

The American Lutheran Church of Windom

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

Saturday, September 7, 2024
Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost



Chapel Worship
5:30 pm

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5:30 pm Saturday Chapel Worship

9:00 am Sunday Worship

Pastors Sarah Tadé and Adam Roberts

Ministers: Everyone

ORDER FOR WORSHIP

PRELUDE

Carol Vought, Organist

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Noisy Offering-Everybody Eats

New Church Directory

INVOCATION

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

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 *“How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds”*

ELW #620 (v.1,2,3 and 5)

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Gracious God, throughout the ages you transform sickness into health and death into life. Open us to the power of your presence, and make us a people ready to proclaim your promises to the whole world, through Jesus Christ, our healer and Lord. Amen.

FIRST READING **Isaiah 35:4-7a** Pew Bible p. 578

SECOND READING **James 2:1-10 [11-13] 14-17**
Pew Bible p. 951

GOSPEL READING **Mark 7:24-37** Pew Bible p. 869

L: The holy gospel according to Mark, the 7th Chapter

C: Glory to you, O Lord

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

MESSAGE Pastor Adam

HYMN OF THE DAY **“Amazing Grace”** ELW #779

APOSTLE’S CREED

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Hear us, O God, **Your mercy is great.**

SHARING OF THE PEACE

*Please be aware of illness. 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 **“We Give Thee”** ELW #686 v 1

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.

LORD'S PRAYER

BENEDICTION

CLOSING HYMN *"Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing"*

ELW #886 (vs 1,2,3 and 5,6)

DISMISSAL

L: Go in peace. Follow Jesus.

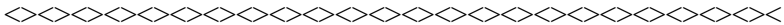
C: We will! Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE

WELCOME to worship at American Lutheran Church. Tomorrow, we gather at Cottonwood Lake to kick off the Wednesday / Sunday School Year! The theme this year is Walking with Jesus.

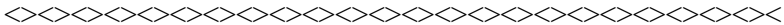
JOIN US NEXT WEEK for Peters Confession of Faith, Mark 8:27-38.

RADIO SPONSORSHIP is in celebration of Wednesday/Sunday School and Confirmation!



Attendance: Saturday: 35; Sunday: 95

Offering: \$7,067; Borrowed: \$60,000



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 our Give Now option. Please note: it costs thirty-nine cents per online transaction

plus three percent of how much you give.

PARABLES & PROVERBS! Youth in grades 7th-12th go to Sioux Falls with Tera to see an amazing musical called Parables & Proverbs **tomorrow!** We will leave the church parking lot at **2pm**, go to the show, and then go to Pizza Ranch afterwards! Cost is \$40 and includes transportation, tickets, and Pizza Ranch!



SMALL GROUP CONFIRMATION GUIDES will be installed on Wednesday, September 11th. We would like to say a huge thank you to all those who have decided to give of their time and energy to be confirmation guides this year!

PARENT MEETINGS for Sunday/Wednesday school will be held during the first class sessions on Wednesday, September 11th in the Sanctuary and Sunday, September 15th in the Fellowship Hall. If you have any questions please contact Tera at 822-3377 or teraalc@gmail.com or contact the church office at 831-1794. Thanks!

FALL PROGRAMMING will begin on Wednesday, September 11th:
5:00pm Wednesday Night Supper/Walking Tacos!
5:30pm ALC Choir
5:30pm Wednesday School
6:30pm Wednesday Worship
7:30pm 7th-9th Grade Confirmation

ALC DAY at LSS Meals is **Thursday, September 12th**. This is open to ALL ages! They will be serving pot roast with gravy, mashed potatoes, carrots, dinner roll, and dessert! The meal is served at 11:30am. Please call 507-831-6161, at least one day in advance, to let them know if you plan to attend! **P.S.** Did you know that you can order food from LSS Meals just like you could from a restaurant? Of course you get the meal that is being served that day, but you can pick it up after 11 and be on your way! Cost of a meal is \$8.75 for those under 60 and \$5 for those 60 and over! Where else can you get a **healthy, balanced, full meal deal for \$8.75?** Check it out!

NEXT WEEK'S NOISY OFFERING is designated for Wednesday Night Supper- Everybody Eats! This ministry is fully self-funded. Without the help of generous donations, we would not be able to have a ministry like this! Your donation of money or food makes it possible to have enough for everyone to eat, even if they can't afford to chip in financially! Please bring your spare change next week! The suppers will begin on September 11th and run through the school year. The menu will be shared each week. The meals will be family friendly. ALL are invited to attend even if you are not a regular Wednesday evening attender.



BACK TO SCHOOL GRILL OUT at Tera and Kent's was postponed until **September 15th**, 5pm-7pm! Friends are welcome! Please RSVP by September 11th.

CULTURAL HUMILITY WATCH PARTY - Tuesday, 9/17 at 7:00 PM *Are things a little tense in relationships? Are things feeling a little too divided in this election season? What if we were able to step*

back and get a better feel where the other person was coming from? Aaron Suomala Folkerds, a pastor who served in the SW MN Synod, teacher, and part-time wellness coordinator for the Moorhead Police Department will come to us by ZOOM and give us some tips. Join Pastor Sarah for this event!

GLOW WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY Thursday, September 19th at 2pm in the meeting room across from the church office. The study is based off the September Gather Magazine. If you need a copy, please see Melanie in the church office.



SAVE THE DATES! Our 3 year olds AND 3rd Graders will be receiving their Bibles on Wednesday, September 18th during worship and on **Sunday, September 22nd** during worship.



ADOPT A HIGHWAY CLEAN-UP Last spring for Earth Day, volunteers from ALC adopted the first section of US Highway 71 south and removed 25 bags of litter from our road sides. It was so rewarding to clean up our environment! 12 volunteers over age 14 are needed to continue this important mission of being stewards of our planet. We invite you to wear work clothes to church on September 22nd. Ditch cleanup will commence immediately after service and should be done by kickoff. Please sign up with the church office today!



THE YOUTH AND FAMILY BOARD is hoping to make quilts for our graduating seniors. We will be having an initial meeting on **Sunday, September 22nd at 10:15am** in the meeting room. 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.

THE RESOURCE CENTER (craft center) could use a few things for the upcoming WS/SS year. Items needed include staplers, washable Crayola markers, multi-colored Sharpies, disinfecting wipes, and Scotch tape refills. Donations can be dropped off anytime! Thank you!

LOVE TO SING? Consider these options. ALC Praise Band will lead Wednesday Worship twice a month. They practice on designated Wednesdays from 5:15 - 6:00 pm in the sanctuary. Kari Scheitel is the leader of this group. If you sing or play guitar, this is the group for you! ALC Choir will begin practice in the choir room on **Sept. 18, at 5:30pm**. Come join this fun group of singers!



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!

AMERICAN LUTHERAN CHURCH
JOIN US ON WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 25
DURING SUPPER FOR AN

ICE CREAM
SUNDAE
BAR
FREEWILL DONATION



The Discipleship, Stewardship & Marketing Board will be hosting a Sundae Bar with multiple toppings to pick from as a fundraiser to help support the work of our missionary, Carolyn Schneider in Guyana. Come enjoy the regularly scheduled Wednesday night supper and then save room for dessert!



EXCITING NEWS!!!! We are getting a new church directory! You will see all of the detailed information in your September Messenger or on the flyers hanging around the church! Please contact the church office if you have any questions!



Prayer MCPRAYER is starting up again! This is simply a time together with your friends each Friday morning at McDonald's. The Methodist church pays for your breakfast and there are 3 different leaders who rotate giving a devotion each week. You can start arriving any time after 6:30AM. There are devotions and prayer at 7am. First session is **Friday, September 20th**.

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.

THIS WEEK AT AMERICAN LUTHERAN

Sunday, September 8th

Rally Day at the Lake- Kickoff to the School Year

Second Sunday Noisy Offering

9:00 AM Rally Day Worship at the Lake & Noisy Offering. With installation of Sun./Wed. School Teachers/Volunteers & Prayer Partners. Blessing of the Backpacks
10:00 AM Rally Day PANCAKE BREAKFAST at the lake served by the Lions Club
10:30 AM Broadcast of Worship Service on KDOM
2:00 PM

Monday, September 9th

7:00 PM Bell Choir

Tuesday, September 10th

8:00AM Men's Bible Study
12:00 PM Trust Fund
1:15 PM Staff Team Huddle
2:00 PM Altar Guild
6:00 PM Youth & Family Bd
7:00 PM Budget & Finance Bd
7:00 PM Christian Ed Bd
7:00 PM Disc/Marketing and Stewardship Bd
8:00 PM Church Council

Wednesday, September 11th

9:00 AM Windom Ministerial Association
5:00 PM Wednesday Night Supper – Walking Tacos
5:30 PM Wednesday School
5:30 PM Wednesday School Parent Meeting, Sanctuary
6:30 PM Wednesday Worship w/ Holy Communion, Noisy Offering, & Installation of Confirmation Small Group Guides
7:30 PM Confirmation (7th, 8th, & 9th Grade)

Thursday, September 12th

9:00 AM Bulletin Deadline
10:00 AM Cable TV Ch 22
11:30 AM ALC Day at LSS Meals
6:30 PM Cable TV, Ch 22

Friday, September 13th

Saturday, September 14th

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

Sunday, September 15th

9:00 AM Worship
10:00 AM Skylight Court-Coffee Hour
10:15 AM Sunday School
10:15 AM Sunday School Parent Meeting, Fellowship Hall
10:30 AM Broadcast of Worship Service on KDOM