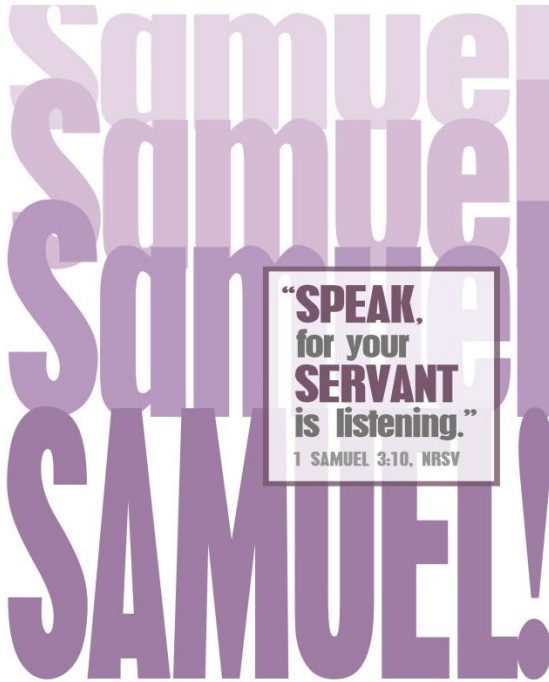


The American Lutheran Church of Windom

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



Sunday, January 14th, 2024 9:00 AM
Second Sunday after Epiphany

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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

GATHERING MUSIC

Angie Erickson, Pianist

PRELUDE

“Jesus Loves Me”

Handbell Choir w/piano

TEMPLE TALK: Tera Elness and Wendy Newman - Puzzle Race and Chili Cookoff

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

Annual meeting announcement

Noisy Offering - GLOW Quilting

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

L: Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, who spoke light into creation, who calls us to listen and follow, who sends us to shine like stars.

C: Amen.

L: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

L: Holy and Merciful God,

C: We confess that we have sinned against our sisters and brothers, and against you. We cherish the values of this world. We cause others to stumble. The Earth is wounded by our excess. Have mercy, O God. Forgive us, renew us, and raise us up on eagles’ wings, that we may do your will with courage and delight. Amen.

L:Hear the voice from Heaven:

“You are my own, my beloved.” God gives power to the weary and strengthens the powerless. Be cleansed, be healed, for in the name of † Jesus Christ, I declare to you the forgiveness of your sins and the revealing of God’s reign.

C:Amen.

OPENING HYMN

“Break Now the Bread of Life”

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CANTICLE OF PRAISE

“Glory to God in the Highest”

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

Thanks be to you, Lord Jesus Christ, most merciful redeemer, for the countless blessings and benefits you give. May we see you more clearly, love you more dearly, and follow you more nearly, day by day praising you, with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

HANDBELL ANTHEM:

“Lead Me Lord”

Vocalist: Sarah Tailowright

FIRST READING:

1 Samuel 3:1-20

Pew Bible p.215

Reader 1: Karen Wickie, Reader 2: Isaac Armstrong

Reader 3: James Erickson

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

SECOND READING:

Psalm 139

Pew Bible p. 505

Reader: James Erickson

Please read Psalm 139 responsively: (Psalm 139: 1-6, 13-18)

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

GOSPEL READING

John 1:43-51

Pew Bible p. 863

L: The Holy Gospel according to Luke / **C: Glory to you, O Lord**

L: The Gospel of the Lord / **C: Praise to you, O Christ**

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

Tera Elness, DCYFM

MESSAGE

Pastor Sarah

HYMN OF THE DAY *“Will You Come and Follow Me”* ELW#798

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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

“Give Thanks”

ALC 15

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Merciful God, as grains of wheat scattered upon the hills were gathered together to become one bread, so let your church be gathered together from the ends of the earth that we may be your kingdom people here, being bread for those in need, through Jesus Christ, now and forever. Amen.

LORD’S PRAYER

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BENEDICTION

CLOSING HYMN *“Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus”* ELW #802

DISMISSAL

You are a child of God! Go in peace!
We will! Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE

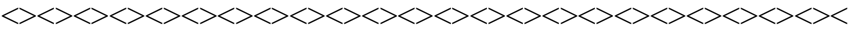
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WELCOME to worship at American Lutheran Church. In the reading, in John’s gospel, Jesus’ ministry begins with the call of disciples, who then bring others to Jesus. Philip’s friend Nathanael moves from skepticism to faith when he accepts the invitation to “Come and see.”

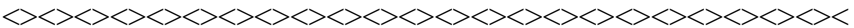
JOIN US NEXT WEEK for Calling disciples at Sea, Mark 1:14-20.

RADIO SPONSORSHIP for today’s worship service is given by Joyce Wilkin in memory of great-grandson, Collin Schulze whose birthday was January 10th.

A RADIO GIFT was given in memory of Kate Zimmerman, whose birthday was January 12th, given by husband, Chris Zimmerman.



Attendance Last Wednesday: 115; Saturday: 28; Sunday: 103
Offering: \$14,696



WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY

Acolytes: Sadie Tjentland, Ruby Baloun
Reader: Karen Wickie, Isaac Armstrong, James Erickson
Technology Todd Armstrong, John Shamp, Tom Wickie, Eugene Hanchett



TODAY’S NOISY OFFERING is designated for “GLOW Quilting Ministry”. GLOW makes quilts during the months of January through April for the Sharing Center, Christmas Cheer Box, Lutheran World Relief and anyone in need. This is one mission in action activity that the women of ALC do year after year. Please consider donating to this important Ministry. Thank You!

ANNUAL MEETING

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE

CONGREGATION following worship on

January 28th in the Fellowship Hall. Refreshments will be provided! A quorum of fifty is required. You may attend in person or by Zoom. Please contact the office to request the Zoom link by email. The Annual meeting packet will be available for review one week prior to the meeting.



Didn't bring cash or a checkbook to worship but would still like to give an offering? Use this QR CODE to give an offering.

Remember it costs thirty-nine cents per online transaction plus three percent of how much you give. This is another great way to give.

FINANCIAL UPDATE: THANK YOU to all! We met our financial commitments for 2023! Thank you for your support of ALC!

RADIO BROADCASTS: There are Sundays available for Radio Sponsorships. The cost is \$57. Please contact the church office if you are interested!

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY will be held at **2pm on Thursday, January 18th**. The study will be out of the Jan/Feb Gather magazine. If you need a copy of the study, one will be available in the office.



As the weather gets colder and the chance of snow and ice becomes greater, please remember to listen to KDOM or check the church Facebook page for weather related announcements! As far as

Wednesday Evening activities, if school is canceled or gets out early that day due to weather, then all Wednesday evening activities are also canceled.



MEN'S GROUP CRIBBAGE AND PIZZA will be held on **Thursday, January 18th at 6:30pm** in the Fellowship Hall.

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



GLOW SEWING DAYS have started. Every 1st & 3rd Tuesday at 9am until approximately 2pm up through April!

If you can thread a needle, cut fabric or tie a knot then you are needed!



TACOS AND TRIVIA! 9th-12th Grade Sr. High are invited to a Tacos and Bible Trivia night with Tera on **Sunday, January 14th from 6pm-8pm!** There will be prizes! Please let Tera know if you plan on attending!



JR HIGH/SR HIGH YOUTH GROUP WINTER FUN DAY 7th-12th Grade are welcome to join us for open skating and/or learn how to play racquetball/racquetball games! This will be held on **Sunday, Jan 21st from 2:30PM – 4:30PM!** Put on by the Youth & Family Board! Cost is **FREE!**

4TH-6TH GRADE STUDENTS are invited to the arena for ice skating and racquetball on **Monday, January 22nd from 1pm-3pm!** Yay! There is no school that day!



ATTENTION 6th-8th Graders! AUGUSTANA UNIVERSITY FAITH FEST “FOLLOW THE SIGN” 2024 OVERNIGHT TRIP February 10th-11th, 2024.

We'll leave Saturday at 8am and return around 5pm on Sunday. The **cost is \$75** and it includes the event, 3 meals, hotel and transportation. ALC student account money may be used! Students **MUST be signed up with Tera no later than Wednesday, January 24th.**



SAVE THE DATE FOR THE PUZZLE RACE!

But it's not just a puzzle race...It's a chili cook-off too! Plan ahead and get your team together for the puzzle race and find that chili recipe that you think can win it! This will take place on **Sunday, February 4th from**



4:30pm-7pm. This is a fundraiser for the youth going to New Orleans to the ELCA National Youth Gathering in July! Pre-registration is required! Please see the bulletin board across from the office for more information.

MISSIONARY CAROLYN SCHNEIDER will visit ALC on the weekend of **January 27th and 28th**, worshipping with us, and sharing about her upcoming work in the Lutheran Church of Guyana, South America. Carolyn has been teaching students at the United Theological College of the West Indies in Kingston, Jamaica. Don't miss this opportunity to get acquainted with Carolyn, and this important ministry. ALC began missionary sponsorship of Carolyn in 2022 through a gift by the Trust Fund.

THIS WEEK AT AMERICAN LUTHERAN

Sunday, January 14th

Second Sunday of Epiphany

Second Sunday Noisy offering

9:00am Worship

10:00am Skylight Court Café

10:15am Sunday School

10:30am Broadcast of Worship Service on KDOM

6:00pm Tacos and Bible Trivia for Sr. High Youth (9th-12th Grade)

Monday, January 15th

6:30pm Bell Choir

Tuesday, January 16th

8:00am Men's Bible Study

9:00am GLOW Sewing

1:15pm Staff Team Huddle

Wednesday, January 17th

1:30pm Hillside Manor

2:30pm Pine View

5:00pm Wednesday night supper- Creamy chicken, mashed pot, carrots

5:30pm Wednesday School

5:45pm Praise band practice

6:30pm Wednesday worship w/Noisy Offering

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

Thursday, January 18th

9:00am Bulletin Deadline

9:00am Conference Pastors Mtg.

10:00am Cable TV Ch 22

2:00pm Women's Bible Study

5:00pm Technology Committee

6:30pm Cable TV, Ch 22

6:30pm Men's Group Cribbage and Pizza-Fellowship Hall

Friday, January 19th

Saturday, January 20th

Messenger Deadline

5:30pm Chapel Service w/Holy Communion

Sunday, January 21st

Third Sunday of Epiphany

9:00am Worship

10:00am Skylight Court Café/Coffee Hour

10:15am Sunday School

10:15am Nat'l Youth Gathering Student Study

10:30am Broadcast of Worship Service on KDOM

2:30pm-4:30pm Jr/Sr High Winter Fun Day at Arena