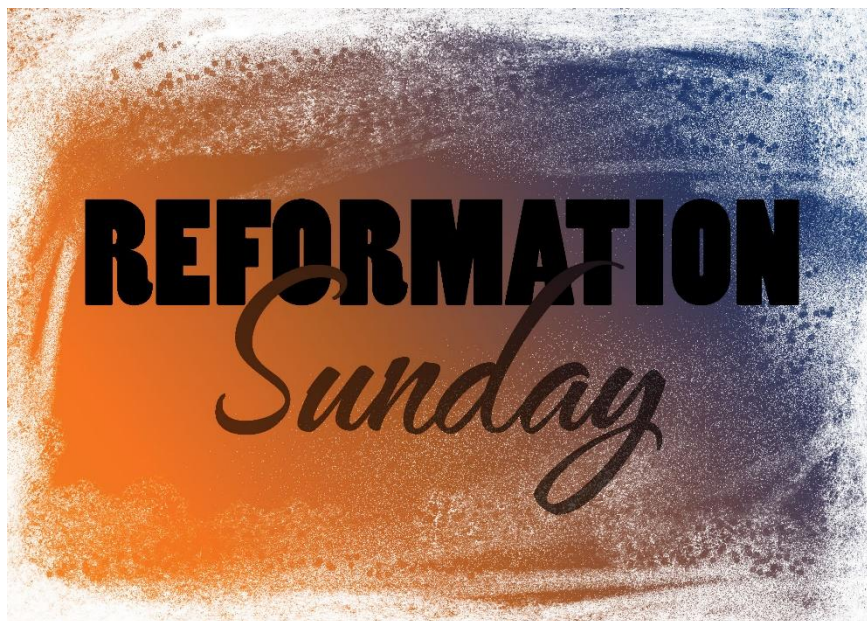


# The American Lutheran Church of Windom

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

*All Are Welcome!*



**Sunday, October 26<sup>th</sup>, 2025 9:00 AM**

*Reformation Sunday  
Twentieth 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

MicheLe Larson, Organist

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

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    *“A Mighty Fortress Is Our God”*    ELW #504

KYRIE    ELW p. 147

HYMN OF PRAISE    ELW p. 148

PRAYER OF THE DAY

**Holy God, our righteous judge, daily Your mercy surprises us with  
everlasting forgiveness. Strengthen our hope in You, and grant that  
all the peoples of the earth may find their glory in You, through  
Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

FIRST READING    **Jeremiah 14:7-10, 19-22**    Pew Bible: p. 625  
Reader: Karen Wickie

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

ELW p.151

GOSPEL READING

**Luke 18:9-14**

Pew Bible: p. 853

The Gospel according to Luke, the 18<sup>th</sup> 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 *“My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less”*

ELW # 597

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ELW p.126

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

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.**

PROCESSIONAL HOLY COMMUNION: (ELW p. 144)

Words of Institution

Lord's Prayer

Distribution

MicheLe L. meditative music

Post Communion Prayer

BENEDICTION

CLOSING HYMN *“The Church's One Foundation”*

ELW #654 (vs. 1-2, 4-5)

## 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. This week's reading of the parable of the Pharisee and the Tax Collector, note the differences in their prayers. Who was in need of God's forgiveness? Keep the faith!

**JOIN US NEXT WEEK** for All Saints Day! Blessings & Woes, Luke 6:20-31.

**RADIO SPONSORSHIP** is in honor of all those confirming their faith today, given by Kelly and Paul Kleven.

Attendance: Saturday: 34; Sunday: 111

Offering: \$5,679; Borrowed: \$8,000

## WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

**Acolytes:** Maci Jurgens, Tristan Ralson

**Reader:** Karen Wickie

**Holy Communion:** Steve Johnson, Nancy Michalski, Jane Cartwright

**Technology:** Todd Armstrong, Tim Hiley, Tom Wickie, Eugene Hanchett



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**TODAY** there will be a special service at 10:45 am where 17 youth will confirm their faith. Please keep these students in your prayers: Corbin Anderson, Kieran Anderson, Ruby Baloun, Bella Borer, Lillian Doescher, Abigail Freiwald, Ruby Heggeseth, Olivia Joyce, Elianna Kleven, Wyatt Knutson, Jonah Lohse, Mackenzi

Meyeraan, Nevaeh Ott, Suchin Kruse-Sayavong, Melinda Schunk, Gretta Smith, & Makayla Whiting. **There will be a Facebook Live Stream of the service beginning at 10:45 AM. The service will be posted on the ALC website site and the ALC Facebook site between 10:30-10:45 AM.**

**THE CONFIRMATION BANNERS** hanging on the arches were made by Carol Christianson, Jane Cartwright, Rosie Davis, Sonja Friesen, Kathy Hiley, Jean Johnson, Kelly Kleven, Betty Olson, & Jackie Turner. We thank them for their commitment and talents!



**SCARY SUPPER AND BOO BINGO** will be held **THIS EVENING starting at 5pm**. The supper will be scary sloppy jos, mummy dogs, chips, baked beans, orange drink, water, and a spooky dessert; and will be served starting at 5pm! Supper is \$10 for adults and \$5 for kids! Bingo is free and starts at 5:30pm! There will be a costume contest if you feel like dressing up! Winners of the costume contest will be announced before the final game of bingo! All ages welcome!

**AFTER SCHOOL HALLOWEEN PARTY** for 1<sup>st</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup> Graders will be on Tuesday, October 28<sup>th</sup>. Kids will be picked up from school! Please contact Tera to sign up your kiddos!

**HALLOWEEN AT SOGGE** If you plan on taking your kids out trick or treating this year, make it a point to bring them to the Good Samaritan between four and seven. Not only will your kids get candy and be out of the cold weather, but they will get to see a whole lot of people who are excited and joyful that they came by!



**THE CHURCH IN SOCIETY BOARD** will be handing out treats on Halloween from 4:30pm-6pm. If you are taking your kids trick or treating, be sure to stop by and see them on 10<sup>th</sup> Street and “Quench Your Thirst for Jesus!”



**QUILT DRAWING FOR HOLIDAY FAIR! Starting October 25<sup>th</sup> at church services and up until November 8<sup>th</sup>,** you can enter to win a beautiful quilt made by Shelley Lange & Anna Johannsen of the Cottonwood Quilters! **For each dollar donation,** your name will be entered in the drawing to win the full size quilt. The winner will be drawn at Holiday Fair on Saturday, November 8<sup>th</sup> at 1pm. A flyer with a picture of the quilt is on the bulletin board across from the office and up in Skylight Court.

**The 19<sup>TH</sup> HOLIDAY FAIR will be held on Saturday, November 8.** **MANY HANDS are needed** to make this event a success. 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.

### **VOLUNTEER DRIVERS OR DRIVER COMPANIONS**

United Community Action Partnership (UCAP) could use some people to drive community members to doctor's appointments. You can always decline and put stipulations on whom you will transport. They could also use a driver companion, someone to ride with a person and be there as a support. They could use drivers to go to Rochester and Sioux Falls. They pay mileage, meals, and parking. If you're interested in this powerful ministry call 888-658-2448 ext. 1119.

**GOOD WITH TAXES?** United Community Action Partnership (UCAP) could use volunteers to help the less fortunate with their taxes. They will train you, provide free meals, and your taxes will be free to file. If interested call 507-476-9283.

**KIDS CLOSET** The Kids Closet, located in the Presbyterian Church which gives out clothes and winterwear for families in need, could really use new pairs of socks and underwear. Simply drop them off in the office or with Pastor Adam and we'll make sure to get them there!



**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.

**START SAVING** your items you no longer need for the New and Nearly New Sale for the Holiday Fair! The proceeds from this area of the Holiday Fair will go to the youth. **WE CANNOT USE: CLOTHES, SHOES, ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT, REFERENCE BOOKS OR FURNITURE.** Items can be dropped off in the meeting room next to the office on these dates only: **Monday, November 3<sup>rd</sup>, Tuesday, November 4<sup>th</sup>, and Wednesday, November 5<sup>th</sup>.**



**REMEMBER** to turn your clocks back 1 hour next Sunday,  
November 2<sup>nd</sup>.

# Holiday Fair New and Nearly New Sale



To bring your nearly new items  
that you no longer need to  
American Lutheran Church

Collecting items on  
**November 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, &  
5<sup>th</sup> ONLY** during  
office hours.



9am-12pm & 1pm-4pm

All proceeds from the sale will benefit  
the American Lutheran Church Youth

Please call 507-831-1794 with any questions

DONATION



**NO!** CLOTHES.  
SHOES.  
ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT.  
REFERENCE BOOKS OR  
FURNITURE PLEASE

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

### **Sunday, October 26<sup>th</sup>**

9:00 AM Worship w/Holy Communion  
10:00 AM Skylight Court Café-Coffee Hour  
10:15 AM Sunday School  
10:30 AM Broadcast of Worship on KDOM  
10:45 AM Confirmation Service  
5:00 PM Scary Supper & Boo Bingo

### **Monday, October 27<sup>th</sup>**

6:30 PM Bell Choir

### **Tuesday, October 28<sup>th</sup>**

8:00 AM Lefse making  
8:00 AM Men's Bible Study  
1:15 PM Staff Team Huddle  
3:00 PM 1<sup>st</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup> Grade After-School Halloween Party

### **Wednesday, October 29<sup>th</sup>**

5:00 PM Wednesday Supper  
5:30 PM Choir  
5:30 PM Wednesday School  
6:30 PM Worship  
7:30 PM Confirmation (7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, & 9<sup>th</sup> Grade)

### **Thursday, October 30<sup>th</sup>**

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

### **Friday, October 31<sup>st</sup>**

Church office closing at NOON

### **Saturday, November 1<sup>st</sup>**

5:30 PM Chapel Service

### **Sunday, November 2<sup>nd</sup>**

#### **All Saint's Sunday**

#### **Daylight Savings Time Ends**

9:00 AM Worship w/Holy Communion  
10:00 AM Skylight Court Café-Coffee Hour  
10:15 AM Sunday School  
10:30 AM Broadcast of Worship on KDOM