

The American Lutheran Church of Windom

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



**New Member Sunday &
Blessing of the Quilts
Sunday, May 15th, 2022 9:00 AM
*Fifth Sunday of Easter***

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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.

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: He is risen!

C: **Christ is alive!**

L: God meets us where we are.

C: **With compassion and grace God welcomes us home.**

OPENING HYMN

"Blessed Assurance"

ELW #638

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

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

Pause for silence and reflection.

L: Forgiving God,

C: We spend so much of our time doubting you, doubting ourselves, failing to place our trust in you. Our lack of faith causes us to stumble, and when we fall we fall far. Forgive us our sin and lift us so that we can rise to the challenge of carrying out your mission.

L: God is merciful and just. God offers forgiveness for all. Receive now the entire forgiveness of all your sins and walk with the power of the Holy Spirit, for the sake of Jesus.

C: Amen.

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

KYRIE (Setting 4) p. 147

HYMN OF PRAISE (Setting 4) “Glory to God in the Highest” p. 148

PRAYER OF THE DAY

L: God of all wisdom,

C: Paul knew how to sit with people in their own reality before bringing them along the journey of the story of Christ. Teach us to honor people’s journeys with grace and respect. Amen.

SCRPTURE READING Acts 17:16-34 Pew Bible p. 901

Reader: Rosie Davis

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

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

MESSAGE Pastor Adam

SONG OF THE DAY “*The Spirit Sends Us Forth to Serve*” ELW #551

HOLY BAPTISM

NEW MEMBER RECOGNITION

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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

SHARING OF THE PEACE

Please be aware of the cold and flu season. Greet one another with a wave of your hand or an elbow bump

OFFERING

“Because He Lives”

screens

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

OFFERTORY RESPONSE

“Let the Vineyard”

ELW #184

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Holy God, in you we live and move and have our being. We can do nothing apart from you. Even these gifts we offer were first granted to us through your grace and generosity. Accept these gifts and teach us to continue your work as we meet people where they are. In Jesus’ name we pray. Amen.

BLESSING OF THE QUILTS AND KITS

LORD’S PRAYER

BENEDICTION

CLOSING HYMN

“I Love to Tell the Story”

ELW #661

DISMISSAL

Alleluia! Go in Peace. Share the Good News!
We will. Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE

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WELCOME to worship at American Lutheran Church. Today we thank all those who helped during quilting days, as we bless the quilts that will be distributed to several locations. We are excited to welcome 12 new members into our congregation. In the scripture reading, Paul met the people where they were when he addressed them at the Areopagus in Athens. He shared the stories of Jesus.

JOIN US NEXT WEEK for Partnership in the Gospel,
Philippians 1:1-18a.

RADIO SPONSORSHIP for today’s worship service is in memory of Janice Bell and Patty Stene given by Eugene Steen.

Attendance last Wednesday: 159; Saturday: 24; Sunday: 141;
Offering: \$4,416



Didn't bring cash or a checkbook to worship but would still like to give an offering? Use this QR CODE to give an offering. Remember it costs thirty-nine cents per transaction plus three percent of how much you give. This is another great way to give.

WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY

Greeters: Nick and Judy Trotter

Technology: John Shamp, Daron Friesen, Tom Wickie, Jen Andersen, and Eugene Hanchett

BROUGHT TO CHRIST through Holy Baptism today, May 15th is Jaxon Robert Nielsen and Wyatt Alexander Edwards, sons of Jeremy and Kelsey Edwards. Jaxon and Wyatt's sponsors are Josh & Maria Edwards. May God bless Jaxon, Wyatt and their family!



Today we have the joy to welcome **NEW MEMBERS** into our community of faith. Together, *living God's grace, we cultivate community to love and serve!* Our New Members are Jill Wolf; Jeremy & Kelsey Edwards, two sons Jaxon and Wyatt; Dan & Renee Harley, son Elias; Clarice Dunnick; and Matt Strum, daughters Katherine and Lauren. May God bless our life together!

GLOW SEWING DAYS TOTAL: The American Lutheran quilters/GLOW members have completed 64 quilts, 72 School Kits, 123 Baby Care Kits, and 16 Personal Care Kits. All these items will be donated to Lutheran World Relief. **THANK YOU** to everyone who donated items and their time to help make this happen!

Each year, women of ALC meet twice a month from January through April to make quilts and care kits. Records kept over the last 31 years show that the ALC women (and a few men along the way) made 3,245 quilts, 2,284, baby care kits, 1,312 school kits, 545 personal care kits and 147 sewing kits. Over the years, some kits and quilts were donated locally to the hospital, Sharing Center, Christmas Cheer Box and Shetek quilt auction, but most were donated to Lutheran World Relief. **THANK YOU** to the congregation for your support through noisy offerings and donations of materials. Another way to support our Quilt and Kit ministry is to donate to the shipping fund.

LWR approximate cost to deliver quilts and kits overseas:

One quilt - \$2.25

One school kit - \$1.40

One personal care kit - \$2.65*

One baby care kit - \$1.30

*includes cost of toothpaste to be added. Donations to the quilt and kit shipping fund can be made directly to GLOW via Jean Johnson.

Our **LAST ALC CHOIR PRACTICE** before summer break will be on Wednesday, May 18th at 5:30 PM. All are welcome even if you've never sung with us before! We'd love to have you!



SENIOR RECOGNITION is scheduled for Sunday, May 22nd at our 9:00 AM Worship Service. If you have not yet, please to send in your senior photo to the church office at winalc@windomnet.com **ASAP** to be shown on our screens and in our June Messenger. Christian Education / Youth and Family will sponsor Skylight Court Cafe on May 22nd with cinnamon rolls, coffee, and juice. All are welcome! Come celebrate and greet the Seniors!

A special **THANK YOU** to Melanie Shamp who has headed up the Wednesday evening meals and the many volunteers that have helped her, Darcy Hoffman, Dana Wallace, Pastor Adam, Scott, Kathryn, and Caelen Ralston! With Mel stepping down, ALC now has a volunteer opportunity for someone to continue with coordinating meals on Wednesday nights during the Sunday/Wednesday School year. Please call the church office at 831-1794 if you are interested in volunteering or heading up the ALC's Wednesday night supper program.



SHETEK BIBLE CAMP IS 75 YEARS OLD: To celebrate and honor Shetek Lutheran Ministries, we are asking anyone who worked at camp, past and present, to contact us to be recognized for your contributions and share your camp experiences. We would also like to use your camp stories and experiences as part of the Capital Campaign, a fundraising effort for new cabins at Shetek. Please contact Jean Johnson via email: jajohnson1954@gmail.com, or text: 822-2715. Thank you!

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY: Do you have a musical talent? Can you sing? Play an instrument? We would love to hear you during worship. Please contact Jane Cartwright or one of the pastors and we'll help you to give God the offering of your music.

The GLOW OUTING ON JUNE 7TH to the Cambria Plant in Le Sueur is full! Thank you to everyone who signed up!

SUMMER WORSHIP AT THE LAKE UPDATE: because of the construction of the new shelter house at Tegels Park, ALC is not able to have worship at the lake this summer.

ALC presents **JOSEPH AND THE AMAZING TECHNICOLOR DREAMCOAT BY MUSICALS WITH A MISSION**, the youth drama group from St. John's Lutheran Church, Shakopee on Sunday, May 29th at 9:00 AM that will take place during our Sunday worship service. This group is under the direction of Kari Vaupel, daughter-in-law of Dave and Donna Vaupel, former members of ALC.



Sign up to play **CHURCH SOFTBALL**! A sign-up sheet is located on the bulletin board across from the office. Contact Donny Boltjes at (507)830-0015 if you have any questions. A schedule and starting date will be determined after the captains meeting at the end of the month.

HAVING TROUBLE HEARING IN THE SANCTUARY? We have added 3 additional **SOUND MATES**, which are available from the ushers. Sound Mates are a small unit that helps amplify sound through the use of headphones. Check one out. They are easy to use.



CHRISTIAN EDUCATION NEWS:

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL!

This year's Summer VBS will be held **Sunday - Thursday, July 31st - August 4th**, 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/in the backpack 😊)

Our **theme** is "Tree of Healing", and our curriculum was produced by ELCA World Hunger. This is a chance for children and adults to consider what health means and how God invites us to share in the building of a just world where all can enjoy the gifts of God's creation. Each night will consist of lesson time, recess time, music and skit time, crafts time, and snack time too!

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 register online by scanning the QR Code with your smart phone camera and clicking on the link or go to our Facebook page or Website and click on the link provided.

WANT TO HELP? Please contact Tera at teraalc@gmail.com or 507-822-3377!



YOUTH NEWS/FUNDRAISERS:

Look for **SIGN-UPS COMING SOON** on the Christian Ed & Youth bulletin board for Arnolds Park, Valleyfair, and Wildwater West this summer!!!

THIS WEEK AT AMERICAN LUTHERAN CHURCH

Sunday, May 15, New Member Sunday

Fifth Sunday of Easter

9:00 AM Worship w/Recognition of New Members and Blessing of the Quilts

10:00 AM Skylight Court Café- Coffee Hour

10:15 AM Chicago Youth Trip Meeting

10:30 AM Radio Broadcast 103.1 FM KDOM



Monday, May 16

Tuesday, May 17

8:00 AM Men's Bible Study

1:15 PM Staff Team Huddle

Wednesday, May 18

1:30 PM Hillside Manor

2:30 PM Pine View

5:30 PM Last Choir Practice

Thursday, May 19

9:00 AM Bulletin Deadline

10:00 AM & 6:30 PM Cable TV

2:00 PM Women's Bible Study

5:00 PM Technology Committee Meeting

Friday, May 20

Messenger Deadline

Saturday, May 21

5:30 PM Chapel Service w/Holy Communion & Healing Prayers

Sunday, May 22, Senior Recognition Sunday

Sixth Sunday of Easter

9:00 AM Worship w/Holy Communion, High School Senior Recognition & Healing Prayers

10:00 AM Skylight Court Café- Coffee Hour

10:30 AM Radio Broadcast 103.1 FM KDOM

5:30 PM Soup & Bread

