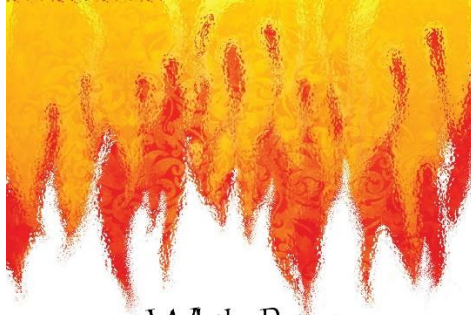


The American Lutheran Church of Windom

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



While Peter
was still speaking,
the Holy Spirit fell upon
all who heard
the word.

Acts 10:44, NRSV

Sunday, May 5th, 2024 9:00 AM
Sixth 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

Teacher Recognition/Healing Prayers

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 *“Love Divine, All Loves Excelling”* ELW #631

KYRIE Setting 4 p. 147

HYMN OF PRAISE *“This is the Feast”* ELW p. 149

PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God, you have prepared for those who love you joys beyond understanding. Pour into our hearts such love for you that, loving you above all things, we may obtain your promises, which exceed all we can desire; through Jesus Christ, your Son and our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

FIRST READING Acts 10:44-48 Pew Bible p. 895

Reader: Karen Wickie

SECOND READING 1 John 5:1-6 Pew Bible p. 991

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION p. 151

GOSPEL READING **John 15:9-17**

Pew Bible: p. 878

L: The holy gospel according to John, the 15th Chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord

L: The Gospel of the Lord

C: Praise to you, O Christ

MESSAGE

Pastor Sarah

HYMN OF THE DAY ***“What A Friend We Have in Jesus”***

ELW #742

TEACHER RECOGNITION

Tera Elness, DCYFM

APOSTLE’S CREED

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

(Healing prayers are available in the north transept)

Words of Institution

Lord’s Prayer

Lamb of God p.154

Distribution

Linda 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!

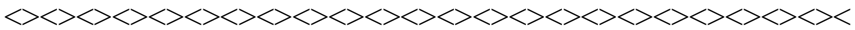
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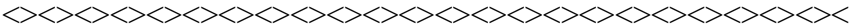
WELCOME to worship at American Lutheran Church. In the reading, we are reminded that we are to love one another as Jesus commanded.

JOIN US NEXT WEEK for Christ’s Prayers for Disciples, John 17:6-19

RADIO SPONSORSHIP is in loving memory of the May 8th Birthday of Harm Johnson, father of Carol Arndt & Leann Johnson.



Attendance: Wednesday: 67; Saturday: 37; Sunday: 117
Offering: \$5,530; Borrowed: \$25,000



WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY

Acolytes: Lily Derickson, Ruby Baloun

Readers: Karen Wickie

Holy Communion: Keith and Cindy Bloomgren, Eli Muske, Brita Tjentland

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



HEALING PRAYERS “I am the Lord who heals you.”

Exodus 15.26b Prayer is central to our life together, as we lift before God the needs of the members of our community and world. Today, a station for Prayers for Healing is set up in the north transept area by the baptismal font. During Holy Communion, a pastor will be available to receive your prayer request and offer prayer with you.

TEACHER RECOGNITION will be today during worship service. Please join us in thanking the following Wednesday School/Sunday School Teachers, Leaders, & Subs for another INCREDIBLE Year of Faith Formation! Miranda Schunk, Tina Mesner, Crystal Fast, Vanessa Tjentland, Kristy Mickelson, Aubri Spielman, Abby Grove, Stephanie Palmer, Melissa Dardis, Trisha Grant, Katie Ihler, Cindy Knutson, Kelsey Edwards, Irene Swanson, Jessie Markus, Amy Joyce, Caitlyn Gilbertson, Samantha Rakotz, Kelly Kleven, Amanda Wilson, Christy Lohse, Harriet Lohse, Cassie Muske, Cheyenne Boeck, Tanaya Renquist, Kim Soderholm, Wendy Newman, Morgan Johnson, Bri Miller...as well as an abundance of those not named here who filled in when asked ~ we are so grateful for all of you.



6TH GRADE CELEBRATION FOR STUDENTS AND PARENTS!

Join Tera during your regular class time today in the Fellowship Hall for a special celebration and a look ahead at what the NEXT leg of your faith formation journey will look like here at ALC!

GLOW will be meeting **TODAY** following worship in the Meeting Room. ALL women are welcome!



CREATION SUNDAY will be celebrated next week during worship. What blessings we have to enjoy; lakes and rivers, park trails through woods and prairies, and sun to warm the earth for crops and livestock. Bring seeds, a container of soil, or a filled

bottle from a nearby water source for a blessing. Feel free to dress like a farmer or naturalist.

NOISY OFFERING will be collected next week and will be going towards 2024 VBS (Vacation Bible School). VBS is scheduled for Sunday, July 28th-Thursday, August 1st, each evening from 5:30pm-8pm. Your donation allows us to offer VBS for free and for the kids to have a fun-packed week!

SHOW YOUR ALC PRIDE at LSS Meals on Thursday, May 9th at 11:30 am. On the menu is chicken and noodles, peas and carrots, bread, and dessert. Please call Kelly at 831-6161 to reserve your spot.

SENIOR PHOTOS! Reminder to all 2024 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.

SENIOR SUNDAY to honor our 2024 Seniors of ALC will be on **Sunday, May 19th**. Join us in honoring our seniors on this day during worship and with a free brunch in the Fellowship Hall following worship. Brunch will include scrambled eggs, sausage links, fruit, cinnamon rolls, orange juice, milk and coffee. Congratulations to all of our ALC Seniors!



ACOLYTE OPPORTUNITY Our confirmation kids are acolytes during the school year but they have the summer off. If you think your elementary school child is mature enough to acolyte and if your child would love the honor of

being an acolyte during the summer months, let Pastor Adam know, he would love to train them in.

THE LAST DAYS for Wednesday/Sunday school will be Wednesday, May 8th and Sunday, May 12th. The last day for confirmation and Wednesday worship will be Wednesday, May 15th and we have something very awesome planned! See the flyer below! You won't want to miss this!

AGAPE*

IN CONCERT

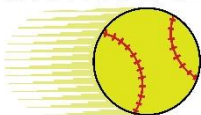
RACHEL KURTZ

AMERICAN LUTHERAN CHURCH
 906 PROSPECT AVE. WINDOM, MN

WEDNESDAY, MAY 15, 2024
WORSHIP 6:30 - 7:15 PM
OPEN TO PUBLIC
YOUTH ONLY EVENT
7:30 - 8:30 PM

Pizza Supper
 Serving 5 - 6:15 pm
 ALC Fellowship Hall
 Sponsored by
 Christian Ed
 All are invited!

SOFTBALL LEAGUE

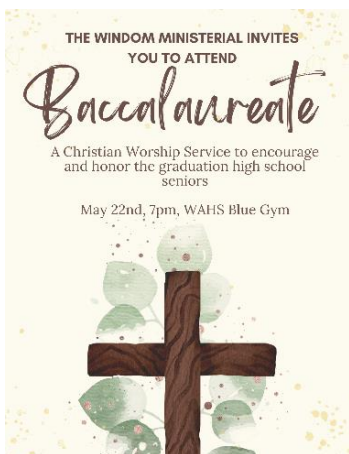


CHURCH SOFTBALL season is just around the corner! If you would like to join the fun of church softball, please contact Donnie Boltjes at 507-830-0015. There will be a meeting on Thursday, May 16th at 7pm in the meeting room for anyone who wants to attend!

ASCENSION DAY is Thursday, May 9, 2024, and it comes 40 days after Easter, Jesus Christ's resurrection. On this day, Christians celebrate Jesus ascending up into heaven. He has spent the last 40 days teaching his disciples. Ten days following Jesus' ascension, is Pentecost, the day on which the Holy Spirit is made known to the disciples. *John 20:17. 17 Jesus said, "Do not hold on to me, for I have not yet ascended to the Father. Go instead to my brothers and tell them, 'I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.' "*

A NOTE FROM BUDGET AND FINANCE: ALC has provided excellent programming for all ages. Over the last few years, we have expanded our ministry to children, youth and families in particular. We ask that you consider the cost of our continuing ministry as you plan your giving to our church. Our budget has grown considerably due to overdue increases in salaries and benefits as well as rising insurance costs. It is important that we give joyfully and consistently throughout the year. You might be surprised to learn how easy it is to give to the church through your IRA if you are over 70.5 years of age. Judy and I save taxes by using our required minimum distribution in this way. Ask your tax advisor for current rules. Thank you for all you have done for ALC! Nick Trotter-Budget & Finance Board Chair

Save the Date for these events!



THE WINDOM MINISTERIAL INVITES
YOU TO ATTEND

Baccalaureate

A Christian Worship Service to encourage
and honor the graduation high school
seniors

May 22nd, 7pm, WAHS Blue Gym

The poster features a large wooden cross in the center, surrounded by green leaves and small white flowers. The background is a light cream color with a subtle pattern of small dots.



Please join us in celebrating this year's graduates!

Senior Brunch

IN HONOR OF

ALC Graduates

Immediately following the Senior Recognition Service
on Sunday, May 19th, 2024

American Lutheran Church Windom Fellowship Hall
Serving Scrambled Eggs, Sausage, Cinnamon Rolls,
Fruit, Coffee, Milk, & Juice

This free brunch is sponsored by the Youth & Family Board

The poster features a blue graduation cap with a tassel in the center. The background is a light cream color with a subtle pattern of small dots.



VBS SAVE THE DATE!

SUNDAY, JULY 28TH - THURSDAY, AUGUST 1ST
5:30-8:00PM * AMERICAN LUTHERAN CHURCH

WHO IS my neighbor?

VBS IS FOR STUDENTS WHO HAVE COMPLETED
PRESCHOOL THROUGH 5TH GRADE.
FRIENDS ARE WELCOME AND
THERE IS NO FEE TO ATTEND!

The poster features a colorful illustration of a neighborhood with houses, trees, and people. The background is a light gray color.

THIS WEEK AT AMERICAN LUTHERAN

Sunday, May 5th

9:00 AM Worship w/Holy Communion, SS/WS Teacher Recognition & Healing Prayers

10:00 AM Skylight Court Café- Coffee Hour

10:15 AM GLOW Meeting

10:15 AM Sunday School

10:15 AM 6th Grade Student & Parent Celebration-Fellowship Hall

10:30 AM Broadcast of Worship Service on KDOM

Monday, May 6th

Tuesday, May 7th

8:00 AM Men's Bible Study

1:15 PM Staff Team Huddle

Wednesday, May 8th

9:00 AM Ministerial Association

5:00 PM Wednesday Supper-Smorgasbord

5:30 PM Praise Band Practice

5:30 PM Wednesday School-Last Night

6:30 PM Wednesday Worship w/Noisy Offering

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

Thursday, May 9th

9:00 AM Bulletin Deadline

10:00 AM & 6:30 PM Cable TV, CH 22

11:30 AM ALC Day at LSS Meals

Friday, May 10th

Saturday, May 11th

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

Sunday, May 12th

Mother's Day

Creation Sunday

Second Sunday Noisy Offering

9:00 AM Worship w/Noisy Offering & Creation Blessing

10:00 AM Skylight Court Café

10:15 AM Sunday School-Last Day

10:30 AM Broadcast of Worship Service on KDOM

