The American Lutheran Church of Windom

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



Saturday, September 6th, 2025

Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost
Chapel Worship
6:00pm

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

ORDER FOR WORSHIP

PRELUDE
WELCOME / ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rozanne Gronseth, Pianist

GREETING

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

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

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 us 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 "Jesus Keep Me Near the Cross" ELW #335

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty and eternal God, you know our problems and our weaknesses better than we know them ourselves. In your love and by your power help us in our confusion and, in spite of our weakness, make us firm in faith; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

FIRST READING **Deuteronomy 30:15-20** Pew Bible: p.163

PSALM Psalm 1 Pew Bible: p. 424

Please read responsively.

L: Happy are those who do not follow the advice of the wicked or take the path that sinners tread or sit in the seat of scoffers,

C: but their delight is in the law of the LORD, and on his law they meditate day and night.

L; They are like trees planted by streams of water, which yield their fruit in its season, and their leaves do not wither. In all that they do, they prosper.

C: The wicked are not so but are like chaff that the wind drives away.

L: Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous,

C: for the LORD watches over the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked will perish.

SECOND READING **Philemon 1-21** Pew Bible: p.970

GOSPEL READING Luke 14:25-33 Pew Bible: p. 850 The Gospel according to Luke, the 14th Chapter. C: Glory to you, O Lord.

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

MESSAGE Pastor Steven

HYMN OF THE DAY "Will You Come and Follow Me" ELW #798

APOSTLES CREED ELW p. 127

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Congregational response: God of Grace, Receive our Prayer.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

OFFERING

OFFERTORY RESPONSE "We Give Thee" ELW #686 v 1

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.

LORD'S PRAYER

BENEDICTION

CLOSING HYMN

"Oh, Jesus I Have Promised"

ELW #810

Go in peace. Tell the story! We Will! Thanks be to God. DISMISSAL

POSTLUDE

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WELCOME to worship at The American Lutheran Church of Windom. We are glad you are here! It is Rally Day on Sunday and the last Worship at the Lake for 2025!

JOIN US NEXT WEEK for Lost Items and Dining with Sinners: Luke 15:1-10

RADIO SPONSORSHIP is in memory of the September 6th birthday of Ronald Johnson, brother of Carol Arndt & Leann Johnson

Attendance: Saturday: 25; Sunday: 81 Offering: \$24,540; Borrowed: \$18,000

WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS:

Technology: Lindsey Cartwright, Eugene Hanchett, Tom Wickie

WE EXTEND OUR THANKS to those who have agreed to be WS & SS teachers, leaders, & prayer partners! It takes a village!

Teachers: Kristy Mickelson, Cheyenne Boeck, Miranda Schunk, Amy Joyce, Melinda Schunk, Aubrey Bussa, Crystal Fast, Irene Swanson, Kelsey Edwards, Grace Scheitel, Addison Spielman, Samantha Rakotz, Mirand Peterson, Carly Wehmeyer, Tina Mesner, Melissa Gravley, Leesa Arndt, Trisha Grant, Katie Ihler, Justin Dardis, & Dan Mesner.

Music Leaders: Amanda Wilson & Melissa Dardis

Crafts: Kelly Kleven

Prayer Partners: Alice Odden, Kathy Hiley, Sandy Grove, Vicki Burmeister, Rhonda Haglund, Darcy Hoffman, Judy Lindvall, Linda Staples, Deb Minion, Linda Jaakola, & Page Kern

Subs: Bri Miller, Tashia Marsh, Wendy Newman, Cindy Knutson, Chloe

Shamp

NEW FACEBOOK PAGE!!!! If you have not done so already, please go to our new Facebook page.....**American Lutheran of Windom**. All worship services, videos, pictures, ect. will only be posted on the new page starting September 5th. You can go to the new page by scanning the QR code or by searching Facebook. If you have any questions, please contact the office.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY will be on Thursday, September 11th at 2pm. If you need a copy of the study, one will be available in the church office.

MEN'S GROUP CRIBBAGE AND PIZZA will be on Thursday, September 11th at 6:30pm. Come and enjoy some cribbage, fellowship and pizza with Pastor Adam. Please let him know if you plan on attending so he knows how much pizza to get.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10TH – Wednesday Supper starts, Choir starts, Wednesday School starts, Confirmation starts. There will be a parent meeting for WS parents in the Fellowship Hall during WS class time. 3yr olds and 3rd Graders will receive their Bibles during worship.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 14TH – will be the 1st day of Sunday School. There will be a meeting for Sunday School Students in the Fellowship Hall during Sunday School class time. 3yr olds and 3rd Graders will receive their Bibles during worship.

SHALOM HILL FARM 30-YEAR CELEBRATION!

All are welcome to Shalom Hill Farm's 30-year Celebration on **Saturday, September 13**th from 10am-4pm.

This free celebration includes tours, walking trails, Kids Zone, scavenger hunt, labyrinth, exhibits and more. Also, there will be a free-will donation lunch at noon. The Celebration will also feature the original liturgy "Peace of the Prairie from 1:30-2:15. This will be a great family event for all ages!

THE CHORDHUSTLERS CONCERT Hollywood Harmonies, will be on Saturday, September 13th at 3pm in the Sanctuary. They will have special guests "Spice"- a women's quartet. Tickets are \$12 in advance and \$15 at the door. Kids 12 and under are free. You can get your tickets

from Karl Fredrickson or any Chordhustler member. There will be a social gathering in the Fellowship Hall following the concert.

WEDNESDAY SUPPERS will be starting up on September 10th. We are looking for donations of hamburger, chicken breasts, bread, milk, and cookies! Any help is greatly appreciated! We will also take monetary donations! Thank you for considering!



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.

QUILTING FOR GRADUATES will be starting up again! The first meeting will be on **Sunday, September 14**th at 1pm. As a reminder, ANYONE can come and help! If you have any nice fabric you would like to donate, please drop it off at the church office prior to the 14th or bring it with you to the meeting! Thank you for considering!

SEPTEMBER SUPPER & SELFIES! SR. HIGH YOUTH(9th-12th) are invited to September Supper & Selfies on Sunday, September 14th at 4pm. Meet Kent and Tera at Mimi & Papa's Selfie Park in South Windom. Hang out at the selfie park for a bit and then walk over to Kwik Trip for supper. The selfie park is free, bring money for supper.

DISCIPLESHIP, MARKETING, & STEWARDSHIP will be hosting coffee hour on Sunday, September 14th to raise money for their outreach to college students. They would love your support!

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.

NOISY OFFERING will be collected next week. This month's noisy offering will be going towards Everybody Eats Wednesday Suppers. This ministry is fully self-funded. Without the help of generous

donations, we would not be able to have a ministry like this! Your donation of money or food makes it possible to open this ministry to the public and allow people to eat, even if they can't afford to chip in financially!

DONATIONS FOR SCHOOL KITS deadline is Monday, September 15th. If you would like to help pack the school kits, they will be doing that on Tuesday, September 23rd at 9am in the Fellowship Hall! All are welcome!

A Prayer for Autumn's Arrival

Lord of all seasons, As the leaves change and the days grow cooler, help me embrace the rhythm of your creation. Teach me to let go of what I no longer need and to trust your timing in every part of life.

Thank you for the beauty of autumn—for crisp mornings, golden trees, and the promise of harvest. May this season deepen my gratitude, renew my spirit, and draw me closer to your heart.

In Jesus' name, Amen.

THIS WEEK AT AMERICAN LUTHERAN CHURCH

Sunday, September 7th

9:00 AM Worship @ The Lake-Rally Day w/Holy Communion, WS/SS Teacher Installation, & Blessing of the Backpacks

10:00 AM Rally Day Lion's Club Pancake Breakfast

10:30 AM Broadcast of Worship Service on KDOM

Monday, September 8th

7:00 PM Bell Choir

Tuesday, September 9th

8:00 AM Men's Bible Study

1:15 PM Staff Team Huddle

2:00 PM Altar Guild

6:00 PM Youth & Family Bd

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

& Music Bd

8:00 PM Church Council

Wednesday, September 10th

9:00 AM Windom Ministerial Assoc.

5:00 PM Wednesday Supper-Walking Tacos

5:15 PM Praise Band

5:30 PM Choir

5:30 PM Wednesday School

5:30 PM Wednesday School Parent Meeting-Chapel

6:30 PM Wednesday Worship w/Holy Communion, Installation of Small Group Guides, & 3yr olds & 3rd Graders receiving Bibles

7:30 PM Confirmation (7th, 8th, &9th Grade)

Thursday, September 11th

9:00 AM Bulletin Deadline

10:00 AM Cable TV, CH 22

2:00 PM Women's Bible Study

6:30 PM Cable TV, CH 22

6:30 PM Men's Group Cribbage & Pizza

Friday, September 12th

Church office closed

Saturday, September 13th

3:00 PM Chordhustlers "Hollywood Harmonies"

5:30 PM Chapel Service w/Holy Communion & Noisy offering

Sunday, September 14th

9:00 AM Worship w/Holy Communion, Noisy offering, & 3yr olds & 3rd graders receiving Bibles

10:00 AM Skylight Court Coffee Hour-DMS

10:15 AM Sunday School

10:15 AM Sunday School Parent meeting-Fellowship Hall

10:30 AM Broadcast of Worship Service on KDOM

1:00 PM Quilting for Graduates

4:00 PM Supper & Selfies- Mimi & Papa's Selfie Park for 9th-12th Grade