



WORSHIP AT THE LAKE

9:00 AM

Sunday, July 18th, 2021

Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

American Lutheran Church, Windom

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5:45 PM Wednesday Worship

9:00 AM Sunday Worship at the Lake

Pastors Sarah Tadé and Adam Roberts

Ministers: Everyone

ASSISTING MINISTER

Tera Elness

GATHERING MUSIC

Angie Erickson, Keyboard

WELCOME

ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING

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

C: **Amen**

CALL TO WORSHIP

L: Grace to you and peace,

C: From God our loving parent and the Lord Jesus Christ.

L: We come together as individuals,

C: And we will leave here a community.

OPENING HYMN

"He's Got the Whole World in His Hands"

1. He's got the whole world in His hands; He's got the whole wide world in His hands; He's got the whole world in His hands; He's got the whole world in His hands.
2. He's got the wind and rain in His hands; He's got the wind and rain in His hands; He's got the wind and rain in His hands; He's got the whole world in His hands.
3. He's got you and me in His hands; He's got you and me in His hands; He's got you and me in His hands; He's got the whole world in His hands.
4. He's got every-body in His hands; He's got every-body in His hands; He's got every-body in His hands; He's got the whole world in His hands.

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CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

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

Pause for silence and reflection.

L: God of grace,

C: We gather in your house full of regret and remorse for the things that have kept us from fulfilling your calling. We have failed to act, and we have behaved in ways that disappoint. But we are your children, and you have promised to forgive. We ask for your forgiveness and the desire to do your work in the world.

L: God loves and forgives all of God's children. You are completely forgiven of everything you have ever done. May you move through the world unburdened by sin, for the sake of Jesus Christ.

C: Amen.

HYMN OF PRAISE

"I Sing Praises"

ALC #138

Verse 1

I sing praises to Your name, O Lord, praises to Your name O Lord, for Your name is great and greatly to be praised. I sing praises to Your name, O Lord, praises to Your name, O Lord, for Your name is great and greatly to be praised.

Verse 2

I give glory to Your name, O Lord, glory to Your name, O Lord, for Your name is great and greatly to be praised. I give glory to Your name, O Lord, glory to Your name, O Lord, for Your name is great and greatly to be praised.

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

L: God of community,

C: We come into this worship space as individuals, separated by what makes us different. We pray that as we worship, the spirit of Jesus in us would break down those barriers, so that we go out into the world as sisters and brothers. Amen.

SPECIAL MUSIC

Erickson Family

SCRIPTURE READING

Ephesians 2:11-22

Pew Bible p. 950

Reader: Jane Cartwright

So then, remember that at one time you Gentiles by birth, called "the uncircumcision" by those who are called "the circumcision" —a physical circumcision made in the flesh by human hands— remember that you were at that time without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ.

For he is our peace; in his flesh he has made both groups into one and has broken down the dividing wall, that is, the hostility between us. He has abolished the law with its commandments and ordinances, that he might create in himself one new humanity in place of the two, thus making peace, and might reconcile both groups to God in one body through the cross, thus putting to death that hostility through it. So he came and proclaimed peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near; for through him both of us have access in one Spirit to the Father. So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone. In him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord; in whom you also are built together spiritually into a dwelling place for God.

The Word of the Lord/ Thanks be to God.

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CHILDREN'S SERMON

Tera Elness, Christian Education Coordinator

MESSAGE

Pastor Sarah

SONG OF THE DAY ***“In Christ There is No East or West”*** ELW #650

- 1 In Christ there is no east or west, in him no south or north, but one community of love throughout the whole wide earth.
- 2 In Christ shall true hearts ev'rywhere their high communion find; his service is the golden cord close binding humankind.
- 3 Join hands, disciples of the faith, whate'er your race may be. All children of the living God are surely kin to me.
- 4 In Christ now meet both east and west, in him meet south and north; all Christly souls are one in him throughout the whole wide earth.

“In Christ There is No East or West” Text: John Oxenham, 1852-1941, alt. Public Domain

RECOGNITION OF NEW MEMBERS

APOSTLES' CREED

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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

SHARING OF THE PEACE

“Please share a sign of God’s peace with those around you with either a wave of your hand or a hand shake: “Peace be with you” Response: “And also with you!”

OFFERING

*We give, because God gives to us! Our ministries share God’s love.
Please place your offering in the boxes located on the table off to the side.*

OFFERTORY RESPONSE ***“Create in Me”*** ALC #14

Create in me a clean heart, O God, that I might serve You; Create in me a clean heart, O God, that I might be renewed. So fill me and heal me, and bring me back to You. Create in me a clean heart, oh God, that I might serve You

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PRAYER

We bring so many gifts into your church—our talents, our time, and our possessions. Receive the gifts we bring to enrich the diversity of this colorful world. In Jesus’ name we pray. Amen.

LORD’S PRAYER

BENEDICTION

CLOSING HYMN ***“The Church’s One Foundation”*** ELW #654

- 1 The church's one foundation is Jesus Christ, her Lord; she is his new creation by water and the word. From heav'n he came and sought her to be his holy bride; with his own blood he bought her, and for her life he died.

A special welcome also to any who have not worshipped with us before! The American Lutheran Church of Windom has the vision of all people enjoying a *life giving relationship with God*. We love to gather and form community with a wide variety of people. If you hope to grow in your own faith journey or would love to have a church to call home, talk to one of the pastors, worship leaders or anyone you meet here this morning. We are all in this together!

****NEXT WEEK MID-YEAR MEETING:** Following the worship service Sunday, July 25th the mid-year congregational meeting will be held. This is a time to review progress on projects and to look forward to the second half of the year. Come and stay in the loop on what's all happening here at ALC! All voting members are encouraged to attend.**



For those **VOLUNTEERING AT THE BANQUET** in Sioux Falls Thursday, July 22nd: The bus will leave the church parking lot at 3:00PM. The Volunteer Dress Code: Jeans, casual pants, capris, long shorts, NO open-toed shoes, and long hair pulled back to serve on the food line. Thank you in advance to all who donate items, money, and/or their time. Reminder: please wear closed-toed shoes-no sandals.

CHURCH SOFTBALL: Sunday, July 18th, 2021, come cheer on ALC!
6:45 PM Church Softball, Bergen Ball Field: ALC 1 vs The Gathering 1
6:45 PM Church Softball, Eagle Field: ALC 2 vs The Free Church



WE DID IT!!! Parking lot Fundraiser \$20,106.00! Thank you to everyone who donated! Properties Board Update: Two years ago we requested bids for the upkeep of the parking lot. Bids ranged from \$18,773 to \$89,100. Under the financial circumstances, the Properties Board felt we would opt for the seal coat which would buy us a few more years of use before the existing surface would have to be removed. The deep holes and widest cracks have been filled and a coat of penetrating sealer applied. It doesn't look perfect, but it will get us through a few more years until our other financial obligations have been taken care of.

GLOW SUMMER BIBLE STUDY: Join us on Thursday, July 22nd from 9:00 am to 11:30 am in the meeting room across from the church office. Pastor Sarah will lead us as we explore the "Just L.I.F.E" Bible study series in the June, July, and August Gather Magazine. New to Bible Study? See Gina in the church office for a copy of the bible study. All gals, young and old and in between are WELCOME! Come for a morning of enrichment, refreshments and fellowship! Questions? Call Carolyn Torkelson at 822-0229.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS! August 1st provides a wonderful opportunity to experience "Musicals with a Mission's" production of **CHILDREN OF EDEN**. This joyous and inspirational musical about parents, children, and faith tells the story of Adam, Eve, Noah and their respective children and the inspiring message that "the hardest part of love...is letting go." This cast and crew is under the direction of Kari Vaupel.

The Church in Society is planning a **BLOCK PARTY ON AUGUST 8**. We are looking for **YARD GAMES**--bean bag toss, ladder golf, yard Jenga, and yard Yahtzee etc. If you have any of these games or others we may use, please contact Betty Olson. Thank you! 831-4684

The **LAST WORSHIP SERVICE** this year at **Cottonwood Lake** is scheduled for 9:00 AM on August 15th. Hope to see you there.

CONFIRMATION GUIDE ANNOUNCEMENT: We're getting the ball rolling early looking for confirmation guides for this coming year. As a guide you spend twenty minutes with a small group of

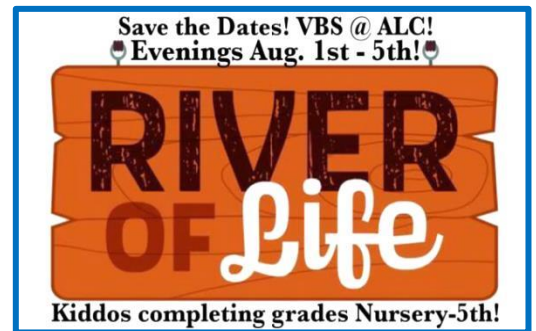
kids after the confirmation lesson, talk with them about the lesson using a worksheet that has everything laid out for you, and mostly just spend time simply listening to their highs and lows and being there for them. This is a very powerful ministry in which every year the kids talk about how much they appreciated the guides. Please pray about this and let us know if you're interested.

SUNDAY/WEDNESDAY SCHOOL ENROLLMENT: If you have a child that is turning 3 years old by September 1st and will be enrolling in Sunday/Wednesday school please call the office at (507)831-1794 and let us know.

Are you interested in **SPONSORING THE RADIO BROADCAST** on Sundays? The cost is \$57 for a Sunday service sponsorship. The months of August, September, and October are open. Please contact the ALC office if you are interested in a sponsorship.

Christian Education:

VBS Registration DEADLINE TODAY, Sunday, July 18th!
VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL! This year's Summer VBS will be held **Sunday - Thursday, August 1st - 5th**, from **5:30-8:00pm**, and is offered to ALL kiddos (regardless of denomination) completing Nursery - 5th grade. (Nursery indicates one year of preschool under the belt.)



Our **theme** is "RIVER OF LIFE", and our curriculum was produced by ELCA World Hunger. This curriculum centers in on the words found in Ezekiel 47:1-12, amongst which we find these words found in verse 9... "Wherever the river goes,¹ every living creature that swarms will live, and there will be very many fish, once these waters reach there. It will become fresh; and everything will live where the river goes." -Ezekiel 47:9 (and don't you just love that? me too!)

Each night will consist of lesson time, recess time, music and skit time, crafts time, and snack time too! Oh My and Woohoo!

There is **NO COST** to attend VBS; **registration is open now to July 18th**. You may fill out a registration sheet in the office or go to our website or Facebook page and click on the link to fill out a digital registration form.

MOVIE ALERT!: Join us this Thursday, July 22nd, 1:30 PM at the **Windom State Theater** for a **FREE** showing of **EVAN ALMIGHTY** sponsored by our ALC Christian Education Board. All are welcome!



YOUTH NEWS:

YOUTH Fundraisers:

- **COFFEE + CINNAMON ROLL FUNDRAISER: TODAY!** Sunday, July 18th
- **HOTDISH FUNDRAISER:** Sunday, July 25th: 8X8 pan=\$10 and 9X13 pan=\$15.
- **CAR WASH FUNDRAISERS:** Sunday, July 25th; 11am-3pm. Suggested \$10 donation.

ARNOLD'S PARK TRIP: Tuesday, July 27th leaving at 1pm. For more information and to sign-up check out the Youth & Family and Christian Ed bulletin board!

We are personally accountable to God for how we use the money that God has entrusted to us. "For all of us must appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each may receive recompense for what has been done in the body, whether good or evil" (2 Cor. 5:10).

THIS WEEK AT AMERICAN LUTHERAN

Today, Sunday, July 18

New Member Sunday

VBS Registration Deadline

Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

9:00 AM Worship at Cottonwood Lake

10:00 AM Youth Coffee and Cinnamon Roll Fundraiser at the Lake

10:15 AM Adult Study at Cottonwood Lake

10:30 AM Radio Broadcast 103.1 FM KDOM

6:45 PM Church Softball, Bergen Ball Field: ALC 1 vs The Gathering 1

6:45 PM Church Softball, Eagle Field: ALC 2 vs The Free Church

Monday, July 19

Tuesday, July 20

Messenger Deadline

8:00 AM Men's Breakfast Bible Study

1:15 PM Staff Team Huddle

Wednesday, July 21

1:30 PM Mikkelson Manor

2:30 PM Pine View

Thursday, July 22

9:00 AM- 11:30 AM GLOW Women's Bible Study

9:00 AM Bulletin Deadline

10:00 AM/6:30 PM Cable TV

4:00 PM The Banquet, Sioux Falls, SD

Friday, July 23

Arnolds Park sign-up Deadline

Saturday, July 24

5:30 PM Chapel Service

Sunday, July 25

Mid-Year Meeting, following worship

Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

9:00 AM Worship w/Holy Communion

~~10:00 AM Skylight Court Cafe-Coffee Hour~~ (**CANCELED**)

10:00 AM Youth Hotdish Fundraiser

10:30 AM Radio Broadcast 103.1 FM KDOM

11:00 AM- 3:00 PM Youth Car Wash

4:00 PM- 5:30 PM Jr. League

5:30 PM Church Softball, Bergen Ball Field: ALC 1 vs The Baptist

6:45 PM Church Softball, Bergen Ball Field: ALC 2 vs The Methodist