

# The American Lutheran Church of Windom

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



**March 5th, 2023 9:00 AM**  
*Second Sunday of Lent*

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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

MicheLe Larson, Organist

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

TEMPLE TALK

Marv Nysetvold

SHETEK VIDEO

Jean Johnson

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 into the vineyard,

C: **For there is much work to be done.**

L: No matter when we get there,

C: **God rewards us with generosity.**

OPENING HYMN

*"Gather Us In"*

ELW #532

## CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

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

*Pause for silence and reflection.*

P: God of grace and mercy,

**C: We admit to you, to ourselves, and to this community, that we have caused harm to others through our actions and through our failure to act. Give us the humility to acknowledge our failings and make things right where we can. Forgive us and help us to forgive ourselves.**

P: Nothing can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus. In that love God forgives all of your sin, for the sake of our savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.

## KYRIE

ELW #157

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

L: Gracious God,

**C: You call us all into your holy work, and reward according to your generosity, rather than our deserving. Give us the same heart of generosity toward others, in Jesus' name. Amen.**

## GOSPEL SONG

*“Change my Heart O God”*

ELW #801

## GOSPEL READING

Matthew 20:1-16

Pew Bible p 801

Reader: Sadie Tjentland

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 & Sydney Erickson

## MESSAGE

Pastor Sarah

## SONG OF THE DAY

*“Bless Now, O God, the Journey”*

ELW #326

## 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      ***“Create in Me a Clean Heart”***

ELW #186

## OFFERTORY PRAYER

**O God, do not let us think we can decide what others deserve to have. Give us hearts as generous as yours, that we might offer our gifts in service to your children with no strings attached. Bless what we bring before you today, for your work of compassion and justice in the world. Amen.**

## HOLY COMMUNION

Words of Institution

Lord's Prayer

Distribution

MicheLe meditative music

Post Communion Prayer

## BENEDICTION

## CLOSING HYMN      ***“Hark, the Voice of Jesus Calling”***

(vs 1, 2, 4)

screens

## DISMISSAL

Go in Peace! Remember the poor. / **We will. Thanks be to God!**

## POSTLUDE

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**WELCOME** to worship at American Lutheran Church. In the scripture reading, we are all called to help in God's vineyard.

**JOIN US NEXT WEEK** for Wedding Banquet, Matthew 22:1-14

**RADIO SPONSORSHIP** for today's worship service is in celebration of good fellowship.

A **RADIO GIFT** was also given in honor of LeRoy & Elaine Larson's 60th Wedding Anniversary on March 3rd.

Attendance last Ash Wednesday: Postpone due to bad weather;  
Saturday: 37; Ash Wednesday Sunday Service: 140;  
Offering: \$4,251



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: Lilly Derickson

Technology: Daron Friesen, Bob Johnson, Lindsey Cartwright, Eugene Hanchett

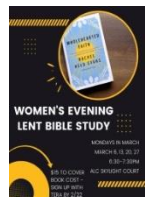
**CAMP SHETEK SUNDAY!** Shetek Lutheran Ministries is joining us TODAY! ALC we will again be giving away two FREE camperships this year – one mini-week and one full-week! If you would like your child(ren) entered into this year's drawing for a free campership, please contact Tera at [teraalc@gmail.com](mailto:teraalc@gmail.com) or contact the church office. Please include what campership drawing (mini-week or full-week) your child(ren) would fall into. The drawing will be March 15<sup>th</sup> via FB Live!

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 \$22,094 in pledges!** Only \$2,906 left to pledge!

**GLOW MEETING TODAY:** Sunday, March 5th at 10AM (after worship) in the Meeting Room. ALL women belong to GLOW and are welcome to attend the meeting to find out what's happening and how you can be a part of the fun!

**BOYS AFTERNOON FOR BOYS GRADES 4TH-6TH!** Monday, March 6th after school until 4:30pm at the Windom Elementary Gym. Join Tera and Windom PE Teacher Travis Janssen for a fun afternoon of games and snacks and an incredible lesson from God's awesome word! Bring your Bible! Friends are welcome!

**WOMEN'S EVENING LENT BIBLE STUDY** "Wholehearted Faith" Mondays in March at 6:30pm-7:30pm led by Tera Elness March 6, 13, 20, 27, ALC Skylight Court. \$15 to cover book cost



OR join Pastor Sarah on Sunday March 19 at 10:15am in the Meeting Room. The book is not needed on Sundays, but may be purchased on your own.

Remember **DAYLIGHT SAVINGS** is March 12th. Don't forget to set your clocks ahead 1 hour.

**Wednesday Lenten Schedule: March 1,8,15,22,29**

5:00 PM Lenten Supper

(each meal is a fundraiser for different ministries of our congregation)

5:30 PM Wednesday School & Choir Practice

6:30 PM Lenten Worship

7:15 PM 8th & 9th Grade Confirmation

(No 7th Grade Confirmation during Lent)

**Weekly Lenten Worship**

***Holden Prayer / Wholehearted Faith***

March 8th– Lent 2: Hearts Healed *“Loving Our Enemies”*

March 15th–Lent 3: Hearts that are Loved *“From Death to Life”*

March 22nd– Lent 4: Hearts Laid Bare *“God has made a Home with us”*

March 29th– Lent 5: Hearts at Rest *“Dwelling in Sabbath”*

**Lenten Suppers**

**Wednesday, March 8th**– Hosted by Spiritual Life & Fellowship–Potato soup, chili, bread, and bars

**Wednesday, March 15th**– Hosted by Shetek Ondini Circuit Partnership–Beef stew over rice with hot dogs and chips for a kids option.

**Wednesday, March 22nd**– Hosted by Kansas City Youth Fundraiser–Spaghetti and garlic bread

**Wednesday, March 29th**– Hosted by Bethany Lutheran–Pulled pork sandwiches, chips, and bars



**40 DAYS \$40 LENTEN CHALLENGE!** This year Church in Society's Lenten Challenge donations will be raising money to help those in Turkey and Syria struggling from the earthquake and also to help Ukrainian refugees as they seek to rebuild their lives throughout Europe. The donations that come in will be split between the two. We're asking you to keep these catastrophes in mind while also asking you to participate in the Lenten Challenge by giving a dollar a day for forty days to help those who are struggling from these disasters. Please make checks to American Lutheran Church with Lutheran Disaster Response in the memo line. . Thank you! An envelope marked \$40 for 40 Days Lenten Challenge will be provided in the March Messenger and on the back tables in the Narthex during Lent.

**Mid-week Ecumenical Lenten Services at the Presbyterian Church**

**Where?** First United Presbyterian Church, 336 11<sup>th</sup> St.

**What?** 30 minute Lenten Worship (in-person and through Facebook live).

**When?** 12:00 noon: *March 8th (Pastor Sarah: ALC Hosts), March 15th, March 22nd and March 29th (Pastor Adam).*

You are invited to join your sisters and brothers in Christ at the First Presbyterian Church at noon during Lent for worship and lunch. This year the theme revolves around the 250<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the hymn "Amazing Grace." The worship service will start at noon followed by lunch. The schedule is as follows: March 1 – Pam Prouty, First Presbyterian Church will lead worship and FPC will serve lunch; March 8 – Sarah Tade, American Lutheran Church will lead worship and ALC will serve lunch; March 15 – Mike McInnis, United Methodist Church will lead worship and UMC will serve lunch; March 22 – Mary Theesfeld, Catholic Church will lead worship and the Catholic Church will serve lunch; March 29 – Adam Roberts, American Lutheran Church will lead worship and the First Presbyterian Church will serve lunch. Come and join us!

**MARCH IS FOOD SHARE MONTH!** Church and Society is also collecting items through March for our local food shelf.\* 1<sup>st</sup> week - Cleaning and Paper items, 2<sup>nd</sup> week - Personal Items, 3<sup>rd</sup> week - Breakfast Items, 4<sup>th</sup> week - Canned Goods. We will take any items anytime - this is suggestions only!! Monetary donations are also great!!! All items may be placed in the red grocery cart in the Skylight Court. Also, a monetary jar is located in the Skylight Court for all monetary donations. Thank you all for donating!

**MARCH MADNESS!** Wednesday School/Sunday School students can look forward to finding a special treat in their classrooms on March 8th/12th!

**PRAYER PARTNER PARTY** for our Wednesday School & Sunday School Students and their Prayer Partners in the Fellowship Hall during the students' regular class times on Wednesday, March 15th & Sunday, March 19th! We can't wait to celebrate our incredible & faithful Prayer Partners!

**SAVE THE DATE!** Nursery- 2nd Grade students will be singing at the 6:30pm **March 15th** Lenten Worship Service. Please note there will be Wednesday School as scheduled prior to the service at 5:30 pm. If you have any questions please contact Tera.

**JR/SR HIGH YOUTH GROUP WINTER FUN DAY TAKE TWO!** Sunday, March 19th at the Windom Arena from 1pm-3pm. Join us for open skating, learn how to play racquetball, and play some racquetball games! Cost is free, snacks are provided, and friends are welcome!

ALC will be **WELCOMING NEW MEMBERS** at our 6:30 PM Wednesday, April 12th worship service and at our 9:00 AM Sunday, April 16th worship service. A letter will be sent out to those who have indicated interest in becoming members of ALC. If you are interested in becoming a member please fill out the "How can we serve you" questionnaire in the Saturday/Sunday bulletins and drop it in the offering plate, call/email the office at (507)831- 1794/[winalc@windomnet.com](mailto:winalc@windomnet.com) or talk to one of our staff.

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

### **Sunday, March 5, Shetek Sunday/Second Sunday of Lent**

9:00 AM Worship w/Holy Communion

10:00 AM GLOW Meeting

10:00 AM Skylight Court Café- Coffee Hour

10:15 AM Sunday School

10:30 AM Radio Broadcast 103.1 FM KDOM

### **Monday, March 6**

3:15 PM After-School Boys Afternoon (4th-6th Grade)

6:30 PM Bell Choir

6:30 PM women's Evening Lent Bible Study w/Tera, Skylight Court

### **Tuesday, March 7**

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

6:00 PM Youth & Family Board

### **Wednesday, March 8**

12:00 PM Ecumenical Luncheon, Presbyterian Church (ALC Serves  
w/Pastor Sarah Preaching)

5:00 PM Lenten Supper

5:30 PM Choir Practice

5:30 PM Wednesday School

6:30 PM Lenten Worship

7:15 PM Confirmation (8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup> Grade)

7:15 PM Sr. High Bible Study

### **Thursday, March 9**

9:00 AM Bulletin Deadline

10:00 AM & 6:30 PM Cable TV CH 22

11:30 AM ALC Day at Senior Dining

### **Friday, March 10**

5:00 PM 7th Grade Confirmation Camp, Shetek Departure

### **Saturday, March 11**

5:30 PM Chapel Service w/Holy Communion & Noisy Offering

7:00 PM 7th Grade Confirmation Camp, Shetek Return

### **Sunday, March 12, Girl Scout Sunday/Daylight Savings**

### **Third Sunday in Lent/Second Sunday Noisy Offering**

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