

# The American Lutheran Church of Windom

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

**Sunday, August 29th, 2021 9:00 AM**  
*Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost*



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Saturdays 5:30 pm Chapel Worship  
Sundays 9:00 am Worship

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*Ministers: Everyone*

**WELCOME!**

**WE ARE HAPPY YOU ARE WORSHIPPING WITH US TODAY**

**How Can We Serve You?**

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Phone Number:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

***\*By turning this in, I give my permission for ALC to use my information for contact purposes.***

**Preferred Contact Method:**    ☐ **Phone**                      ☐ **Email**

☐ **I would like information about joining ALC**

☐ **I would like a call and/or visit from a pastor**

☐ **I am a current member of ALC and this is an UPDATE to my information (examples: address change, name change, if you would like our weekly emails, please specify: \_\_\_\_\_.)**

☐ **I have a prayer request: \_\_\_\_\_**

***Please fill out, tear off bulletin, and place in the offering plate.***

***We'd love to be in touch with you.***

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***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](http://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 and ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**GATHERING**

**P:** Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

**C: Amen**

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

**L:** Rejoice! For God is here! No beast shall rise

**C: That God cannot tame.**

**L:** No evil exists

**C: That God cannot eradicate.**

**L:** Rejoice!

**C: For God is here!**

OPENING HYMN

*“Wake, Awake, for Night is Flying”*

ELW #436

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

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

*Pause for silence and reflection.*

L: Eternal Lord,

**C: We live in a world of anguish, and our sin only multiplies our suffering. Our despair discourages others. Our hopelessness paralyzes us from carrying out your work in the world. We pray for mercy, for strength, and for our faith to be restored, knowing that all good things come from you. Amen.**

L: God will indeed make all things new. Our Creator knows, hears, and answers the cries of our hearts. Despair no more, for you are forgiven in the name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit. Be refreshed, and receive the peace which knows no end.

**C: Amen.**

KYRIE

Lord have mercy / **Lord have mercy**

Christ have mercy / **Christ have mercy**

Lord have mercy / **Lord have mercy**

HYMN OF PRAISE

*“You Are Holy (Prince of Peace)”*

ALC #160

PRAYER OF THE DAY

L: Mighty God,

**C: We tremble at the beasts and evil that walk among us. Please Lord, give us courage, and remind us that you are more powerful than they are. Amen.**

SHETEK WRAP-UP

SCRIPTURE READING Revelation 13:1-18 Pew Bible p.1002

Reader: Tera Elness, Jennifer Turner, Jack Elness

And I saw a beast rising out of the sea having ten horns and seven heads; and on its horns were ten diadems, and on its heads were blasphemous names. And the beast that I saw was like a leopard, its feet were like a bear's, and its mouth was like a lion's mouth. And the dragon gave it his power and his throne and great

authority. One of its heads seemed to have received a death-blow, but its mortal wound had been healed. In amazement the whole earth followed the beast. They worshiped the dragon, for he had given his authority to the beast, and they worshiped the beast, saying, "Who is like the beast, and who can fight against it?" The beast was given a mouth uttering haughty and blasphemous words, and it was allowed to exercise authority for forty-two months. It opened its mouth to utter blasphemies against God, blaspheming his name and his dwelling, that is, those who dwell in heaven. Also it was allowed to make war on the saints and to conquer them. It was given authority over every tribe and people and language and nation, and all the inhabitants of the earth will worship it, everyone whose name has not been written from the foundation of the world in the book of life of the Lamb that was slaughtered. Let anyone who has an ear listen: If you are to be taken captive, into captivity you go; if you kill with the sword, with the sword you must be killed. Here is a call for the endurance and faith of the saints. Then I saw another beast that rose out of the earth; it had two horns like a lamb and it spoke like a dragon. It exercises all the authority of the first beast on its behalf, and it makes the earth and its inhabitants worship the first beast, whose mortal wound had been healed. It performs great signs, even making fire come down from heaven to earth in the sight of all; and by the signs that it is allowed to perform on behalf of the beast, it deceives the inhabitants of earth, telling them to make an image for the beast that had been wounded by the sword and yet lived; and it was allowed to give breath to the image of the beast so that the image of the beast could even speak and cause those who would not worship the image of the beast to be killed. Also it causes all, both small and great, both rich and poor, both free and slave, to be marked on the right hand or the forehead, so that no one can buy or sell who does not have the mark, that is, the name of the beast or the number of its name. This calls for wisdom: let anyone with understanding calculate the number of the beast, for it is the number of a person. Its number is six hundred sixty-six.

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

MESSAGE

Pastor Adam

SONG OF THE DAY    ***“Onward Christian Soldiers”***    (screens)

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.*

RESPONSE        ***“Create in Me a Clean Heart”***        ELW #186

PRAYER

**Holy and mighty Lord, we bring these gifts before you in the hopes you will use what we offer to bring light and goodness into the world. Receive what we offer out of gratitude and awe at your majesty. Amen.**

LORD’S PRAYER

BENEDICTION

CLOSING HYMN        ***“Protector of My Soul”***        ALC #117

Verse 1

Oh, Protector of my soul, You will stand against the foe; In the dark You'll be a light for me, Oh, Protector of my soul.

Chorus

You, who created the ends of the earth, Guided me unto Your throne: Offered Your healing hand to me, Mercifully made me Your own.

Verse 2

Oh, gracious God above, I could never earn Your love; I'm amazed to see all You've given me. Oh, gracious God above.    *Chorus*

Oh, Holy Spirit, come, Show the world where life comes from;  
May they always see You alive in me. Oh, Holy Spirit, come.

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

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**JOIN US NEXT WEEK** for ..... Powerful God:  
Revelation 13: 1-18

A **RADIO GIFT** was also given in memory of Merlin Clark by Cindy Clark.

Attendance last Saturday 32; Sunday 72;  
Offering \$4,930

**SHETEK COUNCILORS SCHOLARSHIP:** Did you know that if you work at Shetek Lutheran Ministries all summer following high school or as a young adult the ALC Trust Fund will provide you with a scholarship up to \$1,000 toward your college tuition? Besides that, it's fun, a great

experience, and you'll likely make friends for life. Try it!! Thank you, ALC Trust Fund for this support.

Today's **SKYLIGHT COURT CAFÉ** is in honor of Celesti Bueler's birthday. Help her celebrate and enjoy a treat!

**GLOW trip to DYKSTRA FLOWER GARDEN** Blomkest, MN on Wednesday, September 1st, 2021. **SIGN-UP BY SUNDAY, AUGUST 29TH by NOON (No Exceptions) on the bulletin board by the office.** We'll carpool and depart from the church parking lot at 10am. A lunch will be served when we arrive. Then we'll tour the gardens and a treat will be served following the garden tour. There is no charge; however a free will donation is appreciated for Guatemala Missions! Join us for a day of fun! All are welcome!

**SPONSOR A BIBLE!** Do you love to share God's word with children and youth? The Christian Education Board is looking for Bible Sponsors for those who are being baptized, entering nursery or 3rd grade, and the 7th - 9th grade confirmation classes for the 2021-2022 school year. Bibles are \$20 each and will be presented to students this fall. A Bible Sponsor Form was included in the September Messenger. You may also pick one up on the table in the Narthex or in the church office. Thank you for helping to form the faith of our children and youth!!

**MANDATORY CONFIRMATION STUDENT/PARENT MEETING** on Wednesday, September 1st, 2021 at 6:30pm in the Sanctuary.

**CONFIRMATION SMALL GROUP GUIDES MEETING** on Wednesday, September 8th, 2021 at 7:00pm in the Fellowship Hall.



**CHRISTIAN EDUCATION NEWS:**  
**SUNDAY/WEDNESDAY SCHOOL REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN AND ONLINE FOR THE 2021-2022**

**SCHOOL YEAR!** Tera will be available after service today, or you may register online through our church website or link found on our FB page! Students are not automatically enrolled, so registration must be completed. Classes will be held on Sundays following service from 10:15-11:00am and Wednesday evenings prior to service from 5:30-6:15pm. Wednesday night suppers will begin each week at 5pm! You may pick up a registration form in the church office or go to our website, Facebook page, or our What's Up at ALC email to register.

Our School Year Kicks Off this Year with **RALLY DAY** on Sunday, September 26th for ALL students whether enrolled in Sunday class OR

Wednesday class. RALLY DAY will be a fun and eventful morning (and grill-out lunch!) here at Church, so mark your calendars!

**\*\*\*WE NEED YOU!\*\*\***

With classes offered twice each week for Students Nursery-6th Grade, we need TEACHERS! Our teachers TEAM-teach which allows for flexibility throughout the school year. Please get a hold of CEC Tera if you are willing to serve in this important and impactful ministry. You will be part of an AMAZING team, and we'll have some big time FUN along with the way too!

You will soon be receiving your September Messenger, it's packed full of really good stuff regarding Christian Education - its ministries and opportunities - so PLEASE read through it carefully and contact CEC Tera if you have any questions, or are interested/willing to help fill a gap! We APPRECIATE You Members!

God uses money as a tool to help us grow. "Take care! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; for one's life does not consist in the abundance of possessions" (Luke 12:15).

### **THIS WEEK AT AMERICAN LUTHERAN CHURCH**

**Sunday, August 29**, *Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost*

GLOW: Dykstra Flower Garden Sign-up Deadline by 12 Noon

9:00 AM Worship

10:00 AM Skylight Court Café-Coffee Hour

10:30 AM Radio Broadcast 103.1 FM KDOM

**Monday, August 30**

**Tuesday, August 31**

8:00 AM Men's Breakfast Bible Study

1:15 PM Staff Team Huddle

5:30 PM Christian Education Board Meeting

**Wednesday, September 1**

10:00 AM GLOW Dykstra Flower Garden Trip

**Thursday, September 2**

9:00 AM Bulletin Deadline

10:00 AM & 6:30 PM Cable TV

**Friday, September 3**

**Saturday, September 4**

5:30 PM Chapel Service

**Sunday, September 5**, *Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost*

9:00 AM Worship w/Holy Communion

10:00 AM Skylight Court Café-Coffee Hour

10:30 AM Radio Broadcast 103.1 FM KDOM