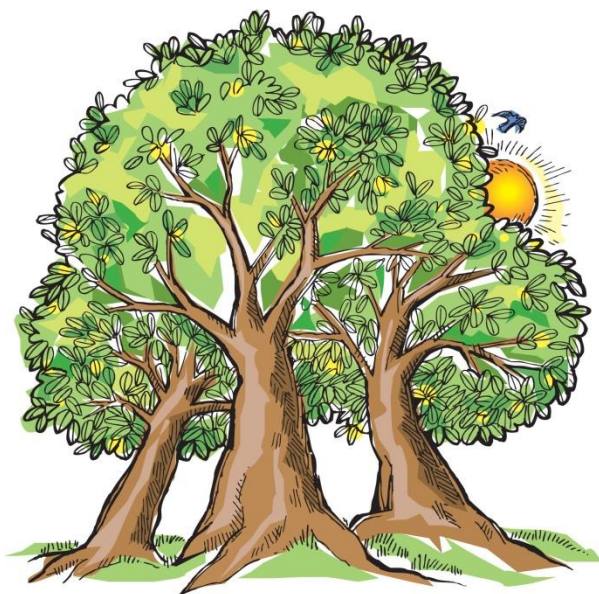


The American Lutheran Church of Windom

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



LIVE ... FOR THE WILL OF GOD.

1 PETER 4:2

Sunday, July 31st, 2022 9:00 AM

Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

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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.

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

MicheLe Larson, 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 calls us to love one another.

C: Let us practice hospitality,

L: And in all humility

C: Serve one another with joy.

OPENING HYMN “Will You Let Me Be Your Servant” ELW #659

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

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

Pause for silence and reflection.

L: Saving God,

C: Too often we have turned away from you and from others. We have not had unity of spirit, sympathy, love for one another, a tender heart, or a humble mind. We have repaid evil for evil. We have failed to serve. Draw us back into the joy of your beloved community, and give us eager hearts to love our neighbors.

L: God who redeems all flesh forgives you of all of your sin in the name of Jesus Christ and also offers you new life. Rejoice in the grace and mercy of God, through Jesus Christ, our savior. Amen.

C: Amen.

KYRIE

ELW #155

HYMN OF PRAISE

“Blessed Be Your Name”

ALC #158

PRAYER OF THE DAY

L: Merciful God,

C: You have called us to be stewards of your grace. Inspire us to serve one another with whatever gifts we have received, for the sake of your son, Jesus Christ. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING

1 Peter 4

Pew Bible p 985

Readers: Marlene Johnson

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

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

Tera Elness, Director of Children, Youth, & Family Ministries

MESSAGE

Pastor Sarah

SONG OF THE DAY *“Blessed Assurance, Jesus is Mine”* ELW #638

APOSTLES’ CREED

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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

SHARING OF THE PEACE

Please be aware of illness. Greet one another with a wave of your hand or an elbow bump.

OFFERING

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

OFFERTORY RESPONSE “*Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful*” ELW #182

OFFERTORY PRAYER

God, you have entrusted us with the stewardship of all that you have given us. In a spirit of generosity we offer these gifts in service to others. Pour out your blessing on them, that they might change lives. Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

BENEDICTION

CLOSING HYMN *“Where Cross the Crowded Ways”* (vs. 1, 4, 5, 6)
ELW #719

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, today God invites God's people to engage in healthy behaviors so that their lives might be more fulfilling. God asks us to speak kind words.

JOIN US NEXT WEEK for Shepherds and Sheep: 1 Peter 5

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

Attendance last Saturday: 32; Sunday: 119;

Offering: \$5,399 Borrowed: \$17,000



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 online transaction plus three percent of how much you give. This is another great way to give.

WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY

Reader: Marlene Johnson

Technology: Bob Johnson, Daron Friesen, Tom Wickie, Eugene Hanchett, Jen Anderson

FRUITS AND VEGETABLES FROM YOUR GARDEN NEEDED:

The snack crew for Vacation Bible School is looking for donations from your garden for our Bearing Fruit theme on Thursday, August 4th! If you have any fruit or vegetables growing in your garden that would make a great snack and you are willing to share, we would GREATLY appreciate it! Please bring donations to the kitchen by the morning of Thursday, August 4th and please put your name on them! Thank you!

SHETEK CAMPERS this week include Ciersten Pohlman, Morgan Roskamp, Mya Larson, and Adriana Olsem. Please keep them in your prayers this week as they grow in their faith.

HELP UP FILL 100+ BACKPACKS FOR LUTHERAN WORLD

RELIEF. Helping children in countries around the world, including Ukraine refugees! Now is the time to BUY! Take advantage of Back to School Sales. Backpacks will be filled during the GLOW Quilting Days. Supplies needed to complete 1 Backpack: 4- 70 count/sheet spiral notebooks, 1- 12" ruler with centimeters, 5- black or blue ballpoint pens (not used), 1- pencil sharpener, 1- blunt kid's scissors, 1- 2-½" pencil eraser, and 1- box 24 count crayons. A donation box is located in the Skylight Court. If you aren't able to buy supplies a \$6 cash donation will fill 1 backpack with supplies! Thank you in advance to all who donate!

AUGUST USHERS REMINDER: John Berge, Keith Bloomgren, Travis Freiwald, John Holt, Jay Mickelson, Ron Vought.

CHURCH SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT August 5th, 6th and 7th. All are welcome to the Bergen Ball Field to cheer on our ALC softball teams and enjoy some great food and AMAZING PIES!

GLOW MEETING Sunday, August 7th at 10am in the ALC Meeting Room across from the church office. Join in the fun and help us plan for future events and outings! Some GLOW events in past years are Sunday coffee hour donuts, LWR Quilts and Kits, Holiday Fair, Love Boxes, Women's Bible Study, and many outings like Painted Prairie Vineyard,

Shetek Quilt Auction, Dykstra Flower Garden, and Cambria Tour. Please plan on attending to share your ideas! All women of ALC are welcome!

WEDNESDAY NIGHT SUPPERS will be back up and running September 14th! New this year, the program has a wish list! If any congregation members would like to help out by donating food items we would SO GREATLY appreciate it! This is an ongoing wish list but will be reposted frequently.

Anytime donations include:

Hamburger	Chicken breasts	Ham (preferably without bone)
Tator tots	Garlic bread	
Chicken nuggets	Egg noodles	
Elbow macaroni	Spaghetti noodles	
Spaghetti sauce	Cream of celery soup	
Cheddar cheese soup	Cream of chicken soup	
Scalloped potatoes	Taco seasoning	
Salsa	Shredded cheddar cheese	

Weekly donations include:

Milk	Bread
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Any Meat, garlic bread, chicken nuggets and tator tots can be put in the large freezer in the storage room in the basement. Dry goods can be put on the counter in the kitchen labeled “Wednesday night suppers”. Cheese and milk can be put in the fridge in the kitchen. Thank you for your support of this wonderful program!

Save the Date: **ALC SUMMER BLOCK PARTY:** Hamburgers, hot dogs, cold drinks, great music, and a yard full of games like bean bag toss, Kube, and Bocce Ball will all be found at ALC on Sunday, August 21st from 5-7pm. It’s completely free! Come to eat and play and, most importantly, greet people from our neighborhood who show up too! Come join in the festivities! ALL are welcome!!

Pastor Sarah will attend this year’s **CHURCHWIDE ASSEMBLY** August 8th- 12th, 2022 as a clergy voting member of the Southwest MN Synod. She will be sending updates from the event. Stay tuned as ELCA members from 65 synods gather in Columbus, OH this month. Come, Holy Spirit.

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.

LIKE OUR FACEBOOK PAGE “American Lutheran Church-Windom” to keep up with the latest news and summer activities like Jr/Sr League events, pool days, Valleyfair, Arnolds Park, Wild Water West, ALC’s block party and more!!!

ITEMS NEEDED FOR THE WINDOM AREA SHARING

CENTER: personal care items (toothbrushes, toothpaste, regular size shampoo, body soap, etc.), food items (pasta noodles (egg noodles especially) is a very needed item), and lastly any and all baby items.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL (VBS) Tree of Healing BEGINS

TONIGHT Sunday, July 31st-August 4th from 5:30pm-8:00pm. Please contact Tera Elness at teraalc@gmail.com or 507-822-3377 if you have any questions.

LOOKING AHEAD TO FALL! Would you be willing to serve as a Sunday School Teacher or Wednesday School Teacher? Perhaps a Sunday School Music Leader? Or maybe a Classroom Prayer Partner? (think “Adopt-a-Grandparent”) Please contact Tera and she will help you find just the right fit in our Hive! This year’s theme is “We Bee-Long to Jesus!” ♥

TEEN BIBLE STUDY Mondays & Wednesdays 1:00pm-2:15pm, August 8th, 10th, 15th, 17th, 22nd, and 24th in the Youth Room. Please contact Tera Elness with any questions 822-3377 or teraalc@gmail.com.

YOUTH GROUP AUGUST GRILL-OUT Sunday, August 14th at 6:00pm at the Elness home. Please RSVP to Tera by Friday, August 12th.

WILD WATER WEST WATERPARK- Thursday, August 18th, 2022. We will leave the church parking lot at 10:00am. Open to families or students entering 7th-12th grade. Cost will be \$35 plus extra for food/extras. Students....don’t forget to check your account money! You can use your youth account money to buy the ticket but not food. Please sign up soon so we can arrange other drivers if needed! The sign-up sheet is located on the Christian Ed/Youth Bulletin board. **Sign-up deadline is Thursday, August 11th.**

CONFIRMATION SAVE THE DATES:

Confirmation Rehearsal: Wednesday, October 26th at 8:00 pm.

Confirmation Sunday: October 30th, 2022 at 10:45 am

THIS WEEK AT AMERICAN LUTHERAN CHURCH

Sunday, July 31, *Eighth Sunday after Pentecost*

7:00 AM Youth BWCA Trip Departue

9:00 AM Worship

10:00 AM Skylight Court Café- Coffee Hour

10:30 AM Radio Broadcast 103.1 FM KDOM

5:30 PM-8:00 PM VBS Tree of Healing

5:30 PM ALC 1 vs. Baptist, Eagle Field

5:30 PM ALC 2 vs. Gathering 2, Legion Field

5:30 PM ALC 3 vs. Methodist, Qwest Field

Monday, August 1

5:30 PM-8:00 PM VBS Tree of Healing

Tuesday, August 2

8:00 AM Men's Bible Study

1:15 PM Staff Team Huddle

5:15 PM Church in Society Board Meeting

5:30 PM-8:00 PM VBS Tree of Healing

Wednesday, August 3

11:00 AM Sogge

5:30 PM-8:00 PM VBS Tree of Healing

Thursday, August 4

9:00 AM Bulletin Deadline

10:00 AM & 6:30 PM Cable TV

5:30 PM-8:00 PM VBS Tree of Healing

7:30 PM VBS Program w/Ice Cream Social to follow

Friday, August 5

Church Softball Tournament, Bergen Ballfield

Saturday, August 6

Church Softball Tournament, Bergen Ballfield

Youth BWCA Trip Returns

5:30 PM Chapel Service

Sunday, August 7, *Ninth Sunday after Pentecost*

Church Softball Tournament, Bergen Ballfield

9:00 AM Worship w/Holy Communion, VBS Volunteer Recognition, and VBS kids singing

10:00 AM Skylight Court Café- Coffee Hour

10:00 AM GLOW Meeting

10:00 AM Properties Board Meeting

10:30 AM Radio Broadcast 103.1 FM KDOM