

The American Lutheran Church of Windom

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



Sunday, April 7, 2024 9:00 AM
Second Sunday after Easter

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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/ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

L: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who calls us beloved children, who gathers us into one flock, who guides us into all truth.

C: Amen.

L: Let us confess our sins, trusting that God will forgive us and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

L: Faithful and just God,

C: we confess that we are captive to doubt and fear, bound by the ways that lead to death. We have not loved our sisters and brothers as you have first loved us. Forgive us, God of mercy.

Let your Holy Spirit work in us to change our lives and make us new, that we may know the abundant life given in Jesus Christ, our risen Lord. Amen.

L: In this is love, not that we loved God but that God loved us and sent the Son to atone for our sins. In the name of † Jesus Christ, I announce to you that your sins are forgiven. Let the perfect love of God cast out fear, fill you with joy, and inspire you to live for others.

C: Amen.

OPENING HYMN

“Hallelujah, Jesus Lives”

ELW #380

KYRIE

Setting 4 p. 147

HYMN OF PRAISE

“This is the Feast”

ELW p. 149

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty God, with joy we celebrate the day of our Lord’s resurrection. By the grace of Christ among us, enable us to show the power of the resurrection in all that we say and do, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

FIRST READING

Acts 4:32-35

Pew Bible p. 888

Reader: Colin Wilson

SECOND READING

Psalms 133

Pew Bible p. 501

Please read responsively

Reader: Colin Wilson

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

p. 151

GOSPEL READING **John 20:19-31** Pew Bible: p. 883

L: The holy gospel according to John, Chapter 20 **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 **“Bind Us Together”** on screens **WOV 748**

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (*please see screens*)

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

Risen One, by your Spirit you empower us to believe and bear fruit. May the gifts that we offer here be signs of your abiding love. Form us to be your witnesses in the world, through Jesus Christ, our true vine. Amen.

HOLY COMMUNION

Words of Institution

Lord's Prayer

Lamb of God p.154

Distribution

Carol meditative music

Post Communion Prayer

BENEDICTION

L: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

C: Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

L: The God of resurrection power, the Christ of unending joy, and the Spirit of Easter hope ✠ bless you now and always.

C: Amen.

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Share the Good News!
We Will! Thanks be to God!

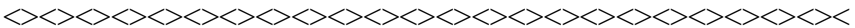
POSTLUDE

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WELCOME to worship at American Lutheran Church. During the next several weeks, Jesus makes appearances to followers. In the reading today, Thomas was not present when Jesus first visited his disciples. How did he react?

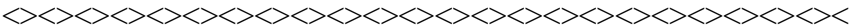
JOIN US NEXT WEEK for Appearing to Disciples, Luke 24:36b-48.

RADIO SPONSORSHIP is in memory of the April 6th Birthday of Marvin Bretzman; given by Sharon Bretzman and her children & their families; Brenda Polk, Bradley Bretzman, Eric Bretzman, & Kristine Giese.



Attendance: Maundy Thursday: 217; Good Friday: 138; Saturday: 36;
Easter Sunday: 7AM-119, 9 AM-247

Offering: \$5320; Easter Offering: \$4854; Borrowed: \$3,000



WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY

Acolytes: Eli Muske, Kieran Anderson

Readers: Collin Wilson

Holy Communion: Stephanie Redman, Linda and Alan Staples

Technology: Jake Voth, Bob Johnson, Eugene Hanchett

Join us in celebrating **DONNIE PABST 79th BIRTHDAY NEXT SUNDAY, April 14TH** following church at our Skylight Court Cafe, coffee hour with birthday cake.

LION’S CLUB PANCAKE BREAKFAST TODAY from 9am-12:30!
This is rescheduled from the Palm Sunday event that got cancelled due to weather.

SHETEK ONDINI CIRCUIT PARTNERSHIP COMMITTEE is holding an important Kickoff Meeting for '24 at Immanuel Lutheran, 27980 130th St, Fulda on Sunday, April 7th at 7:00 PM. Anyone interested in the South African Partnership with the Shetek Conference is encouraged to attend. Goals for the year are: *Reconnecting with our Partners. *Raising awareness in our Shetek Conference Congregations. *Inviting new members. *Actions moving forward. Please join as we walk together in Christ with our South African Partners!

THANK YOU to Cheryl Ahern for sponsoring the cost of the palms for Palm Sunday in honor of her grandmother, Dagny Brodin and her mother, Lilie Brodin. Her grandmother started this tradition in the 70s, her mother continued it and Cheryl would like to do the same!

SEWING DAYS are quickly coming to an end. There is **ONE MORE** opportunity to help out, Tuesday, April 16th. Come and join the fun while you can!

KWIK TRIP CAR WASH CARDS! Some of the youth going to the ELCA National Youth Gathering in New Orleans in July are selling these cards and by purchasing one, you are helping them financially with their trip! Cards will be \$35 each and will have 5 Ultimate car washes on them. At regular cost, an Ultimate car wash is worth \$10 each! You will be saving \$15! You can catch them on Wednesdays and Sundays before and after service! Thank you for supporting our Youth!

NEXT WEEK NOISY OFFERING will be designated for The Banquet. Please remember to bring your spare change!

ALC DAY AT LSS MEALS will be next Thursday, April 11th at 11:30am. On the menu is chicken salad croissant, tomato/cucumber salad, and tropical fruit. Come and show your ALC pride on this day. Call Kelly at 831-6161 to reserve your spot!



SPRING WILL SOON BE HERE and if you or someone you know are looking for any help with yard clean up, the CIS Board would love to help! They will be doing this the end of April through May! Please contact the church office if you would like help or have any questions.

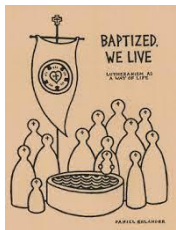
CHURCH IN SOCIETY is joining with Discipleship, Marketing, and Stewardship to help clean up our community. DSM has adopted a mile of Highway 71 right past Smith Auto and we'll get that stretch of land into shape on April 21st at 10:15 (right after worship). Everything will be provided, although if you bring work gloves that would be helpful. All we really need though are some extra hands of anyone fourteen years old and older. Please let Pastor Adam or the office know if you'll be there as space is limited.

God's work.
Our hands.

WEDNESDAY/SUNDAY SCHOOL will be celebrating their Prayer Partners during regular class time in the Fellowship Hall on Wednesday, April 17th and Sunday, April 21st! We love our prayer partners and appreciate all they have done for the students this year!

NEEDED FOR BABY KITS for Lutheran World Relief is receiving blankets. Questions? Please contact Jackie Turner 822-1633. Blankets can be dropped off in the church office.

COMMUNITY NEEDS: The Sharing Center is in need of toiletries such as toothbrushes, toothpaste, deodorant, shampoo, toilet paper, etc. They recommend buying standard sizes instead of family sizes, but anything you donate is very much appreciated. **The DAC** is in need of material so they can continue to make beautiful rugs. Please drop off jeans, sheets, ect at the DAC or in the church office.



BAPTIZED WE LIVE - AFFIRM YOUR

FAITH! Do you know of couples that have renewed their marriage vows? That brings some good energy to the couple and family, and a reason to celebrate! We can reaffirm the faith of our baptism in the same way. Affirmation of Baptism is a fancy way of saying “getting confirmed” and you can do it more than once over your

lifetime. In fact, it's basically what New Members do when they join a congregation. Pastors Sarah and Adam will be leading two sessions on **April 14th and 21st from 5-6:30**. We'll use a great little book with lots of illustrations, Baptized we Live, *Lutheranism as a Way of Life* by Daniel Erlander. **There will be food and childcare provided, just RSVP to either pastor by Wednesday April 10.**

Here's a few reasons why you might want to participate:

- Get to know other people in your faith community better.
- Support one another, wherever you are in your journey of faith.
- Grow in your understanding of what Lutherans are all about.
- Affirm the faith of your baptism!

This class is open to any and all! It's going to be good. We hope to see you there! If any of the dates are a conflict for you, please talk to one of the Pastors, there are options available!

SENIOR PHOTOS! Yes, we need to start thinking about this already! Senior students of ALC, please email your Senior photo to the church office, winalc@windomnet.com **NO LATER THAN FRIDAY MAY 10TH**. Photos will be displayed on our screens during the worship services.

THIS WEEK AT AMERICAN LUTHERAN

Sunday, April 7th

9:00 AM Worship w/Holy Communion

10:00 AM Skylight Court Café- Coffee Hour

10:15 AM Sunday School

10:30 AM Broadcast of Worship Service on KDOM

5:00 PM Christian Ed Board meeting via Zoom

Monday, April 8th

7:00pm Bell Choir

Tuesday, April 9th

8:00 AM Men's Bible Study

1:15 PM Staff Team Huddle

2:00 PM Altar Guild

6:00 PM Youth & Family Board

7:00 PM Budget & Finance Bd, Properties Bd, Spiritual Life
& Fellowship Bd, Worship & Music Bd

8:00 PM Church Council

Wednesday, April 10th

9:00 AM Ministerial Assoc.

5:00 PM Wednesday Supper-mac & cheese, hot dogs, fruit, dessert

5:30 PM Choir

5:30 PM Wednesday School

5:45 PM Praise Band Practice

6:30 PM Wednesday Worship w/Noisy Offering

7:30 PM Confirmation (7th, 8th, & 9th Grade)

Thursday, April 11th

9:00 AM Bulletin Deadline

10:00 AM Cable TV, CH 22

11:30 AM ALC Day at LSS Meals

6:30 PM Cable TV, CH 22

Friday, April 12th

Saturday, April 13th

5:30 PM Chapel Worship w/Holy Communion & Noisy offering

Sunday, April 14th

Second Sunday Noisy Offering

9:00 AM Worship

10:00 AM Skylight Court Café-Celebrate Donnie Pabst's birthday!

10:15 AM Sunday School

10:30 AM Broadcast of Worship Service on KDOM

5:00 PM Baptized We Live-Affirm Your Faith!