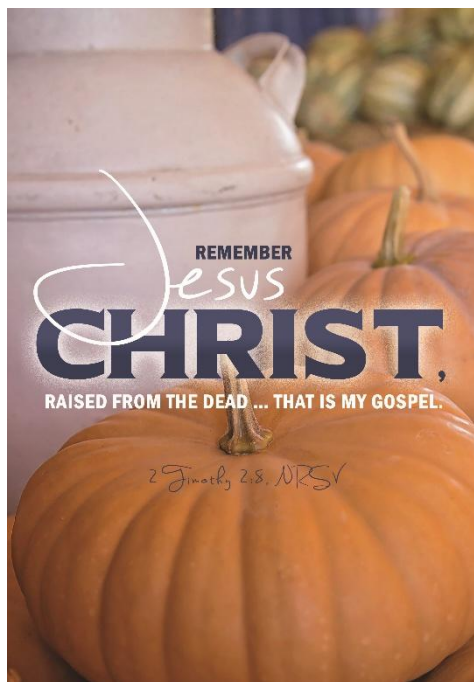


# The American Lutheran Church of Windom

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

*All Are Welcome!*



**Sunday, October 12<sup>th</sup>, 2025 9:00 AM**

*Eighteenth 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

PRELUDE

*“A Quiet Alleluia”*

Bell Choir

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Noisy Offering: Windom Area Schools Backpack Program

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 *“Praise, My Soul, the God of Heaven”*

ELW #864

KYRIE

ELW p. 147

HYMN OF PRAISE

ELW p. 149

PRAYER OF THE DAY

**Almighty and most merciful God, your bountiful goodness fills all creation. Keep us safe from all that may hurt us, that, whole and well in body and spirit, we may with grateful hearts accomplish all that you would have us do, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.**

**Amen.**

BELL CHOIR ANTHEM

*“10,000 Reasons”(Bless the Lord)*

FIRST READING      2 Kings 5:1-3, 7-15c      (NRSVUE) p. 293

Reader: Irene Swanson

PSALM

Psalm 111

Pew Bible: p. 490

Reader: Irene Swanson

Please read responsively

L: Praise the LORD! I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart,  
in the company of the upright, in the congregation.

**C: Great are the works of the LORD, studied by all who delight in them.**

L: Full of honor and majesty is his work, and his righteousness endures forever.

**C: He has gained renown by his wonderful deeds; the LORD is gracious and merciful.**

L: He provides food for those who fear him; he is ever mindful of his covenant.

**C: He has shown his people the power of his works, in giving them the heritage of the nations.**

L: The works of his hands are faithful and just; all his precepts are trustworthy.

**C: They are established forever and ever, to be performed with faithfulness and uprightness.**

L: He sent redemption to his people; he has commanded his covenant forever. Holy and awesome is his name.

**C: The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom; all those who practice it have a good understanding. His praise endures forever.**

SECOND READING

2 Timothy 2:8-15

Pew Bible: p.967

Reader: Irene Swanson

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

ELW p.151

GOSPEL READING

Luke 17:11-19

Pew Bible: p. 852

The Gospel according to Luke, the 17<sup>th</sup> Chapter. **C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

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

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Tera Elness, DCYFM

MESSAGE

Pastor Steven

HYMN OF THE DAY

*"I'm So Glad Jesus Lifted Me"*

ELW #860

APOSTLES CREED

ELW p.127

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

OFFERING

OFFERTORY RESPONSE      *“Take my Life that I May Be”*

OFFERTORY PRAYER

**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

CLOSING HYMN      *“Go, My Children, with My Blessing”*

ELW #543

## DISMISSAL

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

## POSTLUDE

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**WELCOME** to worship at The American Lutheran Church of Windom. Jesus heals ten lepers, but only one returns to express thankfulness. Praise to the Lord!

**JOIN US NEXT WEEK** for Widow Begg for Justice, Luke 18:1-8.

**RADIO SPONSORSHIP** is in memory of LaVerne & Marilyn Sell  
given by John Berge.

Attendance: Wednesday: 98; Saturday: 22; Sunday: 120

Offering: \$12,411; Borrowed: \$8,000

## **WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS**

**Acolytes:** Wyatt Soderholm, Karter Meyeraan

**Reader:** Irene Swanson

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



**SCAN THIS QR CODE TO GIVE ONLINE**

**NOISY OFFERING** will be collected this morning is going to the Windom Schools Backpack Program. This program provides weekend meals to Windom elementary students in Kindergarten - Fifth Grade. Last year the program served around 75 students and is expected to expand this year. Generous donations from the community make this independent program possible, as it receives no school funding.

**NO COFFEE HOUR** this morning. Please consider supporting the Windom Lions Club Pancake Breakfast at the Fire Hall.

**QUILTING FOR GRADUATES** will meet this afternoon from 1pm-3pm. ALL ARE WELCOME to come and help with cutting, ironing, sorting fabric, and other small jobs!

**IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT!** LEFSE will be made **NEXT WEDNESDAY** morning instead of Tuesday. Please help spread the word!

**REMINDER** there will be **NO WEDNESDAY EVENING ACTIVITIES** on Wednesday, October 15<sup>th</sup> due to MEA Weekend AND there will be **NO SUNDAY SCHOOL** next Sunday, October 19<sup>th</sup>.

**LOOKING FOR PUMPKINS!** We are looking for pumpkins for our Youth Group AND the 1<sup>st</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Halloween Party! Small or medium size will be perfect for what we are looking for! Thank you for considering! Please drop off pumpkins with Tera or in the church office no later than October 19<sup>th</sup>!

### **SAVE THE DATES!**

**Sunday, October 19<sup>th</sup>**- Jr/Sr High Youth Group on from 6pm-8pm. Come for pumpkin painting, food, friends, faith, and fun!

**Wednesday, October 22<sup>nd</sup>**- Healing prayers will be offered during worship

**Sunday, October 26<sup>th</sup>**- Scary Supper and Boo Bingo starting at 5pm.

**Tuesday, October 28<sup>th</sup>**- 1<sup>st</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup> Grade After School Halloween Party

**The 19<sup>TH</sup> HOLIDAY FAIR will be held on Saturday, November 8.** Funds raised will be donated to our building maintenance fund, Shetek Lutheran Ministries, Lutheran Disaster Response, Windom Sharing Center, Van Maintenance Fund, Lutheran Immigration & Refugee Service, Lutheran Youth Organization, the Shetek Ondini Partnership and our youth. **MANY HANDS are needed** to make this event a success. Lefse making will be every Tuesday in October at 8 am. Sign-up sheets are posted on the bulletin board across from the office to donate turkeys and soup ingredients along with time slots to volunteer time to work in various departments the day of the fair. We also need help to set up and take down before and after the fair. **MANY HANDS MAKE LIGHT WORK!!**

**DO YOU HAVE A FAITH STORY?** We all do, but if you have a story that means a lot to you or if you would like to share what this church means to you, we encourage you to share that story with others! You could share during worship or on a video to share in worship and/or on our Facebook page. Please contact the pastors, Jane, Tera, or the office if this is something you would like to do or if you have questions.

**IT'S SOCKTOBER!** Did you know that socks are the LEAST donated item of clothing to homeless shelters or second hand stores AND the most needed? That's right! SO.... Melanie Shamp and her sisters are collecting new socks for the homeless! There is a small laundry basket in the Skylight Court with a flyer that has more information! If you could help out by donating 1 pair of socks(more if you want) it would help us reach our goal of 100 pairs of socks! Thank you for considering.

### **OCTOBER IS PASTOR APPRECIATION MONTH!**

Let's show our love and gratitude for our pastors this month! Drop off a note of thanks, share a favorite sermon memory or simply tell them how they've made a difference.



**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.

# Pastors

**THANK YOU!**

For the early Sunday mornings  
& the late Wednesday nights.



**THANK YOU!**

For the seeds you plant  
& the disciples you nurture



**THANK YOU!**

For the sermons you preach  
& the prayers you lift up

**THANK YOU!**

For the wise counsel  
& the words of encouragement

**THANK YOU!**

For the sacrifice & service

## **THIS WEEK AT AMERICAN LUTHERAN CHURCH**

### **Sunday, October 12<sup>th</sup>**

9:00 AM Worship w/Noisy Offering

NO Coffee Hour- Please consider supporting the Windom Lions Pancake Breakfast

10:15 AM Sunday School

10:30 AM Broadcast of Worship Service on KDOM

### **Monday, October 13<sup>th</sup>**

6:30 PM Bell Choir

### **Tuesday, October 14<sup>th</sup>**

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

8:00 PM Church Council

### **Wednesday, October 15<sup>th</sup>**

8:00 AM Lefse making

MEA-No Wednesday Activities

1:30 PM Hillside Manor

2:30 PM Pine View

### **Thursday, October 16<sup>th</sup>**

9:00 AM Bulletin Deadline

10:00 AM Cable TV, CH 22

6:30 PM Cable TV, CH 22

### **Friday, October 17<sup>th</sup>**

Church Office Closed

### **Saturday, October 18<sup>th</sup>**

5:30 PM Chapel Service w/Holy Communion

### **Sunday, October 19<sup>th</sup>**

9:00 AM Worship

10:00 AM Skylight Court Café-Coffee Hour

10:30 AM Broadcast of Worship on KDOM

6:00 PM Jr & Sr High Youth Group