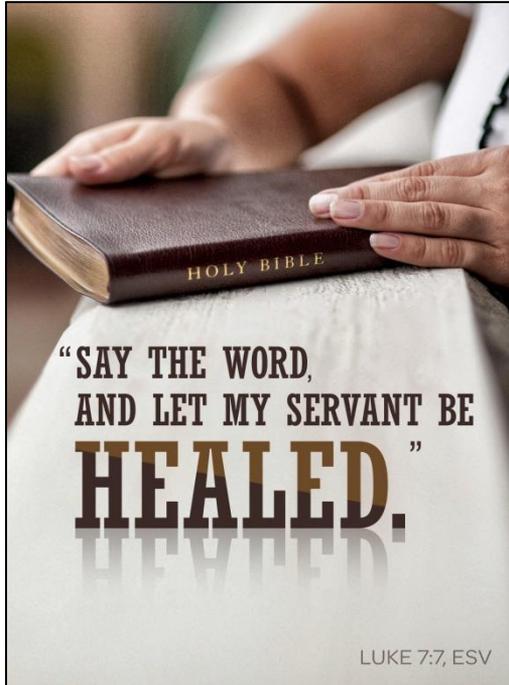


The American Lutheran Church of Windom

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



Sunday, February 7, 2021 9:00 AM
Fifth 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

Angie Erickson, Pianist

WELCOME

Four Chaplain's Sunday Statement-ELCA Chaplain Video

ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING:

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

C: **Amen**

CALL TO WORSHIP

L: Call upon the Lord

C: **That you may be healed.**

L: Jesus forgives our sins

C: **And sanctifies our souls.**

L: God has looked with favor

C: **Upon all people.**

OPENING HYMN **"10,000 Reasons"** (Bless The Lord)

Chorus: Bless the Lord O my soul O my soul, Worship His holy name, Sing like never before O my soul, I'll worship Your holy name

- 1.) The sun comes up it's a new day dawning, It's time to sing Your song again, Whatever may pass and whatever lies before me, Let me be singing when the evening comes
- 2.) You're rich in love and You're slow to anger, Your name is great and Your heart is kind, For all Your goodness I will keep on singing, Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find
- 3.) And on that day when my strength is failing, The end draws near and my time has come, Still my soul will sing Your praise unending, Ten thousand years and then forevermore

Tag: Worship Your holy name, Lord I'll worship Your holy name

Ending: Sing like never before O my soul, I'll worship Your holy name,
Worship Your holy name, Worship Your holy name

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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. Be made whole and be restored to God.

All: Amen.

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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 *"Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound"* ELW #779

- 1 Amazing grace! how sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me! I once was lost, but now am found; was blind but now I see.
- 4 The Lord has promised good to me; his word my hope secures; he will my shield and portion be as long as life endures.
- 5 When we've been there ten thousand years, bright shining as the sun, we've no less days to sing God's praise than when we'd first begun.

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

Holy God, You rewarded the faith of a Roman centurion who feared and trusted you. May we have the same unshakable faith in your mercy and ability to heal all that prevents us from serving you, for the sake of Jesus. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 7:1-17

Pew Bible p. 839

Reader: Sarah Tailowright

After Jesus had finished all his sayings in the hearing of the people, he entered Capernaum. ²A centurion there had a slave whom he valued highly, and who was ill and close to death. ³When he heard about Jesus, he sent some Jewish elders to him, asking him to come and heal his slave. ⁴When they came to Jesus, they appealed to him earnestly, saying, "He is worthy of having you do this for him, ⁵for he loves our people, and it is he who built our synagogue for us." ⁶And Jesus went with them, but when he was not far from the house, the centurion sent friends to say to him, "Lord, do not trouble yourself, for I am not worthy to have you come under my roof; ⁷therefore I did not presume to come to you. But only speak the word, and let my servant be healed. ⁸For I also am a man set under authority, with soldiers under me; and I say to one, 'Go,' and he goes, and to another, 'Come,' and he comes, and to my slave, 'Do this,' and the slave does it." ⁹When Jesus heard this he was amazed at him, and turning to the crowd that followed him, he said, "I tell you, not even in Israel have I found such faith." ¹⁰When those who had been sent returned to the house, they found the slave in good health. ¹¹Soon afterwards he went to a town called Nain, and his disciples and a large crowd went with him. ¹²As he approached the gate of the town, a man who had died was being carried out. He was his mother's only son, and she was a widow; and with her was a large crowd from the town. ¹³When the Lord saw her, he had compassion for her and said to her, "Do not weep." ¹⁴Then he came forward and touched the bier, and the bearers stood still. And he said, "Young man, I say to you, rise!" ¹⁵The dead man sat up and began to speak, and Jesus gave him to his mother. ¹⁶Fear seized all of them; and they glorified God, saying, "A great prophet has risen among us!" and "God has looked favorably on his people!" ¹⁷This word about him spread throughout Judea and all the surrounding country.

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

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CHILDREN'S SERMON

Pastor Sarah

MESSAGE

Our "No Limits" God

Pastor Sarah

SONG OF THE DAY

"Healer of our Every Ill"

ELW #612

Refrain: Healer of our ev'ry ill, light of each tomorrow, give us peace
beyond our fear, and hope beyond our sorrow.

- 1 You who know our fears and sadness, grace us with your peace and gladness; Spirit of all comfort, fill our hearts. Refrain
- 2 In the pain and joy beholding how your grace is still unfolding, give us all your vision, God of love. Refrain
- 3 Give us strength to love each other, ev'ry sister, ev'ry brother; Spirit of all kindness, be our guide. Refrain
- 4 You who know each thought and feeling, teach us all your way of healing; Spirit of compassion, fill each heart. Refrain

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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**

INSTALLATION OF BOARD MEMBERS

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

When we put our trust in you, we find that we have everything we need. Accept these gifts; bless them and use them for the advancement of your earthly kingdom and the spread of your heavenly gospel of good news. 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

CLOSING HYMN

“Lord of All Hopefulness”

ELW #765

- 1 Lord of all hopefulness, Lord of all joy, whose trust, ever child-like, no cares could destroy: be there at our waking, and give us, we pray, your bliss in our hearts, Lord, at the break of the day.
- 2 Lord of all eagerness, Lord of all faith, whose strong hands were skilled at the plane and the lathe: be there at our labors, and give us, we pray, your strength in our hearts, Lord, at the noon of the day.
- 3 Lord of all kindness, Lord of all grace, your hands swift to welcome, your arms to embrace: be there at our homing, and give us, we pray,

your love in our hearts, Lord, at the eve of the day.

- 4 Lord of all gentleness, Lord of all calm, whose voice is contentment, whose presence is balm: be there at our sleeping, and give us, we pray, your peace in our hearts, Lord, at the end of the day.

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DISMISSAL

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

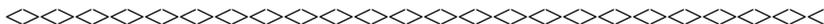
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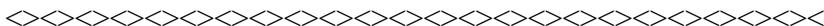
WELCOME to worship at American Lutheran Church! In the scripture reading, Jesus was busy healing and teaching throughout the countryside. When a Roman centurion asked for Jesus’ help, it took Jesus by surprise.

JOIN US NEXT WEEK for Transfiguration, Luke 9:28-45

RADIO SPONSORSHIP for today’s worship service is in memory of Gloria Anderson’s birthday today, February 7th given by Jim Anderson.



Attendance: Wednesday, 37; Sunday, 56;
Offering: \$4,195



NEXT WEEK’S NOISY OFFERING is designated to our Vacation Bible School (VBS) Program. Please bring your spare change!

INSTALLATION OF BOARD MEMBERS AND COUNCIL MEMBERS

today, Sunday, February 7th. Thanks to all who have agreed to serve ALC on our Boards and Council!

ALTAR GUILD is CANCELED for Tuesday, February 9th, 2021.

ALL BOARD RELAUNCH: Tuesday, February 9th at 6:30 PM in the fellowship hall. Boards will meet at 7pm and council will follow at 8 PM.

DELEGATES NEEDED: ALC is hosting the Shetek Conference Assembly this year, to be held in the Fellowship Hall at 2:00 PM on February 21st. We are looking for 4 additional people to attend. Come learn about the activities of our Conference! Help do the work of the church. You may attend by ZOOM. If interested, please call the office. Thank you!

EASTER FLOWER order forms were sent out in the messenger and are located in the Narthex on the back table for those who are interested in ordering. The deadline to order Easter Flowers is **March 8th at 12 noon.**

LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF: GLOW is doing a supplies drive in order to pack baby care kits for LWR. Each month we ask for a specific item, however, you can donate what you wish whenever you want. Donations from the congregation are greatly appreciated! Thank you! February Items needed: Ivory soap, bath size bars.

We're
HIRING

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.

UPDATE: GLOW SEWING DAYS will now be from 9AM-2PM! The next GLOW sewing day is Tuesday, February 16th in the fellowship hall. Please bring a sack lunch. 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 the whole time! No experience necessary! If you have any questions you may contact Kathy Hiley at 831-4109.

John and Melanie Shamp will start leading a **TEEN BIBLE STUDY** "*You were Made to Make a Difference*" by Max Lucado and his daughter Jenna Lucado Bishop starting today, Sunday, February 7th at 4:30pm in the Youth room. Snacks will be provided and FUN will be had!

CAMPERSHIP DRAWING: It's that time of the year again! We will be doing a drawing for one FREE full week of camp and one FREE mini camp! Get your child signed up by contacting the church office at 831-1794 or winalc@windomnet.com by Friday, February 19th! We will be doing the drawing on Monday, February 22nd!

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

ANNUAL ASSEMBLY OF THE SHETEK CONFERENCE will be Sunday, February 21st, 2021 at 2 PM in-person at the American Lutheran Church, Windom and via Zoom.

A.L.I.C.E. TRAINING: The Windom police department will be offering ALICE training to local congregations on Sunday, February 21st, 2021 from 6:30PM-8:30PM at the E-Free Church, Windom. An ALICE training helps congregations know what to do if there was ever an active shooter. Due to Covid we are only allowed to bring 30 people. If you would like to attend please let Pastor Adam know or contact the church office.

AED Training: Please Note - this will be held 02/28 and not 02/07 as previously announced. Cardiac emergencies can happen to anyone at any time, even in church. Knowing how to handle this crisis leads to a greater survival rate. ALC has an AED (Automated External Defibrillator) and we want to make sure our ushers and enough members know how to use it. **An AED training course will be held on Feb. 28 at 10 AM** following worship in the Skylight Court taught by Jim Axford. COVID guidelines will be followed. Please RSVP to the ALC office if you plan to attend. Thank you!

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