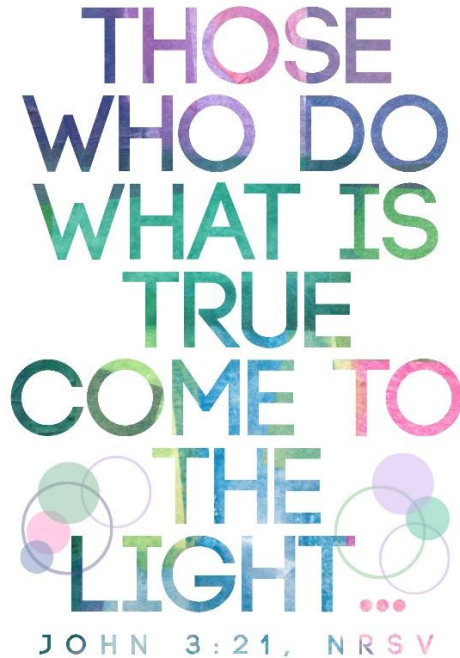


# The American Lutheran Church of Windom

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



**Sunday, March 10, 2024 9:00 AM**  
*Fourth 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!**  
**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 Channel, and our Facebook page to view online services, events, and stay up-to-date on the latest information.

GATHERING MUSIC

Angie Erickson, Pianist

PRELUDE

*“Jesus Loves Me”*

ALC Bell Choir and piano

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

Temple Talk- 40 Day Lenten Challenge-Tanaya Renquist

Noisy offering for Windom Area Sharing Center

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, and through Jesus, 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: 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.

**C: Amen.**

OPENING HYMN    *“We are Baptized in Christ Jesus”*    ELW #451

KYRIE (setting 3)

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

**O God, rich in mercy, by the humiliation of your Son you lifted up this fallen world and rescued us from the hopelessness of death. Lead us into your light, that all our deeds may reflect your love, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen**

HANDBELL ANTHEM

*“Lead Me, Lord”*

SCRIPTURE READING

**Numbers 21:4-9**

Pew Bible p.122

Reader: Fiona Robillard

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

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION for LENT

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GOSPEL READING:

**John 3:14-21**

Pew Bible p. 864

L: The Holy Gospel, according to Saint John, Chapter 3

**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

*“Beautiful Savior”*

ELW #838

NEW MEMBER

Rachael Mathers



## **WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY**

**Acolytes:** Jocelyn Frank, Abby Freiwald

**Reader:** Fiona Robillard

**Technology:** Daron Friesen, Lindsey Cartwright/Nolan Tjentland, Eugene Hanchett

**BROUGHT TO CHRIST** through Holy Baptism during today's worship service is Joseph Benjamin Mathers and Rebecca Juanita Barefoot. Joseph and Rebecca are the son and daughter of Rachael Mathers, who is also becoming a member of ALC! Joseph's sponsors are William Mathers and Ryan Mathers. Rebecca's sponsors are Melissa Mathers and Austin Nelson. Join us in giving them a warm welcome into our church family!

**NOISY OFFERING** today is going to the Windom Area Sharing Center. The Sharing Center has seen a very large increase in those needing their services so they appreciate any help that can be given! Bring your spare change!



**GRANDPARENTS DAY AT** Sunday School TODAY!

Students can bring a grandparent or other special adult to Sunday school! Bring your kiddos to the Fellowship Hall!

**ALTAR GUILD** will be meeting on Tuesday, March 12<sup>th</sup> at 2pm



**EGGS AND CANDY!** The Christian Ed Board is looking for donations of plastic Easter eggs and individually wrapped candy for their Easter egg hunt on Palm Sunday! Please bring to the church office or Tera's office.

**Q&A WITH PASTOR A:** In February a group met for dinner and conversation at Jack Slade's with Pastor Adam where they could ask any church question they wanted. Topics ranged from abortion, the feeling that ELCA leadership isn't listening to regular people, the ELCA's stance on gun control, to the ELCA's stance on Gaza and Israel. The group wanted to meet again so Adam will be at Jack Slade's in the Fireplace Room on **Thursday, March 14<sup>th</sup> from 6 to 7:30 pm**. Grab a drink and a bite to eat, bring questions or just come to listen and chime in. Come on time or come later. Come for the whole time or for ten minutes. Either way, you are welcome and so are your questions.

**ALC DAY AT LSS MEALS** will be on Thursday, March 14<sup>th</sup>. Join in showing our ALC pride at LSS Meals on this day! On the menu is ginger beef roast, rice pilaf, carrots, wheat dinner roll, and dessert. Call Kelly at 831-6161 to reserve your spot.



**LENTEN CHALLENGE:** We challenge you to donate and support the Lenten challenge. \$40 for 40 days. \$1 for each day of Lent. Half of the money donated will go toward Lutheran Disaster Response Eastern Europe Crisis Response which provides support for people impacted by the conflict in Ukraine and the other half will go to support The Windom Area Sharing Center, helping people here in the Windom Area. Envelopes are available on the tables in the narthex or on the poster in the Skylight Court.



**CELEBRATE ST. PATRICK'S DAY WITH US-** St. Patty's Day Puzzle Race & Potato Bar 5pm-7pm. **SUPPER IS OPEN TO ALL!** Cost is \$10 for baked potato with all the yummy toppings you can fit on your potato AND a build-your-own ice cream sundae bar! Children 12 and under are \$5.

There is also a hotdog option! If you would like to enter a team for the puzzle race, contact Tera or the church office.

### **SAVE THE DATES:**

**March 15<sup>th</sup>-16<sup>th</sup>**- Shetek Confirmation Retreat for 7<sup>th</sup> Grade.

**March 24<sup>th</sup>**- Palm Sunday! Sunday/Wednesday School kids singing. Easter Egg Hunt for kids during Sunday School.

**March 27<sup>th</sup>**- No Wednesday School, Worship, Supper or confirmation. 5<sup>th</sup> Grade First Communion students making bread with their parents in the Fellowship Hall at 6pm.

**March 28<sup>th</sup>**- Maundy Thursday Worship at 6:30pm. First Communion for 5<sup>th</sup> Graders. 3<sup>rd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> Grade Sunday/Wednesday School kids singing

**March 29<sup>th</sup>**- Good Friday Worship at 6:30pm

**March 31<sup>st</sup>**- 7am Student led Sunrise Worship, 8am-9am Youth Easter Breakfast, 9am Festival Easter Service!

**April 5<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup>** is our Spring Scrapbook and Crafting Retreat! Registration fee includes supper on Friday night, homemade brownies with homemade chocolate sauce and ice cream for late night snack, brunch on Saturday morning, coffee and water, and large work space with electricity. Pre-registration is needed. Please see the flyer on the bulletin board across from the office for more detailed information. All proceeds will go to the ALC youth.

**DON'T FORGET Tuesday, March 12<sup>th</sup> is the deadline** to sign up your child(ren) for the campership drawing! On Wednesday, March 13<sup>th</sup> at noon, Tera will hold the drawing via FB Live. She will draw a name for a free mini-camp and one for a free full week of camp! Please email Tera with your entries and indicate full week or mini-camp!

**LWR PERSONAL CARE KITS** GLOW is looking for donations of bath towels (between 20"x40" and 52"x27") for the personal care kits they put together for Lutheran World Relief. Towels may be brought into the church office.

**Lenten Supper Schedule-**

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

**Wednesday, March 13<sup>th</sup>** – Spiritual Life and Fellowship Board will be serving  
Potato Soup and Chili

**Wednesday, March 20<sup>th</sup>** – Bethany Lutheran will be serving a pulled pork meal.

**NOON LENTEN ECUMENICAL WORSHIP SCHEDULE**

March 13 Pastor Adam preaches – PCUSA serve and March 20  
– Mary Theesfeld preaches – Catholics serve. Please Join Us!

**MARCH IS FOOD SHARE MONTH!** Church and Society will be collecting items through March for the local food shelf.

\*First week - Cleaning and Paper items (Pledge, Detergent, paper towels,...)

\*Second week - Personal Items (Toiletries, diapers, soap...)

\* Third week - Breakfast Items (Juice, cereal, oatmeal...)

\* Fourth week - Canned Goods (Fruits, veggies, soup,...)

We will take any items anytime - these are suggestions only!! Monetary donations are also great!!!

**THANK YOU!** The library would like to thank everyone that has donated books! We are very grateful!

## THIS WEEK AT AMERICAN LUTHERAN

### **Sunday, March 10**

#### *Fourth Sunday of Lent*

#### **Daylight Savings Begins**

#### **Second Sunday Noisy Offering**

9:00am Worship w/Noisy offering

10:00am Skylight Court Café

10:15am Sunday School-Grandparent's Day

10:30am Broadcast of Worship Service on KDOM

### **Monday, March 11<sup>th</sup>**

6:30pm Bell Choir

### **Tuesday, March 12<sup>th</sup>**

8:00am Men's Bible Study

12:00pm Trust Fund

1:15pm Staff Team Huddle

2:00pm Altar Guild

6:00pm Y&F Bd

7:00pm Budget & Finance Bd, Christian Ed Bd, Disc/Marketing/Stewardship Bd, Properties Bd, W&M Bd

8:00pm Church Council

### **Wednesday, March 13<sup>th</sup>**

12:00pm Ecumenical Worship at Presbyterian Church-Pastor Adam preaching

5:00pm Lenten supper- Spiritual Life and Fellowship Bd- Chili/Potato Soup

5:30pm Choir practice

5:30pm Wednesday School-For God so love the world, He gave us EASTER

5:45pm Praise Band practice

6:30pm LentenWorship

7:15pm 8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Confirmation

### **Thursday, March 14<sup>th</sup>**

9:00am Bulletin Deadline

10:00am Cable TV Ch 22

3:30pm-4:30pm 5<sup>th</sup> Grade First Communion instruction w/ Pastor Adam

6:30pm Q&A with Pastor A, Jack Slades

6:30pm Cable TV, Ch 22

### **Friday, March 15<sup>th</sup>**

5:00pm 7<sup>th</sup> Gr. Confirmation students depart to Shetek for Confirmation retreat

### **Saturday, March 16<sup>th</sup>**

5:30pm Chapel Service w/Holy Communion

7:00pm 7<sup>th</sup> Gr. Students return

### **Sunday, March 17<sup>th</sup>**

#### *Fifth Sunday of Lent*

9:00am Worship

10:00am Skylight Court Café

10:15am Sunday School-For God so love the world, He gave us EASTER

10:30am Broadcast of Worship Service on KDOM

5pm-7pm St. Patty's Day Puzzle Race and Potato Bar!