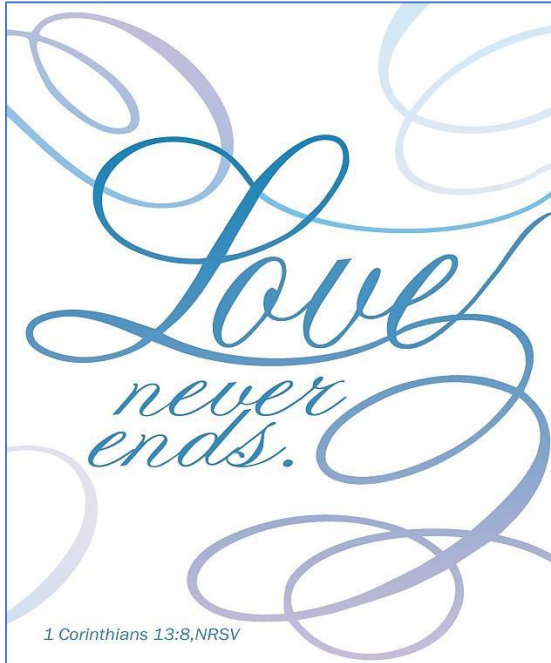


# The American Lutheran Church of Windom

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



**May 17th, 2020 9:00 AM**  
**Sixth Sunday of Easter**  
**Senior Recognition Sunday**

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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

MicheLe Larson, Organist

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Vacation Bible School (VBS)** is postponed until August 2<sup>nd</sup> to August 6<sup>th</sup>. 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.

Melanie Shamp: Youth & Family and Christian Education **senior gifts announcement.**

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 ended on Wednesday, May 13<sup>th</sup>.** You can find any missed BAM lessons on [www.alcofwindom.com](http://www.alcofwindom.com) under the MINISTRIES TAB click on Children's Ministry.

**Confirmation ended on Wednesday, May 13<sup>th</sup>.** If you have missed any of these confirmation lessons you can 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).

GATHERING:

P: In the name of the Father, and the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen**

CALL TO WORSHIP

L: Hear, O people:

C: **The Lord our God is one!**

L: Hear, O people:

**C: The Lord our God is love!**

L: Come, you people,

**C: And praise the God of love!**

OPENING HYMN

*“Although I Speak”*

ELW #644

- 1 Although I speak with angel’s tongue, my faith, my knowledge all surpass, But have no love, my gifts are vain as clanging gong or blaring brass.
- 2 For love is patient, love is kind, and never vain with boasting pride, Love bears all things, all things endures. All things must end’ love will abide.
- 3 For now we peer at darkened glass; our visions end; our tongues all cease. In part we know, in part now see: then we will see love face to face.
- 4 The gifts are many, the Body one, and into one are all baptized. Beloved, share one heart, one mind, one hope, one faith, one love in Christ.

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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: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.*

**C: And also with you.**

*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

**“Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee”**

(v1)

ELW #836

Joyful, joyful we adore thee, God of glory, Lord of love!

Hearts unfold like flow'rs before thee, praising thee. Their sun above.

Melt the clouds of sin and sadness, drive the gloom of doubt away.

Giver of immortal gladness, fill us with the light of day.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

**O God, You have shown that all we truly need is to love. Expand our hearts to embrace your world and show ourselves as children of a compassionate God, for the sake of your Son Jesus, Amen.**

MUSIC: PIANO SELECTION

Shelby Erickson

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Melanie Shamp, Christian Ed Coor.

READING

1 Corinthians 13: 1-13

Pew Bible p.934

Readers: Daytona Smedsrud, Halle Jackson, and Olivia Maras

In the scripture reading, Paul saw a world brimming with trade, an exchange of ideas, power, politics, art and culture. But the only thing that will endure forever is love.

If I speak in the tongues of mortals and of angels, but do not have love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. <sup>2</sup> And if I have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing. <sup>3</sup> If I give away all my possessions, and if I hand over my body so that I may boast, but do not have love, I gain nothing. <sup>4</sup> Love is patient; love is kind; love is not envious or boastful or arrogant <sup>5</sup> or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; <sup>6</sup> it does not rejoice in wrongdoing, but rejoices in the truth. <sup>7</sup> It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things,

endures all things.<sup>8</sup> Love never ends. But as for prophecies, they will come to an end; as for tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will come to an end.<sup>9</sup> For we know only in part, and we prophesy only in part;<sup>10</sup> but when the complete comes, the partial will come to an end.<sup>11</sup> When I was a child, I spoke like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child; when I became an adult, I put an end to childish ways.<sup>12</sup> For now we see in a mirror, dimly, but then we will see face to face. Now I know only in part; then I will know fully, even as I have been fully known.<sup>13</sup> And now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; and the greatest of these is love.

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

MESSAGE

Pastor Sarah

SONG OF THE DAY                    *“We are Called”*      ELW #720

Come! Live in the light! Shine with the joy and the love of the Lord!  
We are called to be light for the kingdom, to live in the freedom of the city of God.

Refrain:

We are called to act with justice,  
We are called to love tenderly;  
We are called to serve one another,  
To walk humbly with God.

Come! Open your heart! Show your mercy to all those in fear!  
We are called to be hope for the hopeless so hatred and blindness will be no more. Refrain:

Sing! Sing a new song! Sing of that great day when all will be one!  
God will reign, and we'll walk with each other as sisters and brothers united in love. Refrain:

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.**

SHARING OF THE PEACE

RECOGNITION OF GRADUATING SENIORS     Senior Slideshow

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE     Sophia Nelson & Autumn Hauge  
Lord in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

VIRTUAL 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.

PRAYER

**More than any gifts of wealth or possessions, you desire the sacrifice of a humble heart, O God. Bless these offerings as you bless our lives, that we too might be signs of grace to others, and receivers of their blessings to us. We pray in the name of 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

***“As You Go on Your Way”***

ALC #68

As you go on your way may Christ go with you.

May he go before you to show you the way;

May he go behind you to encourage you;

Beside you to befriend you;  
Above you to watch over;  
Within you to give you peace.

CLOSING HYMN “Stir Up the Love” ALC #86

Our hope is alive, our faith is restored, we trust in the promise and live by the Word.

So lift up your hearts and claim your reward, and live in the love of the Lord.

**Refrain:**

Then stir up the love, to meet all human need, and stir up the love, for this did Jesus bleed.

And stir up the love, remember we are one and stir up the love till Jesus comes.

We love through the work, we love through the gift, we love to create and we love to uplift.

We love to be close and ponder the Word, and live in the love of the Lord. **Refrain:**

The time has arrived, the work has begun, so many are needed, so much to be done.

So nourish the faith and cherish the hope, and live in the love of the Lord. **Refrain:**

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DISMISSAL

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

POSTLUDE

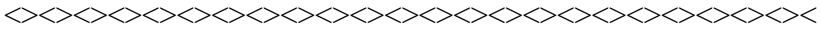
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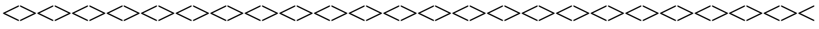
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**JOIN US NEXT WEEK** for 1 Corinthians 15: 1-26 and 51-57, Death Swallowed in Life

**RADIO SPONSORSHIP** of today's worship service is in honor of ALC's graduating seniors.



Offering \$5,820; Borrowed \$22,000



**CONGRATULATIONS** to the following 2020 high school graduates from our congregation:

- Mikal Anderson
- Katie Boltjes
- Shelby Erickson
- KC Flatgard
- Dylan Fossing
- Ethan Grant
- Peyton Hall
- Autumn Hauge
- Ezra Hughes
- Halle Jackson
- Olivia Maras
- Elijah Mutz
- Sophia Nelson
- Katelyn Nichols
- Tatum Paulson
- Austin Pohlman
- Daytona Smedsrud
- Audra Smith
- Vincent Vongsy
- Brett Willaby



For those of you who would like to send a graduation card in congratulating these seniors during this difficult time can call the church office at (507)831-1794 to get their address.

**SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED:** Congratulations to Abby Elness, Eliana Tade, Isaac Tade, and Yanick Tade for receiving ALC's college scholarship! The Scholarship Committee met and decided to award these young adults \$1,000 each to help pay for college tuition. Thank you all who donated to the scholarship fund. Your donations are benefitting our youth and our future leaders.

