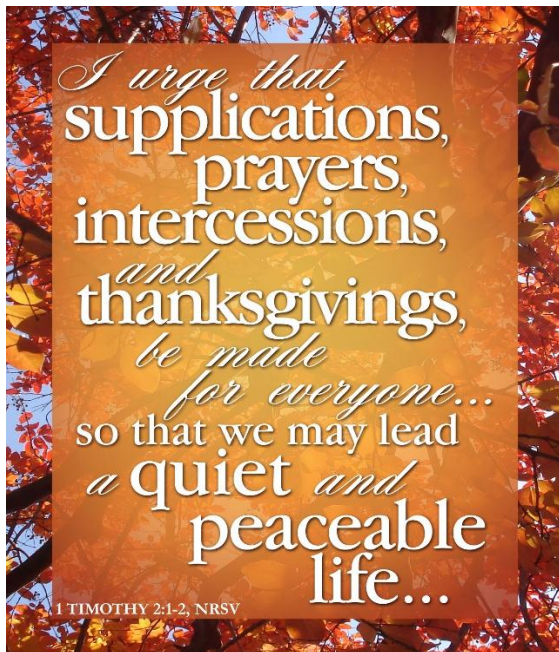


The American Lutheran Church of Windom

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

All Are Welcome!



Sunday, September 21st, 2025 9:00 AM

Fifteenth 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

GREETING

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✙ one God,
our maker, our helper, and our keeper.

Amen.

(Silence is kept for reflection.)

Merciful and loving God,

We, your people, are often stubborn and stiff-necked.

We trample on the needy.

We grumble about the grace you give to others.

We turn away from the poor.

Have mercy on us and forgive our sins.

**Rejoice over us as ones who were lost
and have been found. Amen.**

Even when we are faithless, God remains faithful.

Jesus Christ came into the world to save sinners.

You who were lost have been found.

In the name of ✙ Jesus, your sins are forgiven!

Amen.

OPENING HYMN

“As Saints of Old”

ELW #695

KYRIE

ELW p. 147

HYMN OF PRAISE

ELW p. 148

PRAYER OF THE DAY

**God among us, we gather in the name of your Son to learn love for
one another. Keep our feet from evil paths. Turn our minds to your
wisdom and our hearts to the grace revealed in your Son, Jesus
Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

FIRST READING

Amos 8:4-7

Pew Bible: p. 749

Reader: Jordan Busa

PSALM

Psalm 113

Pew Bible: p. 491

Reader: Jordan Bussa

Please read responsively

L: Praise the LORD! Praise, O servants of the LORD; praise the name of the LORD.

C: Blessed be the name of the LORD from this time on and forevermore.

L: From the rising of the sun to its setting, The name of the LORD is to be praised.

C: The LORD is high above all nations and his glory above the heavens.

L: Who is like the LORD our God, who is seated on high,

C: who looks far down on the heavens and the earth?

L: He raises the poor from the dust and lifts the needy from the ash heap,

C: to make them sit with princes, with the princes of his people.

L: He gives the barren woman a home, making her the joyous mother of children. Praise the LORD!

SECOND READING

1 Timothy 2:1-7

Pew Bible: p. 963

Reader: Jordan Bussa

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

ELW p.151

GOSPEL READING

Luke 16:1-13

Pew Bible: p. 851

The Gospel according to Luke, the 16th Chapter. **C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

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

MESSAGE

Pastor Adam

HYMN OF THE DAY *“Take My Life That I May Be”* ELW #685

APOSTLES CREED

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Congregation response: **God of Grace, Receive our Prayer.**

SHARING OF THE PEACE

OFFERING

OFFERTORY RESPONSE *“Create in Me a Clean Heart”*

ELW #186

Lord of the harvest, we return to you a portion of what you have given to us. Turn us to set our hope not on the uncertainty of riches, but on you, who richly provides for us. Multiply what we have gathered to bless all in this world, especially those who long for comfort, strength, and daily bread, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

BENEDICTION

ELW #669

Go in peace. Share the stories!
We Will! Thanks be to God!

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WELCOME to worship at The American Lutheran Church of Windom
Once again Jesus shares a parable, a story with an interesting twist.
Listen carefully to the story of the dishonest manager.

JOIN US NEXT WEEK for Lazarus and the Wealthy Man, Luke 16:19-31.

RADIO SPONSORSHIP is in memory of Dale Bacon given by Doris Bacon & Family.

A RADIO GIFT was given in honor of Alice & Kirk Odden's Wedding Anniversary. Given by Alice and Kirk.

****Apologies to Doris, Alice & Kirk, and Bernie & Judy for getting the weeks switched around.**

Attendance: Wednesday: 111; Saturday: 29; Sunday: 161

Offering: \$8,967; Borrowed: \$18,000

Acolytes: Elli Steinbrink, Aubrey Bussa

Reader: Jordan Bussa

Technology: Darron Friesen, Lindsey Cartwright, Tom Wickie, Eugene Hanchett



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****SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT****

The American Lutheran Church President, John Shamp, is calling a special meeting. The Church Council has approved the members of the Call Committee for the calling of a new pastor. There will be a special congregational meeting on **Sunday, September 28th** immediately following worship for the Congregation to approve by vote the recommended individuals for the call committee. The individuals approved by the Church Council to be on the call committee are: Chair-Bob Johnson, Linda Staples, Donny Boltjes, Colin Wilson, Angie Erickson, Melissa Dardis, Keith Newman, Brianne Miller, Youth Representative-Max Brodin, and Bethany Representative-Garen Paulson, which is non-voting position. If you have any questions, please contact the church office at 831-1794 or email at winalc@windomnet.com.

LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF school kits will be packed on **Tuesday, September 23rd at 9am** in the Fellowship Hall. All are welcome to come and help out!

ELCA SHETEK CONFERENCE WOMEN'S FALL GATHERING will be held at Shetek Lutheran Ministries in the dining hall on Saturday, September 27th. Registration will start at 8:30am, and the opening session will start at 9am. The cost is \$16 which includes registration and brunch. The speaker will be Rev. Sarah Zender. If you would like to go and want to carpool, please contact Karen Skarphol.

WEDNESDAY SUPPER for next week is scalloped potatoes w/ham, corn, bread, and ice cream sundaes for a free will donation.

DISCIPLESHIP, MARKETING & STEWARDSHIP BD will have ice cream sundaes for dessert at Wednesday Supper next Wednesday. They are asking for a free will donation for the sundaes. All proceeds will go to help with outreach efforts to our college students! Thank you DMS Bd!

ENJOY SINGING HYMNS? The 2025 Welsh Hymn Festival will be held on Sunday, September 28 at 1:30 PM in the First Presbyterian Church of Mankato. During the afternoon, four sets of hymns will be sung, with three hymns in each set. Between the sets of hymns, there will be special performances marking the 90th Jubilee of organized hymn singing in southern Minnesota. Refreshments will follow the singing. The event is free and open to the public.

THIRD GRADERS AND THEIR PARENTS are invited to join Tera for a special GET TO KNOW YOUR BIBLE time. Wednesday school students and parents will meet in the Skylight Court on **Wednesday, September 24th** during the regular Wednesday school hour and Sunday morning students and parents will meet in the Fellowship Hall on **Sunday, September 28th** during the regular Sunday School hour. There will even be treats!



Clean-up Project

DITCH CLEAN-UP for our portion of Adopt-A-Highway will be on **Sunday, September 28th** immediately following the special congregational meeting. Discipleship, Marketing, & Stewardship is asking for some helping hands. Please meet in the parking lot. Please wear tennis shoes and long pants and bring work gloves. All other equipment will be provided!

LEFSE, LEFSE, LEFSE! It's time to start making lefse for the Holiday Fair! Lefse making will begin on **Tuesday, September 30th at 9am** and will continue every Tuesday in October! **NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY!** We will teach you! Come for a bit or stay a while!

BOUNDARY WATERS OPPORTUNITY! If anyone in grades 9-12 is interested in going to the Boundary Waters with Pastor Adam in the summer of 2026, please let him know by the end of September.

HOLIDAY FAIR is Saturday, November 8th! Be thinking about how you can contribute! There are many opportunities to help, including: sign-ups for working in various areas, including set up and take down; baking goodies or making jams; donating food items for the lunch; making crafts for the craft room or working in the craft room; donating items for the New and Nearly New (donations for this will be collected on November 3rd, 4th, & 5th). Sign-up sheets will be hung up on the bulletin board in October. If you are making baked goods, please stop by the church before packaging them and see all of the nice containers for baked goods that were donated!



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 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.

THIS WEEK AT AMERICAN LUTHERAN CHURCH

Sunday, September 21st

9:00 AM Worship
10:00 AM Skylight Court Coffee Hour
10:15 AM Sunday School
10:30 AM Broadcast of Worship Service on KDOM

Monday, September 22nd

6:30 PM Bell Choir

Tuesday, September 23rd

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

Wednesday, September 24th

5:00 PM Wednesday Supper w/ice cream sundae for free will donation
5:15 PM Praise Band Practice
5:30 PM Choir
5:30 PM 3rd Graders & Parents Get To Know Your Bible-Skylight Court
5:30 PM Wednesday School
6:30 PM Wednesday Worship
7:30 PM Confirmation(7th, 8th, & 9th Grade)

Thursday, September 25th

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, September 26th

Saturday, September 27th

5:30 PM Chapel Service w/Spiritual Life Supper to follow

Sunday, September 28th

9:00 AM Worship w/Holy Communion
10:00 AM Special Congregational Meeting
Ditch Clean Up Following Meeting
10:00 AM Skylight Court Café-Coffee Hour
10:15 AM 3rd Graders & Parents Get to Know Your Bible-Fellowship Hall
10:15 AM Sunday School
10:30 AM Broadcast of Worship on KDOM