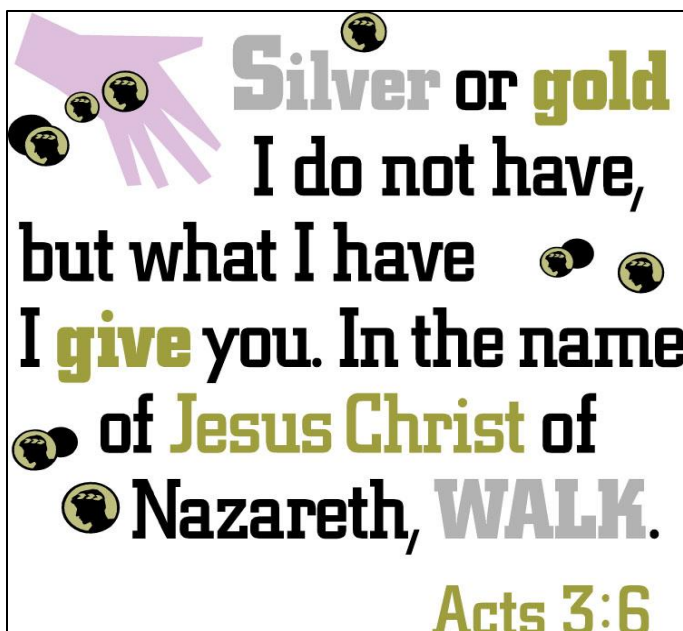


# The American Lutheran Church of Windom

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



**Arpil 26th, 2020 9:00 AM**  
**Third 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

Carol Vought, Organist

### WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

Join us next week for **Blessing of the Quilts**. The ALC quilters put together many quilts over the winter months. Those quilts will be donated to Lutheran World Relief.

**May 10<sup>th</sup> is Mother's Day!** Send a photo of you and your mother to the church office. Young, old, multiple generations! Be creative, share a heart, give High 5's, hugs, etc. Send them by May 4<sup>th</sup>.

**Radio sponsorships** are available for May. Please contact the office to schedule a date.

**A special Thank you** to American Lutheran Church Altar guild for donating the beautiful Easter Lily to Hillside Manor. We all are enjoying its beauty from your friends at Hillside Manor.

**High School Seniors:** Please submit a photo to the church office as soon as possible.

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](http://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](http://www.alcofwindom.com) under the MINISTRIES TAB click on Youth Ministry then click on CONFIRMATION (in yellow).

## CALL TO WORSHIP

L: Enter the beautiful house,  
**C: Enter the house of the Lord.**  
L: Come join with your sisters and brothers,  
**C: Together in praise to the Lord.**  
L: Sing praises to the one who heals,  
**C: To the one who makes us whole.**

## OPENING HYMN “*Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus*” LBW #389

Stand up, stand up for Jesus, As soldiers of the cross,  
Lift high his royal banner; It must not suffer loss.  
From vict’ry unto vict’ry His army he shall lead,  
Till ev’ry foe is vanquished And Christ is Lord indeed.

Stand up, stand up for Jesus, The trumpet call obey;  
Stand forth in mighty conflict In this his glorious day.  
Let all his faithful serve him Against unnumbered foes;  
Let courage rise with danger, And strength to strength oppose.

Stand up, stand up for Jesus, Stand in his strength alone;  
The arm of flesh will fail you, You dare not trust your own.  
Put on the Gospel armor; Each piece put on with prayer.  
Where duty calls or danger, Be never wanting there.

Stand up, stand up for Jesus, The strife will not belong;  
This day the din of battle, The next the victor’s song.  
The soldiers, overcoming Their crown of life shall see,  
And with the King of glory Shall reign eternally.

## 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: Sung)**

**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      “Spirit of the Living God”**

**ALC #41**

Spirit of the Living God, fall fresh on me

Spirit of the Living God, fall fresh on me.

Melt me, mold me, Fill me, use me.

Spirit of the Living God, fall fresh on me.

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**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

**O God, You gather us into your community, regardless of our imperfections. May we be so gracious with one another, showing all your heart of mercy, made known to us in Jesus Christ, Amen.**

MUSIC VIDEO

*“My Lighthouse”*

Sydney Erickson

READING

Acts 3: 1-10

Pew Bible p. 886

*Summary:* In the reading for today, Peter and John healed a disabled man, who then entered the temple leaping and praising God. But they gave him more than his legs—they gave him a community.

One day Peter and John were going up to the temple at the hour of prayer, at three o'clock in the afternoon. <sup>2</sup> And a man lame from birth was being carried in. People would lay him daily at the gate of the temple called the Beautiful Gate so that he could ask for alms from those entering the temple. <sup>3</sup> When he saw Peter and John about to go into the temple, he asked them for alms. <sup>4</sup> Peter looked intently at him, as did John, and said, “Look at us.” <sup>5</sup> And he fixed his attention on them, expecting to receive something from them. <sup>6</sup> But Peter said, “I have no silver or gold, but what I have I give you; in the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, stand up and walk.” <sup>7</sup> And he took him by the right hand and raised him up; and immediately his feet and ankles were made strong. <sup>8</sup> Jumping up, he stood and began to walk, and he entered the temple with them, walking and leaping and praising God. <sup>9</sup> All the people saw him walking and praising God, <sup>10</sup> and they recognized him as the one who used to sit and ask for alms at the Beautiful Gate of the temple; and they were filled with wonder and amazement at what had happened to him.

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

CHILDREN’S SERMON

Melanie Shamp, Christian Ed Coor.

MESSAGE

Pastor Adam

SONG OF THE DAY

*“The Spirit Sends Us Forth to Serve”*

ELW #551

The Spirit sends us forth to serve; we go in Jesus’ name to bring glad tidings to the poor, God’s favor to proclaim.

We go to comfort those who mourn and set the burdened free;

where hope is dim, to share a dream and help the blind to see.

We go to be the hands of Christ, to scatter joy like seed and,  
all our days, to cherish life, to do the loving deed.

Then let us go to serve in peace, the gospel to proclaim.

God's Spirit has empowered us; we go in Jesus' name.

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## 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](http://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.*

## VIRTUAL OFFERING PRAYER

**Accept these gifts we bring, O Lord, and bless the gift we are to one another. May we truly look to see what we may offer our**

**sisters and brothers, without judgment or avoidance, and thus be your hands at work in the world. In Jesus' name, 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**

***“Savior Like a Shepherd Lead Us”***

ELW #789

Saviour like a shepherd lead us; much we need your tender care.  
In your pleasant pastures feed us, for our use your fold prepare.  
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, you have bought us; we are yours.  
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, you have bought us; we are yours.

We are yours; in love befriend us, be the guardian of our way;  
Keep your flock, from sin defend us, seek us when we go astray.  
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, hear us children when we pray.  
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You have promised to receive us, poor and sinful though we be;  
You have mercy to relieve us, grace to cleanse, and pow'r to free.  
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, early let us turn to you.  
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, early let us turn to you.

Early let us seek your favor, early let us do your will;  
Blessed Lord and only Savior, with your love our spirits fill.  
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, you have loved us, love us still.  
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, you have loved us, love us still.

**DISMISSAL**

**Go in Peace, Share the good news! / We will! Thanks be to God!**

# POSTLUDE

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**JOIN US NEXT WEEK** for The Church at Thessalonica,  
Acts 17: 1-9; 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10

**RADIO SPONSORSHIP** for today's worship service is in memory of David Flatgard for his birthday on April 29th given by Brenda Flatgard and family.

Offering \$4,520; Borrowed \$22,000

## **Covid-19 Assistance Fund**

Amidst this pandemic one of the concerns some of us are struggling with are those who have no income. ALC has made an ad hoc committee to address this particular issue.

As most are aware the government will be mailing out stimulus checks. We would invite those of you who are either still earning an income or do not need this money to survive to think about donating it to ALC's Covid-19 Fund.

Applications are available for financial help from this fund. The criteria are that a person must be suffering loss of income specifically due to this virus, it will be paid directly to their need (rent, utilities, mortgage, etc.), the Committee will choose how much a person gets and will do it without knowing whom the person is, and ALC members will have priority. Applications are due May 13<sup>th</sup>. The committee will then choose how they want to distribute the funds on May 20<sup>th</sup>. Please be aware that this application will remain confidential and you will not be asked to repay it.

Again, if you don't need this stimulus money to survive, or would just like to donate, we invite you to be generous for the least of these in our community.