

The American Lutheran Church of Windom

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

All Are Welcome!

"WATCH OUT that you are NOT DECEIVED.
For many will come in my name, claiming,
'I AM HE,' and, 'THE TIME IS NEAR.'
DO NOT FOLLOW THEM."

Luke 21:8, NIV

Sunday, November 16th, 2025 9:00 AM

Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost

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Wednesdays 6:30 pm Worship
Saturdays 5:30 pm Chapel Worship
Sundays 9:00 am Worship
Pastor Adam Roberts & Pastor Steven Rye
Ministers: Everyone

ORDER FOR WORSHIP

GATHERING MUSIC

Priscilla Jacobson, Pianist

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

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,
who forgives all our sin,
whose mercy endures forever.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God
and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Faithful God,

you have shown us the ways of your heart, yet we stray from your paths. We are stuck in sinful systems of oppression and do not embrace the freedom of your faithful promises. We ignore our neighbors. We exploit the earth. We reject your abundance, trusting our impulses instead of your steadfast love. Repair our relationships, restore what we have broken, renew our hearts, and bring us to new life. Amen.

Hear the good news:

God the Faithful One loves you,

† in Christ Jesus your sins are forgiven,

and by the power of the Holy Spirit you are set free.

Amen.

OPENING HYMN *“If You But Trust in God to Guide You”*

ELW #769

KYRIE

ELW p. 147

HYMN OF PRAISE *“Thankful Hearts and Voices Raise”*

ELW #204

PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God, the protector of all who trust in You, without You nothing is strong, nothing is holy. Embrace us with Your mercy, that with You as our ruler and guide, we may live through what is temporary without losing what is eternal, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

FIRST READING

Malachi 4:1-2a

Pew Bible: p.779

Reader: Jayd Soderholm

PSALM

Psalm 98

Pew Bible: p.480

Reader: Jayd Soderholm

Please read it responsively.

L: O sing to the LORD a new song, for he has done marvelous things.

His right hand and his holy arm have gotten him victory.

C: The LORD has made known his victory; he has revealed his vindication in the sight of the nations.

L: He has remembered his steadfast love and faithfulness to the house of Israel. All the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God.

C: Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth; break forth into joyous song and sing praises.

L: Sing praises to the LORD with the lyre, with the lyre and the sound of melody.

C: With trumpets and the sound of the horn make a joyful noise before the King, the LORD.

L: Let the sea roar and all that fills it, the world and those who live in it.

C: Let the floods clap their hands; let the hills sing together for joy

L: at the presence of the LORD, for he is coming to judge the earth. He will judge the world with righteousness.

SECOND READING

2 Thessalonians 3:6-13

Reader: Jayd Soderholm

Pew Bible: p.962

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

ELW p.151

GOSPEL READING

Luke 21:5-19

Pew Bible: p. 856

The Gospel according to Luke, the 21st 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

“Earth and All Stars!”

ELW #731

APOSTLES CREED

ELW p.127

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

L: God of Grace **C: Receive our Prayer**

SHARING OF THE PEACE

OFFERING

OFFERTORY RESPONSE

“Give Thanks”

ALC 15

OFFERTORY PRAYER

God of healing and hope, You promise to feed the hungry and fill them with good things. Fulfill that promise through us and these gifts. Nourish us with the abundance of your feast and unite us into the blessed body of Jesus Christ our Savior, now and forever. Amen

LORD’S PRAYER

BENEDICTION

CLOSING HYMN

“Blessed Assurance”

ELW #638

DISMISSAL

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

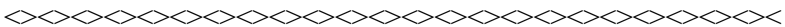
POSTLUDE

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WELCOME to worship at The American Lutheran Church of Windom. The new life we receive in baptism is a life that is lived to God each day.

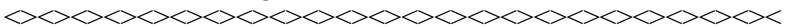
JOIN US NEXT WEEK as we celebrate Christ the King Sunday! You Will Be With Me in Paradise, Luke 23:33-43. This is the last Sunday of the church year. Come for this exciting day of worship.

RADIO SPONSORSHIP was given by Cheryl Hochstein in memory of her brother Richard Arndt’s October 23rd birthday, her mother Bernice Arndt’s November 9th birthday, and her father Allen Arndt’s November 26th birthday.



Attendance: Wednesday: 84; Saturday: 26; Sunday: 136

Offering: \$19,340; Borrowed: \$8,000



WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

Acolytes: Wyatt Soderholm, Liberty Zoellner-Koch

Reader: Jayd Soderholm

Technology: John Shamp, Todd Armstrong, Tom Wickie, Eugene Hanchett



SCAN THIS QR CODE TO GIVE ONLINE

A HUGE THANK YOU to everyone who helped make the Holiday Fair a success! There was over \$7,000 raised to go to the previously designated areas. We do still have lefse left. If you would like to purchase some, please stop by the church office or call the church office to reserve some.

QUILTING FOR GRADUATES will be meeting this afternoon at 1pm. As a reminder, **NO EXPERIENCE IS NECESSARY!** There are jobs for everyone!

THANKSGIVING EVE PIE FELLOWSHIP- If you could donate a pie for the pie fellowship following Thanksgiving Eve worship it would be greatly appreciated! There is a sign up sheet on the bulletin board across from the office. Please have pies fully cooked or unthawed and bring to the Fellowship Hall by 5pm.

LIVING NATIVITY is quickly approaching! There are food sign-ups located on the bulletin board across from the office **AND** if you would like to share your musical talents, please contact Jane Cartwright! Thank you in advance for considering!

COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING DINNER at Our Savior's Lutheran Church has been going on for several years and is a great community outreach to those who may not have anywhere to go on Thanksgiving Day. Due to a shrinking number of volunteers, they are reaching out to the Windom community to ask for volunteers. If you would be interested in helping, please contact their church office at 507-831-3522. Thank you in advance for considering sharing some of your time for this important community event. All proceeds from the free will donations will be donated to The Sharing Center.

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!

THE SHARING CENTER is finding that more and more people are in need of what it offers with benefits being cut and some people out of work. Food prices are hurting all of us, but if you have even just a little extra food or money to share, anything helps. We will collect here or they will also collect at Enspered. Our community needs our help.

A festive poster for a Living Nativity event. The background is light blue with white snowflakes and stars. In the center, there is an illustration of the Nativity scene: Mary in a blue robe kneeling, Joseph in a dark robe holding a lantern, and baby Jesus in a manger. A bright star is visible in the sky above them. Text is arranged around the illustration, providing details about the event.

American Lutheran Church of Windom presents a

Living Nativity

Wednesday, December 10th
5:30 to 7:30 p.m.


Soup & Chili
Supper in the
Fellowship Hall
[5pm-7pm](#)
\$8 Suggested
Donation

View the Living Nativity by foot or by car:
10th Street east
and turn south on Prospect Avenue

Ride the Horse Drawn Carriage
Pet the Animals (inside and outside)

In the Skylight Court:
Holiday Bake Sale
Listen to live Music of the Season
Enjoy Cider & Popcorn

Please bring Food or Cash Donations for the Windom Sharing Center



Give thanks.

Join us for
Thanksgiving Eve Worship
November 26, 6:30 pm

Musical selections
by kids and choirs.

**Bring a non-perishable food or
monetary donation for the food
shelf.**

Pie Fellowship
will be held after worship.
Pie donations are welcome!

with a grateful heart



THIS WEEK AT AMERICAN LUTHERAN CHURCH

Sunday, November 16th

9:00 AM Worship
10:00 AM Skylight Court Café-Coffee Hour
10:15 AM Sunday School
10:30 AM Broadcast of Worship on KDOM
1:00 PM Quilting for Graduates

Monday, November 17th

6:30 PM Bell Choir

Tuesday, November 18th

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

Wednesday, November 19th

1:30 PM Hillside Manor
2:20 PM Pineview
5:00 PM Wednesday Supper
5:30 PM Choir
5:30 PM Wednesday School
6:30 PM Wednesday Worship
7:30 PM Confirmation (7th, 8th, & 9th Grade)

Thursday, November 20th

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

Friday, November 21st

Saturday, November 22nd

5:30 PM Chapel Service w/Holy Communion

Sunday, November 23rd

Christ the King Sunday

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