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Please Join Us for our in house worship, outdoor worship, or go to Facebook, our Website, KDOM Radio, or Local Cable Channel 3 for our Digital Worship!

**It was decided that our Saturday Chapel Service will be moved to Wednesday nights in the sanctuary to give more time for disinfecting and allow more space for distancing. **

Our Vision:
People experiencing a life-giving relationship with God.

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

Values:
Relationships
God. Each other. Creation.
Belonging
Affirmed. Included. Valued.
Faith
Active. Inquiring. Hopeful.

Sunday, November 1

All Saints Day

9:00 AM Worship w/Holy Communion

Wednesday, November 4

5:30 PM Worship w/Noisy Offering

Sunday, November 8

Second Sunday Noisy Offering

9:00 AM Worship

Wednesday, November 11

Veterans Day

5:30 PM Worship w/Holy Communion

Sunday, November 15

Stewardship Sunday

9:00 AM Worship w/Custodian Recognition

Wednesday, November 18

5:30 PM Worship w/Holy Communion and New Member Recognition

Sunday, November 22

Christ the King Sunday

9:00 AM Worship w/Holy Communion and New Member Recognition

Wednesday, November 25

6:00 PM Thanksgiving Eve Worship

Sunday, November 29

First Sunday of Advent

9:00 AM Worship



SO MANY BLESSINGS

Pastor's Message

If you don't know this about me, I'm going to tell you now: my aspirations are always greater than my accomplishments. I never get done what I want to! I imagine myself beginning each day with a brisk what with my dog to greet the rising sun. I rarely do that. I subscribe to daily emails from writers that I don't manage to read. But sometimes times I do! One is by the writer Frederick Buechner. A bible camp director at Christian in the mountains of Montana used to read aloud from Buechner. It shaped me. Still does. Here's a little Buechner to get your November starter. We begin the month with All Saints' Day on Sunday, November 1. We remember those who have gone before us in death, along with our own place as sinners made saints not because we are so good, but because we have put on Christ, and he is good! *The best.* We are saints and sinners wrapped into one. Nobody better or worse than anyone else. All hungry, and looking to be fed.

Have an excellent November. Be sure to vote – its our civic duty, and what we each do *for our neighbor.* Take good care, and God keep us all.
Pastor Sarah

Saint

IN HIS HOLY FLIRTATION WITH THE WORLD, God occasionally drops a pocket handkerchief. These handkerchiefs are called saints.

Many people think of saints as plaster saints, men and women of such paralyzing virtue that they never thought a nasty thought or did an evil deed their whole lives long. As far as I know, real saints never even come close to characterizing themselves that way. On the contrary, no less a saint than Saint Paul wrote to Timothy, "I am foremost among sinners" (1 Timothy 1:15), and Jesus himself prayed God to forgive him his trespasses, and when the rich young man addressed him as "good Teacher," answered, "No one is good but God alone" (Mark 10:18).

In other words, the feet of saints are as much of clay as everybody else's, and their sainthood consists less of what they have done than of what God has for some reason chosen to do through them. When you consider that Saint Mary Magdalene was possessed by seven devils, that Saint Augustine prayed, "Give me chastity and continence, but not now," that Saint Francis started out as a high-living young dude in downtown Assisi, and that Saint Simeon Stylites spent years on top of a sixty-foot pillar, you figure that maybe there's nobody God can't use as a means of grace, including even ourselves.

The Holy Spirit has been called "the Lord, the giver of life" and, drawing their power from that source, saints are essentially life-givers. To be with them is to become more alive.

-Originally published in [Wishful Thinking](#) and later in [Beyond Words](#)

NO DESTINCTION: SAINTS AND SINNERS

²¹ But now, apart from law, the righteousness of God has been disclosed, and is attested by the law and the prophets, ²² the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction, ²³ since all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God; ²⁴ they are now justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, ²⁵ whom God put forward as a sacrifice of atonement by his blood, effective through faith.
Romans 21-25



Worship & Music Notes

from Jane Cartwright, Worship & Music Coordinator (831- 5032)

Kings and Prophets:

October 28 / November 1:

All Saints Day
God's Care for the Widow, 1 Kings 17:1-16 [17-24]

November 4/ 8: Jonah and God's Mercy, Jonah 1:1-17; 3:1-10 [4:1-11]

November 11/ 15: Stewardship Focus
God Calls Isaiah, Isaiah 6:1-8

November 18/ 22: Christ the King Sunday and Welcome of New Members
God Promises a New Covenant, Jeremiah 36:1-8, 21-23, 27-28; then 31:31-34)

November 25: Thanksgiving Eve 6:00 PM

November 29: First Sunday in Advent
Daniel's Hope in God, Daniel 6:6-27



The familiar hymn tunes of November, "For All the Saints," "Sing to the Lord of Harvest," "Praise and Thanksgiving," "Come, Ye Thankful People, Come," soon will give way to "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel." Select one of the many worship opportunities and join the journey, through the last month of the church year, as we hear the stories of kings and prophets.

"And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him." Colossians 3:17

The Worship and Music Board has held discussions on holiday services. At this time, the plan is to hold a Thanksgiving Eve service at 6:00 PM on November 25th. This service will continue the tradition of collecting food and monetary gifts for the local food shelf. All items will be collected **in a central location** to limit movement within the sanctuary. This service will be livestreamed on the ALC YouTube site with a link to the Facebook page.

The Worship and Music Board and Church Council have discussed many options regarding Christmas worship services. It would be wonderful if ALC would be able to hold the "usual" worship services. However, with the current health guidelines and concerns, this most likely will not be a possibility. Please take time to answer the 8 question Google Survey which will help guide future decisions. <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdo6ov0w7LzScnfk6rFerGnfnn00pQx3AL-KYDXggs0EzAUkg/viewform>

Please, continue to monitor weekly announcements from the church.

Noisy Offering This Month: Women of Today, Christmas Cheer Box

The Windom Women of Today collect items to make Christmas a little brighter for some of the families in our community. Monetary donations are used to purchase toys, hats, mittens, stocking stuffers and clothes for children infant to 18 years old.

Veterans' Day: November 11! Thank you to our Veterans!



Tune in to ALC's Worship
Broadcasts on Sunday at
10:30 AM on KDOM 103.1
FM Thursdays at 10:00 AM
& 6:30 PM on Windom
Cable TV, Channel 3

Christian Education & Youth News:

Greetings ALC Families!

How can it be November already?! The month of Giving Thanks! Things have been flowing nicely here considering our limitations! We keep on keepin' on!

We celebrated 2 Confirmation services and had some fun Jr. League and Sr. League activities. Rocky Railway BAM has been very fun Zooming with the kids!

We are working on how we can continue with holiday events safely, mainly Living Nativity. Stayed tuned for information regarding that!

I give thanks for so much flexibility among every aspect and I give thanks that our congregation has been able to meet in person and we are keeping safe!

I give thanks for the relationships that I have made here in this church and that I continue to make!

God's Blessing to you all and Happy Thanksgiving!

Melanie Shamp, Christian Ed/Youth and Family Coordinator



Christian Ed News:

We are sincerely hoping for an opportunity for BAM to have some sort of Christmas program but it is not looking like that will be happening. Lessons leading up to Christmas, starting on November 11th, will be Advent themed! We will be learning about some "Heros" of the Christmas story that aren't as common it us as Jesus and Mar and Joseph! Packets with craft things and coloring sheets for each lesson will be available for pick up starting on November 4th!

Week 1: November 11th and November 15th- Elizabeth and the Birth of John the Baptist/Angel craft

Week 2: November 18th and November 22nd – The Shepherds of Bethlehem/Shepherd's staff craft

Week 3: November 25th(no BAM due to Thanksgiving Eve)and November 29th- King Herod the "NOT" Great/Crown Craft

Week 4: December 2nd and December 6th- Mary and Joseph/Nativity Scene craft

Week 5: December 9th and December 13th- Anna and Simeon Rejoice! /Bracelet craft

Week 6: December 16th(no BAM Living Nativity down at the square on

Thursday evening) and December 20th- Christmas song sing along!



Youth News:

Teen Bible Study will continue on Sunday evenings at 4pm! Come when you can! Always snacks and fun! After the Teens VS Parents study, we will move to

Max and Jenna Luxcado's study called Made to Make a Difference! (no study on November 22nd due to the Shamps being busy that afternoon)

Jr. League: Sunday November 1st! 6:30 pm at church! We will play games and have devotions!



Sr. League: See below Be Brave Youth Retreat! Melanie, Robin Snyder and Christine Bordewyk have been working on bringing this AMAZING event to

Windom for ALL youth in Grades 6th-12th! It will be held at the BARC Gym on November 13th, 14th, and 15th! Friday will be from 4pm-8:30pm, Saturday and Sunday from 2pm-8:30pm. There will be worship and music by Josh Edwards, Games, Outreach and Service projects! There will also be free time to use the BARC Rec Room with your friends! We would love to have you there for all 3 days but if you can't come to all 3, come to what you can! Social distancing and mask mandate will be followed! Bring a sack supper. Other pre-packaged snacks will be provided. (This will be in place of Sr. League for the month and the 2nd Jr. League for the month)

BE BRAVE

LOVE JESUS. Acts 4:13

3-DAY YOUTH RETREAT
NOVEMBER 13-15

at the BARC [1012 5th Ave, Windom, MN 56101]
Friday: 4-8:30pm | Saturday & Sunday: 2-8:30pm
Bring your own sack lunch for supper



GUEST SPEAKER & WORSHIP LEADER
Josh Edwards with Revive MN

TO REGISTER:

fbcwindomyouth@windomnet.com • 605-201-3950



Jr. High Youth Gathering 2.0: On November 20th, there will be three 30-40 minute live sessions hosted by youth emcees with speaker, faith talk and one element of worship. You may participate live or the three sessions will be posted to the synod website afterwards so you may participate whenever it works for you. The sessions will also be split into segments so you can use individual pieces for discussion starters, confirmation, or however you want. Open to Grades 6th-9th! Join Melanie in the Youth Room on Friday, November 20th from 6pm to 10pm for Jr. High Youth Gathering Virtual Style! We will tune in to some Jr. High Gathering stuff and have some of our own fun too!

Good to Know

Financial Update for ALC

Our ministry matters, but in the last month or so, our giving has not kept up with expenses. We have now borrowed \$20,000 internally to meet October's obligations. Had we not received \$59,000 through the Payroll Protection Plan from the federal government earlier this year, we would be down nearly 80,000! The pandemic has affected us all in different ways. Some have lost income, others have been sick, and we all have been more isolated. We need our church community more than ever! Through it all, God, our refuge and strength has been faithful. If you are in position to do so, please support the congregation with any financial contribution that is possible. Thank you!!

Custodian Recognition Sunday

Join us Sunday, November 15 at the 9:00 AM Worship Service in honor of our custodians!

THANK YOU to our custodians Dorothy Fundahn and Judy Lindvall! Dorothy and Judy have worked hard at the care of, maintenance, and cleaning of the American Lutheran Church. Sadly, both Dorothy and Judy have decided to retire. They both gave their resignation and their last day will be November 15th. We wish Dorothy and Judy the best and thank them for all their hard work at ALC! Please join us in celebrating Dorothy and Judy!

LOVE BOXES will be delivered on Saturday, Nov. 21. **What is a Love Box?** A Love Box is a box filled with fruit and goodies and delivered by GLOW volunteers to shut-ins and others in need of encouragement. Due to Covid and the safety of all, only purchased goodies will fill the boxes this year. Monetary donations are welcome to purchase these goodies and fruit. Please leave or send your donation to the church office marked "Love Boxes".

SHETEK LUTHERAN MINISTRIES QUILT SALE 2.0: Check out the Shetek Fall and Craft ONLINE Store October 1st- December 1st. The Summer Quilt Online Store was such a great success this last summer that the Camp is now offering another Quilt and Craft Online Store this Fall! It will feature holiday quilts, table runners, and wall hangings for Fall, Thanksgiving, and Christmas. GLOW donated 12 items - 3 quilts, 1 tablecloth, 5 table runners and 3 wall-hangings. Your support is greatly needed and appreciated!! Click on the Shetek Camp Store below! www.shetek.org/store

Join us for
Thanksgiving Eve Worship
Wednesday, November 25

6:00 PM



SHETEK LUTHERAN MINISTRIES

QUILT SALE 2.0

Fall, Holiday, Quilts, and more!
(Holiday quilts, table runners, and wall-hangings for
Fall, Halloween, Thanksgiving, and Christmas!)

OCT 1-DEC 1, 2020
WWW.SHETEK.ORG/STORE

Start your holiday shopping at Shetek with this safe,
virtual option with pickup or have your items shipped
directly to you!



Good to Know

Thanksgiving Meals

Church and Society is again joining hands with our Community to provide turkey meals to families that could use a helping hand. Church and Society is collecting monetary donations to pack a minimum of sixty meals for families with the help of our local Dept. of Health and Human Services, businesses, organizations, and individuals.

We would appreciate any donation, big or small, that would help. If you prefer not having your name or business mentioned as a sponsor please let us know otherwise you will be acknowledged in the meal. We could not complete this project without your donations. Thank you very much!!

-From the Church in Society Board



HELP WANTED:

American Lutheran Church is seeking 2 part time custodians to care for and maintain our church building. These positions are not to exceed 30 hours a week and will include some evening hours and every other weekend. An application form is available in the church office or you may go to the website

www.alcofwindom.com.



Are you interested in **SPONSORING THE RADIO BROADCAST** on Sundays? The cost is \$57 for a Sunday service sponsorship. Please contact the ALC office if you are interested in a sponsorship.

**** Altar Guild is ON for
November 10th at 2pm! ****

Did you know that you can see sermons on the **ALC WEBSITE**? Don't miss out. Go to [http://www.alcofwindom.com/](http://www.alcofwindom.com) and click on the Media tab to hear a sermon that you might have missed.

Have you recently cancelled your telephone landline or changed your cell phone number? Please let the church office know, so that we can stay in touch with you!

ALC Prayer Chain Request Change: All prayer chain requests will now be handled through the church office. To activate ALC's Prayer Chain please call the church office at 831-1794 or an email may be sent to winalc@windomnet.com If you are not part of the ALC Prayer



Chain and would like to be, please send the church your email address. Thank you!

HAVE YOU BEEN receiving weekly emails from us here at ALC with weekly happenings? If not, and you would like to, please call the church office to update your email address and keep you posted on events!

If you or a loved one are hospitalized, going through any medical treatments or need pastoral care of any kind please call the church office to let us know.

Bits and Pieces

PRAYER SHAWLS: If you know of someone in our church family who could use a Prayer Shawl, call the church office.

KEEP SAVING those empty printer ink cartridges. They are turned in for cash for our Education Department. The container is located in the hallway by the offices.

KEEP SAVING your canceled stamps. Correctly cut stamps by leaving 1/4" to 1/3" boarder around the stamp. You can turn your stamps in at the church office.

CONTINUE to remember the Windom Area Sharing Center in the coming months. Monetary gifts may be sent to 1156 4th Ave, Windom. Contributions may be left here at the church or at the Center on Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 10 am to 1 pm. Call 822-7210,

PRAYER CHAIN: To activate ALC's Prayer Chain, please call the church office at 831-1794 or an email may be sent to winalc@windomnet.com.

REMEMBER 2nd Thursday of every month at Senior Dining. Join your ALC family once a month for lunch at the Windom Community Center.

WANT TO RECEIVE THE MESSENGER ELECTRONICALLY? Save the church paper, ink and postage! Contact the church office to share your email address.

Congratulations Confirmation Class of 2020

October 10, 2020

Ryan Boltjes, Riley Borer, Ethan Brockman, Owen Dahna, Henry Erickson, Abbigail Grunewald, Anna Holtz, Kaden Holtz, Rebekah Johnson, and Kylee Johnson.



October 24, 2020

Mackenzie Doorenbos, Camryn Elness, Allison Negen, Jaydan Petersen, Damion Pohlman, Cragen Porath, Naomi Purrington, Kameron Rupp, Wyatt Scrivens, Chloe Shamp, Peyton Winters, and Abbigale Zieske



THANK YOU to Carol Christianson, Jane Cartwright, Rosie Davis, Kay Evers, Jean Johnson, Kelly Kleven, Betty Olson, Beth Scrivens, Jane Silker, Judy Trotter, Jackie Turner, Donna Vaupel, and Karen Wojahn for preparing the Confirmation banners! Thank you also to the many small group guides and mentors who have worked with these students!

American Lutheran Church Holiday Services Survey

As October draws to a close the holiday season will be here in the blink of an eye! Holidays have special meanings for many individuals. They are often times of gathering and catching up with friends and family. In the past, with the start of Thanksgiving Eve worship service and lasting through the Christmas season, American Lutheran Church has provided many opportunities for worship. This year the holiday season at American Lutheran Church of Windom will most likely look and feel different. The Worship and Music Committee is seeking your input regarding worship opportunities. As we look to the future we realize that our sanctuary will not accommodate the number of worshippers, based on current guidelines, that have previously attended Christmas Eve services. Please provide your input to help us provide a variety of worship opportunities in the coming weeks. This survey will be available until Sunday, November 5 2020. The Worship and Music Committee will review the results as a means of planning worship opportunities.

* Required

Email address *

Your email

At this time are you/your family considering attending Thanksgiving Eve Worship Service at 6:00 PM on November 25, 2020, at American Lutheran Church of Windom? *

- Yes,
- No
- Maybe

How many would be attending the Thanksgiving Eve service? *

- Does not apply
- 1-2
- 3-6
- 7-10

At this time, are you/your family considering attending Christmas Eve Worship Service, at American Lutheran Church of Windom? *

- Yes
- No
- Maybe

If these Christmas Eve worship times were offered, which one would you most likely attend? *

- Wednesday, December 23: 7:00 PM
- Thursday, December 24: 3:00 PM
- Thursday, December 24: 10:00 PM

How many individuals would be attending that service? *

- Does not apply
- 1-2
- 3-6
- 7-10
- More than 11

Due to COVID-19 precautions, if a service were held on either of these days, would you consider attending? *

- Yes, Monday, December 21 at 7:00 PM
- Yes, Tuesday, December 22 at 7:00 PM
- No, neither of these services

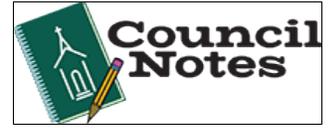
Current capacity of the sanctuary is approximately 100 people. If that number was reached, would you be willing to watch the service down in the Fellowship Hall in "Overflow" seating? *

- Yes
- No
- Maybe

Other service options: Select all options that you would consider. *

- Watch Livestream of 3:00 PM service
- Listen to KDOM Radio broadcast at 7:00 PM Christmas Eve
- Watch the service on the ALC Facebook page.
- Watch the service on the ALC Youtube page.

CHURCH COUNCIL NOTES FROM October 13th, 2020 MEETING



- Wedding Booklet Update - Sarah Tailowright and Jane Cartwright presented the updates to the wedding booklet, making it more comprehensive. Steve Johnson noted a need for information on the liability of any party plugging in their equipment to ours as in the past this caused damage to our system. Jane noted Worship and Music will address that issue. MM/S/C to accept the current update.
- Living Nativity - Current plans are to have a drive by event. Discussion involved concerns with the youth sharing costumes and social distancing, the number of community people that would be interested in a simple drive by, and supporting the food drive. Ideas of having food trucks or prepared pick up meals, coordinating with the Windom Chamber's holiday event, and supporting the food drive. Page Kern will contact the Windom Chamber to obtain information on their holiday event. Dr. Mary Olson may provide a virtual bake sale.
- Nominating Committee - calls are currently being made to fill this committee according to the Constitution.
- Reopening Committee Report - please see attachment in October agenda. Jane Cartwright reviewed the discussion the committee had and shared the agenda attachment. The provided information pertains to the future serving of food and not current practice. Dr. Mary Olson has recommended to "stay the course". Pastor Sarah has visited with a number of area churches and the majority are not serving food at this time.
- Donation to Lakeview Nursing Home - Keith Pohlman brought a motion to allow the Venture Fund to provide a gift of \$600 to Lakeview to update items such as large print hymnals, and other items to better serve their clients. Currently ALC does have members that reside at Lakeview. MM/S/C
- Racquetball Fundraiser - Page K updated the council on a mini-racquetball event to be held November 1, 2020.

Board Reports

Worship and Music - Sarah Tailowright shared information W&M prepared for the Thanksgiving and Christmas services. They recommend the Thanksgiving service by held Nov. 25, at 6pm; overflow in Fellowship Hall with live streaming provided there and to the community; the live streaming will be advertised to the congregation and the community. MM/S/C The recommendation for the Christmas services would be holding 3 services: Wednesday the 23 at 7pm, Thursday the 24th at 3pm which will be live streamed, and 10pm. Attendees will need to contact the church office for RSVP tickets to the service they want to attend so seating may be planned; if additional services are needed to accommodate the numbers they would be held at 7pm on Monday and Tuesday of Christmas week. Discussion included the challenges of seating, walk ins, the challenge this creates for ushers, use of the Fellowship Hall for additional overflow, the importance of advertising the services, and reminding people Bethany will have a service that can be attended. W&M has created a survey for the congregation to obtain information on Christmas service attendance. MM/S/C

Spiritual Life and Fellowship - Betty Thompson noted there will be no pie social after the Thanksgiving service.

D/M/S - Steve Johnson provided updates on Stewardship Sunday, Nov 15. A guest speaker will be at the service, videos will be shown to the congregation, and a pledge letter will go out. The board is all addressing the updating of an ALC handout.

Properties - Linda Jaakola reviewed the ordering of the handicapped doors and opener, the repair of the bus instrument panel and asked that the parking lot repair be placed on the annual meeting agenda.

Budget/Finance - Keith Pohlman asked that the council okay the payment of the current bills as they did not have a quorum. Keith provided a review of the bills noting quarterly insurance billing was due, the bus repair bill, and the carpets had been cleaned. MM/S/C By recommendation from Wendy and B/F, the council also approved the benefit package of Portico Gold for full time employees. This is the package ALC has consistently provided . MM/S/C

Christian Education - Vanessa Tjentland reviewed BAM, using Zoom, and the Shamp Bible study. Currently there are approximately 40 students in BAM.

Youth and Family - John Shamp shared information on attending DARE2SHARE, the youth Bible study, and a city wide youth ministry program Nov 13-15.

Church In Society - Betty Olson shared the success of the clean-up event and the planning of the Thanksgiving Boxes (50 will be provided).

GLOW - Jean Johnson updated the council on the sewing days, the donations made to Shetek Quilt auction 2.0, the Christmas Cheer Box donation, and the bible study.

For the Record

ALC FINANCIAL UPDATE

As of 10/26/20:

Income: \$371,944
Expenses: \$382,265
Borrowed: \$20,000

(These figures do not include October end-of-month commitments and benevolences.)



Baptisms: No baptisms in October.



Deaths: Carole Hanson.
Randal Thom

*In Loving
Memory*

MEMORIALS:

Piano Fund: In memory of Jerry Vought.

Renovation Fund: In memory of Marilyn Flatgard and Betty Kipfer.

OFFERING OPTIONS:

The ministry of our congregation continues in many ways! While services have started again in-house here at ALC, the options remain open for ways of contributing your offerings. You may still use on-line giving on our website alcofwindom.com, mail in your offering to PO Box 188, Windom, drop it off at the church or simply place it in the offering plate. If you have any questions regarding these options, please contact Wendy Pigman in the church office.



Planning Ahead

As a retired financial planner, an often overlooked strategy is the use of beneficiaries on your investment accounts. You can name charitable (church, school, Red Cross...) beneficiaries on any accounts that you own and can designate from 1-100% of that named account to be paid out to the charities upon your death. Keep in mind, you always own the account during your lifetime and the beneficiaries have no control or knowledge of your account. As the owner, you also have the power to change the beneficiaries at any time.

Charitable beneficiaries work on any type of account that you own, whether they are bank CD's, mutual funds, stocks or retirement plans (IRAs, etc.). Accounts set up with beneficiaries also avoid probate. Another benefit is that the charities don't pay any income taxes on the dollars received from any account because they are considered non-profits.

There is no cost to set up or change beneficiaries, so it is easy and economical. If you have any questions on charitable giving via the use of beneficiaries, you should consult with your banker, financial advisor or lawyer. Feel free to ask me as well. Any questions will be held in strict confidence.

Dean Schoeb

ALC Trust Fund

November GLOW News!

Gals Living
our Witness

American Lutheran Church Women's Ministry 2020

GLOW Meeting

Sunday, Nov. 8 @ 10 a.m.

Large Meeting Room

across from Church Office

All women are welcome to come
and plan our future!

Women's Bible Study

Thursday, November 19 @ 2pm

Meeting Room across from church office

November "Gather" magazine, page 18

Session 3, HOLY FUTURE:

REIMAGINING THE TIME TO COME

God's promises point us where we need to go.

Love Boxes

Distributed on Saturday, Nov. 21

For the care and safety of the recipients,
boxes will be filled

with purchased fruit and goodies.

**Monetary donations are welcome to
purchase these goodies.**

Please leave or send your donation to
the church office marked "Love Boxes"

November 2020



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Shetek Lutheran Ministries Where Christ Renews and Empowers

CAMP COMES TO DAYCARES!

Katie Chapman, our Environmental Education Director, will bring a program to your daycare! Looking for something unique? Katie will bring some of our camp animals to your daycare and provide a short program – contact her at katie@shetek.org

Events at camp!

(Go to shetek.org for more info.)

- November 6-7, Fri. – Sat. – Confirmation Retreat.** Confirmation groups and leaders invited to camp for an overnight retreat.
- November 14, Saturday, "Owls in the Night"** An evening EE event for all ages to learn about owls in southwest MN.
- December 6, Sunday, "Scandinavian Drive Through Meal"** – Instead of our Lutefisk Dinner, you're invited to come out to camp and get your meal to go!
- December 28, Monday, Winter Fun Day!** All 3rd – 6th graders come to camp for a day of fun winter activities!



Quilt Sale 2.0

Our quilt sale in June went very well! We are having another sale through our online camp store to support Shetek's ministry. Many items available and several have seasonal or holiday themes. Starting Oct. 1 to Dec. 1, these items will be available. Go to shetek.org/store to view and purchase items. Thanks for your support!!

Help send kids to Camp...Become a Pelican Club or Timber Society member today. Pelican Club members support the ministry with a gift of \$100 - \$499 a year and Timber Society members give \$500 or more a year. Thanks for your support!

During this time, we are thankful for donations from supporters and congregations when retreat and program income is very low. If you are able to make a donation at this time, we would really appreciate it!

Our "Building on the Foundation" capital campaign is on hold for now. So far, we've raised just over \$1,000,000 in gifts/pledges towards our \$1,500,000 goal! We'll be continuing the campaign efforts later this year when it is more feasible and safe to do so.