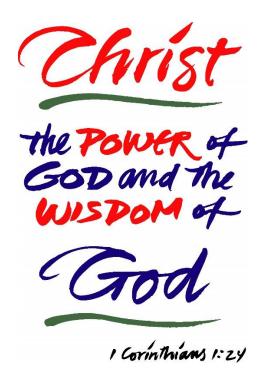
The American Lutheran Church of Windom

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



Sunday, March 3, 2024 9:00 AM Third 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

PRELUDE ANTHEM

"Remember Me"

ALC Choir

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

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, \oplus 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: 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 \oplus Jesus Christ, in whose name your sins are completely forgiven.

C: Amen.

OPENING HYMN "Lord, Speak to Us, That We May Speak"

ELW #676

KYRIE (setting 3)

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

Holy God, through your Son you have called us to live faithfully and act courageously. Keep us steadfast in your covenant of grace, and teach us the wisdom that comes only through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

ALC CHOIR ANTHEM

"Communion Song"

READING 1 Corinthians 1:18-25 Pew Bible p.926

Reader: Jay Mickelson

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL READING: John 2:13-22 Pew Bible p. 863

L: The Holy Gospel, according to Saint John, Chapter 2

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 "Holy, Holy," ELW #413

APOSTLE'S CREED p. 127

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 Piano Selection "Lamb of God" MicheLe Larson 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.

HOLY COMMUNION

Words of Institution p. 108

Lord's Prayer

Distribution

MicheLe meditative music

Post Communion Prayer

BENEDICTION

CLOSING HYMN "Canticle of the Turning" ELW #723

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Remember the poor.

We Will! Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE +++++++++

WELCOME to worship at American Lutheran Church. In the reading, Jesus' response of "raising the temple in three days" was a statement that would help his disciples believe in Jesus through his words and the scripture.

JOIN US NEXT WEEK for Lifting Up of the Son of Man, John 3:14-21.

RADIO SPONSORSHIP is in memory of the March 1st birthday of Signe Holmen, given by her granddaughter, Lori Seifert.

A RADIO GIFT was given in honor of LeRoy & Elaine Larson's 61st Wedding Anniversary on March 3rd.

Attendance Last Wednesday: 116; Saturday: 24; Sunday: 122 Offering: \$5,987 Borrowed: \$3,000

WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY

Acolytes: Addison Spielman, Melinda Schunk

Reader: Jay Mickelson

Holy Communion: Lori & Jay Mickelson, Elie Kleven, Eli Muske **Technology:** Todd Armstrong, Lindsey Cartwright, Eugene Hanchett

GLOW MEETING today after worship in the Meeting room! ALL women belong to GLOW and are welcome to attend the meeting to find out what's happening and how you can be a part of the fun!



MORE THAN A FEELING Women's Bible Study with Tera is tomorrow night, March 4th at 5:30pm. Bring a snack to share if you wish! See you there!

REMINDER – We will be "springing ahead" next Sunday, March 10th! Move those clocks 1 hour ahead!

NOISY OFFERING will be collected next week. This month's noisy offering 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!

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: \$40 for 40 days. 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. 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.

GRANDPARENTS DAY AT Wednesday School is on March 6th and at Sunday School on March 10th! Students can bring a grandparent or other special adult to Wednesday/Sunday school! Bring your kiddos to the Fellowship Hall!

SAVE THE DATES:

<u>March 7th</u> is the first Thursday that 5th Graders will meet for First Communion instruction. Class will be right after school until 4:30pm. Transportation from school to church is provided. Please let Tera know if your child will be needing transportation with us.

March 10th- Daylight Savings Begins! Set your clocks an hour ahead! March 15th-16th- Shetek Confirmation Retreat for 7th Grade.

March 17th- St. Patty's Day Puzzle Race & Potato Bar 5pm-7pm.

SUPPER IS OPEN TO ALL! If you would like to enter a team for the puzzle race, contact Tera or the church office.

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

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

<u>March 28th</u>- 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!

<u>April 5th-6th</u> 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.

DON'T FORGET to sign up your child(ren) for the campership drawing! On Wednesday, March 13th 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 by Tuesday, March 12th with your entries and indicate full week or mini-camp!

Lenten Supper Schedule-

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

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.

NOON LENTEN ECUMENICAL WORSHIP SCHEDULE

March 6 – Pastor Sarah preaches – ALC serves, 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 - this is 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 3rd

Third Sunday of Lent

9:00am Worship w/Holy Communion

10:00am Skylight Court Café

10:15am GLOW Meeting

10:15am Sunday School

10:30am Broadcast of Worship Service on KDOM

Monday, March 4th

9:00am GLOW sewing

5:30pm Women's Bible Study w/Tera

6:30pm Bell Choir

Tuesday, March 5th

8:00am Men's Bible Study

1:15pm Staff Team Huddle

5:15pm CIS Board

Wednesday, March 6th

11:00am Sogge

12:00pm Ecumenical Luncheon- Presbyterian Church-Pastor Sarah preaching, ALC Serves

5:00pm Lenten supper- Nat'l Youth Gathering, HOTDISH HEAVEN!

5:30pm Choir

5:30pm Wednesday School-Grandparents Day

5:45pm Praise band practice

6:30pm Lenten Worship

7:15pm Confirmation (8th, & 9th Grade)

Thursday, March 7th

9:00am Bulletin Deadline

10:00am Cable TV Ch 22

3:30-4:30pm First Communion Preparation Class w/Tera

6:30pm Cable TV, Ch 22

Friday, March 8th

Saturday, March 9th

5:30pm Chapel Service w/Holy Communion

Sunday, March 10th

Daylight Savings Begins

Second Sunday Noisy offering

Fourth Sunday of Lent

9:00am Worship w/Noisy offering

10:00am Skylight Court Café

10:15am Sunday School-Grandparents Day

10:30am Broadcast of Worship Service on KDOM