

The American Lutheran Church of Windom

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

All Are Welcome!



Sunday, May 25th, 2025 9:00 AM
Sixth Sunday of Easter

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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

Carol Vought, Organist

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Faith Story: Linda Staples (Leo's Story)

GREETING

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

L: Let us come into the light, the revealing and healing light of God.

Silence is kept for reflection.

C: God of grace and glory, You have brought us through the night of sin into the light of Jesus' resurrection. Yet our lives are still shadowed by sin. Make us alive in Christ, O God. Make us new as you make all things new. Rescue us from evil and the gloom of sin, renew us in grace, and restore us to living in your holiness, through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord. Amen.

L: Rejoice with all creation around God's throne! The light of the risen Christ puts to flight all evil deeds, washes away sin, restores innocence to the fallen, casts out hate, brings peace, and humbles earthly pride.

Jesus Christ loves you and ✠ frees you from your sins by his blood.

To him be glory and dominion forever and ever!

Amen.

OPENING HYMN

"Come, Ye Disconsolate"

ELW #607

KYRIE Setting 4 p. 147

HYMN OF PRAISE

"Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness"

ELW #843

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Bountiful God, you gather your people into your realm, and you promise us food from your tree of life. Nourish us with your word, that empowered by your Spirit we may love one another and the world you have made, 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 16:9-15

Pew Bible: p.900

Reader: Karen Skarphol

SECOND READING

Revelation 21:10, 22—22:5

Reader: Karen Skarphol

Pew Bible: p.1008

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

GOSPEL READING **John 14:23-29** Pew Bible: p. 877-878

L: The holy gospel according to Matthew the 14th Chapter

C: Glory to you, O Lord

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

MESSAGE

Pastor Adam

HOLY COMMUNION (ELW p. 144)

Words of Institution

Lord's Prayer

Distribution

Carol V. meditative music

Post Communion Prayer

APOSTLES CREED

ELW p. 127

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

SHARING OF THE PEACE

OFFERING

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.

BENEDICTION

CLOSING HYMN

"Spirit of Gentleness"

ELW #396

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. In Christ you are made new. Alleluia!

We Will! Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE

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WELCOME to worship at The American Lutheran Church of Windom on Memorial Day weekend. In the reading, we hear about the Holy Spirit who will help to guide our journey.

JOIN US NEXT WEEK for Jesus Prays that Followers will Abide in His Love, John 17:20-26.

RADIO SPONSORSHIP is in memory of the 100th Birthday of Maline Broburg on May 27th, given by the Hartberg Family.

Attendance: Saturday: 26; Sunday: 190

Offering: \$4,571 Borrowed: \$15,020

WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

Readers: Karen Skarphol

Communion Assistants: Melanie Shamp, Sharon Thompson, Sheryl Hanefeld, Jane Cartwright

Technology: Jake Voth, Todd Armstrong, Tom Wickie, Eugene Hanchett



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

PLEASE PRAY for the 13 youth and 4 adult leaders that will be traveling to Duluth on Wednesday, May 28th-Saturday, May 31st. They will be doing several service projects while they are there! We pray for safe travel and for eye opening experiences!

ASCENSION DAY is celebrated on Thursday, May 29, 2025. On this day, Jesus ascends into heaven and through the Spirit, His followers are empowered to share the gospel through their witnessing. Go, proclaim the word!

CALLING ALL SINGERS! Mark your calendar for Sunday, June 8th. Choir will be singing *“Holy Spirit, Hope and Healer”*. Come join us as we warm-up in the Choir room at 8:30 am.

CANCER SURVIVOR SUNDAY, Sunday, June 1, 2025, will mark the 38th annual National Cancer Survivors Day® Celebration of Life. It is a day where people of all nationalities come together to acknowledge cancer survivors, raise awareness of challenges due to the disease, but most importantly, to celebrate life. Wear your cancer “color” to worship!

PENTECOST SUNDAY, June 8th you are encouraged to wear **RED** in celebration of this day.



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 7th 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.



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.

CALLING ALL TEENS! There will once again be Breakfast Club this summer! Starting on Wednesday, June 11 at 8am! What a great way to start your day, with breakfast and Bible Study! Friends are welcome!

SENIOR HIGH YOUTH GROUP Summer kick off will be on Monday, June 16th at 6pm at Cottonwood Lake! There will be games and food! Bring your friends!

SAVE THE DATE for Women's Bible Study w/Tera. Wake Me Up Before You Go Go Women's Bible Study will be on Wednesday, June 18th at 5:30pm! All women ages 18-118 are welcome! Please bring your Bible, a pen, and an appetizer to share if you are able!

IN SEARCH OF a microwave for the parsonage! If you have one you are no longer using and wouldn't mind donating it to the parsonage, it would be greatly appreciated! Call the church office!

DEATH IS NOT THE END

Loren Eiseley, an anthropologist who died in 1977, requested this epitaph for his wife and himself: "We loved the earth but could not stay." No one can stay, of course. We're all moving toward that final day when "the shadows lengthen, and the evening comes, and the busy world is hushed and the fever of life is over, and our work is done" (*The Book of Common Prayer*).

On Memorial Day, we remember people who have perished in war, making the ultimate sacrifice to protect others. May God hasten the day when humans can solve disputes peacefully. We also remember loved ones whose stay on earth is over.

A memorial stone at Ohio's College of Wooster, placed by a class years ago, reads: "United in time / Divided in time / To be reunited / When time shall be no more." Christians believe that death does not end all. When our earthly life is over, we have the promise of eternal life — and joyful reunions — in heaven.

THIS WEEK AT AMERICAN LUTHERAN CHURCH

Sunday, May 25th

9:00 AM Worship w/Holy
Communion
10:30 AM Broadcast of
Worship Service on KDOM



Monday, May 26th

**CHURCH BUILDING AND
OFFICE CLOSED**

Tuesday, May 27th

8:00 AM Men's Bible Study
1:15 PM Staff Team Huddle

Wednesday, May 28th

3:30 PM Duluth departure



Thursday, May 29th

9:00 AM Bulletin Deadline
10:00 AM Cable TV, CH 22
6:30 PM Cable TV, CH 22

Friday, May 30th

Saturday, May 31st

5:30 PM Chapel Service

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