

The American Lutheran Church of Windom

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

Sunday, October 31st, 2021 9:00 AM
Twenty-Third Sunday after Pentecost



REFORMATION
Sunday

906 Prospect Ave, PO Box 188
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E-Mail: winalc@windomnet.com

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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?

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.

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.

ASSISTING MINISTER

Kim Armstrong

GATHERING MUSIC

Angie Erickson, Pianist

BELL CHOIR PRELUDE

"This Day of Gladness"

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

Temple Talk: Karen Skarphol, Holiday Fair Co-Chair

Stewards of God: Beth Scrivens, DMS Board Member

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: We gather in God's house to worship,

C: Even as our worship sometimes takes shape outside the walls of the building.

OPENING HYMN *"Word of God, Come Down on Earth"*

ELW #510

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 loves, and 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 (Spoken)

Kim Armstrong

HYMN OF PRAISE

"Thy Word"

ALC #109

PRAYER OF THE DAY

L: God of the temple,

C: Solomon built a temple so people could have a house of worship. Now, we are your living house. Show us how to express our praise whether in the building or out. Amen.

BELL CHOIR ANTHEM

"God is So Good"

SCRIPTURE READING 1 Kings 5:1-5; 8:1-13 Pew Bible p 268
Readers: Cheryl and Kevin Ahern

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

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Tera Elness, Christian Ed Coord.

MESSAGE

Pastor Adam

SONG OF THE DAY *"Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart"*

ELW #800

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 bring our offerings to you, not animals for sacrifice or relics too precious to touch, but expressions of our time and talent, to serve the peoples of the world. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

BENEDICTION

CLOSING HYMN

"Days of Elijah"

ALC #102

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, Solomon built a temple as a place to honor and worship God. The building was ornate, and the worship extravagant.

Today is Reformation Day. On this day we celebrate the heart of our faith: the gospel of Christ, the good news. We pray that the Holy Spirit would continue to unite the church today in its proclamation and witness to the world.

JOIN US NEXT WEEK for All Saint's Day and God Speaks to Elijah, 1 Kings 19:1-18.

RADIO SPONSORSHIP for today's worship service is in memory of my brother, Richard Arndt who's birthday was Oct. 23rd, my mom, Bernice Arndt who's birthday was Nov. 9th, and my Dad, Allen Arndt who's birthday was Nov. 26th given by Cheryl Hochstein.

RADIO SPONSORSHIP from last week was in memory of Ruth Berge given by John Berge and family.

Attendance last Wednesday MEA Break; Saturday 32; Sunday 95;
Offering \$4,331; Borrowed \$13,000

WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY

Scripture Readers: Cheryl and Kevin Ahern

Acolytes: Heidi Johnson, Erin Shamp

Technology: Lindsey Cartwright, Eugene Hanchett

WELCOME TO WORSHIP on this Reformation Sunday! May God's Spirit continue to reform Christ's church. A special thanks to Carol Christianson, our resident liturgical artist, for the new Reformation banners that hang on both sides of the front of our church. Carol's banners help shape our worship life, and deepen our understanding week by week. We are so grateful!

THANKS to Kim Armstrong for being our Worship Assistant this morning while Pastor Sarah is out of town this weekend.

NEXT SUNDAY: ALC will celebrate All Saints' Sunday. On this day we remember those who have ended their baptismal journey since All Saints' Day 2020 and now rest in God.



NEW WOMEN'S STUDY OPPORTUNITY Join

Tera the five Mondays in November for a one-hour study from 7:00-8:00pm in the Meeting Room as we center in on the topic of -WAITING- There is no fee or book to purchase, simply bring your Bible! Please contact Tera to sign up! teraalc@gmail.com | 507-822-3377 (call or text) Study will run November 1st – November 29th All Women Welcome!



Starting November 2nd! Join Tera on Tuesdays & Thursdays from 12:30-1:00pm for **WALK BY FAITH!** Hall/Steps Indoor Walking at ALC! We'll start with a Prayer and Take it from There! Walk independently,

with another, or with a group! No sign-up required, no fee to attend, just come when you can and join us as we **WALK BY FAITH!**

LEFSE DAYS: Only 1 more Tuesday to roll, flip and pack on November 2nd from 8am-12noon. Holiday Fair is November 13th and we need **YOU** to help make the Lefse. Come for a fun morning! No experience necessary! All are welcome!



HOLIDAY FAIR WORKERS!!! We need several workers for the various departments, setup and takedown, turkeys, and ingredients for soup; sign-up sheets will be on the bulletin board across from the office. Also, Items for **NEW & NEARLY**

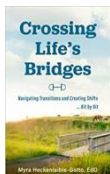
NEW may be brought to the church starting on **Monday, November 1st.**

WINTER COATS & GEAR DRIVE: The Community Integration group has seen that as newcomers arrive in Windom for work coming from warmer places, there is a need for warmer clothing, (hats, mittens/gloves, boots, snow pants, thick jackets, winter coats, scarves, and socks). If you have extras of any of these for adults, please bring them to the church by **November 5th**. A box will be in the parking lot entry way. Thank you!

GLOW MEETING next Sunday, November 7th at 10:00 AM in the meeting room across from the church office. Grab a coffee and come help us plan for 2022! All women are welcome!

ADULT LEARNING: Sunday, November 7th will feature a documentary video on the medical missionary work of Mark and Linda Jacobson over the course of 38 years in Tanzania through the ELCA. Their life story is demonstrates what accompaniment, practiced by ELCA missionaries, looks like. Bring your coffee to the Meeting Room at 10:15 and enjoy the video!

SOUP & BREAD is back! November 7th from 5:30PM-7PM in the Fellowship Hall for adults/couples! This is a time for fellowship over supper, games and a fun relaxing time with other adult. Have young children? Not a problem! Your child(ren) can eat with us then go have a fun time with youth that will watch over them! We all bring a dish to share, eat, laugh, have fun, and socialize! We would love to have you join us!



BOOK SIGNING: ALC's own Myra Gotto, along with her husband Kevin, will be sponsoring the Skylight Court Café on Sunday, November 14th following Worship. Myra will be signing and selling copies of her new book, "Crossing Life's Bridges".

Stop by and visit with Myra and pick up your copy! What a fantastic gift idea for the holidays too!



Thanksgiving Meals: The Church and Society Board is again joining hands with our Community to provide turkey meals to families that could use a helping hand. Church and Society is collecting monetary donations to pack 30 meals for families with the help of our local Dept. of Health and Human Services, businesses, organizations, and individuals. We could not complete this project without your donations. Thank you very much!! *From the Church in Society Board*



CHRISTIAN EDUCATION NEWS:

Hip! Hip! Hooray! We ♥ **PAJAMA DAY!** Wednesday School Students ~ November 3rd! Sunday School Students ~ November 7th! Wear Your Favorite Pjs to Class! (Teachers, you can too!)

Our **SPONSOR A BIBLE DRIVE** continues as children continue to receive bibles. Over 100 bibles have already been sponsored due to YOUR generosity! If you would like to give to this ministry, sponsorships are available at a cost of \$20/bible. Thank you to everyone who has sponsored a Bible!



YOUTH NEWS/FUNDRAISERS:

Starting in November, The youth will be selling **HOTDISHES** on the 3rd Wednesday and 3rd Sunday of the month. A small is \$10 and a large is \$15. They will also be doing coffee hour on the 3rd Sunday of each month. This will go through May.



All women ages 12 thru College are invited to **The First Baptist church Identity Retreat (1 Peter 2:9) November 5th at 7:00PM-8:30PM and November 6th at 8:30AM-4:00PM.** Meals will be provided. Tickets are \$15 if registered by October 29th or \$20 at the door. To Register call (507)831-3811. Guest Speaker: Robyn Willard. You are chosen. You are Treasured. You are welcome.

2022 ELCA YOUTH GATHERING in Minneapolis, MN July 24th-28th, 2022: Parents and Students in 8th-12 grade should have received a detailed letter regarding the 2022 ELCA Youth Gathering. **Deadline to sign-up is TOMORROW November 1st** 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 testimony in the lives of His people.
“But strive first for the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well” (Matt. 6:33).

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Reformation Sunday

9:00 AM Worship

10:00 AM Skylight Court Café- Coffee Hour

10:15 AM Sunday School

10:30 AM Radio Broadcast 103.1 FM KDOM

Monday, November 1, Sign-up Deadline for ELCA Youth Gathering 2022

6:00 PM Bell Choir

7:00 PM Women's Evening Bible Study

Tuesday, November 2

8:00 AM Lefse Day

8:00 AM Men's Bible Study

12:30 PM- 1:00 PM Walk by Faith w/Tera

1:15 PM Staff Team Huddle

5:00 PM Church in Society Board Meeting

Wednesday, November 3

10:30 AM Sogge

11:15 AM Mikkelson Manor

5:00 PM Wednesday Night Supper

5:30 PM Choir

5:30 PM Wednesday School-Pajama Day

6:30 PM Worship w/Holy Communion

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

Thursday, November 4

9:00 AM Bulletin Deadline

10:00 AM & 6:30 PM Cable TV

12:30 PM-1:00 PM Walk by Faith w/Tera

7:00 PM New Member Meet & Greet

Friday, November 5

Saturday, November 6

5:30 PM Chapel Service

Sunday, November 7, *Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost*

All Saints Sunday

No Sunday School

9:00 AM Worship w/Holy Communion

10:00 AM Skylight Court Café-Coffee Hour

10:00 AM GLOW Meeting

10:15 AM Sunday School- Pajama Day

10:15 AM Adult Learning: Kuambatana, Mark & Linda Jacobdon

10:30 AM Radio Broadcast 103.1 FM KDOM

5:30 PM-7:00 PM Soup & Bread