

The American Lutheran Church of Windom

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

All Are Welcome!



Sunday, January 19th, 2025 9:00 AM
Second Sunday after Epiphany

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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

MicheLe Larson, Organist

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Trent Moe-Gideons

Temple Talk-Directory-Melanie

INVOCATION

CONFESSION / FORGIVENESS

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

L: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Merciful God,

C: use us to speak blessing and compassion into the world. Forgive us for the ways we act with judgment, cruelty, or indifference. We ignore the needs of our neighbors; we resist your call to oppose injustice; we give in to scarcity and fear; we assume the worst about one another. Cleanse us from our faults and release us from their grasp. Show us your lovingkindness. Restore our hearts and repair your world, that we may live in Christ's ways. Amen.

L: God proclaims these words of assurance:

“Do not fear, for I have redeemed you. I have called you by name. You are mine.”

In ✠ Christ, you are forgiven.

In the Spirit, you are made free.

Refreshed by the waters of mercy,

live anew as beloved children of God.

Amen.

OPENING HYMN *“Arise Your Light Has Come”* ELW #314

KYRIE Setting 4 ELW p.147

HYMN OF PRAISE *“This Little Light of Mine”* ELW #677 (vs 1)

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Lord God, source of every blessing, you showed forth your glory and led many to faith by the works of your Son, who brought gladness and salvation to his people. Transform us by the Spirit of his love, that we may find our life together in him, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

PSALM

Psalm 36:5-10

Pew Bible: p.443

(Please read responsively)

Reader: James Erickson

L. Your steadfast love, O LORD, extends to the heavens, your faithfulness to the clouds.

C. Your righteousness is like the mighty mountains, your judgements are like the great deep; you save humans and animals alike, O LORD.

L. How precious is your steadfast love, O God! All people may take refuge in the shadow of your wings.

C. They feast on the abundance of your house, and you give them drink from the river of your delights.

L. For with you is the fountain of life; in your light we see light.

C. O continue your steadfast love to those who know you, and your salvation to the upright of heart!

SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 12:1-11

Pew Bible: p.933

Reader: James Erickson

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

GOSPEL READING

John 2:1-11

Pew Bible: p. 863

L: The holy gospel according to John the 2nd 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 *“Songs of Thankfulness and Praise”*

ELW #311

APOSTLES 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

“We Are An Offering”

ALC #17

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

“Beautiful Savior”

ELW #338

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Share the Good News!
We Will! Thanks be to God!

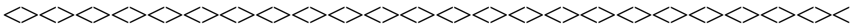
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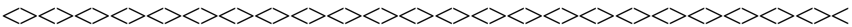
WELCOME to worship at American Lutheran Church. Welcome to **Trent Moe** from the Gideons. In the reading, six stone water jars filled with up to 180 gallons, turned into wine! A miracle, but how?

JOIN US NEXT WEEK for Reading from the Scroll, Luke 4:14-21.

RADIO SPONSORSHIP was given in memory of Eunice Erpestad and Duane Pingeon



Attendance: Wednesday: 95; Saturday: 27; Sunday: 94
Offering: \$10,777



Acolytes: Elie Kleven, Mackenzi Meyeraan

Reader: James Erickson

Technology: Bob Johnson, Daron Friesen, Eugene Hanchett, Tom Wickie



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GLOW will be meeting for quilting again on Tuesday, January 21st from 9am-2pm! Bring a sack lunch and stay all day or you can just stay as long as you can! No experience necessary! Come and join in this rewarding ministry!

RADIO SPONSORSHIPS are available for most of February, March, and April. To sponsor a Sunday broadcast, the cost is \$57. Please contact the church office if you would like to sponsor a Sunday radio broadcast.

CAN YOU HELP? GLOW is looking for a few items for their baby care kits. They are in need of receiving blankets and undershirts size 6mo-24mo. Items can be dropped off in the church office. Thank you for considering!



SAVE THE DATE for the Annual Meeting **on Sunday, January 26th** immediately following worship in the Fellowship Hall. There will be coffee and donuts!

Annual meeting packets are available on the table in the Narthex. **TODAY** during coffee hour, Treasurer Kevin Heggeseh will be giving an update on the budget.



DONUTS WITH GROWN-UPS for WS/SS will be on Wednesday, January 29th and Sunday, February 2nd. Grown-ups are invited to join their students in the Fellowship Hall during the regular class times! Please join us for this fun event!

SAVE THE DATE! 7th-12th Grade Winter Fun Day at the Arena will be on Sunday, February 2nd from 1pm-3pm. There will be a contest to see who can score the most points against Pastor Adam on the Racquetball Court! Prize to the winner! Cost is FREE! Friends Welcome!

ATTENTION 6TH-8TH GRADERS!! You are invited to attend Faithfest at Augustana University in Sioux Falls! This will be an overnight trip on Saturday, February 8th. The group will leave at 8am on Saturday, and return by 5pm on Sunday, February 9th. The cost is \$75 for the event, 3 meals, hotel, and transportation! Account money can be used. **Students must sign up with Tera by Wednesday, January 22nd!**

THANK YOU to all who have donated books to the library! If you have not checked out the library yet, you should OR check it out again! There is a good variety of NEW titles that have been added. The check out process is simple and there are instructions listed for you! The best part is, there is no deadline to return your book! Did you know that there are also puzzles! LOTS OF PUZZLES TO CHOOSE FROM!

OUR PHOTO DIRECTORIES ARE IN! They will be available for pick up at the office during office hours and **TODAY AFTER WORSHIP!** The cost is \$15 each. If you can't remember if you ordered a printed one or not, please call the church office, we have a list of all who ordered. To access the directory online you can go to the website

www.instantchurchdirectory.com or you can download the app (Instant Church Directory) from your device's app store. It will ask you for the email address you have listed in the directory. Then you create a password and that's it! If you need help with this, or if you are wondering if your email address is listed in the directory you can stop in the office or call anytime, and Melanie can help you. She will also be available after worship to assist you!

STAYING IN TOUCH If you are anticipating surgery, have a loved one in the hospital, or are going through a difficult time, please let your pastors or the church office know, so that we can visit you, or walk alongside you in the best way possible.



DID YOU KNOW that you can become a member at American Lutheran Church at **any time**? 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!

QUILTING FOR GRADUATES will be meeting **NEXT SUNDAY**, January 26th from 3pm-6pm. No Experience necessary! Come when you can, leave when you need to.

THANK YOU AND WELCOME Thank you to those who have decided to run another term on their current boards. And **WELCOME** to those who have graciously agreed to give of their time to become a new member on a board. Board members will be installed on Wednesday, January 29th or on Sunday, February 2nd. Please choose which day works best for you!

TIDBITS TO PONDER

MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. on what really matters

Exactly two months before his assassination, Martin Luther King Jr. preached his final sermon at Ebenezer Baptist Church in Atlanta. On February 4, 1968, the civil-rights icon spoke about how he wanted to be remembered at his funeral. He preferred that people recall not his education or achievements but that he “tried to give his life serving others” and “tried to love somebody.”

Adapting a 1952 homily by J. Wallace Hamilton, King decried the “drum major instinct — a desire to be out front, a desire to lead the parade.”

Humans often want to be great and first, as evidenced by the disciples James and John requesting prime seats in paradise. But King urged listeners to focus on the “reordered priorities” of Jesus, who wants us to “be first in love.”

As Jesus showed, “everybody can serve,” King said. Your background or status doesn’t matter, as long as you have “a heart full of grace” and “a soul generated by love.”



THIS WEEK AT AMERICAN LUTHERAN

Sunday, January 19th

Gideon Sunday

9:00 AM Worship

10:00 AM Skylight Court Coffee Hour w/Budget Presentation

10:15 AM Sunday School

10:30 AM Broadcast of Worship Service on KDOM

Monday, January 20th

Martin Luther King Jr. Day

Messenger Deadline

Tuesday, January 21st

8:00 AM Men's Bible Study

9:00 AM GLOW Sewing

1:15 AM Staff Team Huddle

Wednesday, January 22nd

1:30 PM Hillside Manor

2:30 PM Pine View

5:00 PM Wednesday Supper-Beef Stroganoff, egg noodles, green beans, bread

5:15 PM Praise Band Practice

5:30 PM Wednesday School

6:30 PM Wednesday Worship w/Holy Communion

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

Thursday, January 23rd

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, January 24th

Saturday, January 25th

5:30 PM Chapel Service

Sunday, January 26th

9:00 AM Worship

10:00 AM Annual Meeting

10:15 AM Sunday School

10:30 AM Broadcast of Worship Service on KDOM

3:00 PM-6:00 PM Quilting for Graduates