

# The American Lutheran Church of Windom

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

*All Are Welcome!*



**Sunday, May 18<sup>th</sup>, 2025 9:00 AM**

*Fifth Sunday of Easter*

*Senior Recognition Sunday*

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Saturdays 5:30 pm Chapel Worship

Sundays 9:00 am Worship

Pastor Adam Roberts

Ministers: Everyone

## ORDER FOR WORSHIP

GATHERING MUSIC

MicheLe Larson, Organist

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Senior Brunch after Worship-All are welcome!

GREETING

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

L: God's steadfast love is everlasting, and God's faithfulness endures from generation to generation. Trusting in the mercy of God, we acknowledge the sin and brokenness in us and around us.

**C: Reconciling God, we confess that we do not trust your abundance.**

**We place our hope in ourselves and rely on our own efforts.**

**We fail to believe that you provide enough for all.**

**We abuse your good creation for our own benefit.**

**We fear difference and do not welcome others as you have welcomed us. We sin in thought, word, and deed. By your grace, forgive us; through your love, renew us; and in your Spirit, lead us; so that we may live and serve you in newness of life.**

**Amen.**

L: Beloved of God, by the radical abundance of grace and mercy we have peace with God through ✠ Christ Jesus. Your sins are forgiven. Let us live now in hope. For hope does not disappoint, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

OPENING HYMN     *"Although I Speak with Angel's Tongue"*

ELW #644

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HYMN OF PRAISE     *"Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness"*

ELW #843

PRAYER OF THE DAY

**O Lord God, you teach us that without love, our actions gain nothing. Pour into our hearts your most excellent gift of love, that, made alive by your Spirit, we may know goodness and peace, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.**

**Amen.**

FIRST READING

**Genesis 12:1-9**

Reader: Blaise Larson

SECOND READING

**Ruth 1:6-19**

Reader: Hariet Lohse

PSALM

**Psalms 139: 1-18**

Readers: Hannah Dauer & James Erickson

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

GOSPEL READING

**Matthew 28:16-20**

L: The holy gospel according to Matthew the 28<sup>th</sup> Chapter

**C: Glory to you, O Lord**

L: The Gospel of the Lord **C: Praise to you, O Christ**

MESSAGE

Tera Elness

SENIOR SLIDESHOW

SENIOR GIFTS

Tera Elness, DCYFM

PRESENTATION OF ELCA SCHOLARSHIP

Jay Mickelson-Trust Fund

APOSTLES CREED

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PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

SHARING OF THE PEACE

OFFERING

*“Always Be Humble & Kind” Tim McGraw-Video*

OFFERTORY RESPONSE

*“Be Not Afraid”*

ELW #388

OFFERTORY PRAYER

**Blessed are you, O God, ruler of heaven and earth. Day by day you shower us with blessings. As you have raised us to new life in Christ, give us glad and generous hearts, ready to praise you and to respond to those in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

*L:* Today we honor you who are graduating, for you are on a sacred journey.

*L:* We celebrate the effort you have given to accomplish this.

*L:* May God always give you gifts of curiosity and discipline.

*L:* May the Spirit work in you that in all you do you may serve God.

*L:* May you know always that Christ goes with you.

*L:* By the grace of God, we surround you with our prayers.

*L:* Go in peace, and serve God with joy. Amen.

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Go in peace. In Christ you are made new. Alleluia!  
**We Will! Thanks be to God!**

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**JOIN US NEXT WEEK** for Jesus Heals on the Sabbath, John 5: 1-9.

**RADIO SPONSORSHIP** is in memory of the 80th Birthday of Ronnie Vought on May 21<sup>st</sup>, given by Carol Vought.



Attendance: Wednesday: 133; Saturday: 31; Sunday: 132

Offering: \$5,363 Borrowed: \$5,000

**Readers:** Harriet Lohse, Blaise Larson, Hannah Dauer, James Erickson

**Technology:** Lindsey Cartwright, Tom Wickie, Eugene Hanchett



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## **JOIN US IN CELEBRATING OUR**

## **GRADUATING SENIORS** at the Senior Celebration

Brunch today immediately following worship in the Fellowship Hall! The Youth & Family Bd will be serving scrambled eggs, sausage links, cinnamon rolls, fruit, orange juice, milk, coffee, & water. This is a free meal sponsored by the Youth & Family Bd!

**SENIOR SUPPER!** Tonight at Tera & Kent's at 6pm!



**THANK YOU!** We would like to express our thanks and gratitude to all who had a part in making the Quilting for Graduating Seniors ministry a success: Wendy Newman, Carol Christianson, Brianne Miller, Angie Erickson, Amy Joyce, Phyllis Holtz, Linda

Jaakola, Jodi Johnson, Bekah Johnson, Michele Johnson, Kathy Hiley, Nicole Anderson, Christy Lohse, Gloria Andrzejewski, Gale Johnson, Melanie Shamp, Mary Olson, Kris Pfieffer, Jenny Quade, John & Jenny Hedquist, Cheryl Hochstein, Alice Odden, Jane Cartwright, Elaine Nelson, Bob & Marlene Johnson, Linda Staples, Midwest Ag Advisors, Tera Elness, Jackie Turner, Karen Skarphol, Rebecca Barefoot & Joseph Mathers, & Kevin Heggeseeth. The people listed above either helped make and assemble the quilts or donated financially. Thank you, Thank you, Thank you!



**GREAT NEWS!** We have hired an interim pastor who will likely be starting next week! His name is Pastor Steven Rye and he is coming to us from Baxter, MN. If you see Pastor Steven around next week, give him a warm welcome!



**THERE IS STILL TIME** to sign up for church softball! There is a sign up sheet on the bulletin board by the office!

**GLOW** is looking for items for their baby care kits. They are in need of Ivory bar soap, gently used or new hand towels (darker colors preferred), 6 - 24 month size gently used or new cardigan sweaters, hooded jackets, t-shirts (no onesies), and sleepers. Lutheran World Relief has guidelines so no fleece items, please. If you're having a rummage sale or attend them this spring, consider picking up some stain-free, gently used items to donate! Items can be dropped off in the church office. Thank you for your support!

**CHURCH IN SOCIETY** is already making plans for the Banquet in Sioux Falls! They have picked the date of Monday, July 7<sup>th</sup> to go serve at the Banquet. Summer schedules fill up fast, so if you can put it on your schedule to go with them to volunteer at the Banquet, that would be great! There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board across from the office! They will also be collecting pairs of new socks to bring with to the Banquet. If you would like to donate socks, you can drop them off in the church office.



**Become  
Part of  
Our  
Church  
Family**

**HOW TO BECOME A MEMBER OF ALC**-Did you know you can become a member of ALC at any time?!

If you want to know more information about becoming a member, you can talk to Pastor Adam, Melanie or Wendy in the office, or Tera and Jane! We would love to tell you all about it! We will recognize those who become members once every 3 months during the church services.

**REMINDER** that the church office and building will be closed on Monday, May 26<sup>th</sup> in observance of Memorial Day.

**CAN YOU HELP?** Help is needed to get some furniture moved into the parsonage. Karen Skarphol and Karen and Tom Wickie have some furniture they would like to donate to the parsonage, but they need a truck and/or a trailer and some muscle to get it moved. If you can help, please contact Karen Skarphol at 507-822-0785 and Tom and Karen at 248-761-9949 or 507-831-4586 to set up a time with them.

# Graduation

Congratulations graduate  
You've reached the peak,  
A testament to your hard work  
Week after week.  
With each milestone conquered  
And goal pursued,  
You've shown the world  
What you can do.

May this achievement  
Be just the start,  
Of a brilliant future  
That sets you apart.  
Embrace the path ahead  
With confidence and grace,  
And let your dreams  
Soar in every place.

# Congratulations



## THIS WEEK AT AMERICAN LUTHERAN CHURCH

### **Sunday, May 18<sup>th</sup>**

#### **Senior Sunday**

9:00 AM Worship

10:00 AM Senior Celebration Brunch-Open to all

10:30 AM Broadcast of Worship Service on KDOM

6:00 PM Senior Supper @ Tera's

### **Monday, May 19<sup>th</sup>**

### **Tuesday, May 20<sup>th</sup>**

*Messenger Deadline*

8:00 AM Men's Bible Study

1:15 PM Staff Team Huddle

### **Wednesday, May 21<sup>st</sup>**

1:30 PM Hillside Manor

2:30 PM Pineview

7:00 PM Baccalaureate

### **Thursday, May 22<sup>nd</sup>**

9:00 AM Bulletin Deadline

10:00 AM Cable TV, CH 22

3:00 PM Mikkelsen Manor

4:00 PM Remick Ridge

6:30 PM Cable TV, CH 22

### **Friday, May 23<sup>rd</sup>**

### **Saturday, May 24<sup>th</sup>**

5:30 PM Chapel Service

### **Sunday, May 25<sup>th</sup>**

9:00 AM Worship w/Holy Communion

10:30 AM Broadcast of Worship Service on KDOM

