

# The American Lutheran Church of Windom

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

**Sunday, August 8th, 2021 9:00 AM**  
*Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost*

**“Holy,**  
holy, holy  
is the **Lord** God  
**Almighty,**  
who was,  
and is, and is  
**to come.”**

**Revelation 4:8**

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

Pastors Sarah Tadé and Adam Roberts  
*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.***

**ASSISTING MINISTER**

**Kim Armstrong**

**GATHERING MUSIC**

**Priscilla Jacobson, Pianist**

**WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Noisy Offering**

***St. Dysmas***

**Pastor Adam, Brandon Roskamp and youth are returning from the canoe trip to the Superior National Forest.**

**Temple Talk: Galen Kauffama, Program Manager for Rebuilding Together Minnesota**

**Block Party tonight, 5pm-7pm!**

**GATHERING**

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

**C: Amen**

## CALL TO WORSHIP

L: Holy is the Lord God Almighty!

**C: Who was, and is, and is to come.**

L: God is worthy to receive glory and honor and power,

**C: For by God's will all things exist and were created.**

## OPENING HYMN

*"Holy Holy, Holy"*

ELW #413

## 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. + The One who comes in power also comes in love, and death has no dominion in the world to come. Be refreshed, and receive the peace which knows no end.

**C: Amen.**

## KYRIE

Spoken

Lord have mercy. / **Lord have mercy.**  
Christ have mercy. / **Christ have mercy.**  
Lord have mercy. / **Lord have mercy.**

## HYMN OF PRAISE

*"You Are Holy"*

ALC #160

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

L: Heavenly Creator,

**C: We live in a world of increasing confusion and mixed messages. Show us clearly the path that you have set, the way that leads to you alone. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.**

## 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!"*

## HOLY COMMUNION

Words of Institution

Lord's Prayer

Distribution

Priscilla J. meditative music

Post Communion Prayer

SCRIPTURE READING    Revelation 4:1-11    Pew Bible p. 997

Reader: Keith Bloomgren and Lilly Derickson

After this I looked, and there in heaven a door stood open! And the first voice, which I had heard speaking to me like a trumpet, said, "Come up here, and I will show you what must take place after this."

At once I was in the spirit, and there in heaven stood a throne, with one seated on the throne! And the one seated there looks like jasper and carnelian, and around the throne is a rainbow that looks like an emerald. Around the throne are twenty-four thrones, and seated on the thrones are twenty-four elders, dressed in white robes, with golden crowns on their heads. Coming from the throne are flashes of lightning, and rumblings and peals of thunder, and in front of the throne burn seven flaming torches, which are the seven spirits of God; and in front of the throne there is something like a sea of glass, like crystal. Around the throne, and on each side of the throne, are four living creatures, full of eyes in front and behind: the first living creature like a lion, the second living creature like an ox, the third living creature with a face like a human face, and the fourth living creature like a flying eagle. And the four living creatures, each of them with six wings, are full of eyes all around and inside. Day and night without ceasing they sing,

"Holy, holy, holy, the Lord God the Almighty, who was and is and is to come."

And whenever the living creatures give glory and honor and thanks to the one who is seated on the throne, who lives forever and ever, the twenty-four elders fall before the one who is seated on the throne and worship the one who lives forever and ever; they cast their crowns before the throne, singing,

"You are worthy, our Lord and God, to receive glory and honor and power, for you created all things, and by your will they existed and were created."

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

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MESSAGE

Pastor Sarah

SONG OF THE DAY

***“Come, We that Love the Lord”***

(vs 1, 3 & 4)

ELW #625

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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

OFFERING (*Passing of the plate*)

*We give, because God gives to us! Our ministries share God’s love.*

RESPONSE

***“Create in Me a Clean Heart”***

ELW #186

PRAYER

**You do not wish, O God, that we would be paralyzed in the presence of your glory. Rather you invite us to come to you and offer ourselves humbly to your service. Receive our gifts and use them to the glory of your holy will. Amen.**

BENEDICTION

CLOSING HYMN

***“How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds”***

(vs. 1, 3, 6 & 7)

ELW #620

DISMISSAL

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

POSTLUDE

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**WELCOME** to worship at American Lutheran Church. Today begins a 5 week preaching series on the book of Revelation. In the scripture reading, the writer of Revelation so well cloaked his letter to the early Christians in bizarre imagery; it seems he was destined to be misunderstood. But the message is clear: God’s power transcends everything; there is nothing to fear.

**JOIN US NEXT WEEK** for ....Jesus is the Lamb of God.

Revelation 5:1-13

A **RADIO GIFT** was also given in honor of Elaine Henry's 90<sup>th</sup> birthday, today, August 8<sup>th</sup>.

Attendance last Saturday 24; Sunday 129;  
Offering \$8,847



St. Dysmas  
hope beyond bars

**TODAY's SKYLIGHT COURT CAFÉ COFFEE HOUR** is hosted by Elaine Henry for her 90<sup>th</sup> birthday today, August 8<sup>th</sup>. All are welcome to join for coffee and goodies following worship in the Skylight Court.

**GLOW MEETING: TODAY** Sunday, August 8<sup>th</sup> at 10am in the ALC Meeting Room. 33 women enjoyed our trip to Painted Prairie Vineyard! We need your ideas for future events! Please come and help us plan! ALL women of ALC are welcome!

**CHURCH SOFTBALL:** Come out to Bergen Ballfields today to catch the end of the Church Softball Tournament!

**ALC BLOCK PARTY TONIGHT!!** Sunday, August 8th from 5-7.  
Come for free food and games in the hopes that we can become familiar with our neighbors, congregation, and members. Let's show this neighborhood what a fun and nice group of people we are!

**IN THE NEWS:** Minnesota has been experiencing areas of increased concern regarding the Delta variant. Please continue to take health precautions to help protect you and your neighbors. We want to provide a safe place to worship.

**RETIREMENT CELEBRATION FOR PASTOR KEITH ZEH:** The Northwestern Minnesota Synod will be hosting a retirement celebration in honor of Pastor Keith Zeh on Sunday, August 29, from 3 – 5 pm (with

a brief program at 5:00) at Our Savior's Lutheran Church, 610 13<sup>th</sup> St N, in Moorhead, MN. Pastor Keith served at American Lutheran from 1991 - 1995. In addition to 13 years of parish ministry, he has served as a Director for Evangelical Mission in the Northwestern MN Synod as well as other synods in the region for the last 26 years. Greetings may be mailed to Northwestern MN Synod, Concordia College, Moorhead, MN 56562. If anyone would like to send a video greeting to be shared at the program, please email Kris at krisdernier@cord.edu by August 15.



**NEXT SUNDAY, August 15th worship** service will be held at **Cottonwood Lake**, weather permitting. This will be the last worship at the Lake for the year. Bring your chair and sunscreen! Worship begins at 9:00 AM. Following worship, root beer floats will be provided by the Spiritual Life & Fellowship Board.

**THANKS and APPRECIATION OPEN HOUSE** for Bishop Jon Anderson will be held at Redwood Falls Community Center, 901 E. Cook Street, on Saturday, August 14th from 1-5 pm.

**GRACE LUTHERAN WELCA** invites the women of ALC to attend their ANNUAL GUEST DAY Wednesday, August 11<sup>th</sup> with a 12Noon Luncheon and a 1PM Program at Grace Lutheran Church in Westbrook, MN (755 Adams Ave). All are welcome! Bring a friend!



**SCHOOL SUPPLIES** needed for Lutheran World Relief! During GLOW Sewing Days this winter, we'll be packing Backpacks. Now is the time to buy school supplies while it's **ON SALE!** Help us fill over 100 backpacks for this winter!

Supplies needed to complete backpacks are: 70 sheet spiral notebooks, black or blue ballpoint pens (no gel pens), pencil sharpeners, blunt cut kid's scissors, and 24 count boxes of crayons. Please place new supplies in the donation box located in the Skylight Court. If you don't have an opportunity to shop for supplies a \$6 **DONATION** will buy supplies for **ONE BACKPACK**. Also, thank you to Carolyn Janssen for sewing the backpacks and thank you in advance to everyone who donates, contributes, and helps assemble the backpacks for this great ministry!



### **CHRISTIAN EDUCATION NEWS:**

**RIVER OF LIFE VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL WAS A WONDERFUL SUCCESS**, with over 70 children participating, assisted by over 30 volunteers! Thanks be to God.



## **YOUTH NEWS/FUNDRAISERS:**

**Youth activities** - Arnold's Park trip for students entering 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> Grade is Tuesday, August 10<sup>th</sup>.

**BWCT (Superior National Forest) Youth Trip presentation** during coffee hour Sunday, August 15<sup>th</sup>

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 8**

*Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost*

#### ***Second Sunday Noisy Offering***

9:00 AM Worship w/Holy Communion

10:00 AM GLOW Meeting

10:00 AM Skylight Court Café-Coffee Hour

Church Softball Tournament-Bergen Ballfield

10:30 AM Radio Broadcast 103.1 FM KDOM

5:00 PM -7:00 PM ALC Block Party



### **Monday, August 9**

### **Tuesday, August 10**

8:00 AM Men's Breakfast Bible Study

1:00 PM Arnold's Park Trip

1:15 PM Staff Team Huddle

7:00 PM Budget & Finance, Christian Education, Discipleship, Marketing, & Stewardship, Properties, Spiritual Life & Fellowship, and Worship & Music Board Meetings

8:00 PM Church Council

### **Wednesday, August 11**

### **Thursday, August 12**

9:00 AM Bulletin Deadline

10:00 AM & 6:30 PM Cable TV

### **Friday, August 13**

### **Saturday, August 14**

5:30 PM Chapel Service w/Holy Communion (Moved to the Sanctuary)

### **Sunday, August 15**

*Tenth Sunday after Pentecost*

9:00 AM Worship at Cottonwood Lake

10:30 AM Radio Broadcast 103.1 FM KDOM

Follow us on Facebook, YouTube, and our website to watch worship services, get announcements, and see important events going on at and through ALC!!

