The American Lutheran Church of Windom

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

All Are Welcome!



Sunday, August 3rd, 2025 9:00 AM

Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

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Saturdays 5:30 pm Chapel Worship Sundays 9:00 am Worship Pastor Adam Roberts & Pastor Steven Rye Ministers: Everyone

ORDER FOR WORSHIP

GATHERING MUSIC

Linda Staples, Organist

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Recognition of VBS staff

GREETING

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

Baptized into Christ, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

C: Merciful God, you free us to love others, but we neglect our neighbors and follow our own way. You lead us by the Spirit of joy and peace, but we turn away from the abundant life you offer. You surround us with patience, kindness, and generosity, but we grow weary in doing what is right. In your mercy, forgive us. Do not give up on us. Heal us, break our bonds, and show us the path of life.

Amen.

L: You belong to Christ Jesus and you are God's children through faith. In the cross of + Christ, and through the power of the Holy Spirit, your sins are forgiven. Clothed with Christ, you are a new creation. **Amen.**

OPENING HYMN "Build a Longer Table" on insert vs. 1, 3-4

KYRIE *"Lord, Have Mercy"* ELW #154

HYMN OF PRAISE "I Sing Praises to Your Name" screens

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Benevolent God, you are the source, the guide, and the goal of our lives. Teach us to love what is worth loving, to reject what is offensive to you, and to treasure what is precious in your sight, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

FIRST READING Ecclesiastes 1:2, 12-14; 2:18-23

Reader: Steve Johnson Pew Bible: p.536

PSALM Psalm 49:1-12 Pew Bible: p. 451

Reader: Steve Johnson Please read responsively.

L: Hear this, all you peoples; give ear, all inhabitants of the world,

C: both low and high, rich and poor together.

L: My mouth shall speak wisdom; the meditation of my heart shall be understanding.

C: I will incline my ear to a proverb; I will solve my riddle to the music of the harp.

L: Why should I fear in times of trouble, when the iniquity of my persecutors surrounds me,

C: those who trust in their wealth and boast of the abundance of their riches?

L: Truly, no ransom avails for one's life; there is no price one can give to God for it.

C: For the ransom of life is costly and can never suffice,

L: that one should live on forever and never see the Pit.

C: When we look at the wise, they die; fool and dolt perish together and leave their wealth to others.

L: Their graves are their homes forever, their dwelling places to all generations, hough they named lands their own.

C: Mortals cannot abide in their pomp; they are like the animals that perish.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

ELW p.151

GOSPEL READING Luke 12:13-21 Pew Bible: p. 847 The Gospel according to Luke, the 12th Chapter. C: Glory to you, O Lord.

The gospel of the Lord .C: Praise to you, O Christ.

MESSAGE Tera Elness

HYMN OF THE DAY "Faith Begins by Letting Go" on insert

BAPTISM-Carson Seidl

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

SHARING OF THE PEACE

OFFERING

OFFERTORY RESPONSE

"Let the Vineyard"

ELW #182

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Blessed are you, O God, source of every gift of your creation. By these gifts and with our lives, help us to serve one another and all in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

HOLY COMMUNION

Words of Institution
Distribution
Linda meditative music
Post Communion Prayer

BENEDICTION

CLOSING HYMN

"My God is So Big"
Congregation join in singing w/ VBS Students

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Proclaim the Good News!

We Will! Thanks be to God!

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POSTLUDE

WELCOME to worship at The American Lutheran Church of Windom. In the reading today, we're challenged to ask ourselves, "What does it look like to store up our treasures in heaven?"

JOIN US NEXT WEEK for Treasures of the Kingdom Luke 12:32-40

RADIO SPONSORSHIP is in memory of the August 10th birthday of Ellsworth Arndt, given by Carol Arndt.

Attendance: Saturday: 28; Sunday: 117
Offering: \$3,937; Borrowed: \$18,000

WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

Readers: Steve Johnson

Holy Communion: Theora Ahnupkana, Braxton Pohlman **Technology:** Eugene Hanchett, Bob Johnson, Tom Wickie, Jen

Anderson



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REMINDER that worship will be held at Cottonwood Lake next week!

We would like to extend our deepest thanks to those who donated their time and who donated items for VBS this year! Teachers, Leaders, & Helpers:

Melissa Dardis, Amanda Wilson, Eugene Hanchett, Lindsey & Jane Cartwright, Page Kern, Gayle Derickson, Karen Skarphol, Jake Voth, Kelly Kleven, Elie Kleven, Gretta Smith, Linda Jaakola, Jack Elness, Ember Struck, Melanie Shamp, Ali Dahna, Eva Borer, Tina Burns, Kristina Olson, Grace Scheitel, Ava Scheitel, Addison Spielman, Miranda Peterson, Zadie Johnson, Kenzie-Ella Johnson, Natalie Hodgins, Kristy Mickelson, Natalie Burmeister, Lilly Derickson, Kelsey Edwards, Tina Mesner, Macie Carlson, Hadley Dardis, Lillian Doescher, Gracee Baloun, Ruby Baloun, Macy Boeck, Rose Meyers, Maci Jurgens, Bella Borer, Olivia Joyce, Kenzie Whiting, & Kayla Whiting.

Those who provided donations:

Eva Borer, Mandi Borer, Amanda Wilson, Amanda Mattson, Carolyn Torkelson, Judy Lindvall, Cathy Vonk, Leah Bussa, Jane Cartwright, & Jodi Johnson.

We cannot thank you enough for your support of these programs that keep us thriving!

 10^{TH} GRADE FAITH STATEMENT PREP @ Tera's will be held on Thursday, August 7^{th} and Friday, August 8^{th} , from 9am-10:30am. Please contact Tera if you would like to attend one of these dates.

MEN'S GROUP CRIBBAGE AND PIZZA will be on Thursday, August 7th at 6:30pm. Come and enjoy a time of fellowship with the guys! Please let Pastor Adam know if you plan on attending!

INCOMING 7TH **GRADERS** are invited to Tera's for a movie night on **Monday, July 11**th at 6:30pm. Popcorn and drinks will be provided! Please let Tera know if you would like to attend!



TEEN BREAKFAST CLUB will be meeting at 8 AM on Wednesday, August 13th.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY will be at 2pm on Thursday, August 14th. If you need a copy of the study, one will be available in the office!

RADIO SPONSORSHIPS are available for August 24th, Sept 21st, and all of October. The cost for radio sponsorship is \$57. If you would like to sponsor a broadcast, please contact the church office.

SAVE THE DATE for the Block Party on Sunday, August 17th from 5pm-7pm! This is a free event for EVERYONE! There will be burgers, hot dogs, chips, cookies, and a drink! There will also be yard games! Invite your friends and neighbors!

7TH-12TH GRADE SAVE THE DATE FOR ARNOLD'S PARK! Sign up with Tera (TODAY IS THE DEADLINE) if you would like to go! Leaving ALC Parking lot at 10am on Sunday, August 11th!



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 Steven, 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.



IN SEARCH OF members for the call committee! CALL COMMITTEE If you would like to be on the call committee for our new pastor, please contact the office.

MARY MOHLENCAMP AND THE YOUTH are once again putting on a Summer Scrapbook and Crafting Retreat! The retreat will be Thursday, August 21st from 1pm-9pm, Friday August 22nd from 9am-Midnight, and Saturday, August 23rd from 9am-7pm. Cost is \$40 for 1 day, \$60 for 2 days and \$75 for all 3 days. Supper is included Friday night and breakfast is included on Saturday morning. There will also be door prizes! If you are interested, please stop in the church office to register or contact Mary Mohlencamp at marymohl@rconnect.com or at 507-822-1179. Please see the flyer on the bulletin board across from the office for more details.

THIS WEEK AT AMERICAN LUTHERAN CHURCH

Sunday, August 3rd

9:00 AM Worship w/Holy Communion & VBS kids singing Church Softball Tourney 10:00 AM Skylight Court-Coffee Hour 10:30 AM Broadcast of Worship Service on KDOM

Monday, August 4th

Tuesday, August 5th

8:00 AM Men's Bible Study

1:15 PM Staff Team Huddle

5:15 PM CIS Board

6:00 PM Discipleship, Marketing, & Stewardship Bd

Wednesday, August 6th

11:00 AM Sogge

Thursday, August 7th

9:00 AM Bulletin Deadline

9:00 AM-10:30 AM 10th Grade Faith Statement Prep @ Tera's

10:00 AM Cable TV, CH 22

6:30 PM Cable TV, CH 22

6:30 PM Men's Group Cribbage & Pizza

Friday, August 8th

9:00 AM-10:30 AM 10th Grade Faith Statement Prep @ Tera's

Saturday, August 9th

5:30 PM Chapel Service w/ Holy Communion & Noisy Offering- will be held in the Sanctuary

Sunday, August 10th

9:00 AM Worship @ The Lake w/Noisy Offering 10:30 AM Broadcast of Worship Service on KDOM