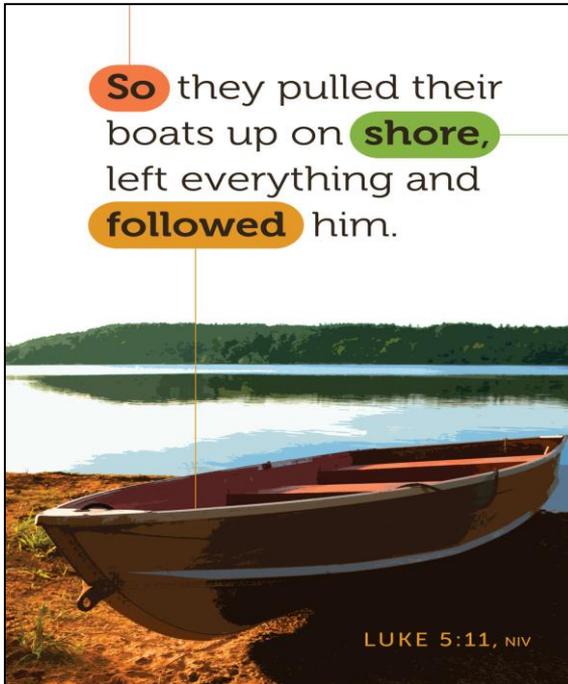


The American Lutheran Church of Windom

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



Sunday, January 24, 2021 9:00 AM
Third 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

Rozanne Gronseth, Pianist

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

Annual Meeting

GATHERING:

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

C: **Amen**

CALL TO WORSHIP

L: God has been revealed to us.

C: We are the people of the Lord!

L: The master steps into our lives

C: And prospers the work of our hands.

L: God has been revealed to us.

C: We are the people of the Lord!

OPENING HYMN *“Jesus Calls Us, O’er the Tumult”* ELW #696

- 1 Jesus calls us; o'er the tumult of our life's wild, restless sea, day by day his clear voice sounding, saying, "Christian, follow me":
- 2 As of old Saint Andrew heard it by the Galilean lake, turned from home and toil and kindred, leaving all for Jesus' sake.
- 4 In our joys and in our sorrows, days of toil and hours of ease, still he calls, in cares and pleasures, "Christian, love me more than these."
- 5 Jesus calls us! By your mercy, Savior, may we hear your call, give our hearts to your obedience, serve and love you best of all.

Text: Cecil Frances Alexander, 1818-1895

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. Hear the words of absolution and believe them: *you are forgiven, you are made whole, you are restored to God. Hallelujah!*

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

Wondrous God, You turned fishermen into disciples, teachers, and healers. Transform us in the ways which serve you best, and lead us fearlessly forward in faith. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 5:1-11

Pew Bible p. 836

Reader: Xavier Roberts

Once while Jesus was standing beside the lake of Gennesaret, and the crowd was pressing in on him to hear the word of God, ²he saw two boats there at the shore of the lake; the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. ³He got into one of the boats, the one belonging to Simon, and asked him to put out a little way from the shore. Then he sat down and taught the crowds from the boat. ⁴When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, "Put out into the deep water and let down your nets for a catch." ⁵Simon answered, "Master, we have worked

all night long but have caught nothing. Yet if you say so, I will let down the nets.”⁶When they had done this, they caught so many fish that their nets were beginning to break.⁷So they signaled their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both boats, so that they began to sink.⁸But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus’ knees, saying, “Go away from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man!”⁹For he and all who were with him were amazed at the catch of fish that they had taken;¹⁰and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. Then Jesus said to Simon, “Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching people.”¹¹When they had brought their boats to shore, they left everything and followed him.

The Word of the Lord/ Thanks be to God.

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CHILDREN’S SERMON

Pastor Adam

MESSAGE

Pastor Adam

SONG OF THE DAY

“Lead Me, Guide Me”

ELW #768

Chorus

Lead me, guide me, along the way; for if you lead me, I cannot stray.
Lord, let me walk each day with thee. Lead me, O Lord, lead me.

1. I am weak and I need thy strength and pow’r to help me over my weakest hour. Help me through the darkness thy face to see. Lead me, O Lord, lead me. *Refrain*
2. Help me tread in the paths of righteousness, be my aid when Satan and sin oppress. I am putting all my trust in thee. Lead me, O Lord, lead me. *Refrain*
3. I am lost if you take your hand from me, I am blind without thy light to see. Lord, just always let me thy servant be. Lead me, O Lord, lead me.

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ELW p.104

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,**

**God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven;
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary
and became truly human.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen**

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

You have given us much, O Lord, and so we give back. Bless these offerings of our lives and our livelihood. Use them for your good purposes in the world, and use our lives to serve your children. Amen.

HOLY COMMUNION

Words of Institution

Lord's Prayer

Please remain seated. All who recognize the real presence of Jesus in the Bread and the Wine are welcome to receive the sacrament of Holy Communion. During the Words of Institution, take in hand your communion kit. Please take the wafer when "The Body of Christ Given to you" is spoken. Please drink the juice when "The Blood of Christ Shed for you" is spoken. When concluded, place the cup back in the bag, which you can dispose of when leaving the sanctuary.

COMMUNION SONG

"Feed Us Now"

ALC #47

Piece of bread, glass of wine: Lord, this food is good!

Love and mercy come to us; Your promise we trust.

Piece of bread, glass of wine; Who can understand

How His mercy works in these? Yet, Lord, we believe.

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BENEDICTION

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

CLOSING HYMN ***"Will You Come and Follow Me"*** ELW #798

- 1 "Will you come and follow me if I but call your name? Will you go where you don't know and never be the same? Will you let my love be shown, will you let my name be known, will you let my life be grown in you and you in me?"
- 2 "Will you leave yourself behind if I but call your name? Will you care for cruel and kind and never be the same? Will you risk the hostile stare, should your life attract or scare? Will you let me answer pray'r in you and you in me?"
- 3 "Will you let the blinded see if I but call your name? Will you set the pris'ners free and never be the same? Will you kiss the leper clean, and do such as this unseen, and admit to what I mean in you and you in me?"
- 4 "Will you love the you you hide if I but call your name? Will you quell the fear inside and never be the same? Will you use the faith you've found to reshape the world around, through my sight and touch and sound in you and you in me?"
- 5 Lord, your summons echoes true when you but call my name. Let me turn and follow you and never be the same. In your company I'll go

where your love and footsteps show. Thus I'll move and live and grow in you and you in me.

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DISMISSAL

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

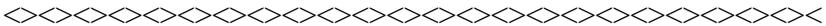
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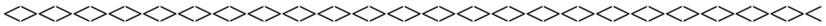
WELCOME to worship at American Lutheran Church! In the scripture reading, Peter was weary after a long night of fishing with nothing to show for it. But when a traveling preacher stepped into his boat, he would never be the same. Peter recognized almost immediately that Jesus was special. His willingness to see and believe earned him a front row seat to the world's greatest story.

JOIN US NEXT WEEK for Healing on the Sabbath, Luke 6:1-16.

RADIO SPONSORSHIP for today's worship service is in memory of Vangie Severson given by Chuck and Lee Severson.



Attendance: Wednesday, 32; Sunday, 66;
Offering: \$6,690



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 you're 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 TODAY: The American Lutheran Church's annual meeting will be held at 10am today, 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.

INSTALLATION OF BOARD MEMBERS AND COUNCIL MEMBERS will be on Wednesday, February 3rd at the 5:30 pm WOW service and Sunday, February 7th at the 9 am. Thanks to all who have agreed to serve ALC on our Boards and Council!

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 February 2nd and 16th 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.

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.

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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