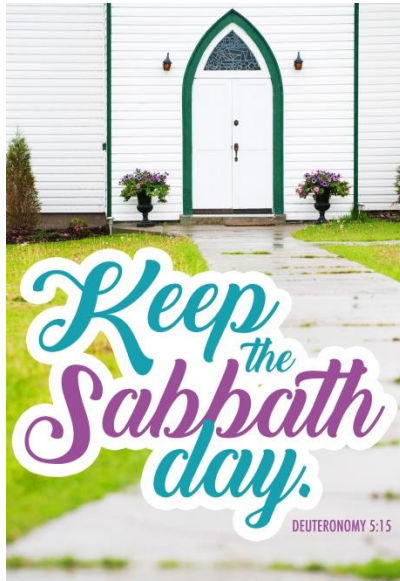


# The American Lutheran Church of Windom

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

*Twelfth Sunday of Pentecost*



**Sunday, August 20, 2023 9:00 AM**

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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***

**GATHERING MUSIC**

**Carol Vought, Organist**

**WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Kermit and Betty Twait's 70<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary 2-4pm**

**Block Party today! 5-7pm**

**GATHERING**

**L:** Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, who greets us in this and every season, whose word never fails, whose promise is sure.

**C: Amen.**

**OPENING HYMN    “Blessing and Honor”**

**ELW #854**

**CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS**

**L:** Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of our neighbors.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

L: Merciful God,

**C: We confess that we have sinned.**

**We have hurt our community.**

**We have squandered your blessings.**

**We have hoarded your bounty.**

**We confess that we have sinned.**

**We have failed to be honest.**

**We have lacked the courage to speak.**

**We have spoken falsely.**

**In the name of Jesus, forgive us and grant us your mercy.**

L: God is a cup of cold water when we thirst.

God offers boundless grace when we fail.

Claim the gift of God's mercy:

you are freed and forgiven in the name of ✠ Jesus Christ.

**C: Amen.**

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ELW #157

HYMN OF PRAISE *"Praise and Thanksgiving"* ELW #689 vs 1&4

PRAYER OF THE DAY

**Almighty and ever-living God, throughout time you free the oppressed, heal the sick, and make whole all that you have made. Look with compassion on the world wounded by sin, and by your power restore us to wholeness of life, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, Amen.**

MUSICAL SELECTION:

**"What a Fellowship, What a Joy Divine"**

Pick up Choir

READING: Deuteronomy 5:12-15

Pew Bible p 142

Reader: Raelyn Hall-Marcy

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

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

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

MESSAGE

Pastor Adam Roberts

HYMN OF DAY *"Jesus Calls Us; o'er the Tumult"*

ELW #696 (v1,3-5)

## 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

*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 of field and forest, sea and sky, you are the giver of all good things. Sustain us with these gifts of your creation, and multiply your graciousness in us, that the world may be fed with your love, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

## LORD'S PRAYER

## BENEDICTION **"Go, My Children with My Blessing"**

Pick -Up Choir

## CLOSING HYMN **"Lord Take My Hand and Lead Me"** ELW #767

## DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Share the harvest.  
**We will. Thanks be to God!**

## POSTLUDE

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**WELCOME** to worship at American Lutheran Church. In the scripture reading, there is a time to work and play, but there is also a time to rest and observe the Sabbath.

**JOIN US NEXT WEEK** for Sabbath: Seventh Day, Genesis 2:1-3

**RADIO SPONSORSHIP** is in memory of Malinda Flatgard and Michael Holmen who shared August 17<sup>th</sup> birthdays given by Brenda Flatgard and Milo and Corrine Holmen.

A gift is given in honor of Kermit and Betty Twait's 70<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary.

Attendance Last Saturday: 35; Sunday: 84;  
Offering: \$3,475; Borrowed: \$20,000

### **WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY**

Reader: Raelyn Hall-Marcy

Assisting Minister: Karen Skarphol

Technology: Bob Johnson, Todd Armstrong, Mark Brodin, Eugene Hanchett

Thank you to Karen Skarphol who is our Assisting Minister today while Pastor Sarah is on vacation.

**ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT POSITION FILLED!** Expect a familiar face to greet you behind the desk in the ALC office. Melanie Shamp has been hired to rejoin the ALC staff in a new role. She will get started in the coming weeks, and begin full time on August 30th. Please welcome her!



**LOVE TO SING?** Today in worship, please feel free to join the “Pick-Up Choir” as noted in your bulletin. We are singing 2 familiar hymns. No need to be a regular member of a choir. All voices are welcome. We would love to have you join in the song with us!

**TODAY, AUGUST 20<sup>TH</sup>:** Congratulations to Kermit and Betty Twait as they celebrate their 70<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary! They will have an open house this afternoon from 2:00-4:00pm in the ALC Fellowship Hall. Come and celebrate this milestone.

**ALC BLOCK PARTY:** This is an event for the whole community, not just church members, and a great way to meet the people we live with in this great town! Free food, fun games, and great people will be at ALC today, **August 20th from 5-7pm**. Come and invite everyone you know to this great event!



## YOUTH NEWS

**SUNDAY/WEDNESDAY SCHOOL ENROLLMENT:** If you have a child that is turning 3 years old by September 1st and will be enrolling in Sunday school please contact Tera or call the office at (507) 831-1794.

**LOOKING AHEAD TO FALL!** Would you be willing to serve as a Sunday School Teacher or Wednesday School Teacher? Or maybe a Classroom Prayer Partner? (think "Adopt-a-Grandparent") Please contact Tera and she will help you find just the right fit! Our theme for the school year ahead is "For God So Loved The World!"♥



### **RALLY DAY at the LAKE and BACK-TO-SCHOOL BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS!**

Join us on Sunday, September 10th at 9:00am at Cottonwood Lake for worship. Pancake Breakfast served by the Lions Club to follow! Bring your lawn chairs! It will be a fabulous time to gather together and celebrate. And *BECAUSE* this is Rally Day, there will also be various games and stations for our kids to partake in! ♥



### **JR HIGH/SR HIGH YOUTH GROUP AUGUST**

**GRILL-OUT** Sunday, August 27<sup>th</sup> from 5-7pm at the Elness home. Please RSVP to Tera by Friday, August 25<sup>th</sup>.

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### **SAVE THE DATES! SUMMER SCRAPBOOKING RETREAT**

**August 25**, 9AM-Midnight and **August 26**, 9AM to 7PM. Cost for both days is \$50.00. Mary Mohlencamp & ALC Youth will be hosting a 2 Day Scrapbook & Crafting Retreat. An extra session is scheduled for Thursday, **August 24**, 3:00-10PM for an additional \$10. All proceeds go to the ALC Youth Program. For more information contact Mary Mohlencamp at [marymohl@rconnect.com](mailto:marymohl@rconnect.com) or call 507-822-1179.

**Help fill 100 School Kits for Lutheran World Relief!** GLOW will collect these supplies and fill the bags. Supplies needed:

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|----------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| 4 - 70 count Spiral Notebooks    | 1 - 12" Ruler with centimeters |
| 5 - Black or Blue Ballpoint Pens | 5 - Unsharpened Pencils        |
| 1 - Pencil Sharpener             | 1 - Kid's Blunt Cut Scissors   |
| 1 - 2-1/2" Pencil Eraser         | 1 - Box 24 count Crayons       |

\$6 cash donation will buy supplies for ONE school kit.

## **CONFIRMATION SAVE THE DATES:**

Confirmation Rehearsal: Wednesday, October 25th at 7:30 pm.

Confirmation Sunday: October 29th, 2023 at 10:45 am



**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.

## **CHECK OUT THE WORSHIP AND MUSIC BULLETIN BOARD!**

Sign-ups for Scripture Readers and Holy Communion assistants are available for September. Contact Jane Cartwright for more information.



### ***SEEKING INDIVIDUAL TO FILL LEADERSHIP***

**POSITION:** ALC is looking for an individual to direct the ALC Choir. This group practices weekly and sings on Sundays once per month. Practice will begin September 13th.

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

### **Sunday, August 20**

8:15am Pick-up Choir Rehearsal

9:00am Worship w/ Holy Communion

10:30am Broadcast of Worship Service on KDOM

5:00pm Block Party



### **Monday, August 21**

### **Tuesday, August 22**

8:00am Men's Bible Study

1:15pm Staff Team Huddle

### **Wednesday, August 23**

### **Thursday, August 24**

9:00am Bulletin Deadline

10:00am Cable TV Ch 22

3:00pm Scrapbooking Retreat

3:00pm Mikkelsen Manor

4:00pm Remick Ridge

6:30pm Cable TV, Ch 22

### **Friday, August 25**

9:00am Scrapbooking Retreat

### **Saturday, August 26**

9:00am Scrapbooking Retreat

5:30pm Chapel Service

### **Sunday, August 27**

9:00am Worship w/ Holy Communion

10:00am Skylight Court Café

10:30am Broadcast of Worship Service on KDOM

5:00pm Youth Group Grill-Out, Elness Home

