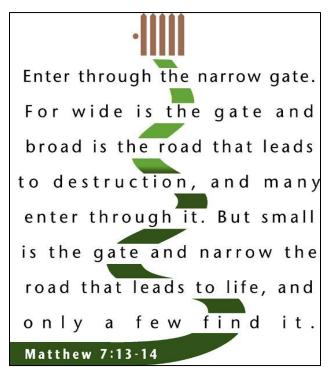
The American Lutheran Church of Windom

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



February 5th, 2023 9:00 AM *Fifth Sunday of Epiphany*

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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: Dependence \Box 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 **TEMPLE TALK-** Tera, Fundraising Facts FOUR CHAPLAINS OBSERVATION- Worship & Music, White Roses GATHERING P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever. C: Amen CALL TO WORSHIP L: If we knock, God will open the door. C: If we seek, we will find.

- L: If we ask, God will give it to us.
- C: We give thanks for God's wisdom and generosity.

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

P: We confess our sins before God and one another. Pause for silence and reflection.

P: Merciful God,

C: Christ came into the world and showed us how to live, but we have failed to live by what he taught. We have not loved you with all our heart, soul, mind and strength, we have not done to others as we would have done to ourselves. Shine a light on our hearts, that we might turn from the shadows of our sin and walk in your ways.

P: Jesus came not to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him. By his abundant love, all your sins are forgiven, that you might walk in the light of Christ. Amen.

KYRIE

ELW #157

HYMN OF PRAISE "Holy, Holy" (vs 1, 5) ALC # 48

PRAYER OF THE DAY

L: Righteous God,

C: Judgment belongs to you alone. Make us aware of our own limitations that we may act with compassion toward those who differ from us. We ask this in Jesus' name. Amen.

GOSPEL READINGMatthew 7:1-29Pew Bible p 788

Reader: Melanie Shamp

Response before: Glory to you, O Lord. Response after: Praise to you, O Christ.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

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

MESSAGE

Pastor Adam

SONG OF THE DAY

"Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty" (vs. 1, 3-5) ELW #533

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS AND BOARD MEMBERS

APOSTLES' CREED

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE Hear us, O God, **Your mercy is great.**

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

O God, you are a good and generous God. We now return our gifts to you in gratitude for your loving care. Bless them to your service wherever there is need, in Jesus' name. Amen.

HOLY COMMUNION

Words of Institution Lord's Prayer Distribution MicheLe meditative music ELW #461 Post Communion Prayer

BENEDICTION

CLOSING HYMN

"Although I Speak"

ELW #644

DISMISSAL

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

POSTLUDE

WELCOME to worship at American Lutheran Church. In the scripture reading, Jesus invites us to treat others the way we want to be treated.

JOIN US NEXT WEEK for Parables of the Kingdom, Matthew 13:24-43

RADIO SPONSORSHIP for today's worship service is in memory of Rick Kirstein given by Carol Kirstein and family.

Attendance last Wednesday: 72; Saturday: 61; Sunday: 109; Offering: \$4,225



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: Eli Muske, Peyton Hilbrands Technology: Lindsey Cartwright, Jace Anderson, Eugene Hanchett Communion Assistants: Melanie Shamp, Dale and Kay Evers

FOUR CHAPLAINS DAY is remembered on February 3rd each year in the USA. This day commemorates the events of February 3, 1943, when the troop ship USAT Dorchester sank. Dorchester left New York on January 23, 1943, carrying 4 chaplains and about 900 others as a part of a convoy of three ships. After being hit below the waterline by a German submarine, it began to sink. The 4 chaplains helped calm and guide shipmates in the evacuation process. They started handing out life jackets as individuals filled rafts, and when they ran out, they gave up theirs to those still waiting. These 4, Lt. George Fox, a Methodist; Lt. Alexander Goode, a Jewish Rabbi; Lt. John Washington, a Roman Catholic Priest; and Lt. Clark Poling, a Dutch Reformed minister, are remembered as heroes on that tragic day. Many of the 203 survivors reported that the chaplains stood together, arms linked, saying prayers and singing as the ship sank.

NEXT WEEK'S NOISY OFFERING is designated to our Prayer Shawl Ministry which was created to help those who suffer in body, mind, and spirit. Prayer shawls help individuals know that someone has been and continues to pray for them. It also encourages them to know that God is with them every step of the way, every day. Each Prayer Shawl costs about \$15 to make. Please consider donating to this great Ministry.

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS AND BOARD MEMBERS today! Sunday, February 5th. Thanks to all who have agreed to serve ALC on our Boards and Council!

YOUTH FUNDRAISER VALENTINE'S SUPPER Sunday, February 5th from 5:30pm-7:30pm in the Fellowship Hall. We'll be serving pasta, bread, a salad, and desserts. Tickets are \$15 per person or \$25 per couple. Tickets are available before and after services, in the church office, or see Tera. Questions, contact Tera at (507)822-3377. Come and celebrate Valentine's Day with us!



DID YOU KNOW? The rebroadcast of our services have been moved to Windom Cable Channel 22 on Thursdays at 10:00 am and 6:30 pm for the time being, due technical difficulties with Channel 3.



Are you interested in **SPONSORING THE RADIO BROADCAST** on Sundays? The cost is \$57 for a Sunday service sponsorship. The months of February and March are open. Please contact the ALC office if you are interested in a sponsorship.

GLOW SEWING DAYS! Join us the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of February (7th and 21st) 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! Questions call Kathy Hiley 831-4109 or Jackie Turner 822-1633.

EASTER FLOWERS ORDER FORM: Order forms were sent out to everyone in the January Messenger, copies are also available in the Narthex on the back table and in the church office. The deadline to order Easter Flowers is Tuesday February 7th at 12 noon.

ALL BOARD RELAUNCH! Tuesday, February 7th beginning at 6:30 pm. All returning and new members of boards are asked to attend. We will gather all together in the Fellowship Hall to join as one in the body of Christ, as we work to share his message. Individual board meetings will begin at 7:00 pm. With Church Council following at 8:00 pm. Note for new members: please check your mailbox by the church office for your board's agenda prior to your meeting.

NO WORSHIP OR CONFIRMATION ON WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 8TH, 2023: American

Lutheran Church partners with Windom Area Schools for a night at the BARC Auditorium at 7pm **Why:** to inspire an

active anti-bullying movement in our community. Kevin Honeycutt, a teacher and nationally known speaker will present his ideas about defining bullying, the effects of bullying, and most importantly what to do instead of bullying. This is a community event bringing ideas of how to engage students in positive behavior and teach them how to simply be a good person. **Please note:** There WILL be a Wednesday night meal, Choir practice, and Wednesday school, but no worship or confirmation.

MEN'S GROUP OPPORTUNITY: Calling gentlemen of all ages to participate in an exciting opportunity to cultivate discipleship as we work our way through the 33 Series Volume 2: A man and his story. We will be meeting weekly at BARC library at 6:30pm on Thursdays the whole month of February.

WEDNESDAY/SUNDAY SCHOOL

GRANDPARENTS' DAY: Wednesday, February 15th at 5:30pm and Sunday, February 19th at

10:15am! Grandparents or other special adults are invited to join their student in the Fellowship Hall during his/her regular class time! We will enjoy a lesson, a craft, and a fun a fun snack together!

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/ lodging. Please consider making a pledge to Shetek. Questions contact Steve or Jean Johnson. We are currently at \$22,183 in pledges! Only \$2,817 left to pledge!

SEEKING INDIVIDUALS, COUPLES, OR FAMILY GROUPS WILLING TO USHER. Would you be interested in helping seat individuals, pass out bulletins, assist in passing the plate for offering and in helping the process with Holy Communion? It's a great way to meet people in the congregation. The schedule normally rotates by months (3 months, not consecutively out of the year). You also don't have to be here EVERY Sunday of the month. You are put into a group and those members also help with your months and the rotation. Please contact the church office if you're interested.





THIS WEEK AT AMERICAN LUTHERAN CHURCH

Sunday, February 5, Fifth Sunday of Epiphany
9:00 AM Worship w/Holy Communion and Installation of Officers & Board Members
10:00 AM Skylight Court Café- Coffee Hour
10:15 AM Sunday School
10:30 AM Radio Broadcast 103.1 FM KDOM
5:30 PM-7:30 PM Valentine's Supper Youth Fundraiser, Fellowship Hall

Monday, February 6 6:30 PM Bell Choir

Tuesday, February 7, No Properties Board Meeting No Spiritual Life & Fellowship Board Meeting 8:00 AM Men's Bible Study 9:00 AM GLOW Sewing Day 1:15 PM Staff Team Huddle 5:15 PM Church in Society Board Meeting 6:30 PM All Boards Relaunch, Fellowship Hall 7:00 PM All Individual Board Meetings 8:00 PM Church Council

Wednesday, February 8, No Wednesday Worship or Confirmation due to the Kevin Honeycutt Seminar at the Barc 5:00 PM Wednesday Supper- Beef stroganoff/egg noodles, green beans 5:30 PM Choir Practice 5:30 PM Wednesday School 7:00 PM Kevin Honeycutt Seminar, Barc Auditorium

Thursday, February 9

9:00 AM Bulletin Deadline
10:00 AM & 6:30 PM Cable TV
11:30 AM ALC Day at Senior Dining
3:15 PM 1st-3rd Grade After School Valentine Party
6:30 PM Authentic Manhood, Barc Library

Friday, February 10

Saturday, February 11 8:00 AM Faith Fest Augustana (6th-8th Graders) Departure 5:30 PM Chapel Service w/Holy Communion & Noisy Offering Sunday, February 12, Sixth Sunday of Epiphany/ Noisy Offer

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9:00 AM Worship
10:00 AM Skylight Court Cafe- Coffee Hour
10:15 AM Sunday School
10:30 AM Radio Broadcast 103.1 FM KDOM
4:00 PM Faith Fest Augustana (6th-8th Graders) Return