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February

Our Vision:

People experiencing a life-giving relationship with God.

Mission:

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

Values:

Relationships

God. Each other. Creation.

Belonging

Affirmed. Included. Valued.

Faith

Saturday, February 3rd

5:30 PM Chapel Service w/ Healing Prayers

Sunday, February 4th

Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

9:00 AM Worship w/ Holy Communion & Healing Prayers

Wednesday, February 7th

5:30 PM Wednesday Worship w/Holy Communion, Healing Prayers & Noisy Offering

Saturday, February 10th

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

Sunday, February 11th

Transfiguration Sunday

Second Sunday Noisy Offering

Second Sunday Noisy Offering
9:00 AM Worship w/ Noisy offering

Wednesday, February 14th

6:30 PM Ash Wednesday

Saturday, February 17th

5:30 PM Chapel Service w/ Holy Communion

Sunday, February 18th

First Sunday of Lent

9:00 AM Worship

Wednesday, February 21st

12:-00 PM Ecumenical Luncheon at Presbyterian Church
6:30 PM Lenten Worship

Saturday, February 24th

5:30 PM Chapel Service

Sunday, February 25th

Second Sunday of Lent

9:00 AM Worship w/Holy Communion

Wednesday, February 28th

12:00 PM Ecumenical Luncheon at Presbyterian Church
6:30 PM Lenten Worship

God's
love
endures
FOREVER.

Psalms 136:1

Pastor's Message

God is our refuge and strength. A very present help in trouble.

Psalms 46:1

One morning in early January I found myself full of anxiety. A lot of things hit me all at once from the news concerning the national debt, to people talking about The Fall of Minneapolis video and me watching some of it, to the start of the presidential campaigns with both parties saying the other party is going to destroy America, to the anniversary of January sixth, to the school shootings so close, and by ten a.m. that particular morning my mind was convinced that America will be destroyed within five years.

As my anxiety was overloading I'm thankful for my German roots that need schedules, because it was then time for my daily Bible reading. I'm in the Psalms at the moment and it was Psalm 46 for that day. I quoted some of it above but I'd invite you to stop reading this and go read Psalm 46 and then come back. Don't worry, it's short.

I can't push enough daily Bible reading. Go straight through the Bible and read a chapter a day. We believe it is God's word. It is one way God speaks directly to us.

Ironically verse six (the one about nations in an uproar) wasn't the one that grabbed me and made me feel like God was talking to me, but it was the opening verse followed by being told specifically to not fear anything period, even though the earth should change, or mountains quake and tumble, or the sea roars and foams; powerfully destructive things that I have absolutely no control over I was told not to fear.

I hope I'm wrong, but I have a feeling this next year is going to be hard like last year was hard. I have a feeling the country is going to be tested and stretched deep into the red line. Often I feel like I should be doing more to fix what's going on and I immediately feel powerless. How do I fix the hate? The debt? The school shootings? The overwhelming anxiety Americans have? The division? The willful isolation of so many individuals?

Of course there are things we can do like talking to our representatives, voting, trying to be more engaged with our neighbors and community, finding ways to make bridges, finding ways to make peace locally, but even with all that the country is so large that it feels like we can't even scratch the surface.

Then comes verse ten: Cease striving and know that I am God. A dangerous verse to be sure. It does not mean do nothing and let God do all the work. But it does mean giving up your anxiety thinking everything depends on you because it doesn't. It is God who breaks the bow, cuts the spear, and makes wars to cease, not you/me.

Martin Luther says in the Large Catechism that when we pray "thy will be done" we're praying and asking God that we may get to participate with God. We know that God is going to do what God is going to do and nothing can stop it. We know too that all things in this world are not permanent, not even nations. Will the US last five days or another two-hundred years? Who knows. What I do know is that God is forever, that God wins, and that God watches over those who love and serve God no matter what happens in the world.

Therefore, place your anxiety on God's shoulders. Let God be your refuge and help. No matter what comes, God will see you through. In the meantime, let us do as Martin Luther says and find all the ways possible we work with God in this world of ours. Talk to your representatives. Get to know your neighbors. Break down the walls that divide us and find common ground. Love your enemies and those you disagree with. And if the mountain topple, the sea roars, and the nations totter, have no fear, because God is with us and God is our refuge.

Pastor Adam

Worship and Music Notes

February, 2024

Jane Cartwright, Coordinator

Saturday Sunday Scriptures

Feb.3-4, 2024

Isaiah 40:21-31
I Cor, 9:16-23
Mark 1:29-39

Feb. 7-11

2 Kings 2:1-12
2 Cor.4:3-6
Mark 9:2-9

Feb. 17-18

Genesis 9:8-17
1 Peter 3:18-22
Mark 1:9-15

Feb.24-25

Genesis 17:15-16
Romans 4:13-25
Mark 8:31-38

Jan. 31 and Feb. 4

Installation of **all** boards and ALC council members. Select which service is best for your schedule.

Healing Prayers:

Whatever you are experiencing or in need of prayers, a pastor will be available during services Feb. 3-7. Please refer to the worship bulletin for more information.

Check out the Worship Bulletin board!

Scripture readers
Holy Communion Assistants
Sign up is available.

Ash Wednesday will be observed on Wednesday, Feb. 14th with the Imposition of Ashes. Worship begins at 6:30pm.

"Restore in Us, O God" ELW #328. v.4

Three-personed God, fulfill the promise of your grace, that we, when all our searching ends, may see you face to face.



Ash Wednesday Scriptures

Feb.14, 6:30pm

Joel 2:1-2, 12-17
Isaiah 58:1-12
Psalm 51: 1-7
2 Cor. 5:20- 6:10
Matthew 6:1-6,
16-21

Worship Notes:

Shetek Camp Days!

Shetek staff will be sharing camp information with those at Wed. / Sunday School the week of Jan. 31-Feb 4. They will also be with us during worship.

Come! Join us for a Jazz Worship service on

Feb. 11th! This is Transfiguration Sunday, the last worship before Ash Wednesday. Jesus changes before Peter, James and Joh. They were gathered high on the mountain. Scripture tells us his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became dazzling white. Matt.17:2. It will be a unique service.

● **Sunday, Feb. 18th a representative from the Gideons will be at worship.** Find out more about this group as they share how they spread God's word in the world.

Worship Notes:

Ushers: Bryan Carlson, Darin Motz, Keith Pohlman, Braxton Pohlman, Noel Tade, Dean Willaby

Holy Communion:

Wednesday, Feb. 7, 6:30pm
Ash Wednesday, Feb 14, 6:30pm
Saturday, Feb 10 and 17, 5:30pm
Sunday, Feb. 4 and Feb. 25 9:00am

Noisy Offering:

Helping Hands. These funds support individuals / families who find themselves in need. Thank you for your support.

**Lent 1**

Wed. Feb. 21
"Eden Tree"

Genesis 2:8-9;
 3:22-24
 Psalm 1:5

Lent 2

Wed. Feb. 28
"Low Tree"

Ezekiel 17:22-24
 Psalm 1:4

Lent 3

Wed. Mar. 6
"Wisdom Tree"

Proverbs 3:13-18
 Psalm 1:2

Lent 4

Wed. Mar. 13
"Bush Tree"

Mark 4:30-32
 Psalm 1:3

Lent 5

Wed. Mar. 20
"Fruit Tree"

"Living Trees"
 Galatians 5:16-26
 Psalm 1:3
 Revelation
 21:22-22:5

Lent 2024

The Lenten theme this year is based on the Tree of Life. As Christians, the tree of life is the cross. During this Lenten journey, we gather around the cross. As the tree develops branches and leaves, may your faith be nurtured and your understanding that through Jesus, in time, we all bear fruit.

Holden Evening Prayer

Lenten worship will once again be shaped by Holden Evening Prayer. American Lutheran has used this prayerful setting for the past few years. Worship begins at 6:30 pm and child care is available in the family room. Tera Elness and her Confirmation students will be providing supervision.

Sunday Schedule

9:00– 10:00 AM - Worship

10:00 AM - Skylight Court Café - Coffee Hour

10:15-11:00 AM - Sunday School

10:30 AM - Broadcast of Worship Service on
 KDOM 103.1 FM

Wednesday Schedule:

12:00PM - Ecumenical Luncheon/service at Presbyterian church. **Begins February 21st** and goes through Lent. Pastor Sarah will be preaching on March 6th with ALC serving the meal. Pastor Adam will be preaching on March 13th.

5:30– 6:15 PM - ALC Choir Practice

5:00– 6:15PM - Wednesday Night Supper

5:30– 6:15 PM - Wednesday School

5:45 PM - Praise Band Practice

6:30– 7:15 PM - Wednesday Worship

7:30– 8:30 PM - Confirmation (7th, 8th, & 9th Grade)

****Starting February 14th, 7th Graders will not have confirmation during Lent. They will be going to a confirmation retreat at Shetek in March.**

Saturday Schedule:

5:30 PM Chapel Worship Service

February

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Christian Ed/Youth & Family

From Tera Elness, Director of Children, Youth, and Family Ministries (822-3377)



National Youth Gathering Fundraiser!

Chili

COOK-OFF

AMERICAN LUTHERAN CHURCH
906 PROSPECT AVENUE

**SUNDAY,
FEBRUARY 4
4:30 - 7:00 PM**

Make the best chili to win a prize!

**\$10 FOR A
BOTTOMLESS
CUP, FIXINGS
AND DESSERT**

For more information:
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507-831-1794

THE GOOD TIME YOU WILL HAVE....PRICELESS!



CHILI COOK-OFF RULES

American Lutheran Church - February 4th, 2024

Arrive and check-in between 3:45pm - 4:00pm.
The cook-off is being held in Fellowship Hall (basement).

For your entry in the competition:

- Arrive with your chili fully cooked, hot, and ready to serve.
- All entries should be in a crockpot or roaster.
- Your entry should serve 15 - 20 people (approx. 6-7 quarts)
- You will receive an entry number and description card. Please provide information about your chili on the card: ie - spice level, vegetarian, gluten free, etc.
- Each guest will receive one vote to cast for the best chili of 2024 - People's Choice!
- The winner will receive \$50 and the runner up will receive \$25.
- Please turn in the half-sheet registration form or email Tera at teraalc@gmail.com no later than Friday, February 2, 2024. May the best chili win!



February

2024

Christian Ed/Youth & Family

From Tera Elness, Director of Children, Youth, and Family Ministries (822-3377)

HEY HEY HEY IT'S A PUZZLE RACE FUNDRAISER!

****SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 4TH****
4:30-7:00PM
AMERICAN LUTHERAN CHURCH OF WINDOM

**IN CONJUNCTION WITH OUR CHILI COOK-OFF,
 TEAMS OF 4 ARE INVITED TO JOIN THE PUZZLE
 RACE!**

COST IS \$50/TEAM

**EACH TEAM WILL BE GIVEN THE SAME 500 PC. PUZZLE
 TO COMPLETE, AND THERE WILL BE PRIZES FOR
 1ST, 2ND, AND 3RD PLACE!**

**PLEASE EMAIL TERA @ TERAALC@GMAIL.COM OR CALL
 THE CHURCH OFFICE AT 831-1794 NO LATER THAN
 FRIDAY, JANUARY 26TH TO SIGN UP YOUR TEAM!**

PS. OUR PUZZLERS WILL EAT FREE! ♥



JOIN US FOR A NATIONAL YOUTH GATHERING FUNDRAISER FEED!

FAT TUESDAY PANCAKE SUPPER!

FEB. 13, 2024
4:30PM-6:30PM

**ALL YOU CAN EAT PANCAKES, SAUSAGES,
 ORANGE SLICES, MILK, COFFEE, & JUICE!
 AND OF COURSE - KING CUPCAKES!**

COST IS \$10/ADULT,

\$5/KIDS 12 AND UNDER,

AND KIDS UNDER 5 EAT FREE!

**PROCEEDS WILL HELP FUND THIS SUMMER'S
 NATIONAL YOUTH GATHERING TRIP
 TO NEW ORLEANS!**

**AMERICAN LUTHERAN CHURCH
 WINDOM**

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From Tera Elness, Director of Children, Youth, and Family Ministries (822-3377)

Acolyte Schedule February 2024

Sunday, Feb. 4th —Jack Elness, Kieran Anderson

Wednesday, Feb. 7th —Carson Wiens, Soren Nielsen

Sunday, Feb. 11th—Henry Visker, Eli Muske

Wednesday, Feb. 14th —Jonah Lohse

Sunday, Feb. 18th —Max Brodin, Mason Chester

Wednesday, Feb. 21st —Caelen Ralston, Easton Piotter

Sunday, Feb. 25th —Shaun Schunk

Wednesday, Feb 28th —Jack Elness, Preston Barnett

**If you are unable to acolyte on a date, please switch with someone. Please notify Tera of any changes.

February '24
WS/SS Calendar!

Jan. 31st/February 4th

Shetek Days!

February 7th/11th

The Lord's Prayer!

February 14th

Ash Wednesday! NO Wednesday School!

FEBRUARY 18th

SOGGE SING for ALL WS/SS STUDENT

For God So Loved the World that God Gave Us OUR VOICES TO SING!
(Parents, please bring your children to the Sogge Home at 10:15am!)

February 21st/25th

For God So Loved the World that
God Gave Us....FRIENDS!

February 28th/March 3rd

The Woman at the Well!

*FOR GOD SO LOVED THE WORLD
THAT GOD GAVE US.....*

OUR VOICES TO SING!

Wednesday School AND
Sunday School Parents,

Please bring your 

SOGGE HOME

*on Sunday, Feb. 18th
at 10:15am*

to join their class and
sing a few songs
for the residents!



*PARENTS ARE TO STAY
WHILE THE CHILDREN SING*

FOR GOD SO LOVED THE WORLD
THAT GOD GAVE US.....

FRIENDS!

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 21ST
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 25TH

PLEASE BRING YOUR CHILD(REN) TO
FELLOWSHIP HALL DURING
THEIR REGULAR CLASS TIME!



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2024

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From Tera Elness, Director of Children, Youth, and Family Ministries (822-3377)



14 FEBRUARY
20
24

Ashes-to-Go Ash Wednesday

UNABLE TO ATTEND AN EVENING
ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE?
SWING BY THE PARKING LOT AT
AMERICAN LUTHERAN CHURCH
WED, FEB 14TH BETWEEN 7:30-8:30AM
AND RECEIVE AN IMPOSITION OF ASHES
AS WELL AS A HOT CUP O' JOE TO GO!
ALL ARE WELCOME!

AMERICAN LUTHERAN CHURCH
906 PROSPECT AVENUE
WINDOM, MN 56101

SAVE THE

9TH - 12TH GRADERS
SENIOR HIGH YOUTH GATHERING
IN NEW ULM!

MARCH 8TH-9TH, 2024!

MORE INFO COMING SOOOOON!
TALK TO TERA TO SIGN UP!

DATE



February
10th-11th



1st -3rd Grade After-School Valentine Party!

Monday, February 12th
After-School until 5:00pm
Transportation from School Provided!



Please sign up your child with Tera by February 5th!

February

Church Activities

2024

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY



Men's Bible Study:

We meet every Tuesday at 8:00 AM in the Skylight Court at ALC. Bring your own coffee if you like, and your own Bible. This is a very friendly group, and a great way to dig into God's word and hang out with a great group of guys. Men, if you're free, try it out!!

Altar Guild will be meeting on the second Tuesday of each month at 2:00pm. Next meeting is February 13th at 2pm! All are welcome.

GLOW

GLOW Women have started up their sewing days again! Join them in the Fellowship Hall on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of the month starting January 2nd; 9am-2pm-ish. This will go through April.

Join us for Coffee Hour at our Skylight Court Café every Sunday following worship around 10:00 AM!! If you would like to bring goodies, a sign-up sheet is located in the skylight court.



LSS Meals |
Windom



Lutheran
Social Service
of Minnesota

ALC Day at Senior Dining:

The 2nd Thursday of the month.

Show your ALC pride and have a great meal with others at the Community Center! Anyone can come and dine in on this or any other day, **just call the day before at 831-6161 to make a reservation.** If you are 60 years old or older, there is a suggested donation of \$5-\$8.75 per meal, or what you can afford. For those younger than 60, the cost is \$8.75. Come, eat and enjoy! The Senior Dining program is a program of Lutheran Social Services of Minnesota. By the way, there are 3 ways to benefit from this program: Dine In, Meals on Wheels, and curbside pickup. Call to sign up for which ever you are interested in.

Men's Group

Cribbage and Pizza!

Thursday, February 22nd at 6:30 in the Fellowship Hall! ALL MEN ARE WELCOME! Gather for fellowship with the guys and pizza!



Please let Pastor Adam know if you plan on attending so he knows how much pizza to order



Wednesday Night Supper

Menu for February

February 7th—Walking Tacos, fruit, dessert

Lenten Supper Schedule

February 14th Ash Wednesday NO SUPPER. Come Tuesday, Feb 13th for the **FAT TUESDAY** Pancake feed!

February 21st—Shetek Ondini Circuit-Beef Stew

February 28th— Church and Society Board serving scalloped potatoes w/ham

March 6th—Nat'l Youth Gathering group, Menu TBD

March 13th—Spiritual Life & Fellowship serving Potato soup & Chili

March 20th—Bethany Lutheran-Menu TBD

Good to Know

HAVE YOU BEEN receiving weekly emails from us here at ALC with weekly happenings? If not, and you would like to, please call the church office to update your email address and keep you posted on events!

Are you interested in **SPONSORING THE RADIO BROADCAST** on Sundays? The cost is \$57 for a Sunday service sponsorship. Please



Have you recently cancelled your telephone landline or changed your cell phone number? Please let the church office know, so that we can stay in touch with you!

If you or a loved one are hospitalized, going through any medical treatments or need pastoral care of any kind please call the church office to let us know.

Lunch Buddies

If you have an hour over lunch two Wednesdays a month during the winter, consider volunteering at the school for Lunch Buddies. It's an amazing experience. Lunch Buddies have lunch with a kid at the elementary school who might be having a hard time acclimating or maybe doesn't have solid friends yet, and then they play some board games with them. Just showing up, smiling, paying attention to them, and having fun with them is powerful for creating positive change in the student, the Lunch Buddy, and the school. If interested, please talk to Pastor Adam.



Would you like to be a part of **ALC'S PRAYER CHAIN**? Prayer Chain is an email group that gets requested prayers for subjects/people in our congregation, community, and world. If you would like to be a part of this email group please email or call the church office at winalc@windomnet.com or 831-1794 with your current email address and we will add you to the group. Likewise, if you or someone you know needs prayers please contact the church office and we'll send out a **PRAYER REQUEST** to the Prayer Chain email group. Please let us know if you would like that person or subject to be prayed for publicly in church or privately through our Prayer Chain. Also, in consideration of HIPAA, we do have a generic please pray (individuals name) in this time of need. No medical/personal information will be shared unless it is public information, we get consent from that individual, or consent from a close relative.

DO YOU HAVE A THRIVENT POLICY?

If you have an insurance policy through Thrivent please give them a call to let them know that you'd like your choice dollars to go to your congregation. Thrivent is very generous and every bit helps.



**THRIVENT
FINANCIAL®**

Did you know that you can see sermons on the **ALC WEB-SITE**? Don't miss out. Go to <http://www.alcofwindom.com/> and click on the Media tab to hear a sermon that you might have missed.

Tune in to ALC's Worship Broadcasts:

Sundays at 10:30 AM on KDOM 103.1 FM

Thursdays at 10:00 AM & 6:30 PM on Windom Cable TV,
Channel 22

EASTER FLOWERS ORDER FORM

A variety of flowers will be used as a part of our Festival Easter Worship.

The choices of flowers available are listed below. Please fill out and

return the order form to the church office by

Noon, Friday, February 2nd, 2024

THANK YOU!

(Make checks payable to the American Lutheran Church)

THE WORDING OF ACKNOWLEDGEMENT:

Given by: _____

In MEMORY of _____

In HONOR of _____

Enter a quantity (number) in front of the plant(s) you would like to order.

___ Begonia \$17.00	___ Hydrangea \$35.00	___ Tulip \$14.00
___ Cyclamen \$17.00	___ Kalanchoe \$17.00	___ Calla Lily \$30.00
	___ Daisy Mum \$20.00	

\$ _____ Donation towards whatever flowers may be needed.

___ I will pick up my plant(s) after the service.

___ I will NOT be picking up my plant(s).



Total Paid: \$ _____

Reminder that Easter Flower Order forms need to be turned in by NOON-Friday, February 2nd. They were sent out in the January Messenger but you can also get one at the church office.

GLOW

GLOW

IN FEBRUARY

GALS LIVING OUR WITNESS

SEWING & MORE

Tuesdays, February 6 & 20
9:00 am - 2-ish

Thread a needle, tie a knot, pack a Baby Kit.

All for Lutheran World Relief.

Plus coffee, laughter, & Fellowship!

**Meet in the Fellowship Hall between 9 & 2. Come for
 an hour or bring a sack lunch and stay for the day.**

Questions? CALL Jackie Turner: 822-1633

Bible Study

Thursday, February 15 @ 2 pm

ALC Meeting Room

Jan/Feb Gather Magazine:

Session 2, pg. 26

"Scripture and Nature"

Teachers of the Faith

**See Melanie in the office for a
 copy of the Bible Study**

Mark your Calendar

GLOW Meeting

Sunday, March 3

10:00 a.m.

**Come check out the
 ladies of GLOW!**

A women's Ministry of American Lutheran Church 2024

CHURCH COUNCIL MINUTES FROM
January 9th, 2024 MEETING

(Written minutes to be approved at the next Council meeting.)

The January 8, 2024, ALC of Windom Church Council meeting was called to order by President John Shamp at 8:01 pm.

In attendance: Pastor Sarah, Pastor Adam, John Shamp, Kevin Heggeseeth, Cory Pohlman, Wendy Ahnupkana, Sheryl Hanefeld, Karen Skarphol, Linda Jaakola, Jamie Frank, Chad Eken, Kathy Hiley, Brandon Roskamp

Devotions and opening prayer were provided by Pastor Sarah.

Seven correspondence notes were shared.

The secretary's report for November was approved as printed. MM/S/C (Cory/Kevin))

The treasurer's report for November was approved as printed. MM/S/C (Linda/Cory)

The Pastor's reports were reviewed.

Old Business:

1. Annual Meeting update
2. 2024 Budget Approval for Annual Meeting - A motion was made and accepted to approve the ALC 2024 Budget. MM/S/C (Kevin/Linda)

New Business:

1. Approve Nomination Ballot for boards - A motion was made to accept the nomination ballot for the 2024 Annual Meeting. MM/S/C (Karen/Kevin)
2. All Board Relaunch Feb 6th - a week earlier than usual due to a pre-planned youth fundraiser on 2/13/24
3. Refreshments for Annual Meeting - John will determine a refreshment plan for Sunday, January 28, 2024.
4. Thank you Steve, Sharon, Jen, Jamie, Linda, and Chad for your service to ALC council
5. Other
 - An explanation of the new MN Sick and Safe law that went into effect on 1/1/24 occurred.
 - A discussion of "missionary support" versus "mission support" took place which included determining a board to support the passion of global missionary. The Discipleship/Marketing & Stewardship will begin talking about how to address and support.

Board Reports:

1. **Worship & Music** - Carolyn Schneider will be here 1/28, Gideons will be here 2/18, Easter flower orders are due 2/2
2. **Spiritual Life & Fellowship** - served 149 at Lutefisk supper, discussed Lenten suppers
3. **Discipleship/Marketing & Stewardship** - Venmo still close, brainstormed future goals
4. **Properties** - elections were held, parking lot quotes reviewed, non-working lights
5. **Budget & Finance** - 2023 final numbers, 2024 budget, approved noisy offerings for the year
6. **Christian Education** - reflected on December events, students singing at Sogge Home in February, the upcoming event of Legos and Logos, plus many more upcoming events
7. **Youth & Family** - a resignation was accepted from Alycia Flatgard due to moving out of state, the success of running out of food on Living Nativity night as well as the success of the youth Christmas party, upcoming events for January and February were shared
8. **Church in Society** - lunch buddies is on-going, Dinner Table and Lenten Suppers were discussed
9. **GLOW** - quilting is up and running, bible study is happening as well



ALC FINANCIAL UPDATE

As of 1/22/24:

Income: \$53,007

Expenses: \$34,050

Carryover 2023: \$2,938

These figures do not include January end-of-month commitments and benevolences.

RECORDS:

Baptisms: *No Baptisms for January*

Deaths: *Donald Crowell*

James Nelson

MEMORIALS:

General Fund – *In memory Jim Vellema.*

Youth Fund – *In memory of Rich Elness.*

Van/Bus Fund – *In memory of Rich Elness.*

Video/Media Fund – *In memory of Rich Elness.*

Parking Lot Fund – *In memory of Donald Crowell.*

Renovation Fund– *In memory of James Nelson*

*IN LOVING
Memory*

OFFERING OPTIONS:

The ministry of our congregation continues in many ways! The options remain open for ways of contributing your offerings. You may use on-line giving on our website alcofwindom.com, mail in your offering to PO Box 188, Windom, drop it off at the church or simply place it in the offering plate. If you have any questions regarding these options, please contact Wendy Pigman in the church office.

BITS AND PIECES

PRAYER SHAWLS: If you know of someone in our church family who could use a Prayer Shawl, call the church office.

KEEP SAVING those empty printer ink cartridges. They are turned in for cash for our Education Department. The container is located in the hallway by the offices.

KEEP SAVING your canceled stamps. Correctly cut stamps by leaving 1/4" to 1/3" border around the stamp. You can turn your stamps in at the church office.

CONTINUE to remember the Windom Area Sharing Center in the coming months. Monetary gifts may be sent to 1156 4th Ave, Windom. Contributions may be left here at the church or at the Center on Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 10 am to 1 pm. Call 822-7210,

PRAYER CHAIN: To activate ALC's Prayer Chain, please call the church office at 831-1794 or an email may be sent to winalc@windomnet.com.

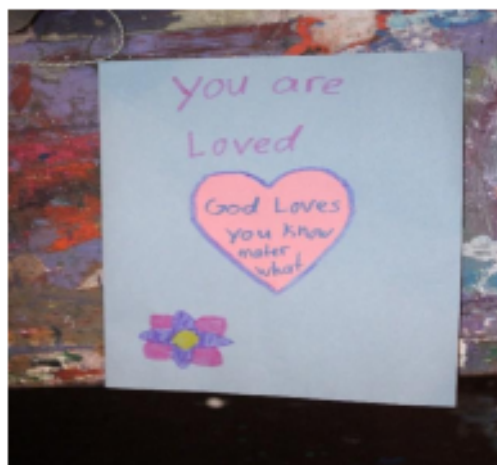
WANT TO RECEIVE THE MESSENGER ELECTRONICALLY? Save the church paper, ink and postage! Contact the church office to share your email address.

February 2024



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Shetek Lutheran Ministries Where Christ Renews and Empowers



Happy Valentines!

Wish List

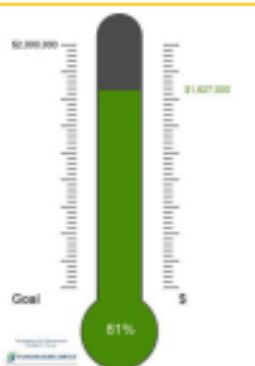
- Glue and Glue Sticks
- Extension Cords
- Volunteers
- **Summer Staff -**
<https://shetek.org/work-at-shetek/>

Mark your Calendar

- February 4 Comfort Bird Whittling Class
- February 23-25 Winter Family Camp
- March 15-16 March Confirmation Retreat
- Register at shetek.org or

Call 507-763-3567 for more information

We met our Phase 1 goal!
\$1,627,000 in gifts and pledges! Our challenge goal is \$2,000,000 and with increased costs, our budget has changed for our different phases. More info on our website.
<https://shetek.org/slm-master-plan/>



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