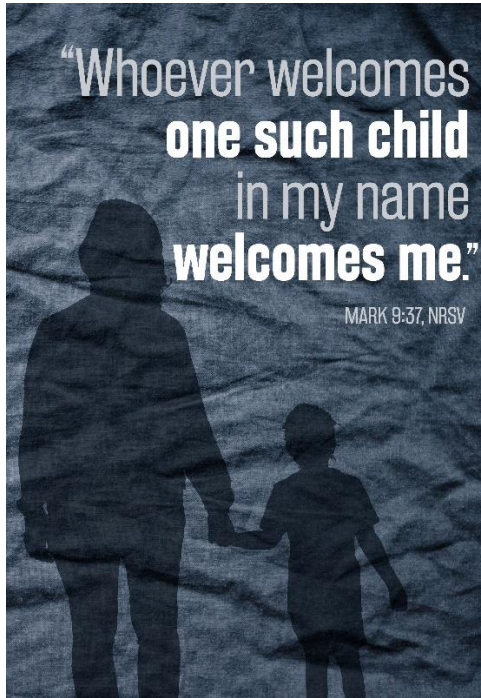


The American Lutheran Church of Windom

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

All Are Welcome!



Sunday, September 22, 2024 9:00 AM
Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

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Wednesdays: 6:30pm Worship
Saturdays 5:30 pm Chapel Worship
Sundays 9:00 am Worship
Pastors Sarah Tadé and Adam Roberts
Ministers: Everyone

ORDER FOR WORSHIP

GATHERING MUSIC

Priscilla Jacobson, Pianist

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Tera - Temple Talk - St. Louis trip/youth coffee

Bibles - 3 yr olds, 3rd Grade

INVOCATION

L: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who forgives all our sin,
whose mercy endures forever.

C: Amen.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

L: Let us confess our sin and come to God for healing.

Silence is kept for reflection.

C: Gracious God, have mercy on us.

**We confess that we have honored You with our lips,
but have harmed our neighbors with our tongues.**

The cravings at war within us cause conflicts and disputes.

In our desire to be first we make distinctions among ourselves.

We place the needs of the poor and the suffering last.

In your great mercy, forgive us our sins.

**Draw near to us with grace in time of need, and turn us to follow in
the way of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.**

Amen.

L: God promises to forgive our iniquity and to remember our sin no
more.

By grace you have been saved.

In the name of † Jesus Christ, the source of eternal healing, your sins are
forgiven.

C: Amen.

OPENING HYMN

“God Is Here”

ELW #526

KYRIE

Setting 4 p. 147

HYMN OF PRAISE

“Praise to the Lord, the Almighty the King of Creation”

ELW #858

PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God, our teacher and guide, you draw us to yourself and welcome us as beloved children. Help us to lay aside all envy and selfish ambition, that we may walk in your ways of wisdom and understanding as servants of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

3 YR OLD AND 3RD GRADE BIBLES

Tera Elness and Christian Ed Board

PSALM 54-*Please read responsively*

Pew Bible p.454

Reader: Travis Freiwald

L: Save me, O God, by your name; in your might, defend my cause.

C: Hear my prayer, O God; give ear to the words of my mouth.

L: For strangers have risen up against me, and the ruthless have sought my life, those who have no regard for God.

C: Behold, God is my helper; it is the Lord who sustains my life.

L: Render evil to those who spy on me; in your faithfulness, destroy them.

C: I will offer you a freewill sacrifice and praise your name, O LORD, for it is good.

L: For you have rescued me from every trouble, and my eye looks down on my enemies.

SCRIPTURE READING **James 3:13- 4:3, 7-8a** Pew Bible p.984

Reader: Travis Freiwald

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Setting 4 p. 151

GOSPEL READING **Mark 9:30-37** Pew Bible: p. 821

L: The holy gospel according to Mark, the 9th Chapter

C: Glory to you, O Lord

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

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Tera Elness, DCYFM

MESSAGE

Pastor Sarah

HYMN OF THE DAY ***"I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light"***

ELW #815

APOSTLE'S CREED

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

“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”

ELW #884

OFFERTORY PRAYER

**Blessed are you, O God, source of every gift of your creation.
By these gifts and with our lives, help us to serve one another
and all in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen.**

HOLY COMMUNION

Words of Institution

Lord's Prayer

Distribution

Priscilla meditative music

Post Communion Prayer

BENEDICTION

CLOSING HYMN *“Lord of All Hopefulness”* ELW #765

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Walk with Jesus!
We Will! Thanks be to God!

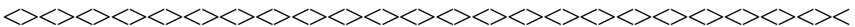
POSTLUDE

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WELCOME to worship at American Lutheran Church. In the reading, Jesus foretells his death and resurrection for the second time, while calling his followers to welcome children. In this way we welcome Jesus himself!

JOIN US NEXT WEEK for Warnings to Those Who Obstruct Faith, Mark 9:38-50.

RADIO SPONSORSHIP is in loving memory of Loring Paschke, given by Marge Paschke and family.



Attendance: Wednesday: 107; Saturday: 31; Sunday: 121
Offering: \$6,557; Borrowed: \$68,000

WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY

Acolytes: Penelope Roberts, Abby Freiwald

Readers: Travis Freiwald

Holy Communion: Dustin & Maria Thom, Amanda Wilson

Technology: Tim Hiley, Jake Voth, Tom Wickie, Eugene Hanchett



SCAN THIS QR CODE TO GIVE ONLINE

MAY GOD BLESS the 3-year-olds and 3rd Graders and the time they spend with their new Bibles they received this morning. May there be lots of learning and faith building with their new Bibles!

DITCH CLEAN UP with Discipleship/Marketing & Stewardship Board will happen today immediately following worship. Grab a cinnamon roll from the youth and some coffee and meet at the bus in the parking lot. If you need to go change clothes, you can meet everyone out on Hwy 71 by Smith Automotive.

THE YOUTH AND FAMILY BOARD is hoping to make quilts for



our graduating seniors. We will be having an initial meeting **TODAY following worship** in the meeting room. Stop by and get a cinnamon roll from the youth and some coffee and join us! At the meeting we will make a schedule of quilting times.

We will have quilting times in the evening and on the weekends to accommodate anyone who would like to help. If you are interested in helping in any way with the quilts, please attend this meeting. There will be a job for everyone, even if you don't quilt or sew.

CHURCH DIRECTORY PHOTOS If you missed the opportunity this



morning to have your photo taken, they will also be available to be taken next Sunday morning and on Oct 6th. We would love to have all of our members part of the new directory! If you can't make it to have your photo taken, please email a photo you already have to winalc@windomnet.com.

GLOW will be packing LWR School kits on Tuesday, September 24th at 9am. If you have a little time to spare that morning, they would really appreciate your help! Join them in the Fellowship Hall.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 25TH at supper, there will be a **Special dessert option**. Discipleship, Marketing, and Stewardship Board will have a build your own ice cream Sunday bar for a free will donation. Proceeds will go to Carolyn Schneider, the missionary we are supporting. She is currently in Guyana teaching others how to become pastors and deacons! Your support for Carolyn is greatly appreciated!



SHETEK CONFERENCE WOMEN OF THE ELCA FALL GATHERING ALC's Tera Elness will be speaking about "The Power of Teamwork". The event will be held at Shetek Lutheran Ministries on **Saturday, September 28** with registration beginning at 8:30. Cost: \$15. Brunch included with Gathering closing at 11:00. Contact Karen Skarphol (822-9785) or Jackie Turner (822-7671) if you'd like to attend.

ADULT LEARNING MAKE A STATEMENT! September 29th at 10:15 Join Pastor Sarah for a *brief introduction to the Social Statements of the ELCA*. There are a total of thirteen Social Statements ranging in topics from abortion, the death penalty, health and health care, human sexuality, sexism, genetics, and more. We will touch on the topics that the Social Statements cover, and the how and why of Social Statements in the ELCA. Summaries of Social Statements will be available.



BOUNDARY WATERS 2025 If you would be interested in going to the Boundary Waters in June 2025, please let Pastor Adam know. If there is enough interest, he will have an informational meeting towards the end of September or in early October. The dates would be June 13th– 20th. **This will be open to those going into 9th grade in 2025 through those graduating in 2025.**



DID YOU KNOW that you can become a member at American Lutheran Church at **any time**? In fact, we have a few families that have decided to become new members this month and will be recognized on September 29th! If you or someone you know is interested in learning more about membership here at ALC, we invite you to reach out to Pastor Sarah, Pastor Adam, or you can stop Tera or Jane anytime, and you can also stop in the office anytime! We would love to visit with you!

RADIO SPONSORSHIPS NEEDED Sponsorships are available for all of October and most of November. Please contact the church office if you would like to sponsor a radio broadcast for October or November. Sponsorships are \$57 and are a great way to remember someone special or you can also sponsor in honor of someone or in celebration of someone or an event!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS for the *Bethany Bazarre!* Bethany Lutheran is our “sister church” located near Bergen. They will be having their Bazarre on **Saturday, October 5th from 10am-1pm**. Bake sale will include lefse, donuts and many other delicious homemade goodies! Lunch will consist of hot chicken sandwiches, chips, beverage, and of course homemade pies! Please come and enjoy!

Tibits to Ponder

An abundance of gifts

In 2022, people set some amazing Guinness World Records. A Nebraska man paddled more than 37 miles in a hollowed-out pumpkin boat. A Vermont teen wearing 4-inch heels walked more than 600 feet across a tightrope. And an Oregon man found and alphabetized all 26 letters in a can of alphabet soup in 2 minutes and 8.6 seconds. (The toughest part, he says, is distinguishing subtle differences between letters such as M and W.)

Your talents might not earn you any world records, but they certainly can grow faith and change lives. Whether you’re good at teaching, singing, writing, cooking or accounting, the church can put those skills to productive use. Romans 12 lists many more qualities you may not realize are spiritual gifts: graciousness, serving, generosity, acts of mercy, loving and honoring others, extending hospitality, rejoicing and weeping with people, making peace.

You might not be able to outperform the alphabet soup record. But God abundantly blesses each of us to “outdo one another in showing honor” (Romans 12:10, ESV) and in sharing his love.

—Stephanie Martin

THIS WEEK AT AMERICAN LUTHERAN

Sunday, September 22nd

18th Sunday after Pentecost

8:15 AM-9:00 AM Directory Photos in Skylight Court
9:00 AM Worship w/3yr olds & 3rd Graders receiving Bibles
10:00 AM Skylight Court Café- Coffee Hour-Youth Cinnamon Rolls
10:15 AM Ditch Clean Up w/Discipleship, Marketing & Stewardship Bd
10:15 AM Sunday School
10:15 AM Quilting for Graduating Seniors Meeting
10:30 AM Broadcast of Worship Service on KDOM

Monday, September 23rd

6:30 PM Bell Choir

Tuesday, September 24th

8:00 AM Men's Bible Study
9:00 AM GLOW LWR School kits
1:15 PM Staff Team Huddle

Wednesday, September 25th

5:00 PM-6:15 PM Directory Photos in Skylight Court
5:00 PM Wednesday Supper-Scalloped potatoes w/ham, free will donation Ice Cream Social
5:15 PM Praise Band Practice
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, September 26th

9:00 AM Bulletin Deadline
10:00 AM Cable TV, CH 22
3:00 PM Mikkelsen Manor
4:00 PM Remick Ridge
6:30 PM Cable TV, CH 22

Friday, September 27th

Saturday, September 28th

8:30 AM Shetek Conference Fall Women's Gathering @ Shetek Lutheran Ministries
5:00 PM-5:30 PM Directory Photos in Skylight Court
5:30 PM Chapel Service
6:30 PM Supper for Saturday Service congregation hosted by Spiritual Life & Fellowship

Sunday, September 29th

8:15 AM-9:00 AM Directory Photos in Skylight Court
9:00 AM Worship
10:00 AM Skylight Court Café-Coffee Hour
10:15 AM Adult Learning w/ Pastor Sarah
10:15 AM Sunday School
10:30 AM Broadcast of Worship Service on KDOM