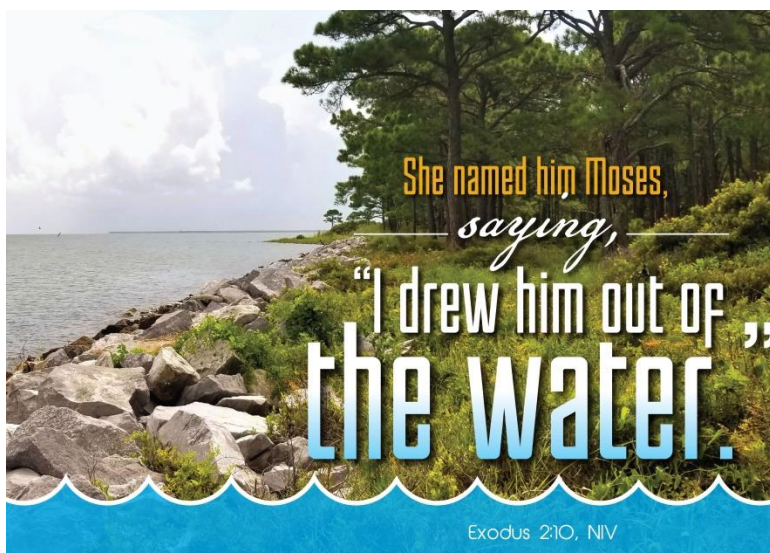


The American Lutheran Church of Windom

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

Eighteenth Sunday of Pentecost



Sunday, October 1st, 2023 9:00 AM

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Saturdays 5:30 pm Chapel Worship
Sundays 9:00 am Worship & Wednesdays 6:30 pm 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, YouTube Channel, and our Facebook page to view online services, events, and stay up-to-date on the latest information.

GATHERING MUSIC

Carol Vought, Organist

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

Temple Talk: Budget and Finance, Memorial Board

CALL TO WORSHIP

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

C: Amen.

A LITANY FOR SOUTH AFRICAN PARTNERSHIP VISIT

L: Holy God, you give life and breath to all people.

C: Jesus commissioned his followers to make disciples of all nations.

L: He instructed Peter: “Feed my lambs, take care of my sheep. Feed my sheep.”

C: **You call us into your worldwide Church that with those of different race and language, different experiences and traditions, men, women and children, young and old alike, we may be one body, walking together, to the glory of Christ on earth.**

L: Guiding Holy Spirit, inspire Bishop Myaka (Mee-aw’-kaw) to lead the Evangelical Lutheran Church of South Africa with joy and grace.

C: **May their churches and ours keep growing, spreading the message of salvation, hope, and love in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior.**

L: Bless the visit of our partners from the SE Diocese of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Southern Africa.

C: **May we learn from them and they learn from us as we grow in friendship and in faith. Help us to be what you have called us to be! Amen.**

OPENING HYMN “*Guide Me Ever, Great Redeemer*” ELW #618

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KYRIE ELW #157

HYMN OF PRAISE “*Now the Feast and Celebration*” ELW #167

PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God, with all your faithful followers of every age, we praise you, the rock of our life. Be our strong foundation and form us into the body of your Son, that we may gladly minister to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

PRESENTATION OF 3rd GRADE BIBLES

Christian Education Board

READING: Exodus 1:8-2:10 Pew Bible p. 43-44

Reader: Karen Wickie

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

MESSAGE

Pastor Adam

SONG OF DAY *“Lift Every Voice and Sing”* ELW #841

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PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Lord in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

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 *“We Are an Offering”* ALC #17

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Blessed are you, O Lord our God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts. With them we offer ourselves to your service and dedicate our lives to the care and redemption of all that you have made, for the sake of him who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

HOLY COMMUNION (Healing Prayers offered in north transept)

Words of Institution

Lord’s Prayer

Distribution

Carol V. meditative music

Post Communion Prayer

BENEDICTION

CLOSING HYMN *“Lord of Light”* ELW#688

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.
We will. Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE ++++++

WELCOME to worship at American Lutheran Church. In the scripture reading, Israel is in slavery and calls for help.

JOIN US NEXT WEEK for Hear O Israel, Deuteronomy 5:1-21; 6:4-9

RADIO SPONSORSHIP was given in honor of Pastor Sarah, Noel and family in celebration of their 10 year anniversary at American Lutheran Church, by Nancy Michalski.

Attendance Last Wednesday: 105; Saturday: 30; Sunday: 140;
Offering: \$5,733; Borrowed: \$25,000

WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY

Acolytes: Braxton Pohlman, Landon Ausing

Reader: Karen Wickie

Communion Assistants: Travis and Gina Friewald, Donna Gravely, Stephanie Redman

Technology: Lindsey Cartwright, Todd Armstrong, Eugene Hanchett



HEALING PRAYERS *"I am the Lord who heals you."*

Exodus 15:26. Prayer is central to our life together, as we lift before God the needs of the community and world. Today a station for Prayers for Healing is set up in the north transept area by the baptismal font. During Holy Communion, a pastor will be available to receive your prayer request and offer prayer with you. This will also be available on **Wednesday, Oct. 4th** during Holy Communion.



GLOW will be meeting at 10:15 in the meeting room

TODAY. ALL women are invited to attend. We will be

getting an update on the Holiday Fair plans, reports about the fall conference and WELCA Triennial, and discuss a possible Christmas dinner. Please join us!

GOD'S BLESSINGS to our 3rd Grade Wednesday/Sunday school students who received their brand new Bibles this week at worship! Aylen Blumberg, Addisyn Buckentin, Hudson Dardis, Rhilee Evans, Brienna Grant, Harper Hilbrands, Micah Masters, Kaisen Pribyl, Madelyn Sykora, Cason Boeck, Jack Bussa, Calvin Miller, and Logan Wilson. May you find many treasures in your Bibles to last you a lifetime!

RADIO BROADCAST SPONSORSHIP is still available for Sunday, October 15th. The cost for a Sunday sponsorship is \$57. Please contact the church office if you would like to claim this sponsorship!



LEFSE TIME! It's time to make lefse again! Lefse making dates are October 3rd, 10th, 17th, 24th, 31st and November 7th. We need all kinds of help. We even have sit down jobs! Bring your grills, covered boards, and rolling pins if you have them. If you have time, come at 8:00am or whenever you can get here. We will hopefully be done by noon.



HELP WANTED FOR HOLIDAY FAIR! What can you do? Start thinking about baking, making and working! Check out your recipes, canned goods, and handmade craft items! Also, check your calendar to participate in lefse making and if you can possibly help that day to work in one of the departments. Do you have items you no longer need or use? We will take them! Sign-up sheets will be posted in October.

SOUTH AFRICAN PARTNERS VISIT IN SOUTHWESTERN MINNESOTA September 21 – October 12, 2023! You can meet up with them in a few ways:

****Three visitors** will be at Shetek Lutheran Ministries Monday, 10/02 5:00 PM for a potluck meal & meeting to follow with Shetek – Ondini Partnership Committee, open to all!

****Akhona**, the Executive Secretary to Bishop Myaka will speak at the ALC Chapel service on Saturday, October 7th.

We rejoice in this opportunity to grow in faith and friendship with these sisters and brothers from the Southeastern Diocese of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Southern Africa.

NOISY OFFERING! Bring your loose change next week (Sunday, October 8th) for 2nd Sunday Noisy Offering! This month's noisy offering is for the Windom Area Schools Backpack Program. This program provides weekend meals to Windom elementary students. Last year the program served around 85 students EACH WEEK! Generous donations from the community make this independent program possible, as it receives no school funding.



REMINDER: For those signed up for the 2024 ELCA Nat'l Youth Gathering, deposits are due on **October 15th**. If you need more information, please talk to Pastor Adam or Tera.

WELCOMING NEW MEMBERS! ALC will be welcoming new members in November. If you are interested in becoming a member please fill out the "How can we serve you" box at the beginning of your bulletin and drop it in the offering plate, call or email the church office at (507)831-1794/winalc@windomnet.com or talk to our Pastors.

THIS WEEK AT AMERICAN LUTHERAN CHURCH

Sunday, October 1st

9:00am Worship w/Holy Communion, Healing Prayers & 3rd Graders receiving Bibles

10:00am Skylight Court-Coffee Hour

10:15am Sunday School

10:15am GLOW meeting, meeting room

10:30am Broadcast of Worship Service on KDOM

Monday, October 2nd

6:30pm Bell Choir

Tuesday, October 3rd

8:00am Men's Bible Study

1:15pm Staff Team Huddle

5:15pm CIS Board

Wednesday, October 4th

11:00am Sogge Home

5:00pm Wednesday Night Supper – Scalloped potatoes with Ham

5:30pm Choir

5:30pm Wednesday School

5:45pm Praise Band Practice

6:30pm Wednesday Worship w/ Holy Communion, Healing Prayers and Noisy offering

7:30pm Confirmation (7th, 8th, & 9th Grade)

Thursday, October 5th

9:00am Bulletin Deadline

10:00am Cable TV Ch 22

6:30pm Cable TV, Ch 22

Friday, October 6th

Saturday, October 7th

5:30pm Chapel Service w/visit from Akhona from South Africa

Sunday, October 8th

Pastor/Clergy Appreciation Sunday

Second Sunday Noisy Offering

9:00am Worship

10:00am Skylight Court-Coffee Hour

10:15am Sunday School

10:30am Broadcast of Worship Service on KDOM