

The American Lutheran Church of Windom

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



Sunday, February 18, 2024 9:00 AM
First Sunday of Lent

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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 and ANNOUNCEMENTS

Temple Talk- Richard Gisch of the Gideon's

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

L: Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, who writes the law on our hearts, who draws all people to Himself.

C: Amen.

L: Held in God's mercy, let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

L: Holy God,

C: We confess that we are caught in snares of sin and cannot break free. We hoard resources while our neighbors are hungry and cold. We speak in ways that silence others. We are silent when we should speak up. We keep score in our hearts. We let hurts grow into hatred. For all these things and for sins only you know, forgive us, Lord. Amen.

L: Here is a flood of grace: Out of love for the whole world, God draws near to us, breaks every snare of sin, washes away our wrongs, and restores the promise of life through ☩ Jesus Christ, in whose name your sins are completely forgiven.

Amen.

OPENING HYMN ***“O Lord, Throughout These Forty Days”***

ELW #319

KYRIE

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

Holy God, heavenly Father, in the waters of the flood you saved the chosen, and in the wilderness of temptation you strengthened your Son to resist sin. Renew us in the gift of baptism. May your holy angels be with us, that the wicked foe may have no power over us, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

CHOIR ANTHEM: ***“Once Upon a Tree”***

FIRST READING: **Genesis 9:8-17**

Pew Bible p. 6

Reader: Sandi Bartosh

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Pew Bible p. 812

L: The Holy Gospel according to Saint Mark, Chapter 1

C: Glory to you, O Lord

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

Tera Elness, DCYFM

Pastor Adam

ELW #358 vs 1-3, 5

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PRAVERS 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.

ELW #186

OFFERTORY PRAYER

God our provider, you feed us not only with bread, but also with words of grace and life. Bless us and these your gifts, which we receive from your bounty, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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BENEDICTION

ELW #873 (v.1-4)

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Remember the poor.

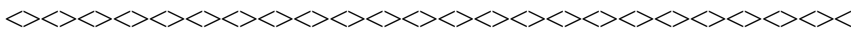
We will! Thanks be to God!

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WELCOME to worship at American Lutheran Church. In the gospel reading, he Spirit that comes upon Jesus at his baptism sustains him when he is tested by Satan so that he might proclaim the good news of God's reign.

JOIN US NEXT WEEK for The Passion Prediction, Mark 8:31-38

RADIO SPONSORSHIP is in honor of all those who help to support worship at ALC, given by Jane and Lindsey Cartwright.



Attendance Last Wednesday: 86; Saturday: 32; Sunday: 133
Offering: \$8,091.05

WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY

Acolytes: Max Brodin, Mason Chester

Reader: Sandi Bartosh

Technology: Bob Johnson, Jake Voth, Eugene Hanchett

RADIO BROADCASTS: There are Sundays available for Radio Sponsorships; in February the 25th and in April every Sunday is currently open. The cost is \$57. Please contact the church office if you are interested!



SOGGE SING! Sunday AND Wednesday school students will be singing at the Sogge home **TODAY**. Parents, please bring your kiddos to the Sogge home for the Sunday school hour. We ask that you wait there until the kiddos are done singing.



CRIBBAGE AND PIZZA with Pastor Adam and the guys will be on Thursday, February 22nd at 6:30pm in Fellowship Hall. Let Pastor Adam know if you plan on attending so he knows how much pizza to get.



FOR GOD SO LOVED THE WORLD THAT HE GAVE US FRIENDS! Wednesday and Sunday school will be celebrating FRIENDS on Wednesday, February 21st and on Sunday February 25th! Please bring your kiddos to the Fellowship Hall instead of their classrooms on these dates!



\$40 FOR 40 DAYS LENTEN CHALLENGE- One dollar a day for 40 days doesn't sound like much does it? But that \$40 can put food on the table in Ukraine or here in Cottonwood County. We challenge you to donate and support the Lenten challenge. All money donated will go toward either Lutheran Disaster Response Eastern Europe Crisis Response which provides support for people impacted by the conflict in Ukraine; or to

support The Windom Area Sharing Center, helping people here in the Windom Area. Please make checks to American Lutheran Church with Lenten Challenge in the memo line. Thank you! Please note, 40 Days \$40 Lenten envelopes will be placed on the tables in the narthex.

NOON LENTEN ECUMENICAL WORSHIP Once again we will participate in the Noon Lenten Ecumenical services with our sisters and brothers from the Presbyterian Church, the Methodist church and the Catholic church beginning on February 21 and the following four Wednesdays. A short worship service will be from 12:00-12:30 followed by a meal. An offering will be received which will support the work of the Windom Ministerial. Here's the schedule:

February 21 – Pastor Pam preaches – PCUSA serve, February 28 Pastor Mike preaches – Methodist serve, March 6 – Pastor Sarah preaches – ALC serves, March 13 Pastor Adam preaches – PCUSA serve and March 20 – Mary Theesvold preaches – Catholics serve. Please Join Us!

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.

Lenten Supper Schedule-

Each group will be raising money for a ministry of their choice

Wednesday, February 21st – Shetek Ondini Circuit Delegates will be serving Beef stew over rice and hot dogs

Wednesday, February 28th - Church in Society Board will be serving Scalloped potatoes w/ham, bread, and green beans.

Wednesday, March 6th – National Youth Gathering Participants and parents will be serving Hotdish Heaven!

Wednesday, March 13th – Spiritual Life and Fellowship Board will be serving Potato Soup and Chili.

Wednesday, March 20th – Bethany Lutheran will be serving a pulled pork meal.

THIS WEEK AT AMERICAN LUTHERAN

Sunday, February 18th

First Sunday of Lent

- 9:00am Worship
- 10:00am Skylight Court Café
- 10:15am Nat'l Youth Gathering Student Study
- 10:15am Sunday School-Singing at Sogge
- 10:30am Broadcast of Worship Service on KDOM
- 2:00pm Shetek Conference Assembly-Slayton

Monday, February 19th

- 6:30pm Bell Choir

Tuesday, February 20th

- Messenger Deadline
- 8:00am Men's Bible Study
- 9:00am Glow sewing
- 1:15pm Staff Team Huddle

Wednesday, February 21st

- 12:00pm Ecumenical Worship at Presbyterian Church
- 5:00pm Lenten supper- Shetek Ondini Circuit
- 5:30pm Choir practice
- 5:30pm Wednesday School-For God so love the world, He gave us Friends!
- 5:45pm Praise Band practice
- 6:30pm LentenWorship
- 7:15pm 8th & 9th Grade Confirmation

Thursday, February 22nd

- 9:00am Bulletin Deadline
- 10:00am Cable TV Ch 22
- 6:30pm Men's Group Cribbage & Pizza-Fellowship Hall
- 6:30pm Cable TV, Ch 22

Friday, February 23rd

Church office closing at noon

Saturday, February 24th

- 5:30pm Chapel Service w/Holy Communion

Sunday, February 25th

Second Sunday of Lent

- 9:00am Worship
- 10:00am Skylight Court Café
- 10:15am Sunday School-For God so love the world, He gave us Friends!
- 10:30am Broadcast of Worship Service on KDOM