The American Lutheran Church of Windom

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



May 10th, 2020 9:00 AM Fifth 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

Priscilla Jacobson, Pianist

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

Happy Mother's Day to all of the past, present & soon-to-be mothers in our world. May your day be filled with love, joy & laughter!

Reminder Seniors and Parents to email **Senior Pictures** to the Church office at <u>winalc@windomnet.com</u> by May 11th for Senior Recognition Sunday on May 17th.

Vacation Bible School (VBS) is postponed until August 2nd to August 6th. There will be more information to come that includes the time and registrations plans.

If you are interested in **sponsoring a Worship Service** please contact the office to schedule a date.

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. **The last day of BAM is on Wednesday, May 13th.**

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). The last day of Confirmation is on Wednesday, May 13th.

CALL TO WORSHIP

- L: Blessed be God, who makes us one.
- C: Let us unite as sisters and brothers,
- L: Gathered around one table, one altar.
- C: Let us renew our bonds of love,
- L: Forged for us by Christ our Lord.
- C: Blessed be God, who makes us one!

OPENING HYMN "Lift High the Cross" ELW #660

Refrain:

Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim till all the world adore his sacred name.

Come, Christians, follow where our captain trod, our king victorious, Christ, the Son of God. Refrain:

All newborn servants of the Crucified bear on their brows the seal of him who died. Refrain:

O Lord, once lifted on the glorious tree, as thou hast promised, draw us all to thee. Refrain:

So shall our song of triumph ever be:

Praise to the Crucified for victory! Refrain:

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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 One) 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 "Goodness is Stronger than Evil" ELW #721

Goodness is stronger than evil; love is stronger than hate;

Light is stronger than darkness; life is stronger than death; vict'ry is ours, vict'ry is ours, through God who loves us.

Vict'ry is ours, vict'ry is ours, through God who loves us.

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

O Lord, You have made it clear that you desire your Church to be united. Break down the walls which separate us and build us back up again as one body in Jesus Christ, through whom we pray, Amen.

CHILDREN'S SERMON Melanie Shamp, Christian Ed Coor.

READING 1 Corinthians 1:10-18 Pew Bible p.926

Readers: Katie, Victoria, & Fiona Robillard

Summary: The church in Corinth that Paul founded struggled because of divisions within their churches. But Christ still had and has a message of hope for all willing to hear it.

¹⁰ Now I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you be in agreement and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be united in the same mind and the same purpose. ¹¹ For it has been reported to me by Chloe's people that there are quarrels among you, my brothers and sisters. ¹² What I mean is that each of you says, "I belong to Paul," or "I belong to Apollos," or "I belong to Cephas," or "I belong to Christ." ¹³ Has Christ been divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul? 14 I thank God that I baptized none of you except Crispus and Gaius, ¹⁵ so that no one can say that you were baptized in my name. ¹⁶ (I did baptize also the household of Stephanas; beyond that, I do not know whether I baptized anyone else.) ¹⁷ For Christ did not send me to baptize but to proclaim the gospel, and not with eloquent wisdom, so that the cross of Christ might not be emptied of its power. ¹⁸ For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

The Word of the Lord/ Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE Pastor Adam

SONG OF THE DAY "Let It Be Said of Us" ALC #37
Let it be said of us that the Lord was our passion,
That with gladness we bore ev'ry cross we were given,
That we fought the good fight,
That we finished the course,
Knowing within us the pow'r of the risen Lord.

Chorus:

Let the cross be our glory, and the Lord be our song; By mercy made holy, by the Spirit made strong. Let the cross be our glory, and the Lord be our song; 'Til the likeness of Jesus be through us made known. Let the cross be our glory and the Lord be our song.

Let it be said of us, we were marked by forgiveness,

We were known by our love, and delighted in meekness. We were ruled by His peace, heeding unity's call, Joined as one body that Christ would be seen by all. Chorus: (CCLI:Song number 1855882)

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.

MOTHER'S DAY SLIDESHOW

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

Serving you is the greatest honor, O Lord. Receive these gifts as signs of our gratitude to be part of your fellowship, and fellow workers in your kingdom, for the sake of the world which you love. 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 "Shine, Jesus, Shine" ELW #671

Refrain:

Shine, Jesus, Shine, fill this land with the Father's glory; Blaze, Spirit, blaze, set our hearts on fire. Flow, river, flow, flood the nations with grace and mercy;

Send forth your Word, Lord and let there be light!

Lord, the light of your love is shining, In the midst of the darkness, shining; Jesus, light of the world, shine upon us, Set us free by the truth you now bring us. Shine on me, shine on me: Refrain:

As we gaze on your kingly brightness, So our faces display your likeness, Ever changing from glory to glory, Mirrored here, may our lives tell your story. Shine on me, shine on me: Refrain:

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DISMISSAL

Go in Peace, Share the good news!

We will! Thanks be to God!

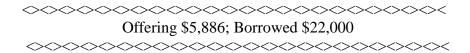
POSTLUDE



WELCOME to worship at American Lutheran! In our scripture reading today the church in Corinth that Paul founded struggled because of divisions within their churches. But Christ still had and has a message of hope for all willing to hear it.

JOIN US NEXT WEEK for Faith, Hope, and Love 1 Corinthians 13: 1-13

RADIO SPONSORSHIP of today's service is in memory of Kenny Elness and daughter Wendy Elness Weber given by family.



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**th. The committee will then choose how they want to distribute the funds on May 20th. 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.