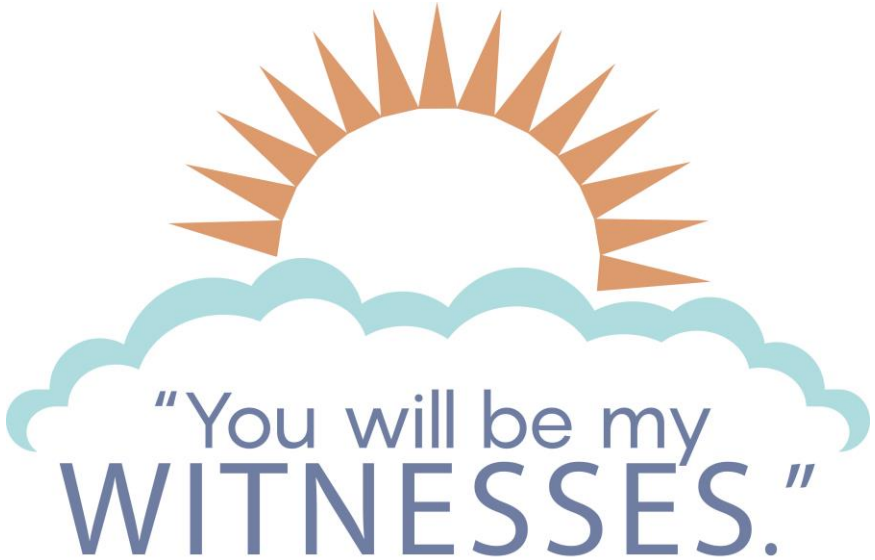


The American Lutheran Church of Windom

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



ACTS 1:8

April 19th, 2020 9:00 AM
Second Sunday of Easter

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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

ORDER OF WORSHIP

GATHERING MUSIC

Rozanne Gronseth, Pianist

TOLLING OF THE HANDCHIME

WELCOME

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Radio sponsorships for May are available. Please contact the office.

The Church in Society Board of ALC invites you to help **clean up our community** by grabbing your own trash bag when going on a walk and filling the dumpster at ALC with trash you picked up on your walk. Don't forget your gloves and make sure to have fun, take pictures, and send them to us to be posted on our Facebook Page and Website!

Today's **bulletin** may be found on our website on the homepage under the worship video or under the BULLETIN/NEWSLETTER TAB located in the top menu bar.

Worship opportunities: Worship within the building has been suspended and alternative worship service opportunities are available electronically, online - Sunday and Wednesday Services will be posted on American Lutheran Church website (alcofwindom.com) and on our Facebook page. Worship will still be broadcast over KDOM radio FM 103.1 and on local Cable TV Channel 3.

BAM activities: BAM is happening at 6:00 PM on Wednesdays through Facebook Live. Join in at that time as a family, comment, or watch it later. You can also find it on www.alcofwindom.com under the MINISTRIES TAB click on Children's Ministry.

Confirmation activities: Confirmation will be recorded weekly and emailed to all confirmation students. You can also find these weekly recordings on www.alcofwindom.com under the MINISTRIES TAB click on Youth Ministry then click on CONFIRMATION (in yellow).

CALL TO WORSHIP

L: Let us rejoice and worship God,

C: **We have seen the risen Lord!**

L: Who does great things for us.

C: We have seen the risen Lord!

L: Let us praise God's holy name,

C: We have seen the risen Lord!

OPENING HYMN *“A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing”*

(vs. 1, 4, 5) ELW #393

1. A hymn of glory let us sing! New hymns throughout the world shall ring: Alleluia! Alleluia! Christ, by a road before untrod, ascends unto the throne of God.

Refrain:

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

4. “You see him now, ascending high up to the portals of the sky.” Alleluia! Alleluia!

“Here after Jesus you shall see returning in great majesty.”

Refrain:

5. O risen Christ, ascended Lord, all praise to you let earth accord: Alleluia! Alleluia!

You are, while endless ages run with Father and with Spirit one.

Refrain:

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

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

Pause for silence and reflection.

P: Risen Lord,

C: We see the miracle of your resurrection, yet so often live as though we are still lost in our sins. We rely on our own feeble will, we stay mired in the past, and we refuse that which is too uncomfortable or unfamiliar. Forgive us, and open our hearts again to your freedom. Amen.

P: Praise God—Christ is arisen! We have a new life, and the old has fallen away. Rejoice that we are truly forgiven, and go out and proclaim the grace that is free to all, in Jesus' name, Amen.

KYRIE (Setting 1: Spoken)

ELW p. 98

L: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

L: For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

L: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

L: For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

L: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

C: Amen.

HYMN OF PRAISE ***“I Love to Tell the Story”*** (v1) ELW #661

I love to tell the story of unseen things above, of Jesus and his glory, of Jesus and his love.

I love to tell the story, because I know it’s true; it satisfies my longings as nothing else would do.

I love to tell the story; ‘twill be my theme in glory to tell the old, old story of Jesus and his love.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Loving Lord, You never left your disciples without the tools they needed to follow your way. So equip us that we might be found faithful witnesses to the joy of your resurrection life. In Jesus name, Amen.

CHILDREN’S SERMON Melanie Shamp, Christian Ed Coor.

READING

Acts 1: 1-14

In the first book, Theophilus, I wrote about all that Jesus did and taught from the beginning ² until the day when he was taken up to heaven, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. ³ After his suffering he presented himself alive to them by many convincing proofs, appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God. ⁴ While staying with them, he ordered them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait there for the promise of the Father. “This,” he said, “is what you have heard from me; ⁵ for John baptized with water, but

you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now.”

⁶ So when they had come together, they asked him, “Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?” ⁷ He replied, “It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. ⁸ But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.” ⁹ When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. ¹⁰ While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. ¹¹ They said, “Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven.”

¹² Then they returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a sabbath day’s journey away. ¹³ When they had entered the city, they went to the room upstairs where they were staying, Peter, and John, and James, and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James son of Alphaeus, and Simon the Zealot, and Judas son of James. ¹⁴ All these were constantly devoting themselves to prayer, together with certain women, including Mary the mother of Jesus, as well as his brothers.

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

MESSAGE

Pastor Sarah

SONG OF THE DAY *“Jesus Shall Reign”* ELW #434

Jesus shall reign where’er the sun does its successive journeys run;
his kingdom stretch from shore to shore, till moons shall wax and
wane no more.

To him shall endless prayer be made, and praises throng to crown
his head; his name like sweet perfume shall rise with ev’ry
morning sacrifice.

People and realms of ev’ry tongue dwell on his love with sweetest
song; and infant voices shall proclaim their early blessings on his
name.

Blessings abound where'er he reigns: the pris'ners leap to lose their chains, the weary find eternal rest, and all who suffer want are blest.

Let ev'ry creature rise and bring peculiar honors to our kin; angels descend with songs again, and earth repeat the loud amen.

APOSTLES' CREED

ELW p. 105

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father,

and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

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.

*While we are not together in person, or collecting a regular offering, the ministry of our congregation continues! **We give thanks for all who continue to send offerings to the church.** We are hoping not to fall behind in meeting our expenses. Visit our website (alcofwindom.com) Check out electronic / on-line giving by clicking on our GIVE TAB found in the top menu bar, or mail in your offering to PO Box 188, Windom.*

PRAYER

We bring our prayer, our praise and our thanksgiving before you, O God. Accept also these gifts of love toward the work of your kingdom, one which strives to see all things reconciled to you, for the sake of your Son Jesus, Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

ELW p. 112

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

BENEDICTION

CLOSING HYMN *“Lead On O King Eternal”* ELW #805

Lead on, O King eternal! The day of march has come; henceforth in fields of conquest your tents will be our home. Through days of preparation your grace has made us strong; and now, O King eternal, we lift our battle song.

Lead on, O King eternal, til sin's fierce war shall cease, and holiness shall whisper the sweet amen of peace; for not with swords lour clashing, nor roll of stirring drums, but deeds of love and mercy the heav'nly kingdom comes.

Lead on, O King eternal: we follow, not with fears, for gladness breaks like morning where'er your face appears. Your cross is lifted o'er us; we journey in its light; the crown awaits the conquest; lead on, O God of might!

DISMISSAL

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

POSTLUDE

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WELCOME to worship at American Lutheran! In our scripture reading today the disciples wanted a concrete plan for the restoration of Israel. They learned restoration would come one blessed moment at a time. They would become makers of and witnesses to those moments.

