# The American Lutheran Church of Windom

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



July 8th, 2020 5:30 PM & Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

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Cancelled-Saturdays 5:30 pm Chapel Worship Sundays 9:00 am Worship Wednesdays 5:30 pm Worship (Similar service as Sunday)

Pastors Sarah Tadé and Adam Roberts *Ministers: Everyone* 

## ORDER OF WORSHIP

**GATHERING MUSIC** 

Carol Vought, Organist

#### WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome to worship! Congregational responses may be spoken in a quiet voice. Please no singing, but feel free to hum, tap your toes, or reflect upon the lyrics. For the health of your neighbor, please respect social distancing and use of masks. At this time, just a reminder to, please refrain from hugs, shaking hands, etc.

\*\*\*Mid-Year Meeting July 19<sup>th</sup> during the 9:00 AM Worship Service. Please plan to attend.\*\*\*

**Holy Communion** will be offered Wednesdays, July 15th & 22nd and Sunday July 26<sup>th</sup>. Holy Communion will be served at the end of the services. As you exit the sanctuary please pick up the wafer and the wine as you leave the sanctuary.

Worship at the lake, Sunday, July 12<sup>th</sup>, 9:00 AM at Cottonwood Lake. Come as you are and bring your own chair and sunscreen. Spiritual Life and Fellowship will be serving ice cream treats following the service.

The Christian Education Board decided not to have **Vacation Bible School** in August due to Covid-19 restrictions. Instead, we're going to incorporate the VBS curriculum into the BAM schedule for 2020-2021.

The "I'm Bored Challenge!" has been EXTENDED!! You now have until Monday, July 13th! DON'T FORGET.....The incentive is a \$5 DQ gift card. Parents will have to "sign off" before it is turned in! Go to our Website Page under the children's ministries tab or our Facebook page to print the "I'm Bored Challenge!".

The ALC is **NOT** going to go to **the Banquet in Sioux Falls** this year on Thursday, July 23rd, 2020. We still want to raise our goal of a \$1,000 to donate to the Banquet. If you would like to give to the Banquet there is a monetary donation jar located in the back of the church. Thank you for donating.

Holy Trinity Efforts - Holy Trinity Lutheran Church of Minneapolis is responding to the recent destruction in their neighborhood by collecting and distributing food and essential items to hundreds of people daily. We have a connection there because Jane Cartwright's niece is the lead pastor. You may

contribute financially directly through ALC with the designation "justice".

#### **GATHERING:**

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

C: Amen

#### CALL TO WORSHIP

L: Blessed be God!

C: Who carries our griefs.

L: Blessed be God!

C: Who lightens our burdens.

L: Blessed be God!

C: Who gifts us with peace.

#### "Bind Us Together" OPENING HYMN ALC #108

Bind us together, Lord, bind us together with cords that cannot be broken. Bind us together, Lord, bind us together, bind us together in love. There is only one God, there is only one King; There is only one body, that is why I sing; Bind us together, Lord, bind us together with cords that cannot be broken. Bind us together, Lord, bind us together, bind us together in love. "Bind Us Together", Bob Gillman, @1977 Thankyou Music, CCLI #836709

#### **CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS**

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

P: Loving God,

C: When our path becomes difficult, we do not always turn to you. We look for an easy way out. We escape in avoidance and addiction. We forget your promises and seek what does not satisfy. Forgive us and bring us back into the strength of your Spirit.

P: God is generous and loving and forgiving. Hear and believe that your sins are washed away and that new life is yours through Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

KYRIE Spoken: *please respond with a quiet voice*. ELW p. 213 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: Lord, have mercy.

C: Lord, have mercy.

L: Christ, have mercy.

C: Christ, have mercy.

L. Lord, have mercy.

C: Lord, have mercy.

HYMN OF PRAISE "Jesus Lover of My Soul" screens Thou, O Christ, art all I want; More than all in thee I find. Raise the fallen, cheer the faint, Heal the sick, and lead the blind. Just and holy is Thy name; I am all unrighteousness. False and full of sin I am; Thou art full of truth and grace.

Text by: Charles Wesley 1740 Tune: Martyn by: Simeon B Marsh 1834 Source: Presbyterian 1955 Hymnbook, Lutheran 1941 Hymnal #345. Recorded by Andrew Remillard.

#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

Compassionate God, You long for your people to find consolation within your community. Bind us together as your people that we might seek to bear one another's burdens, for the sake of Christ, Amen.

HARP SOLO "Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus" Karen Wojahn

SCRIPTURE READING 2 Corinthians 1:1-11. Pew Bible p.937 Video Reader: Tera Elness

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and Timothy our brother, To the church of God that is in Corinth, including all the saints throughout Achaia: <sup>2</sup>Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

<sup>3</sup>Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies and the God of all consolation, <sup>4</sup>who consoles us in all our affliction, so that we may be able to console those who are in any affliction with the consolation with which we ourselves are consoled by God. <sup>5</sup>For just as the sufferings of Christ are abundant for us, so also our consolation is abundant through

Christ. <sup>6</sup>If we are being afflicted, it is for your consolation and salvation; if we are being consoled, it is for your consolation, which you experience when you patiently endure the same sufferings that we are also suffering.

<sup>7</sup>Our hope for you is unshaken; for we know that as you share in our sufferings, so also you share in our consolation. <sup>8</sup>We do not want you to be unaware, brothers and sisters, of the affliction we experienced in Asia; for we were so utterly, unbearably crushed that we despaired of life itself. <sup>9</sup>Indeed, we felt that we had received the sentence of death so that we would rely not on ourselves but on God who raises the dead. <sup>10</sup>He who rescued us from so deadly a peril will continue to rescue us; on him we have set our hope that he will rescue us again, <sup>11</sup>as you also join in helping us by your prayers, so that many will give thanks on our behalf for the blessing granted us through the prayers of many.

The Word of the Lord/ Thanks be to God.

CREATIVE KIDS SKIT: #1 Life in the Youth Room...

CHILDREN'S SERMON Melanie Shamp, Christian Ed Coor.

MESSAGE Pastor Sarah

SONG OF THE DAY "Have No Fear, Little Flock" ELW #764 Have no fear little flock; have no fear, little flock, for the Father has chosen to give you the kingdom; have no fear, little flock!

Have good cheer, little flock; have good cheer, little flock, for the Father will keep you in his love forever; have good cheer, little flock!

Praise the Lord high above; praise the Lord high above, for he stoops down to heal you, uplift and restore you; praise the Lord high above!

Thankful hearts raise to God; thankful hearts raise to God, for he stays close beside you, in all things works with you; thankful hearts raise to God!

#### 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

SHARING OF THE PEACE USING SIGN LANGUAGE

#### **OFFERING:**

We give, because God gives to us! Our ministries share God's love. As you leave the sanctuary, there will be an opportunity to place your offering in the offering plates located at the back of the church.

#### OFFERTORY PRAYER

Bless these gifts which we now bring to your altar, O Lord, and may they be blessings for the community of your people worldwide, wherever there is need. In Jesus' holy name we pray, 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 "God Be with You Till We meet Again"

ELW #536

God be with you till we meet again; by good counsels guide, uphold you, with a shepherd's care enfold you; God be with you till we meet again.

#### Refrain:

Till we meet, till we meet at Jesus' feet; till we meet, till we meet, dod be with you till we meet again.

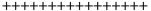
God be with you till we meet again; holy wings securely hide you, daily manna still provide you; God be with you till we meet again. Refrain:

God be with you till we meet again; when life's perils thick confound you, put unfailing arms around you; God be with you till we meet again. Refrain:

#### DISMISSAL

Go in Peace, Serve the Lord/ **We will! Thanks be to God!**\*\*\*Please remain seated until the ushers dismiss you. \*\*\*

#### **POSTLUDE**



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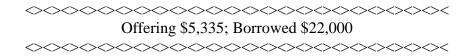
WELCOME to worship at American Lutheran! The noisy offering collected today will help to support GLOW-School Kits. The Noisy Offering will go towards school supplies for the ELCA Mission in Action Backpacks filled with school supplies. Imagine having to choose between a meal or purchasing a notebook. School Kits are sent to places where even the few required school supplies may be more than a family can afford. Pencils and paper can help write a positive future. These backpacks are assembled by GLOW. and are distributed internationally to children in need. Please drop off your coins in the buckets provided in the Narthex. Thank you for giving!

In the scripture reading, Paul knew the people in Corinth were suffering as a new community of Christian believers. But he also knew there was power in community. Through consolation and compassion, Paul strengthened the community in Corinth to endure the suffering and begin the process of healing.

**JOIN US NEXT WEEK** for Forgiveness: 2 Corinthians 2:1-10.

**RADIO SPONSORSHIP** of today's worship service is in recognition of and thank you to Melanie Shamp for her awesome children's messages. Adults benefit from them too.

A **RADIO GIFT** was also given in memory of Lucille Lewis Nelson given by family and friends.



## **Covid-19 Assistance Fund Update**

While originally formed to help one time with financial assistance the committee thought that there would continue to be a need for financial assistance because of this pandemic. We also realize that some people have not received their stimulus check to even have had the opportunity to donate it. Therefore we are continuing to take applications and donations. The new due date for applications is **July 18<sup>th</sup>**. Thank you ALC members!

**Celebration of First Communion** will happen on Wednesday, July 22<sup>nd</sup> at the 5:30 PM worship service. For the first communicants that aren't able to make it to the Wednesday, July 22<sup>nd</sup> worship service we will honor them at the Sunday, July 26<sup>th</sup> worship service at 9:00 AM.