The American Lutheran Church of Windom

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

Sunday, September 26th, 2021 9:00 AM Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost



Know that I am with you and will keep you wherever you go.

GENESIS 28:15, NRSV

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Wednesdays 6:30 pm Worship 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?

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\square 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 ema	uils, please specify:)
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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GATHERING MUSIC

Carol Vought, Organist

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: God created all things.
- C: We celebrate all that God created when we gather.
- L: Whether we enter this worship space with clear hearts or the burden of sin,
- C: We are welcome in this place.

OPENING HYMN "We are Climbing Jacob's Ladder" (screens)

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

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

Pause for silence and reflection.

L: Creator of all things,

C: We have failed to care for all that you have made. We have squandered resources and oppressed others. Forgive us for what we have done and have failed to do. Teach us how to be nurturing stewards of your creation. Amen.

L: Our God will always love all that God has made. Although we sin, God forgives. Receive now the entire forgiveness of all your sins in the name of Jesus Christ.

C: Amen.

KYRIE Setting 4 (sung) ELW p. 147

HYMN OF PRAISE "This is the Feast" ELW #149

PRAYER OF THE DAY

L: God of second chances,

C: When Jacob lied to his father and stole from his brother, another might write him off. But you did not, God. You saw something in him no one else saw. See that in us, too. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING Genesis 27:1-4, 15-23; 28:10-17 Reader: Harriet and Jonah Lohse, Ruby Baloun Pew Bible p.20 The Word of the Lord/ **Thanks be to God.**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE Tera Elness, Christian Ed. Coord.

MESSAGE Pastor Sarah

SONG OF THE DAY "Gather Us In" ELW #532

INSTALLATION OF SUNDAY/WEDNESDAY SCHOOL STAFF/ PRAYER PARTNERS

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

We are stewards of everything that you have made. Receive these fruits of our labors that we bring to you, seeking your blessing. Bless these gifts as you have blessed the givers. We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

HOLY COMMUNION

Words of Institution

Lord's Prayer

Distribution

Carol meditative music

Post Communion Prayer

BENEDICTION

CLOSING HYMN "Blessed Assurance" ELW #638

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. In the scripture reading, Jacob did some pretty terrible things to his father and brother. But God saw something in him no one else saw, and God renewed with Jacob the covenant God had made with Abraham.

JOIN US NEXT WEEK for God's Name is Revealed, Exodus 2:23-25; 3:1-15; 4:10-17

RADIO SPONSORSHIP for today's worship service is in honor of Melvin & Romelle Wojahn's 69th Wedding Anniversary on September 28th.

A RADIO GIFT was also given in memory of Margaret Larsen.



INSTALLATION OF ALL CHRISTIAN EDUCATION VOLUNTEERS TODAY: Teachers: Cheyenne Boeck, Bri Miller, Crystal Fast, Vanessa Tjentland, Kristy Mickelson, Marlene Johnson, Abby Grove, Brandon Roskamp, Melissa Dardis, Trisha Grant, Katie Ihler, Cindy Knutson, Kathryn Ralston, Melissa Mau, Chelsie Carlson, Amy Joyce, Nicole Larson, Mandie Borer, Music: Jamie Pohlmann, Amanda Wilson, Resource Center: Kelly Kleven, Subs: Beth Roberts, Tashia Marsh, Kristi Meyeraan, Abby Elness, Kim Soderholm, Miranda Hogan. Prayer Partners: Gayle Derickson, Judy King, Barb Johnson, Carol Brand, Sandy Grove, David Koep, Phyllis Larson, Carolyn Torkelson, Rhonda Haglund, Judy Holt, Kay Evers, and Rozanne Gronseth. Thank you for your hard work and dedication!

RALLY DAY EVENTS HAPPENING TODAY! Please refer to the Christian Education Section below.

HEALING PRAYERS WILL BE OFFERED NEXT WEEKEND Sunday, October 3rd.

Congratulations to all our CONFIRMATION SMALL GROUP GUIDES: Dawn Aamot, Ann Bartelt, Ali Dahna, Kjell Eken, Travis Freiwald, Sheryl Hanefeld, Jodi Beth Scrivens Johnson, Michelle Johnson, Greg Scheitel, Todd Schuman, Noel Tade, and Colin Wilson, who were installed at the Wednesday Worship service! Thank you for your hard work and dedication!

HOLIDAY FAIR CHAIRS & CO-CHAIRS MEETING Tuesday, September 28th at 4PM in the meeting room across from the church office.

CHOIRS are starting up! Bell Choir has started and will be Mondays at 6:00 PM. ALC Choir will start up on Wednesday, Sept, 29th at 5:30 PM.



BIBLE PRESENTATIONS (3 yr. Olds & 3rd Grade):

Wednesday, September 29th: Presentation of 3 year-old Bibles during worship.

Sunday, October 3rd: Presentation of 3 year-old Bibles during worship. Wednesday, October 6th: Presentation of 3rd grade Bibles during worship.

Sunday, October 10th: Presentation of 3rd grade Bibles during worship.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT SUPPERS begin this Wednesday September 29th at 5:00 pm. This week's meal will be Walking Tacos, fruit cups, and cookies. All are welcome!

WEDNESDAY SCHOOL begins Wednesday, SEPTEMBER 29^{TH} at 5:30pm

SUNDAY SCHOOL begins Sunday, OCTOBER 3RD at 10:15am

STILL IN NEED of two team teachers one for our Sunday School Program and one for our Wednesday School Program. Both positions are for 6th Grade. **Prayer Partners** are also needed for classrooms.

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!!



WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS are needed for October and November. Please sign-up on the Worship & Music bulletin board to be a Scripture Reader, Greeter, or Communion Assistant

HOLIDAY FAIR is coming up on **November 13th**, **2021!** Now is the time to be CRAFTING what is your crafty passion? Make some extras for the Craft Sales! Making PICKLES which are always great

sellers in the Bake Department! Time to PURGE for the New and Nearly New! You can box up all items you're looking to get rid of and bring it to the church the week of Holiday Fair. (No clothing)



CHRISTIAN EDUCATION NEWS:

RALLY DAY TODAY Sunday, September 26th for ALL students (Wed and Sun) and

will be a fun and fabulous way to kick-off a brand new school year! Immediately following Worship, all students (regardless of whether registered for Wednesdays or Sundays) will head to their classrooms where they will meet their teacher and enjoy a fun activity! Parents will join me down in the basement Fellowship Hall for Coffee & A Brief Meeting to Discuss the School Year Ahead! (Pssst. I'll even have doughnuts!) After all of THAT fun, even MORE fun will follow with a FREEWILL OFFERING RALLY DAY GRILLOUT CATERED BY HY-VEE, (Also, THANK YOU to MC DONALD'S for donating their Orange Hi-C drink and SUBWAY for donating cookies) in the Church Parking Lot! (and don't worry, the Vikes don't play till 3!) Can't wait to see everyone and kick off the school year! Tera Elness!



YOUTH NEWS/FUNDRAISERS:

JUNIOR HIGH YOUTH GATHERING is Friday November 19th-20th for 6th-9th graders. It's a night of fun, games, running around, and worship. The cost is \$25

which can be taken from the kids' youth accounts. Please call the church office if you're interested by October 6th. More information can be found at swmnelca.org under the youth/young adults tab and Youth Gathering.

2022 ELCA YOUTH GATHERING in Minneapolis, MN July 24th-28th, 2022: Parents and Students in 8th-12 grade you should have received a detailed letter regarding the 2022 ELCA Youth Gathering. Deadline to sign-up is November 21st and a deposit of \$150 is due at that time. Please contact Pastor Sarah or the Church office to get signed up.

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, September 26

Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Rally Day-Kickoff to the School Year!

9:00 AM Worship w/Holy Communion and Installion of

Sunday/Wednesday School Staff

10:00 AM Skylight Court Café-Coffee Hour

10:15 AM Sunday/Wednesday School Parent Meeting

10:30 AM Radio Broadcast 103.1 FM KDOM

11:00 PM Rally Day Family Cookout!

Monday, September 27

6:00 PM Bell Choir

Tuesday, September 28

8:00 AM Men's Bible Study

1:15 PM Staff Team Huddle

4:00 PM Holiday Fair Chairs & Co-Chairs Meeting

Wednesday, September 29

5:00 PM Wednesday Night Supper

5:30 PM Choir

6:30 PM Wednesday Worship w/Presentation of 3 yr. olds Bibles

7:30 PM Confirmation (7th, 8th, & 9th Grade)

Thursday, September 30

9:00 AM Bulletin Deadline

10:00 AM & 6:30 PM Cable TV

Friday, October 1

Saturday, October 2

5:30 PM Chapel Service w/Healing Prayers

Sunday, October 3

Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

9:00 AM Worship w/Holy Communion, Healing Prayers &

Presentation of 3 yr. olds Bibles

10:00 AM Skylight Court Café- Coffee Hour

10:15 AM Sunday School

10:30 AM Radio Broadcast 103.1 FM KDOM