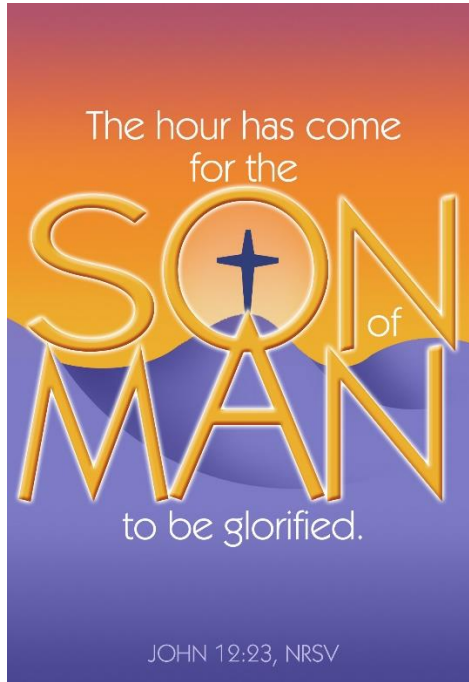


The American Lutheran Church of Windom

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



Sunday, March 17, 2024 9:00 AM
Fifth 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

St. Patty's Day Puzzle Race and Potato Bar

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, 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 *“Lord, Teach How to Pray Aright”* ELW #745

KYRIE (setting 3)

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God, with steadfast love you draw us to yourself, and in mercy you receive our prayers. Strengthen us to bring forth the fruits of the Spirit, that through life and death we may live in your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING **Psalm 51:1-12**

Pew Bible p. 452

Reader: Eli Freiwald

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

GOSPEL READING: **John 12:20-33** Pew Bible p. 875

L: The Holy Gospel, according to Saint John, Chapter 12

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 Adam

HYMN OF THE DAY **“A Mighty Fortress Is Our God”** ELW #504

BAPTISM

Archer Pohlman

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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

“Create in Me”

ELW #186

OFFERTORY PRAYER

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

LORD’S PRAYER

BENEDICTION

CLOSING HYMN

“O Jesus I Have Promised”

ELW #810

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Remember the poor.

We Will! Thanks be to God!

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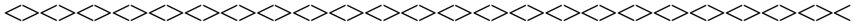
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WELCOME to worship at American Lutheran Church. In the reading, just as grains of wheat are gathered during harvest, so will Jesus gather everyone together.

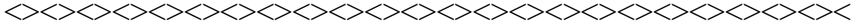
JOIN US NEXT WEEK for Palm Sunday, Mark 14:1-15:47

RADIO SPONSORSHIP is in memory of Bill Erpestad, Reid Erpestad, Keith Erpestad, and Ryan Klenken given by Eunice Erpestad and Family.

A RADIO GIFT was given in memory of Monica Admundson's March 4th Birthday and Richard Admundson's March 18th Birthday, by Leah Bussa and Family.



Attendance Last Wednesday: 121; Saturday: 37; Sunday: 147
Offering: \$5,699 Borrowed: \$3,000



WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY

Acolytes: Lilly Derickson, Ruby Heggeseth

Reader: Eli Friewald

Technology: Jake Voth, Bob Johnson, Eugene Hanchett

BROUGHT TO CHRIST through Holy Baptism during today's worship service is Archer Pohlman. Archer is the son of Ike and Megan Pohlman! Archer's sponsors Brooke and Cullen Olson. Join us in giving Archer a warm welcome into our church family!



CELEBRATE ST. PATRICK'S DAY WITH US- NO NEED TO COOK TONIGHT! 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!



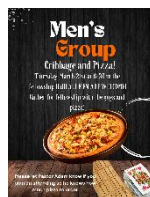
EGGS AND CANDY! The Christian Ed Board is looking for donations of plastic Easter eggs and individually wrapped candy for their Easter egg hunt on Palm Sunday! Please bring to the church office or Tera's office.



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.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY will be Thursday, March 21st at 2 pm. The study will be out of the March/April Gather magazine. If you need a copy of the study, one will be available in the office. ALL women are welcome!

MEN'S GROUP CRIBBAGE AND PIZZA will be Thursday, March 21st at 6:30pm in the Fellowship Hall. Please let Pastor Adam know if you plan on attending.



SAVE THE DATES:

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

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

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

March 29th- Good Friday Worship at 6:30pm

March 31st- 7am Student led Sunrise Worship, 8am-9am Youth Easter Breakfast, 9am Festival Easter Service!

April 5th-6th 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.

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

NOON LENTEN ECUMENICAL WORSHIP SCHEDULE

March 20 – Mary Theesfeld preaches – Catholics serve. Please Join Us!

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

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!!!

A REMINDER that the church office will be closing at NOON on Good Friday, March 29th and will also be closed Monday, April 1st.

THE LION'S CLUB is hosting their annual Palm Sunday Pancake Breakfast. The breakfast will be held on Palm Sunday from 9am-12pm at the Windom Community Center. Freewill donation.

SHETEK
LUTHERAN MINISTRIES

SUGARBUSH SUNDAY
Pancake Breakfast & Square Dance!

CELEBRATE SPRING WITH US!
Sunday, March 24th, 2024
Breakfast: 9:00am-12:30pm
Square Dance: 1:00-2:30pm

Come and join us for a day of pioneer fun at Lake Shetek! Free-will donation pancake breakfast followed by a traditional square dance - ALL ARE WELCOME!
Proceeds benefit our maple syruping programs here at camp!

www.shetek.org/go/maplesyruping/

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THIS WEEK AT AMERICAN LUTHERAN

Sunday, March 17th

Fifth Sunday of Lent

9:00am Worship

10:00am Skylight Court Café

10:15am Sunday School-For God So Loved the World, He Gave Us EASTER

10:15am Nat'l Youth Gathering Student Study

10:30am Broadcast of Worship Service on KDOM

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

Monday, March 18th

6:30pm Bell Choir

Tuesday, March 19th

8:00am Men's Bible Study

9:00am Glow Sewing

1:15pm Staff Team Huddle

Wednesday, March 20th

12:00pm Ecumenical Worship at Presbyterian Church

1:30pm Hillside Manor

2:30pm Pine View

5:00pm Lenten supper- Bethany Lutheran serving pulled pork meal

5:30pm Choir practice

5:30pm Wednesday School

5:45pm Praise Band practice

6:30pm Lenten Worship

7:15pm 8th & 9th Grade Confirmation

Thursday, March 21st

9:00am Bulletin Deadline

9:00am Conference Pastors Meeting

10:00am Cable TV Ch 22

2:00pm Women's Bible Study

3:30pm-4:30pm 5th Grade First Communion instruction w/ Pastor Sarah

5:00pm Technology Meeting

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

6:30pm Cable TV, Ch 22

Friday, March 22nd

Saturday, March 23rd

5:30pm Chapel Service

Sunday, March 24th

Palm Sunday

9:00am Worship w/Holy Communion, Nursery-6th Grade Sunday/Wednesday School sing

10:00am Skylight Court Café

10:15am Sunday/Wednesday School Easter Egg Hunt

10:30am Broadcast of Worship on KDOM

