

The American Lutheran Church of Windom

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



Sunday, January 17, 2021 9:00 AM
Second Sunday after Epiphany

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Sundays 9:00 am Worship & 10:30 am Virtual BAM-S
Wednesdays 5:30 pm WOW & 6:30 pm Virtual BAM-W

Pastors Sarah Tadé and Adam Roberts
Ministers: Everyone

WELCOME!

WE ARE HAPPY YOU ARE WORSHIPPING WITH US TODAY

If you are new to us or visiting from another church, please fill out a yellow postcard for us or email our ALC office winalc@windomnet.com if you would like more information on our Church or would like to know how to join.

We'd love to be in touch with you.

AUDIO AND VIDEO RECORDING may be in progress during church services /events. Audio, video, and/or photos of the services/events may be posted or aired online for public viewing.

Please check out our ALC website, www.alcofwindom.com, YouTube Channel, and our Facebook page to view online services, events, and stay up-to-date on the latest information.

GATHERING MUSIC

Priscilla Jacobson, Pianist

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING:

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

C: **Amen**

CALL TO WORSHIP

L: The Spirit is with us!

C: Bringing good news

L: Of wealth for the poor,

C: Release for the captives,

L: And sight for the blind.

C: The oppressed are now free,

L: Receiving God's favor.

C: The Spirit is with us!

OPENING HYMN *"Hark, the Glad Sound!"* ELW #239

- 1 Hark, the glad sound! The Savior comes, the Savior promised long; let ev'ry heart prepare a throne and ev'ry voice a song.
- 2 He comes the pris'ners to release, in Satan's bondage held. The gates of brass before him burst, the iron fetters yield.
- 3 He comes the broken heart to bind, the bleeding soul to cure, and with the treasures of his grace to enrich the humble poor.
- 4 Our glad hosannas, Prince of peace, your welcome shall proclaim,

and heav'n's eternal arches ring with your beloved name.

"Hark, the Glad Sound!" Text: Philip Doddridge, 1702-1751 Public Domain

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

P: We confess our sins before God and one another.

Pause for silence and reflection.

P: God of light,

C: You light a fire within us and ask us to shine, but we are quick to hide and make excuses. We shrink from challenges, avoid responsibility, and deny the goodness of your creation. We seek hollow praise and then don't believe it. Forgive us for hiding our God-given light and remaining self-absorbed.

P: Children of God, never fear, for you have always lived in the mercy of your creator. You are forgiven. May you be made whole and blessed with a wonderful relationship with God.

All: Amen.

KYRIE

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. **L. Christ have mercy.**

L. Lord have mercy. **C: Lord have mercy.**

HYMN OF PRAISE

"Doxology"

ELW #885

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise God, all creatures here below;
praise God above, ye heav'nly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

"Doxology" Text: Thomas Ken, 1637-1711, alt. Public Domain

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Powerful God, You stir up your people with challenging words. Open our ears to hear truly the truth which you bring, and may it shake up our lives so that we can be your faithful witnesses in the world. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 4:14-30

Pew Bible p. 835

Reader: Jamie Pohlmann

¹⁴Then Jesus, filled with the power of the Spirit, returned to Galilee, and a report about him spread through all the surrounding country. ¹⁵He began to teach in their synagogues and was praised by everyone. ¹⁶When he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the sabbath day, as was his custom. He stood up to read, ¹⁷and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written: ¹⁸“The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, ¹⁹to proclaim the year of the Lord’s favor.” ²⁰And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. ²¹Then he began to say to them, “Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing.” ²²All spoke well of him and were amazed at the gracious words that came from his mouth. They said, “Is not this Joseph’s son?” ²³He said to them, “Doubtless you will quote to me this proverb, ‘Doctor, cure yourself!’ And you will say, ‘Do here also in your hometown the things that we have heard you did at Capernaum.’” ²⁴And he said, “Truly I tell you, no prophet is accepted in the prophet’s hometown. ²⁵But the truth is, there were many widows in Israel in the time of Elijah, when the heaven was shut up three years and six months, and there was a severe famine over all the land; ²⁶yet Elijah was sent to none of them except to a widow at Zarephath in Sidon. ²⁷There were also many lepers in Israel in the time of the prophet Elisha, and none of them was cleansed except Naaman the Syrian.” ²⁸When they heard this, all in the synagogue were filled with rage. ²⁹They got up, drove him out of the town, and led him to the brow of the hill on which their town was built, so that they might hurl him off the cliff. ³⁰But he passed through the midst of them and went on his way.

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

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CHILDREN’S SERMON

Pastor Sarah

MESSAGE

Pastor Sarah

SONG OF THE DAY *“O Jesus, Joy of Loving Hearts”* ELW #658

- 1 O Jesus, joy of loving hearts, the fount of life, the light of all; from every bliss that earth imparts we turn, unfilled, to hear your call.
- 3 For you our restless spirits yearn, where'er our changing lot is cast; glad, when your smile on us you turn, blest, when by faith we hold you fast.
- 4 O Jesus, ever with us stay! Make all our moments fair and bright! Oh, chase the night of sin away! Shed o're the world your holy light.

APOSTLES' CREED

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Lord in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

SHARING OF THE PEACE

"Please share a greeting with those around you with a wave of your hand."

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.

OFFERING PRAYER

As Jesus offered his whole life to you, so move our hearts to dedicate all we have to your service. Bless these tokens of our gratitude for all that we have been given in this life, and of our desire that all may be fed, clothed, and freed from the things which bind them, by the power of your Holy Spirit. Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

BENEDICTION

Almighty God, Father, +Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever. Amen.

CLOSING HYMN *"Rise, Shine, You People!"* ELW #665

- 1 Rise, shine, you people! Christ the Lord has entered our human story; God in him is centered. He comes to us, by death and sin surrounded, with grace unbounded.

- 2 See how he sends the pow'rs of evil reeling; he brings us freedom, light and life and healing. All men and women, who by guilt are driven, now are forgiven.
- 3 Come, celebrate; your banners high unfurling, your songs and prayers against the darkness hurling. To all the world go out and tell the story of Jesus' glory.
- 4 Tell how the Father sent the Son to save us. Tell of the Son, who life and freedom gave us. Tell how the Spirit calls from ev'ry nation God's new creation.

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DISMISSAL

Go in Peace. Serve the Lord! / **We will! Thanks be to God!**

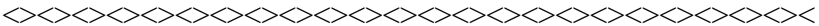
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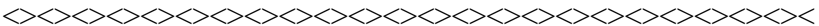
WELCOME to worship at American Lutheran Church! In the scripture reading, Jesus was busy teaching, healing, and performing miracles throughout the land. Unfortunately, the ones who failed to see God working through him were the people of his own hometown.

JOIN US NEXT WEEK for Fish for People, Luke 5:1-11.

RADIO SPONSORSHIP for today's worship service is in honor of John and Judy Holt's 50th Wedding Anniversary on Saturday, January 16th.



Attendance: Wednesday, 38; Sunday, 72;
Offering: \$9,722



Because ALC is committed to the care of each other we ask that you:

- Wear a face covering unless you are 5 years old or younger or your prohibited by a health condition.
- Keep a distance of 6 feet from others not in our family group.

- Be seated from front to back, and dismiss from back to front, as directed by an usher.
 - Leave the singing to song leaders.
 - Stay home when not feeling well.
- Thank you for doing your part!



ANNUAL MEETING: The American Lutheran Church's annual meeting will be held at 10am on January 24th after worship. Please consider attending this meeting. If you are unable to attend in person, a ZOOM link and password will be posted on our Facebook page and our Website. This meeting will not be recorded and published for viewing later.

Are you interested in **SPONSORING THE RADIO BROADCAST** on Sundays? Radio Sponsorships for the months of February and March are open! The cost is \$57 for a Sunday service sponsorship. Please contact the ALC office if you are interested in a sponsorship.

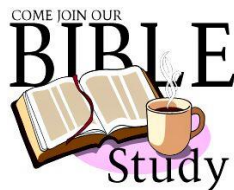
THE WINDOM ELEMENTARY/MIDDLE SCHOOL IS IN NEED OF VOLUNTEERS TO TRANSPORT YOUNG STUDENTS TO AND FROM SCHOOL, EACH SCHOOL DAY. These students do not receive bussing services at this time, and are too young to walk alone. Their parent's work schedules do not allow them to provide their child's transportation. If you would be willing to help these families and the school, please contact the Windom Elementary School office as soon as possible.

HELP WANTED: The American Lutheran Church of Windom is seeking a part-time youth coordinator and Christian education coordinator to help with our Bible And Me (BAM) Sunday school program and also our teenage youth groups. Christian Ed is 10 hours a week and Youth & Family is 8 hours a week. Apply for one or both. An application form is available in the church office or visit: www.alcofwindom.com.



GLOW SEWING DAYS have begun! Join us January 19th at 9 am in the fellowship hall. We'll be making quilts, baby care kits, fabric kits, personal care kits, and school kits for Lutheran World Relief. Come for an hour or all morning! No experience necessary! If you have any questions you may contact Kathy Hiley at 831-4109.

GLOW BIBLE STUDY Thursday, January 21st at 2 PM. Please join us in the ALC Meeting room or via Zoom. Contact the church office 831-1794 to be added to the Zoom Bible Study email list to receive the zoom link. This month's study is from the January "Gather" Magazine Bible Study "Journeys with Angels", page 24 Session One, Looking Up. Have questions; contact Carolyn Torkelson, 831-5986. Thank you!



FEELING ALONE? You are not the only one!! Quarantine is not fun and isolation doesn't help anybody's spirits. It is just the time we are in. Call a friend, reach out to others, and pray for God is near. Your church staff is also here for you. Don't hesitate to call or reach out!

John and Melanie Shamp will start leading a **TEEN BIBLE STUDY** starting on Sunday, February 7th at 4:30pm in the Youth room. Snacks will be provided and FUN will be had!

SHETEK REGISTRATION IS OPEN FOR SUMMER 2021! Early Bird deadline- February 1. Sign up before February 1 to get the biggest discount on camp this summer!

LEAGUES: Both Jr. League and Sr. League are on hold until further notice.

Volunteers are needed to help **DELIVER MEALS ON WHEELS** in February. Please consider helping this great cause. Contact Jane Silker at 831-3378 or the church office at 831-1794 if you're interested. Those receiving food are very grateful!



All that we have belongs to God. "The earth is the Lord's, and all that is in it, the world, and those who live in it" (Psalm 24:1).

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