designated for the Windom Area Sharing Center. Bring your spare change!

THANK YOU for your generosity. \$385.48 was collected from ALC for the **FEED MY STARVING CHILDREN** mobile packing event which will take place at the Windom Area High school on 04/15. All are welcome to come and pack meals on that day as well!

MARCH IS FOOD SHARE MONTH! Church and Society will be collecting items through March for the local food shelf.

- First week-Cleaning/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-these are suggestions only! Cash donations are also great!

DON'T MISS OUT! Sign-up before Wednesday March 4th! 9-WEEK FINANCIAL PEACE UNIVERSITY CLASS



held here at church will start on Wednesday, March 4th at 6:30 pm. Go to the link to join: <u>www.fpu.com/1104287</u>. Contact Sarah Tailowright at (507)830-0311 if you have any questions.

THANK YOU to all the members who helped with Meals on Wheels during February. Over 32 people helped deliver these nutritious meals. Thank you for giving your time to a great cause!

LENTEN WORSHIP SERVICES: Come at 5:00 PM for the second of 6 Lenten Suppers, this one is hosted by the Soup & Bread Committee. Soup & Bread is serving Italian sausage soup and potato cheddar soup, bread, and homemade bars. Lenten Worship will follow at 5:45 PM with the second theme of "*Seven Wonders of the Word*" *The Word Calls*. All are welcome!!



FORTY DAY CHALLENGE! Church in 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. Please join us in supporting this important ministry. Please make checks to the Southwest Minnesota Crisis Center. Thank you!

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER 2020 Friday, March 6, 2020 at 9:30 AM at the First United Methodist Church in 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!



Mid-week Ecumenical Lenten Services at the Presbyterian Church

Where? First United Presbyterian Church, 336 11th St.
What? 30 minute Lenten Worship followed by a meal in the basement
When? 12:00 noon: March 4th, March 11th, March 18th (ALC Hosts),
March 25th, and April 1st.



GLOW SEWING DAYS Tuesday, March 3rd and March 17th at 9:00 am. Come to 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 2:00 p.m.).No experience necessary! Questions? Contact Kathy Hiley at 831-4109 or Jackie Turner at 831-3871.

GLOW (Gals Living our Witness) TEAM MEETING Sunday, March 8th, 10:00AM in the ALC Conference Room. Let's get together and plan future events. All are Welcome!!

ADULT LEARNING Christians & Other World Religions Sunday, March 8th, 10:15 in the Meeting Room. We live in a world with many different religions. 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.

ANNUAL ASSEMBLY OF THE SHETEK CONFERENCE Sunday,

March 8th at 2PM at the Christ Lutheran Church, Slayton. All members of the Shetek Conference of the Southwest Minnesota Synod of the ELCA are welcome to attend.

If you are interested in purchasing **EASTER FLOWERS** there is an Order sheet in that Narthex on the back table or you can contact the church office and pick up an order sheet. The Deadline to order Easter Flowers is March 16th at 12 noon.



DO YOU PLAY GUITAR? Would you be willing to accompany a couple songs during the up-coming Lenten services? Please contact Jane Cartwright for additional information at carti58@gmail or call 831-5032.



He Chose the Nails Lenten Bible Study: Pastor Sarah and Melanie will be leading a Lenten Bible study "He

Chose the Nails" by Max Lucado every Wednesday following worship and starting on March 4th. Study guides are \$5 or you can attend without the guide. Please sign up on the bulletin board across from the office if you want a study guide or call the church office.

FAMILY DAY AT BAM! Wednesday, March 4th and Sunday, March 8th is Family Day at BAM! Moms, Dads, Grandmas, Grandpas, Aunts, Uncles and those you consider family are invited to come to BAM! We will meet in the Fellowship Hall after worship. The kids will sing and we will have some fun activities and a treat!

First Communion Classes- First Communion Classes for 5th Graders Sunday, March 22nd at Shetek Lutheran Ministries. The next class will be Thursday, April 2nd, 3:30pm to 5pm at church.



Scrapbook/Crafting Retreat! Everyone is welcome to attend. Bring your favorite Crafting past time, rent a table and hangout with others that love to Craft also. Friday, March 29th 9am -9pm & Saturday, March 30th 9am - 7pm. Contact Mary Mohlencamp for information. marymohl@rconnect.com

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

Jr. League: TONIGHT 6:30pm-We'll be working on our topic for March from our "New Year's Resolutions", Focus on Faith with snacks and games!

Sr. League: The event for this month is the ELCA Sr. High Youth Gathering in Mankato! This will be on March 27th-28th. Registration closes on March 12th so please sign-up soon!

THIS WEEK AT AMERICAN LUTHERAN CHURCH

Sunday, March 1

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 FM 4:30 PM- 6:30 PM Soup & Bread 6:30 PM Jr League

Monday, March 2

6:00 PM Bell Choir

Tuesday, March 3

7:15 AM Men's Breakfast Bible Study
9:00 AM Sewing- GLOW
1:15 PM Staff Team Huddle
5:00 PM Church in Society Board Meeting
7:00 PM Christian Education and Worship & Music Board Meetings

Wednesday, March 4

10:30 AM Good Samaritan Communion @ Sogge
12:00 PM Ecumenical Worship, Presbyterian Church, Windom
5:00 PM Lenten Supper- Soup & Bread Committee
5:45 PM Lenten Worship w/Holy Communion
6:30 PM BAM-W- Family Day, Fellowship Hall
6:30 PM Confirmation, Sanctuary

Thursday, March 5 9:00 AM Bulletin Deadline 10:00 AM & 6:30 PM ALC Worship on Windom Cable, Channel 3

Friday, March 6

World Day of Prayer 9:30 AM World Day of Pray, First United Methodist Church, Windom

Saturday, March 7 5:30 PM Chapel Service

Sunday, March 8, Daylight-Saving Time Begins Girl Scout Sunday/Second Sunday Noisy Offering 8:15 AM & 10:00 AM Skylight Court Café 9:00 AM Worship 10:00 AM GLOW Meeting 10:15 AM Adult Learning 10:15 AM Adult Learning 10:15 AM BAM-S- Family Day, Fellowship Hall 10:30 AM Radio Broadcast 103.1 FM 2:00 PM Shetek Conference Assembly 5:00 PM Youth & Family Board Meeting

