

The American Lutheran Church of Windom

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

All Are Welcome!



FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Sunday, November 30th, 2025 9:00 AM

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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

PRELUDE

Linda Staples, Organist

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

LIGHTING OF ADVENT CANDLES: Jeremy and Kelsey Edward's family

ADVENT DIALOGUE

Reader: Milo Miller

L: In the darkness there is a wonder.

C: In the darkness there is a light.

L: There is a candle of wakeful awareness,

C: a candle for watching, candle for sight.

L: In the starlight, people singing,

C: people singing songs in the night,

L: singing songs of hope and wonder.

**C: God, we pray as this candle we light,
that we may be wakeful by the light it imparts;
and we worship you now with glad, joyful hearts.**

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

OPENING HYMN *"Prepare the Royal Highway"* ELW #264

KYRIE (ELW p. 147) Setting 4

HYMN OF PRAISE *"Savior of the Nations, Come"*
ELW #263 (vs 6)

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Stir up your power, Lord Christ, and come. By your merciful protection save us from the threatening dangers of our sins, and enlighten our walk in the way of your salvation, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

PSALM Psalm 122 Pew Bible: p.498

Leader: Melanie Shamp

Please read responsively

L: I was glad when they said to me, "Let us go to the house of the LORD!"

C: Our feet are standing within your gates, O Jerusalem.

L: Jerusalem—built as a city that is bound firmly together.

C: To it the tribes go up, the tribes of the LORD, as was decreed for Israel, to give thanks to the name of the LORD.

L: For there the thrones for judgment were set up, the thrones of the house of David.

C: Pray for the peace of Jerusalem: “May they prosper who love you.

L: Peace be within your walls and security within your towers.”

C: For the sake of my relatives and friends I will say, “Peace be within you.”

L: For the sake of the house of the LORD our God, I will seek your good.

SCRIPTURE READING **Romans 13: 11-14** Pew Bible: p.923

READER: Melanie Shamp

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

ELW p.151

GOSPEL READING **Matthew 24:36-44** Pew Bible: p.806

The Gospel according to Mathhew the 24th 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 *“O Lord How Shall I Meet You?”*

ELW #241

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ELW p.126

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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

SHARING OF THE PEACE

OFFERING

OFFERTORY RESPONSE *“He Came Down”* ELW #253 (vs 1)

OFFERTORY PRAYER

God of abundance, we bring before you the precious fruits of your creation, and with them our very lives. Teach us patience and hope as we care for all those in need until the coming of your Son, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

LORD’S PRAYER

BENEDICTION

CLOSING HYMN *“Rejoice, Rejoice, Believers”* ELW #244

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Bring good news to the poor!
We Will! Thanks be to God!

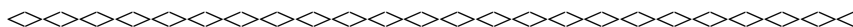
POSTLUDE

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WELCOME to worship at The American Lutheran Church of Windom. Welcome to the season of Advent. This is the beginning of the new church year. When listening to this week's reading, we hear that Jesus will arrive during a sudden event. Be prepared! Stay awake!

JOIN US NEXT WEEK for Advent 2: Prepare the Way, Matthew 3:1-12.

RADIO SPONSORSHIP is in Celebration of Lorraine Jacobson's 105th Birthday, given by her family. Happy Birthday Lorraine!



Attendance: Wednesday: 74; Saturday: 32; Sunday: 116

Offering: \$3,683; Borrowed: \$8,000



WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

Acolytes: Graham Miller, Joe Elston

Assisting Minister: Melanie Shamp

Readers: Milo Miller, Melanie Shamp

Technology: Jake Voth, Bob Johnson, Tom Wickie, Eugene Hanchett



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THE CHRISTIAN ED BOARD is looking for bags of individually wrapped candy to help fill their Christmas goodie bags that will be handed out to all kids following the Christmas Program on Sunday, December 14th. Please have candy to the church by Tuesday, December 9th.



The Windom Area Chordhustlers invite you to their Holiday Food Shelf Benefit Concert on Sunday, November 30th, at 3:00 p.m. at the First Baptist Church. Admission is non-perishable food items or a monetary gift. Refreshments served after the concert.

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!

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 3rd Supper will be ham, mashed potatoes, stuffing, gravy, corn, bread, and dessert.

GLOW BIBLE STUDY will be on Thursday, December 11th at 2pm. The study will be out of the Gather Magazine: December Issue Devotion: “Practicing Advent imagination: Matthew’s dreamers and Isaiah’s visions”. If you need a copy of the study, one will be available in the church office.





HAPPY *Birthday* JESUS!!

ALL WEDNESDAY & SUNDAY
SCHOOL STUDENTS ALONG
WITH THEIR FAMILIES AND
FRIENDS AND OUR ENTIRE
CONGREGATION ARE INVITED TO
JOIN US FOR A HAPPY BIRTHDAY
JESUS SUPPER & PARTY ON
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 17TH
STARTING AT 5PM.

THIS SPECIAL EVENT WILL
TAKE THE PLACE OF OUR
REGULAR WED NIGHT SUPPER &
WED SCHOOL TIME!
PLAN TO STAY AND JOIN US FOR
ADVENT WORSHIP AT 6:30PM!



7TH-12TH GRADERS! **YOUTH CHRISTMAS COOKIE DECORATING & HOT COCOA BAR!**

FOLLOWING WORSHIP
WED, DEC, 17TH
7:30-8:30PM
FELLOWSHIP HALL

LET TERA KNOW IF YOU CAN MAKE IT!



THIS WEEK AT AMERICAN LUTHERAN CHURCH

Sunday, November 30th

First Sunday of Advent

9:00 AM Worship

10:00 AM Skylight Court Café-Coffee Hour

10:30 AM Broadcast of Worship on KDOM

Monday, December 1st

6:30 PM Bell Choir

Tuesday, December 2nd

8:00 AM Men's Bible Study

1:15 PM Staff Team Huddle

5:15 PM Church in Society Bd

6:00 PM Discipleship, Marketing, & Stewardship Bd

Wednesday, December 3rd

11:00 AM Sogge

5:00 PM Wednesday Supper

5:30 PM Choir

5:30 PM Wednesday School

6:30 PM Wednesday Worship w/Holy Communion

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

Thursday, December 4th

10:00 AM Cable TV, CH 22

6:30 PM Cable TV, CH 22

Friday, December 5th

Saturday, December 6th

5:30 PM Chapel Service

Sunday, December 7th

Second Sunday of Advent

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