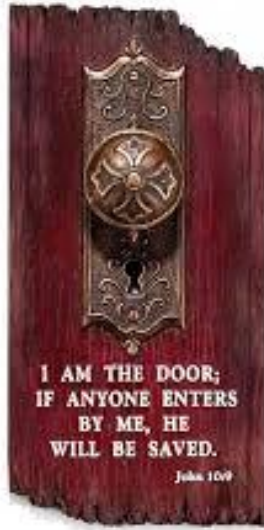


The American Lutheran Church of Windom

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

All Are Welcome!



Sunday, April 26th, 2026 9:00 AM

Fourth Sunday of Easter

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

ORDER FOR WORSHIP

PRELUDE

Carol Vought, Organist

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

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

L: Blessed be God, the Father of our Lord † Jesus Christ, by whose Spirit we have been reborn to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead. **Amen.**

God of life,

by the resurrection of your Son you make everything new.

Newness scares us, and we confess to shutting our doors in fear.

We have not listened to voices that challenge us. We have resisted the Holy Spirit moving us in new directions. Our hearts are slow to believe your promises. Forgive us, O God, and renew us to embrace without fear the new life you have given us in Jesus Christ. Amen.

People of God:

Christ is alive, and death has lost its power. Through the waters of baptism you have been born anew by the living word of God.

Know that your sins are forgiven in (†) Jesus' name and that the Spirit of the risen Christ is alive in you both now and forever. **Amen.**

OPENING HYMN *“Come Thou Font of Every Blessing”*

ELW #807

KYRIE

ELW #157

HYMN OF PRAISE *“Praise the Lord, Rise Up Rejoicing“*

ELW #544 (vs 1)

PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God our shepherd, you know your sheep by name and lead us to safety through the valleys of death. Guide us by your voice, that we may walk in certainty and security to the joyous feast prepared in your house, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

FIRST READING

Acts 2:37-47

Pew Bible: p.886

Readers: Lily Derickson & Suchin Kruse-Sayavong

PSALM

Psalm 66:1-9

Pew Bible: p.459

Reader: Penelope Roberts

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
scorners,

**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.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (p.151 Setting 4)

GOSPEL READING

John 9:35 - 10:18

Pew Bible: p.872

The holy gospel according to John, Chapters 9 & 10.

C: Glory to you, O Lord. C: Praise to you, O Christ

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Tera Elness, DCYFM

MESSAGE

Tera Elness

HYMN OF THE DAY

“Have No Fear Little Flock”

ELW #764

BLESSING OF LWR QUILTS

Congregational response: Jesus, Open our hearts to love our
neighbors.

APOSTLES' CREED p. 105

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

SHARING OF THE PEACE

OFFERING

OFFERTORY RESPONSE

“Blessed Assurance”

ELW #638 (vs 1)

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Merciful God, accept the fruits of our labor, gathered to give you glory. You have set a table before us, a glimpse of that great day when we will hunger and thirst no more. Nourish us with the body and blood of Jesus, that goodness and mercy may follow us and bless the world you love. In the name of Jesus, Amen.

HOLY COMMUNION

- Words of Institution
- Lord’s Prayer
- Distribution
- Carol Vought meditative music
- Post Communion Prayer

BENEDICTION

CLOSING HYMN *“What a Fellowship, What a Joy Divine”*

ELW #774

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Believe the Good News!
We will! Thanks be to God.

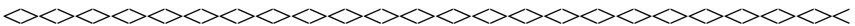
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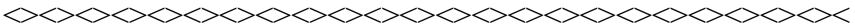
WELCOME to worship at The American Lutheran Church of Windom. Today’s reading reminds us that Jesus is our shepherd and our provider. Sheep were long viewed as a gift from God, a source of nourishment and clothing. We can be a gift to others.

JOIN US NEXT WEEK Christ the Way, Truth, and Life, John 14:1-14.

RADIO SPONSORSHIP for today’s service was given in memory of Bea & Harold Lemickson by Deb Minion.



Attendance: Wednesday: 56; Saturday:31; Sunday: 131
Offering: \$6,431



WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

Readers: Lilly Derickson, Suchin Kruse-Sayavong, Penelope Roberts

Holy Communion: Lilly Derickson, Suchin Kruse-Sayavong, Jackie Turner

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



SCAN THIS QR CODE TO GIVE ONLINE

CINNAMON ROLLS! COME GET YOUR CINNAMON ROLLS!

Our youth going to Milwaukee in May will be having a cinnamon roll fundraiser following worship! They will be selling pans of cinnamon rolls for you to take home and also serving them at the coffee hour!

OUR ADOPT-A-HIGHWAY Ditch clean-up will be **TODAY** immediately following worship. Many hands make light work! All equipment is provided, however if you have work gloves, please bring those. Please meet in the parking lot. Closed toed shoes and long pants must be worn.



WEDNESDAY AND SUNDAY SCHOOL Teacher and Helper recognition will be **NEXT** Sunday May 3rd.

6TH GRADERS AND PARENTS SAVE THE DATE! Tera is having a special celebration for you on Sunday, May 3rd in the Fellowship Hall during the WS/SS hour. She will walk you through a “look ahead” at the next leg of your faith formation journey here at ALC!

REMINDER TO GRADUATING SENIORS! ELCA college scholarships are due by April 30th. If you are attending an ELCA college in the fall, take advantage of this scholarship! You would have received an application in the mail. However, if you need one, they are available in the church office. **Also, please email your senior photos to the office by May 1st.**

SEARCHING FOR MEMBERS that would like to be a part of the **Parsonage Update Committee!** The parsonage needs some updates and we need a committee to work alongside the Properties Board to start the process! If you like DIY house projects, have an eye for detail or decorating, this committee would be a great fit for you! Please email or call the church office if you are interested. Names of those interested will

be given to the Church Council and they will put together the committee based on vote.

MEN'S GROUP CRIBBAGE & PIZZA will be on Thursday, April 30th at 6:30pm. All men are welcome! Come for pizza, fellowship, and some laughs! Please let Pastor Adam know if you plan on attending!

COTTONWOOD JACKSON CEO program invites you to their Tradeshow on Wednesday, April 29th from 5pm-7pm at the Mt. Lake Community Center. This program nurtures students to start their own businesses! Go and see what the students have been up to with the businesses they created!

CHURCH SOFTBALL will be starting soon! Our teams at ALC are always looking for more team members! You do not need to be a member of ALC to play! Contact Donnie Boltjes at 507-830-0015 for more information or to let him know you want to play!

A MATTER OF BALANCE classes will be offered at Mikkelsen Manor on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 1pm starting on May 12th and continuing until June 4th. These classes will provide practical strategies for reducing falls and building strength. Pre-registration is required. There is no cost, but donations are accepted. Please contact Emily Bentson at 507-831-1803 to register.

PRAYER LIST: Please take this bulletin home and pray daily for the following people: Donna Will, Cory Grev, Wyatt Raverty, Jamie Mosier, Michael Haroldson, John Kotch (Beth & Adam's friend with a fatal brain tumor), Beth Roberts, Brienna Grant, Miguel Esquivel, and Karsyn Geldart.



Hey 6th Graders!

**It's time to
CELEBRATE!**

**WEDNESDAY & SUNDAY SCHOOL
STUDENTS AND THEIR PARENTS!**
 Wednesday, April 29th - Skylight Ct
 Sunday, May 3rd - Fellowship Hall

Join Tera during your 6th grader's regular
 WS/SS class time
 for a Special Celebration and
 "Look Ahead" at what the
 NEXT leg of their
 Faith Formation journey
 will look like here at ALC!

**PUT THIS GREAT EVENT ON YOUR CALEDNAR NOW AND TELL
 ALL YOUR NEIGHBORS, FAMILY, & FRIENDS!**

THE AMERICAN LUTHERAN
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**WS/SS
 END OF YEAR
 Celebration**

JOIN US AS WE CELEBRATE THE END
 OF OUR WS/SS YEAR WITH
 A ONE-NIGHT FOOD TRUCK PARTY
 IN OUR CHURCH PARKING LOT!

**OPEN TO
 THE
 PUBLIC!**

- STEVE'S ALL-AMERICAN
- LA TEJANITA-MEXICAN
- LA INOLVIDABLE-PUERTO RICAN
- ANGELA'S EGG ROLL
- OLE'S GATHERING PLACE
- CARIBBEAN KITCHEN & GRILL

**Wednesday, May 6th
 4pm-6:30pm**

OUR LAST WEDNESDAY NIGHT WORSHIP
 FOR THE SEASON BEGINS AT 6:30PM
 AND OUR WS/SS STUDENTS
 WILL BE SINGING! 🎵🎵🎵
 WE HOPE YOU WILL JOIN US FOR THIS
 SUPER FUN EVENING!

**AND
 SHAVED
 ICE! !**

**906 PROSPECT AVE
 *PARKING LOT IS OFF OF 10TH ST.***

THIS WEEK AT AMERICAN LUTHERAN CHURCH

Sunday, April 26th

Fourth Sunday of Easter

9:00 AM Worship w/Holy Communion & Blessing of Quilts

10:00 AM Skylight Court Café Coffee Hour- Milwaukee Trip Cinnamon Roll Fundraiser

10:15 AM Sunday School

10:15 AM Adopt-A-Highway Ditch Clean-up

10:30 AM Broadcast of Worship on KDOM

Monday, April 27th

6:30 PM Bell Choir

Tuesday, April 28th

8:00 AM Men's Bible Study

1:15 PM Staff Team Huddle

Wednesday, April 29th

5:00 PM Wednesday Supper-Smorgasbord/Cleaning out the Freezer!

5:30 PM 6th Grade Student & Parent Special Celebration-Skylight Court

5:30 PM Choir

5:30 PM Wednesday School

6:30 PM Wednesday Worship w/WS/SS Teacher & Helper Recognition

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

Thursday, April 30th

9:00 AM Bulletin Deadline

10:00 AM Worship on SW Stream

6:30 PM Men's Group Cribbage & Pizza

6:30 PM Worship on SW Stream

Friday, May 1st

Saturday, May 2nd

5:30 PM Chapel Service

Sunday, May 3rd

Fifth Sunday of Easter

9:00 AM Worship w/Holy Communion & WS/SS Teacher Helper Recognition

10:00 AM Skylight Court Café Coffee

10:15 AM Sunday School

10:15 AM 6th Grade Student & Parent Special Celebration-Fellowship Hall

10:30 AM Broadcast of Worship on KDOM