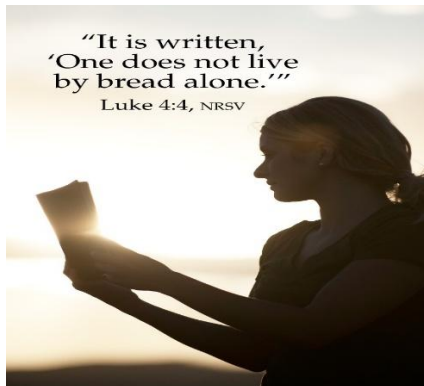


The American Lutheran Church of Windom

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

All Are Welcome!




ASH
WEDNESDAY

Sunday, March 9th, 2025 9:00 AM
First Sunday in Lent/Ash Wednesday

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Wednesdays: 6:30pm Worship
Saturdays 5:30 pm Chapel Worship
Sundays 9:00 am Worship
Pastors Sarah Tadé and Adam Roberts
Ministers: Everyone

ORDER FOR WORSHIP

GATHERING MUSIC

Linda Staples, Organist

PRELUDE

“Westminster Bells”

Bell Choir

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Temple Talk-Kim Armstrong

Noisy Offering-combined with regular offering

Psalm 51

Pew Bible p. 452

L: Have mercy on me, O God,
according to your steadfast love;

**C: according to your abundant mercy
blot out my transgressions.**

L: Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity,

C: and cleanse me from my sin.

L: For I know my transgressions,

C: and my sin is ever before me.

L: Against you, you alone, have I sinned,

C: and done what is evil in your sight,

L: so that you are justified in your sentence

C: and blameless when you pass judgment.

L: Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean;

C: wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.

L: Let me hear joy and gladness;

C: let the bones that you have crushed rejoice.

L: Hide your face from my sins,

C: and blot out all my iniquities.

L: Create in me a clean heart, O God,

C: and put a new and right spirit within me.

L: Do not cast me away from your presence,

C: and do not take your holy spirit from me.

L: Restore to me the joy of your salvation,

C: and sustain in me a willing spirit.

GREETING:

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever.

Amen.

INVITATION TO LENT

IMPOSITION OF ASHES

(ushers will dismiss pews)

PRAYER

L: Accomplish in us, O God, the work of your salvation,

C: That we may show forth your glory in the world.

L: By the cross and passion of your Son, our Savior,

C: Bring us with all your saints to the joy of his resurrection.

L: Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, does not desire the death of sinners, but rather that they may turn from their wickedness and live. Therefore we implore God to grant us true repentance and his Holy Spirit, that those things may please God which we do on this day, that the rest of our life may be pure and holy, and that at the last we may come to his eternal joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: AMEN

PERIOD OF SILENCE

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Gracious God, out of your love and mercy you breathed into dust the breath of life, creating us to serve you and our neighbors. Call forth our prayers and acts of kindness, and strengthen us to face our mortality with confidence in the mercy of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy spirit, on God, now and forever. Amen

BELL CHOIR ANTHEM

“The Tallis Canon”

FIRST READING:

Deuteronomy 26:1-11 Pew Bible: p.158

Reader: Fiona Robillard

SECOND READING

Romans 10:8b-13 Pew Bible: p.921

Reader: Fiona Robillard

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Setting 3 ELW p. 142

GOSPEL READING

Luke 4: 1-13

Pew Bible: p. 835

L: The holy gospel according to Luke the 4th 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

“On Eagle’s Wings”

ELW #787

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ELW p.104

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”

ALC #14

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

“Bless Now, O God, the Journey” ELW #326

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Care for others as God cares for you.

We Will! Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE

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WELCOME to worship at The American Lutheran Church of Windom. Today marks the first Sunday in Lent. Sundays are not included in the 40 days of Lent. In the reading, Jesus is tempted by the devil for 40 days in the wilderness.

JOIN US NEXT WEEK for Protect and Save, Luke 13:31-35.

RADIO SPONSORSHIP is in loving memory Monica & Rick Amundson's March 4th & March 18th Birthdays, given by Jordan and Leah Bussa.

Attendance: Wednesday: 74; Saturday: 29; Sunday: 119
Offering: \$12,529

Acolytes: Elli Steinbrink, Abbi Freiwald

Reader: Fiona Robillard

Technology: Bob Johnson, Lindsey Cartwright, Eugene Hanchett



SCAN THIS QR CODE TO GIVE ONLINE

NOISY OFFERING will be collected TODAY during our regular offering time. This month's noisy offering is designated to the Windom Area Food Shelf. Thank you for your support!

ADULT LEARNING will take place next Sunday, March 16th at 10:15am. This month's session will be on the ELCA Social Statement on the Death Penalty. Grab your coffee and a snack and join Pastor Sarah in the meeting room.

LENTEN DEVOTION Follow the ALC Facebook page for a Lenten devotion read by someone from our congregation, posted every weekday around noon beginning March 5th (Ash Wednesday). **We are looking for volunteers to read the devotion! Contact Tera or Jane to sign up.** 😊 *God brings new life in unexpected ways and in the most unlikely situations. **Life Renewed** reflects on how God does this in the creation of all things, the Israelites' rescue from slavery in Egypt, the dry bones and Ezekiel, the fiery furnace, the big fish and Jonah, and more.*

WEDNESDAY NIGHT WORSHIP DURING LENT - ALC and Bethany – *The Call to "I AM"*

Our 40-day journey through Lent will take us through five of the I AM statements of Jesus. "I Am" is the Hebrew name for God. When Jesus goes to the cross, *there goes God.*

3/12/25 6:30 PM *I AM the Bread of Life*

3/19/25 6:30 PM *I AM the Light of the World*

3/26/25 6:30 PM *I AM the Door*

4/02/25 6:30 PM *I AM the Good Shepherd*

4/09/25 6:30 PM *I AM the Resurrection and the Life*

For worship, we will use Shalom Evening Prayer, written for our neighbor, Shalom Hill Farm by Southwest MN composer Carol Meier,

and led by our own musicians. *Shalom* is the Hebrew word for peace, but has the added meaning of wholeness, and wellbeing. May our journey with Jesus this Lent bring us into a deeper sense of peace with God and each other.

Wednesday Lenten Suppers-Serving at 5pm.

March 12th—Lasagna— BWCA Trip-proceeds to youth attending

March 19th— Hotdish Heaven-Duluth Mission Trip-proceeds to youth attending

March 26th— Beef over rice- Shetek Ondini Circuit Group-proceeds to Shetek Ondini Circuit

April 2nd— Soups—Spiritual Life & Fellowship Bd.-proceeds to ministry of their choice

April 9th—Bethany Lutheran- proceeds to ministry of their choice

NOON ECUMENICAL WORSHIP SCHEDULE-

Christ had no epitaph. Buried in a borrowed tomb, no words were emblazoned across his grave. Instead, during the final hours of his life, Christ mapped out his way of suffering with seven famous last words—seven final phrases, remembered and recited throughout the ages—tiny touchstones along his way of sorrows. We may find that these last words have a lasting impact, even now, for us. Join us on Wednesdays at noon for a worship service followed by a light lunch. An offering will be taken to support the work of the Windom Area Ministerial. Everyone is welcome!

March 12 – Forgive-Pastor Pam – Presbyterians serve lunch

March 19 – Paradise- Pastor Tommy – Methodist serves lunch

March 26 - Behold-Pastor Adam – ALC serves lunch

April 2 – Forsaken- Pastor Sarah – Presbyterians serve lunch

April 9 – Thirst- Catholic church preaching and serving lunch

ALL SERVICES TAKE PLACE AT THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



\$40 FOR 40 DAYS LENTEN CHALLENGE- One dollar a day for 40 days doesn't sound like much does it? But that \$40 can put food on the table for those in need. We challenge you to donate and support the Lenten challenge. All money donated will go toward the \$1000 we bring to the Banquet in Sioux Falls in July and any remaining money will go to the Windom School Backpack Program. Please make checks to American Lutheran Church with Lenten Challenge in the memo line. Thank you! Please note, 40 Days \$40 Lenten envelopes will be placed on the tables in the narthex beginning in March.

A LENTEN BIBLE STUDY WITH TERA on the Life of Daniel for 10th-12th Graders will be held Wednesday evenings during Lent from 7:30pm-8:30pm. Invite your friends! Snacks and drinks will be provided.

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

Cleaning and Paper items (Pledge, Detergent, paper towels,...)

Personal Items (Toiletries, diapers, soap...)

Breakfast Items (Juice, cereal, oatmeal...)

Canned Goods (Fruits, veggies, soup,...)

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



JOIN US FOR LASAGNA for Wednesday Lenten Supper on Wednesday, March 12th. The youth going to the Boundary Waters in July are looking forward to serving you! They will also have salad, breadsticks, dessert, milk, and water.

OUR DULUTH MISSION TRIP YOUTH will be serving the Lenten Supper on Wednesday, March 19th. Their menu is **HOTDISH HEAVEN** (a grand assortment of scrumptious hotdishes!) and will include **Dr.**

Mary's famous homemade buns. Mmmm!

They are looking for donations of bars or cookies to complete their meal, as well as gallons of milk. Can you help? Please let Tera know! Thanks so much!

CHILDCARE DURING WEDNESDAY LENTEN SERVICES will be available in the Family Room courtesy of the 7th Grade Confirmation class and Tera.

JOIN US FOR A MOVIE NIGHT! We will be having a movie night in the Chapel on Sunday, March 23rd at 4pm, complete with a chili and bread supper following the movie. The featured movie is **Bonhoeffer**, based on the story of Dietrich Bonhoeffer, a German clergyman of great distinction, who actively opposed Hitler and the Nazis. His convictions cost him his life. ***Childcare will be provided and we will feed your kids too!***

QUILTING FOR GRADUATES will be meeting TODAY from 1pm-4pm. Come when you can, leave when you need to. You do not need to have experience in quilting! There is cutting, tying knots, and ironing to do!

THIS WEEK AT AMERICAN LUTHERAN

Sunday, March 9th

Daylight Savings Time Begins

Second Sunday Noisy Offering

9:00 AM Worship w/Noisy offering

10:00 AM Skylight Court Café-Coffee Hour

10:15 AM Sunday School

10:30 AM Broadcast of Worship Service on KDOM

1:00 PM Quilting for Graduates



Monday, March 10th

7:00 PM Bell Choir

Tuesday, March 11th

8:00 AM Men's Bible Study

1:15 AM Staff Team Huddle

12:00 PM Trust Fund

2:00 PM Altar Guild

6:00 PM Youth & Family Bd

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

8:00 PM Church Council

Wednesday, March 12th

12:00 PM Ecumenical Worship- Presbyterian Church

5:00 PM Wednesday supper-Lasagna

5:30 PM Choir

5:30 PM Wednesday School

6:30 PM Lenten Worship - childcare available

7:30 PM Confirmation-8th & 9th Grade

7:30 PM Life of Daniel Bible Study-10th-12th Grade

Thursday, March 13th

9:00 AM Bulletin Deadline

10:00 AM Cable TV, CH 22

6:00 PM Q&A w/Pastor A @ Jack Slade's

6:30 PM Cable TV, CH 22

Friday, March 14th

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

Saturday, March 15th

5:30 PM Chapel Service w/Holy Communion

Sunday, March 16th

9:00 AM Worship

10:00 AM Skylight Court Café-Coffee Hour

10:15 AM Adult Learning-ELCA Social Statement-Death Penalty

10:15 AM Sunday School

10:30 AM Broadcast of Worship Service on KDOM