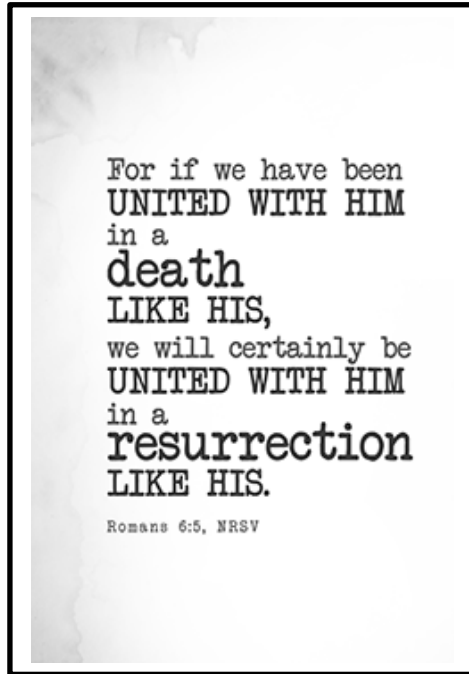


The American Lutheran Church of Windom

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



Sunday, May 21st, 2023 9:00 AM
Seventh Sunday of Easter

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Wednesdays 6:30 pm Worship
Saturdays 5:30 pm Chapel Worship
Sundays 9:00 am Worship

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

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: In Christ we have new life.

C: We live under the grace of God.

L: Let us resist earthly temptations,

C: And commit ourselves to a life of love and service to all.

OPENING HYMN

“Holy, Holy”

ALC #48 (vs 1-4)

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

HYMN OF PRAISE

“Goodness is Stronger than Evil” ELW #721

PRAYER OF THE DAY

L: Holy God,

C: Through Jesus Christ, we have been given endless grace and forgiveness. Help us see this not as an excuse to sin, but as all the more reason to live as you have called us. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING Romans 6:1-14 Pew Bible p. 917

Readers: Kaden Holtz and Abbi Grunewald

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

MESSAGE

Pastor Sarah Tade

SENIOR SLIDESHOW

SENIOR GIFTS

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

Melanie Shamp and Jodi Johnson, Youth & Family Representatives

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

OFFERING

“Always Be Humble and Kind”

Tim McGraw

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

OFFERTORY RESPONSE

“Create in Me a Clean Heart”

ALC #14

OFFERTORY PRAYER

God, you have told us that we cannot serve you and serve wealth. Accept these gifts we now offer for the purpose of serving you, and carrying out your good work of bringing peace and justice into the world. For the sake of Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.

LORD’S PRAYER

BENEDICTION

CLOSING HYMN *“As You Go On Your Way”* ALC #68

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. Today is Senior Recognition Day. Help celebrate this special day in their lives by joining them in the Fellowship Hall following service to greet the seniors and enjoy cinnamon rolls and a cup of coffee. *All are welcome!*

JOIN US NEXT WEEK for Nothing Can Separate Us (Pentecost), Acts 2:1-4, Romans 8:18-39

RADIO SPONSORSHIP in memory of Ronnie Vought’s birthday, today, May 21st, given by Carol and family.

ASCENSION DAY was this past Thursday, May 18th. As Jesus ascended he commissioned his disciples to be his witnesses beginning where they were and throughout the earth. He promised that the Spirit would empower them, and be a sign of his ongoing presence. We rejoice that Jesus is with us still and await his coming in glory.

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. The Church and Office will be closed next Monday, May 29th in celebration of Memorial Day.

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. Send your application and resume to: The American Lutheran Church PO Box 188, Windom, MN 56101 or email winalc@windomnet.com.

4TH-6TH GRADE GIRLS tonight from 5pm-7pm in the ALC Fellowship Hall. Container gardening/potted creation and supper! Cost is \$10. Please contact Tera for more information.



GOD'S WORK OUR HANDS The Church in Society Board invites fellow ALC members to meet at the church *this afternoon 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 *this evening at 6:30 PM* 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!

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 Skylight 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. The Noisy Offering taken on June 11th will also be designated for this outreach mission.

NATIONAL CANCER SURVIVOR SUNDAY will be recognized on June 4th during the 9:00 AM worship service.

RIVERFEST WORSHIP SCHEDULE: ALC will hold services on Sunday, June 11th at 9:00 am. There will be a Community Worship service beginning at 10:30 AM at the BARC. The Lion's Club Pancake Feed will follow the worship service. Please note, the Saturday Night Chapel service will be held at 4:30 PM due to Riverfest activities.

THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU! WE HAVE SURPASSED OUR GOAL of \$25,000! To date, \$25,155.33 has been donated and pledged to the Shetek Lutheran Ministries Capital Campaign. That includes \$622.33 from the Sunday/Wednesday School offering over the school year. Thanks, kids! Those of you who pledged gifts over the 3 year period, please send your gift directly to Shetek at 14 Keeley Island Drive, Slayton, MN 56172. If you still want to donate, you may drop a donation or pledge card off at the office or send it directly to Shetek. What a blessing to be able to support Shetek with new facilities to be used by our kids and retreat groups for years to come. Thank you!!!

THIS WEEK AT AMERICAN LUTHERAN CHURCH

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

Monday, May 22

Tuesday, May 23

8:00 AM Men's Bible Study

1:15 PM Staff Team Huddle

Wednesday, May 24

7:00 PM WAHS Baccalaureate

Thursday, May 25

9:00 AM Bulletin Deadline

10:00 AM Cable TV

3:00 PM Mikkelsen Manor

4:00 PM Remick Ridge

6:30 PM Cable TV, Ch 22

6:30 PM Men's Group – Cribbage and Pizza

Friday, May 26

7:00 PM WAHS Graduation Commencement

Saturday, May 27

5:30 PM Chapel Service

Sunday, May 28, Pentecost Sunday

9:00 AM Worship

10:00 AM Skylight Court Café – Coffee Hour

10:30 AM Broadcast of Worship Service on KDOM

