The American Lutheran Church of Windom

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



Sunday, August 4, 2024 9:00 AM Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

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Saturdays 5:30 pm Chapel Worship Sundays 9:00 am Worship Pastors Sarah Tadé and Adam Roberts

Ministers: Everyone

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Temple Talk: Block Party - Debbie Polzin, Church in Society Board VBS Kids Sing- "We Love"

Shetek Camper Highlight Video-Kyla Derickson

INVOCATON

L: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, the creator of wind and rain, field and ocean, the bread of life coming down from above, the power at work within us and this world.

C: Amen.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

L: Before God and in the company of our sisters and brothers, let us confess our sin.

(Silence for reflection)

C: God and Father of all, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed. We have thought better of ourselves than others. We have told lies, said hurtful things, acted in ways we wish we could take back, and looked the other way.

acted in ways we wish we could take back, and looked the other way when action was needed. In your mercy, O God,

forgive us and cleanse us, heal us and strengthen us, empower us to do the work, for the sake of Jesus, our Savior.

Amen.

L: If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation:

Everything old has passed away; Everything has become new! In Christ, † you are a new creation: Your sins are taken away and you are made new

C: Amen.

OPENING HYMN "Bread of Life from Heaven"

ELW #474 vs 1, 3, 4

KYRIE Setting 4 p. 147

HYMN OF PRAISE "Awesome God" ALC #145

PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God, eternal goodness, immeasurable love, you place your gifts before us; we eat and are satisfied. Fill us and this world in all its need with the life that comes only from you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING Exodus 16:2-4, 9-15 Pew Bible p. 55

Readers: Carter Mesner and Noah Muske

GOSPEL READING

John 6:24-35

Pew Bible p. 867

L: The holy gospel according to John, the 6th Chapter

C: Glory to you, O Lord

L: The Gospel of the Lord C: Praise to you, O Christ

MESSAGE

Pastor Sarah

HYMN OF THE DAY "As the Grains of Wheat"

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ELW #465

RECOGNITION OF VBS STAFF

Tera Elness, DCYFM

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Hear us, O God, Your mercy is great.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

Please be aware of sickness. Greet one another with a wave of your hand or an elbow bump

OFFERING

We give, because God gives to us! Our ministries share God's love.

OFFERTORY RESPONSE

"Let Us Go Now to the Banquet"

ELW #523 vs. 1&3

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts: our selves, our time, and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered, in feeding the world with your love, through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

HOLY COMMUNION- Processional

The Great Thanksgiving

Words of Institution

Lord's Prayer

Distribution

MicheLe meditative music

Post Communion Prayer

BENEDICTION

CLOSING HYMN VBS STUDENTS-"Give It Away"

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. You are the body of Christ. We Will! Thanks be to God!

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WELCOME to worship at American Lutheran Church as we worship Jesus, the Bread of Life. We celebrate with children and their families the great week we had at "Who is My Neighbor?" VBS. This VBS was created by ELCA World Hunger and adapted to our context. We now know that our neighbors are here and around the world!

JOIN US NEXT WEEK for Christ, the bread of life. John 6:35, 41-51.

RADIO SPONSORSHIP is in loving memory of the August 10th Birthday of Ellsworth Arndt given Carol Arndt.

WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY

Readers: Carter Mesner and Noah Muske

Holy Communion: Melissa Dardis, Kelsey Edwards, Kelly Kleven **Technology:** Todd Armstrong, Lindsey Cartwright, Tom Wickie, Eugene

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THIS QR CODE is a quick and convenient way to support the ministries at ALC. To scan the code: Open the camera on your smartphone and move your camera so the code is in the frame. You'll see the code's URL. Click on that link to go to our Give Now option. Please note: It costs thirty-nine cents per online transaction plus three percent of how much you give.

We also have a Simply Giving option that allows you to have money automatically taken out of your bank account each month. Please talk to Wendy in the office if this is something you would be interested in!

GLOW will be meeting **TODAY** at 10:15am in the meeting room. ALL women are welcome! Come and join the fun of all GLOW has to offer!



CHURCH SOFTBALL TOURNEY wraps up today starting at **NOON!** Go out to Bergen Ballfield and catch the last part of the tournament and get some delicious concessions!



NOISY OFFERING will be collected next week for The Comfort Cupboard. Many of our Middle School and High School students are in need of personal hygiene items during the school hours and at home. The women of American Lutheran, GLOW, is continuing to provide items for students through the **Comfort Cupboard**. Noisy offering will help GLOW purchase women's & men's deodorant, tampons, sanitary napkins, toothpaste, toothbrushes, shampoo, conditioner, body wash/bar soap, hand lotion, body lotion, and lip balm. If you would prefer to donate products, please leave donations in the office where they will be picked up periodically and delivered to the school. THANK YOU for whatever you can give!!!



BAKING COOKIES or BARS FOR JUDGING AT THE COUNTY FAIR? As a wrap up to County Fair season, Skylight Court would like to invite bakers to bring a dozen cookies or bars **NEXT SUNDAY.** We would love to celebrate and

sample your selections. Want to share your recipe? Drop off a copy at the church office.



PICK-UP CHOIR! Come join the pick-up choir NEXT SUNDAY. Practice will begin at 8:25am in the sanctuary. We will be singing the familiar hymn, "Beautiful Savior". All are invited to sing! You do not need to be a member of the ALC Choir group.



THURSDAY, AUGUST 8TH is ALC day at LSS Meals. On the menu is pork chop, rice pilaf, California blend vegetables, pineapple chunks, dinner roll, and dessert. Get your friends from ALC together and go have a delicious meal! Call Kelly at 831-6161 to reserve your spot. Reservations are appreciated at least one day in advance!

COATS FOR KIDS: You may have seen the tote in the entryway off the parking lot. This tote will be here until August 8th. If you have any kids coats you no longer need, add them to the tote!



THE YOUTH AND FAMILY BOARD

would like to start a tradition of giving our graduating High School Seniors a handmade quilt as their senior gift. We would like to start planning now to ensure that the quilts are done by Senior Recognition Sunday next May. We are looking for those who like to sew, iron, or

just be part of the fun! There will be a job for you even if you don't sew!

In order to accommodate all ages and schedules, sewing times will be offered in the evenings and/or on the weekends. Please be watching for an initial meeting date in the very near future!

REGISTER YOUR KIDDOS for the 2024-2025 Wednesday and Sunday School year! Our theme this year is Walking With Jesus! Now that VBS is over, we can start planning for WS/SS! Scan the QR code below to register your kiddos online or stop out in the Skylight Court after worship and register there!

2024-2025 WS/SS Registration



NEXT SUNDAY!





ELCA youth need your help to meet the match for Generation Zero-Hunger!

TODAY is our World Hunger Offering (the first Sunday of every month) or you can bring any other day as well.

A few weeks ago, thousands of youth from around the country descended on New Orleans for the first ELCA Youth Gathering in six years — a week of faith formation, fellowship and service.

They got to hear about the last 50 years of our church's ministry to end hunger and poverty through ELCA World Hunger, and they committed to keeping up this work by joining the **Generation Zero-Hunger** fundraising challenge.

Now they need your support.

A group of generous donors pulled together a \$250,000 match to encourage giving in support of Generation Zero-Hunger. At the Gathering, the youth , including the 5 youth from ALC and Bethany, did their part in raising nearly \$100,000 — will you help them get over the line?

As we step into the future, the youth of our church are leading the way, strengthening the worldwide impact of ELCA World Hunger in Jesus' name. Thank you for supporting ELCA youth in this important initiative as they strive to become the generation that ends hunger.

THIS WEEK AT AMERICAN LUTHERAN

Sunday, August 4th

11th Sunday after Pentecost

9:00 AM Worship w/Holy Communion & VBS Kids Singing

10:00 AM Skylight Court Café- Coffee Hour

10:30 AM Broadcast of Worship Service on KDOM

12:00 PM Church Softball Tourney at Bergen Ballfield Continued

Monday, August 5th

6:00 PM Discipleship, Marketing & Stewardship Bd

Tuesday, August 6th

8:00 AM Men's Bible Study

1:15 PM Staff Team Huddle

5:15 PM CIS Board

7:00 PM Worship & Music Bd

Wednesday, August 7th

Thursday, August 8th

9:00 AM Bulletin Deadline

10:00 AM & 6:30 PM Cable TV, CH 22

11:30 AM ALC Day at LSS Meals

Friday, August 9th

Saturday, August 10th

5:30 PM Chapel Worship w/Holy Communion & Noisy Offering

Sunday, August 11th

12th Sunday after Pentecost

Second Sunday Noisy Offering

8:25 AM Pick-up Choir Practice

9:00 AM Worship w/Noisy Offering

10:00 AM Skylight Court Café- Coffee Hour w/Bake-off treats

10:30 AM Broadcast of Worship Service on KDOM

5:00 PM-7:00 PM Block Party