

# The American Lutheran Church of Windom

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



**Sunday, May 14th, 2023 9:00 AM**  
***Sixth 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.*

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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

Linda Staples, Organist

ALC CHOIR

*“How Great Thou Art & Majesty”*

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

Noisy Offering for VBS Registrations

N-2ND GRADE STUDENTS: *“Hallelu, Praise Ye the Lord”*

GATHERING

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

C: Amen

CALL TO WORSHIP

L: Jesus calls us into his presence,

C: **When we are tired and struggling.**

L: Jesus promises us rest.

C: **We find peace in Jesus' loving arms.**

OPENING HYMN

*“How Great Thou Art”*

ELW #856

## CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

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

*Pause for silence and reflection.*

P: God of resurrection,

**C: You have redeemed us through the gift of your son, yet we often act as though we don't know what that means. We fail to see where we need to change, and where we need to work to bring positive change to the world. We remain turned in on ourselves rather than living out of love and service for others. Forgive us our sins of thought, word, and action or lack of action, that we might better do your will.**

P: Christ is risen indeed, and proclaims to you and all of creation the entire forgiveness of your sin. May you receive this gift of forgiveness with joy! Amen.

KYRIE

ELW #157

ALC CHOIR ANTHEM

*“Singing Glory Hallelujah!”*

Trumpet: Ryan Barry

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

L: Loving God,

**C: You sustained the church at Rome in their suffering through hope in the promise of your salvation. Give us this same hope, and walk with us through our own challenges, in Jesus Christ our savior. Amen.**

SCRIPTURE READING

Romans 5:1-11

Pew Bible p 917

Reader: Tera Elness

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

MESSAGE

Pastor Adam

GRADE 3-6 STUDENTS

*“My Lighthouse”*

APOSTLES' CREED

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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

SHARING OF THE PEACE

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

WS / SS TEACHER APPRECIATION and CONFIRMATION SMALL  
GROUP GUIDES

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

God, You have poured out your love into our hearts by the Holy Spirit.  
In gratitude we offer these gifts, that the world might be blessed through  
them. Accept them for the sake of your son, Jesus Christ. Amen.

LORD’S PRAYER

BENEDICTION

CLOSING HYMN      ***“My Hope is Built on Nothing Less”***

ELW #597

DISMISSAL

Alleluia! Go in Peace. Share the good news!

**We will. Thanks be to God!**

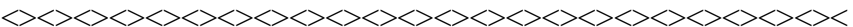
POSTLUDE

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**WELCOME** to worship at American Lutheran Church. In the scripture  
reading, we find out that God loves us more than our hearts can hold.

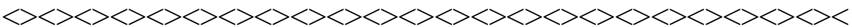
**JOIN US NEXT WEEK** for Hope of Resurrection, Romans 6:1-14

**RADIO SPONSORSHIP** in honor of those who nurture us in our daily  
journeys.



Attendance Last Wednesday: 67; Saturday: 30; Sunday: 127;

Offering: \$6,248



**SHARE THE STORY:**

Acts 9:36 – Now in Joppa there was a disciple whose name was Tabitha, which in Greek is Dorcas. She was devoted to good works and acts of charity.

Never underestimate the power of one person to make a difference in our church and the world. Tabitha touched people with good works, including making clothes for others. How are you using your God-given talents for the sake of others?

## **WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY**

**Acolytes:** Brita Tjentland, Sadie Tjentland

**Technology:** Todd Armstrong, Tim Hiley, Eugene Hanchett, Lindsey Cartwright

**OUR MOTHER'S DAY BULLETIN COVER** was created by second grader, Jack Bussa. Thank You!

**ALC'S SPIRITUAL LIFE BOARD** will be recognizing the women of the congregation today, following the worship service, with a small gift.

**TODAY'S NOISY OFFERING** is designated to ALC's Vacation Bible School (VBS)! Please drop your spare change, bills or checks into the cans when students come your way.

**THANK YOU** to the ALC Choir for providing musical selections in today's service. Thank you to all the members for their dedication and Jamie Pohlmann for directing this group and Priscilla Jacobson for providing accompaniment. Watch for information regarding the startup of practice again next fall.

**UPDATE ON ALC OFFICE HOURS:** Due to staffing changes, the ALC Office will not be open on Fridays for the time being. The church will be open, and other staff will be working on site, or available by phone or email.



**6TH GRADERS AND THEIR PARENTS, who missed last week's gathering,** are asked to join Tera on **Wednesday, May 17th** (Fellowship Hall) at 6:30 PM for a **SPECIAL CELEBRATION AND "LOOK AHEAD"** to next year's faith formation journey at ALC!

## **TODAY, MAY 14TH: END OF THE YEAR SUNDAY SCHOOL CELEBRATIONS!**

Teacher/Leader/Guide Appreciation Sunday, Students will be singing at the service today. This is the **LAST DAY OF CLASS** for **ALL** students! With a celebration outside on the church lawn with some fun activities as we give thanks to God and bid a grateful farewell to this Sunday School year! This final class time will be **FILLED** with outdoor fun (or indoor if our weather doesn't cooperate!) including lawn games, a treat table, a potter's bench, and a VBS registration station with craft! Don't miss this last fun class time together!



#### **4TH-6TH GRADE BOYS AFTERNOON** Ashes to Art

Monday, May 15th after school until 5:00 PM. Transportation will be provided from Windom Schools. The cost is \$10. Please contact Tera Elness to sign-up!



The **LAST DAY OF CONFIRMATION** for 7th, 8th, and 9th Grade will be Wednesday, May 17<sup>th</sup>. 7<sup>th</sup> Grade will begin at 7:00 PM with Tera. 8<sup>th</sup> Grade will meet with Pastor Sarah at 6:30 PM to go to Shalom Hill Farm. 9<sup>th</sup> Grade students and parents will meet with Pastor Adam at 7:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall.

**SENIOR RECOGNITION** is scheduled for next Sunday, May 21st at our 9:00 AM Worship Service. Seniors, if you have not already sent in your photo, please remember to send to the church office ASAP at [winalc@windomnet.com](mailto:winalc@windomnet.com), to be shown on our screens and in our June Messenger. Youth and Family will sponsor coffee hour in the Fellowship Hall on May 21st with cinnamon rolls, coffee, and juice. All are welcome! Come celebrate and greet this group of 23 Seniors!

**4TH-6TH GRADE GIRLS NIGHT** Sunday, May 21st from 5pm-7pm in the ALC Fellowship Hall. Container gardening/potted creation and supper! Cost is \$10. Please contact Tera to sign-up by Sunday, May 14th!



#### **RALLY AROUND THE YOUTH RUMMAGE SALE**

Thursday, May 18<sup>th</sup> from 4pm-7pm and Friday, May 19<sup>th</sup> from 9am-4pm. Donations will be accepted May 15<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup> during office hours or by appointment. \*\* NO clothing/electronics accepted\*\*

#### **EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY AT ALC: Full-time**

**Administrative Assistant** (up to 40 hours/week). This person will manage the office of the American Lutheran Church and coordinate communication between church members, ALC staff, and the community. If you have strong organizational skills, are fluent with standard office software programs, and enjoy working in a positive office environment, please consider joining our staff! ALC offers a competitive hourly wage and excellent benefits package (paid vacation time, medical, and retirement). An application and job description are available on our church website: [www.alcofwindom.com](http://www.alcofwindom.com). Send your application and resume to: The American Lutheran Church PO Box 188, Windom, MN 56101 or email [winalc@windomnet.com](mailto:winalc@windomnet.com).

**HEALTHY EATING TIPS & TRICKS FOR THE FAMILY!** Join us Wednesday, May 17th from 5:30PM-6:15PM in the Fellowship Hall as we welcome Caitlyn Gilbertson for learning and some hands on fun!



**GOD'S WORK OUR HANDS** The Church in Society Board invites fellow ALC members to meet at the church Sunday, May 21<sup>st</sup> at 2PM to go around town to make our community a cleaner and nicer place to live. Afterwards we will celebrate with ice cream back at the church. This is a great way to serve God and the community along with meeting new people in the process.

**SHETEK - ONDINI PARTNERSHIP COMMITTEE** invites anyone who is interested to attend the meeting of the Partnership on Sunday May 21 at 6:30 at Shetek Lutheran Ministries. Our current project is planning how to invite and receive guests from South Africa in 2024. Come and grow in faith and friendship!

**A CONCERT FEATURING THE KENYAN COMMUNITY CHOIR** from the Kenyan Community Church in Brooklyn Center, at the Evangelical Free Church, 11:00 AM on May, 20, 2023, hosted by the Windom Seventh-Day Adventist Church. Many in Windom were blessed when the KCC Choir sang at the funeral service of Henry Ngisa, the husband of Sarah Muthio. A fellowship meal will follow in the E Free Fellowship Hall (the old church building) across from the new church. (416 Tenth Street, Windom, MN). All are welcome!

**THE DAY OF PENTECOST, MAY 28TH-** As the birthday of the church, Pentecost Sunday is among the most important festivals of the Christian church. Occurring 50 days after Easter, Pentecost celebrates the day the Holy Spirit appeared to the first believers, providing the enthusiasm, faith, and courage to spread the good news of the gospel throughout the known world. We celebrate the Holy Spirit as the power of God among us that heals, forgives, inspires, and unites. *We invite you to wear red on May 28th to help us celebrate Pentecost Sunday!*

**HELP CHURCH IN SOCIETY** raise funds for supporting The Banquet, a meal site located in Sioux Falls, SD. Check out the Donation Bulletin board located in Skyline Court entryway! ALC is challenged to bring \$1,000 in donations when we serve in July. Take an envelope or drop change in the jar.

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

### **Sunday, May 14 Mother's Day**

9:00 AM Worship w/S&W School Teachers & Small Group Guides Appreciation

10:00 AM Skylight Court Café- Coffee Hour

10:15 AM Sunday School

10:15 AM Last Day of Sunday School

10:30 AM Broadcast of Worship Service on KDOM

### **Monday, May 15**

3:15-5:00 Boys Afternoon (4th-6th Grade) Ashes to Art

### **Tuesday, May 16**

8:00 AM Men's Bible Study

9:00 AM Shetek Conference Mtg

1:15 PM Staff Team Huddle

### **Wednesday, May 17**

11:00 Sogge

1:30 Hillside Manor

2:00 pm Pine View

5:30 Healthy Tips

& Tricks for Families w/Caitlyn Gilbertson, Fellowship Hall

6:30-7pm 6th Graders

& Parents Special Celebration (Make-up session)

7:00 PM 7th Grade Confirmation with Tera

6:30 – 8:30 PM 8th Grade Confirmation – Shalom Hill Farm

6:30 PM 9th Grade Confirmation – Students and Parent meeting, Fellowship Hall

### **Thursday, May 18**

9:00 AM Bulletin Deadline

10:00 AM Cable TV

2:00 pm Women's Bible Study

4:00-7:00 pm Rally Around the Youth Rummage Sale

5:00 pm Technology Committee Meeting

6:30 PM Cable TV

7:00 PM Church Softball Meeting - Skylight Court

### **Friday, May 19**

9:00am -4:00pm Rally Around the Youth Rummage Sale

### **Saturday, May 20**

*Messenger Deadline*

5:30 PM Chapel Service w/Holy Communion

### **Sunday, May 21, Senior Recognition Sunday**

9:00 AM Worship w/Senior Recognition

10:00 AM Fellowship Hall - Seniors, Family, & Congregation  
invited for Rolls and Coffee Hour

10:30 AM Broadcast of Worship Service on KDOM

2:00-4:00 PM God's Work Our Hands Community Clean-up  
w/Ice Cream

5:00-7:00 PM Girls Night, 4th-6th Grade

### **SAVE THE DATE:**

Vacation Bible School  
(VBS) Sunday, July 30<sup>th</sup>-  
Thursday, August 3<sup>rd</sup> from  
5:30PM-8:00PM. Be on  
the lookout for early  
registration May 10<sup>th</sup> &  
May 14<sup>th</sup>!

