

# The American Lutheran Church of Windom

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



## New Year's Day WORSHIP SERVICE

**January 1st, 2023 9:00 AM**

*First Sunday after Christmas*

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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](http://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

Priscilla Jacobson, Pianist

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: Christ is with us.

**C: God comes to us in Jesus.**

L: Fully God, fully human.

**C: A son of Abraham and Sarah.**

L: We, too, are on Christ's family tree.

**C: God claims us as beloved children of God.**

OPENING HYMN

***“O Come, All Ye Faithful”***

ELW #283

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

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

*Pause for silence and reflection.*

P: Radiant God,

**C: You have come to live among us, yet we fail time and again to see you in the faces of our neighbors. We look to ourselves instead of those in need. We seek the shallow comforts of things we can buy instead of the deep and lasting comfort of your presence. Forgive our stubborn refusal to see, and open our eyes to the joy and wonder of your incarnation.**

P: Do not be afraid, for I bring you good news of great joy. The God of boundless grace forgives you all your sins, renewing your spirit for the sake of Immanuel, God with us.

KYRIE

(setting 3)

HYMN OF PRAISE

***“Lo How a Rose E’er Blooming”***

(vs 1,2,4)

ELW #272

PRAYER OF THE DAY

L: God of all,

**C: As we read of Jesus’ family, full of men and women both wonderful and flawed, give us gratitude for all who have come before us and made us who we are. As this new year opens, remind us that we too are a part of your beloved family. Amen.**

SHARING OF THE PEACE

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

HOLY COMMUNION

Words of Institution

Lord’s Prayer

Distribution

Priscilla meditative music

Post Communion Prayer

SCRIPTURE READING      Matthew 1:1-17      Pew Bible p 783  
Reader: Pastor Sarah  
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

***"Bright and Glorious is the Sky"***

(vs 1,2,3,5)

ELW #301

#### APOSTLES' CREED

#### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Hear us, O God, **Your mercy is great.**

#### OFFERING

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

#### OFFERTORY RESPONSE

***"Love Has Come"***

(vs 1 & 3)

ELW #292

#### OFFERTORY PRAYER

**God, throughout generations you have sustained your people, providing us with all we need to survive and thrive. We offer now what we have so generously been given, our possessions and our very selves. Amen.**

#### BENEDICTION

#### CLOSING HYMN

***"Joyful, Joyful, We Adore You"***    ALC #24

#### DISMISSAL

Go in Peace! Christ is your light. / **We will. Thanks be to God!**

#### POSTLUDE

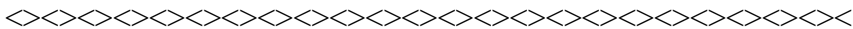
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**WELCOME** to worship at American Lutheran Church. Welcome to 2023! May you experience blessings from above which provide peace and joy in your heart. Happy New Year, one and all!!

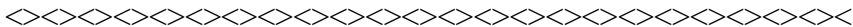
**JOIN US NEXT WEEK** for Jesus' Baptism, Matthew 3:1-17.

**RADIO SPONSORSHIP** for today's worship service is in memory of Bob Boomgarden's birthday on December 27th given by Carolyn and family.

A **RADIO GIFT** was also given in memory of Don Zimmer by Deb and family.



Attendance last Wednesday: Holiday Break;  
Saturday Christmas Eve 3pm: 148, 5pm: 247, 10pm: Canceled-  
(due to weather); Sunday Christmas Day: 58;  
Offering: \$25,868; Christmas Offering: \$6,350



**FINANCIAL UPDATE: THANK YOU** to all! We met our financial commitments for 2022! Thank you for your support of ALC!



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**

**Acolytes:** Addison Spielman, Anja Nielsen

**Technology:** Jen Anderson, Bob Johnson, Eugene Hanchett, Tom Wickie

Next Week's **NOISY OFFERING** is designated to the GLOW Quilting Ministry. GLOW makes quilts during the months of January through April for the Sharing Center, Christmas Cheer Box, Lutheran World Relief and anyone in need. This is one mission in action activity that the women of ALC do year after year.

**THANK YOU** to Karen Skarphol for being the Assisting Minister today. Pastor Adam and his family are on vacation for a few days.

**THE TWELVE DAYS OF CHRISTMAS** begins on December 24th with Christmas Eve worship, and goes through January 5th. The day of Epiphany (the revealing of God) is January 6th, marking the visit of Magi or the wisemen from the East. Their visit shows us that everyone now has access to God.

**REMINDER:** There is NO Sunday School today, January 1st. We'll see you all back on Wednesday, January 4th and Sunday, January 8th! Happy Holidays!

**ALC CHURCH/OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED** all day Monday, January 2nd in observance of New Year's.

**JR HIGH/SR HIGH YOUTH GROUP WINTER FUN DAY** Monday, January 2nd from 1:00 PM – 3:00 PM! Join us for open skating and/or learn how to play racquetball/racquetball games! Put on by the Youth & Family Board! Cost is Free!



**LUTEFISK SUPPER** will be held Saturday, January 7th, 2023, 5:00 PM to 7:00 PM at the American Lutheran Church. Menu items include: Lutefisk, Meatballs, Lefse, and more. Reservations are encouraged by January 4th. Adults are \$15 and children ages 12 and under are \$5. Tickets are available following church services on Sunday's or by calling the church office at 831-1794.

**ALL LEFSE MAKERS!** We will be making lefse for the lutefisk supper, January 4th beginning at 8:00 am. Please bring your own lefse making supplies.



**GLOW SEWING DAYS!** Join us the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of January (3rd and 17th) from 9:00am-2ish! Come and sew or pack kits for Lutheran World Relief. Come for an hour or two or pack a sack lunch and stay for the day! ALL women are welcome! Bring a friend! Questions call Kathy Hiley 831-4109 or Jackie Turner 822-1633.



Just a reminder, **ALL BOARD AND COMMITTEE 2022 ANNUAL REPORTS** are **due** to the church office **by Tuesday, January 3rd!** Thank you ALL for serving on ALC boards and committees!

**PAJAMA DAY** at Wednesday and Sunday School on Wednesday, January 11th and Sunday, January 15th! ALL students and teachers are invited to wear their pajamas!!

**4th-6th GRADE BOYS AFTERNOON** Sunday, January 15th from 1:00pm-3:00pm in the Windom Elementary Gym. Join Tera and Windom PE Teacher Travis Janssen for a fun afternoon of games, snacks, and an incredible lesson on God's awesome Word! Bring your Bible! Friends are welcome! This event is free, **please sign up your son by January 10th!**



**SAVE THE DATE BUDGET PRESENTATIONS SUNDAY, JANUARY 15th** following Worship in the Skylight Court.  
All are welcome!

**SAVE THE DATE:** Join us for a **YOUTH FUNDRAISER BINGO NIGHT Sunday, January 22nd** from 4:00pm-7:00pm in the Fellowship Hall. \$1 per card or unlimited play for \$20. Concessions will be available for \$1 each and a sloppy joe supper will be available for just \$5!



**SAVE THE DATE ANNUAL MEETING SUNDAY, JANUARY 23RD** following the Worship Service. There will be childcare provided during the Annual Meeting. Come and learn about the ministry we had in the past year and learn about the year to come. Hope to see you there!

**Princess Poppy**

4th-6th Grade

**GRLS NIGHT!**



Sunday, January 29th  
4:00-7:00pm  
note extended time  
ALC Youth Room  
Supper and Snacks  
will be served  
and  
FRIENDS ARE  
WELCOME!

Sign up your girl with Tera no later  
than January 12th please!

**4th-6th GRADE PRINCESS POPPY GIRLS NIGHT Sunday, January 29th** from 4:00pm-7:00pm (please note extended time), ALC Youth Room. Supper and snacks will be served and friends are welcome!  
**Please sign-up your girl with Tera no later than January 12th!**

Attention 6th-8th Graders! Lost & Found  
**AUGUSTANA UNIVERSITY FAITH FEST 2023 OVERNIGHT TRIP February 11th-12th, 2023.** We'll leave Saturday at 8am and return around 5pm on Sunday. The **cost is \$75** and it includes the event, 3 meals, hotel and transportation. ALC student account money may be used! Students **MUST be signed up with Tera no later than Wednesday, January 25th!**



ALC is participating in **SHETEK'S CONGREGATIONAL BUILDING ON THE FOUNDATION CAMPAIGN**. Our goal is \$25,000 over the next 3 years, which will provide naming rights to a wing of sleeping rooms in the new lodge. Shetek has been there for ALC with staff for VBS and programming for our children. Let us be there for them with funds to upgrade their water system and lodging. Please consider making a pledge to Shetek. Questions contact Steve or Jean Johnson. We are currently at \$19,680 in pledges!

## **THIS WEEK AT AMERICAN LUTHERAN CHURCH**

### **Sunday, January 1, New Year's Day**

#### **First Sunday after Christmas**

No Sunday School

9:00 AM New Year's Day Worship w/Holy Communion

10:00 AM Skylight Court Café- Coffee Hour

10:30 AM Radio Broadcast 103.1 FM KDOM



### **Monday, January 2**

#### **Church/Office Closed**

1:00 PM- 3:00 PM Jr/Sr High Youth Group Winter Fun Day, Arena

6:30 PM Bell Choir

### **Tuesday, January 3**

2022 Annual Board/Committee Reports Due

8:00 AM Men's Bible Study

9:00 AM GLOW Sewing Day

1:15 PM Staff Team Huddle

### **Wednesday, January 4**

No Choir

8:00 AM Lefse Making for Lutefisk Supper

11:00 AM Sogge

5:00 PM Wednesday Night Supper

5:30 PM Wednesday School

6:30 PM Wednesday Worship w/Holy Communion & Noisy Offering

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

### **Thursday, January 5**

9:00 AM Bulletin Deadline

10:00 AM & 6:30 PM Cable TV

5:15 PM Church in Society Board

### **Friday, January 6**

### **Saturday, January 7**

5:00 PM- 7:00 PM ALC Lutefisk Supper

5:30 PM Chapel Service w/Noisy Offering

### **Sunday, January 8, Baptism of Our Lord**

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

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