The American Lutheran Church of Windom

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

All Are Welcome!
"From now
on you will

be catching people."

LUKE 5:10, NRSV

Sunday, February 9th, 2025 9:00 AM Fifth 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

Angie Erickson, Pianist

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS Noisy Offering-Helping Hands Fund Youth Announcements

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 "Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty!"

ELW #413

KYRIE ELW #157

HYMN OF PRAISE "Let the Whole Creation Cry" ELW #876 (vs 1)

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Most holy God, the earth is filled with your glory, and before you, angels and saints stand in awe. Enlarge our vision to see your power at work in the world, and by your grace make us heralds of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

FIRST READING Isaiah 6:1-8 [9-13] Pew Bible: p. 553

Reader: Irene Swanson

SECOND READING 1 Corinthians 15:1-11 Pew Bible: p.971

Reader: Irene Swanson

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

GOSPEL READING Luke 5:1-11 Pew Bible: p. 836

L: The holy gospel according to Luke the 5th 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 "O God of Mercy, God of Light" ELW #714 (vs 1-2, 5-6)

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 "This Little Light of Mine" ELW #677

Vs. 1

OFFERTORY PRAYER

God of grace, your love reaches to the heavens, and your abundance to the depths of the seas. Bless what we offer to your service: our gifts, our abilities, and our hearts. Let us overflow with gratitude and generosity, now and always. Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

BENEDICTION

CLOSING HYMN

"Here I Am, Lord"

ELW #574

DISMISSAL

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

POSTLUDE +++++++++

WELCOME to worship at The American Lutheran Church of Windom. In today's message, disciples are sent out to fish for people. We are life long disciples who are to share the message of Jesus.

JOIN US NEXT WEEK for Jesus' Blessings Luke 6:17-26.

RADIO SPONSORSHIP is in memory of Truman & Irene Hartberg's February 12th Wedding Anniversary, given by the Hartberg's.

A RADIO GIFT was given in memory of Margo Odden by Kirk & Alice Odden.

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Attendance: Wednesday: 83; Saturday: 43; Sunday: 107

Offering: \$11,120

Acolytes: Makenzi Meyeraan, Corbin Anderson

Reader: Irene Swanson

Technology: Bob Johnson, Todd Armstrong, Eugene Hanchett



SCAN THIS QR CODE TO GIVE ONLINE

NOISY OFFERING This morning it is designated for the Helping Hands Fund. Helping Hands is a fund here at the American Lutheran Church that allows us to provide help for individuals in need. Remember to bring your spare change. Thank you for your support!

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!

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!

THE SHETEK CONFERENCE (a smaller section of our synod) needs people in leadership roles. They specifically need a conference chairperson and a LYO (Lutheran Youth Organization) advisor. Most of these positions meet just a handful of times a year. If you would like to help our synod out in one of these roles, or have questions, please ask one of your pastors.

BRING YOUR PLASTIC BAGS! Marissa Newman & Makenzie Hetterich are working together to keep plastic out of the landfills for their Eagle Achievement Project. Their goal is to collect 1,000lbs of plastic (like plastic bags) and in turn they will earn a composite bench from NexTrex for Windom Area Schools. There is a box located in the hallway by the office to put your plastic in. Listed on the box is what type of plastic is accepted! Who doesn't want to get rid of their plastic bags! Help them achieve their goal!

BACK THE GRADS! If you would like to be a part of the graduating senior quilts but you're not sure how, we have the perfect solution for you! You can sponsor a quilt backing! Check out the board in the Skylight Court to sponsor a quilt backing!

I AM A WARRIOR Women's Bible Study with Tera will be on Thursday, February 13th at 5:30pm! This is open to all warrior women ages 18-118! Please bring an appetizer to share if you are able!

Q&A WITH PASTOR A will be on Thursday, February 13th at 6pm at Jack Slade's! It's a great time of discussion on many different topics! Laid back and respectful conversation! Come when you can, leave when you need to!

OUR PHOTO DIRECTORIES ARE IN! They will be available for pick up at the office during office. 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.

ADULT LEARNING will be on Sunday, February 16th at 10:15am. This month's Adult Learning is on the ELCA Social Statement on Criminal Justice. Let's explore this section together!

THANK YOU for the great support of our Souper Bowl food drive for the Sharing Center! There were 65lbs of food collected in just 3 short days!

ALL BOARDS AND COUNCIL

RELAUNCH

What? Kick off and sharing of important information for our ministry together for 2025.



Who? Anyone who will serve on a

Board or the Council at ALC this year, returning or newly elected.

When and Where? 02/11/2025 at 6:30 PM in the Fellowship Hall at ALC. Board meetings to follow at 7:00 PM.

Why? Because together, we are the Body of Christ here in this place and there is so much we can do together!

Thank you for serving!

Reminder: Installation of Officers and Board Members for 2025 will be on Wed. 01/29 at 6:30 PM or on Sun. 02/02 at 9:00 AM

PLEASE SUPPORT GLOBAL REFUGE Global Refuge, formerly

Lutheran Immigration and Refugee Service, is a nonprofit serving newcomers seeking safety, support, and a share in the American dream. Their work is our work, following the biblical mandate to care for the poor, feed the hungry and welcome the stranger. Refugees legally enter the country, after a long process of vetting. They come having fled war or persecution in their own countries. Lutherans, we have proudly been doing this work for 86 years, since the time of the



displacement of peoples caused by World War II. Now, a stop work order has been issued by the State Department that suspended funding of this work and called for staff to immediately stop serving newly arrived refugees in their care, leaving 6,000 newly arrived refugees with the prospect of eviction and food insecurity.

Krish O'Mara Vignarajah, President and CEO of Global Refuge says "It is particularly shameful to leave newly arrived Afghan allies to fend for themselves after the tremendous sacrifices they've made in support of American interests. This is the antithesis of what it means for the United States to keep its promise of protection to the allies of America's longest war."

We can help. As Lutherans and people of faith we will not be dissuaded. If you are able, please help meet the needs of these newcomers today. Thank you for your gifts to Global Refuge! https://www.globalrefuge.org/get-involved/ways-to-give/ Checks can be made payable to Global Refuge and sent to P.O. Box 17467, Baltimore MD 21297-1467.



THIS WEEK AT AMERICAN LUTHERAN

Sunday, February 9th

9:00 AM Worship w/Noisy offering

10:00 AM Skylight Court Café-Coffee Hour

10:15 AM Sunday School

10:30 AM Broadcast of Worship on KDOM

1:00 PM-3:00 PM Quilting for Graduates

Monday, February 10th

7:00 PM Bell Choir

Tuesday, February 11th

8:00 AM Men's Bible Study

1:15 AM Staff Team Huddle

2:00 PM Altar Guild

5:30 PM Youth & Family Board

6:30 PM All Board Relaunch

7:00 PM Budget & Finance, Christian Ed Bd, DMS Bd, Properties Bd, Spiritual

Life & Fellowship Bd, Worship & Music Bd

8:00 PM Church Council

Wednesday, February 12th

9:00 AM Ministerial Association

5:00 PM Wednesday Supper-sloppy jo, baked beans, chips

5:15 PM Praise Band Practice

5:30 PM Choir Practice

5:30 PM Wednesday School

6:30 PM Wednesday Worship

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

Thursday, February 13th

9:00 AM Bulletin Deadline

10:00 AM Cable TV, CH 22

5:30 PM Women's Bible Study w/Tera

6:00 PM Q&A w/Pastor A @ Jack Slade's

6:30 PM Cable TV, CH 22

Friday, February 14th

Saturday, February 15th

5:30 PM Chapel Service w/Holy Communion

Sunday, February 16th

9:00 AM Worship

10:00 AM Skylight Court Café-Coffee Hour

10:15 AM Adult Learning- ELCA Social Statement on Criminal Justice

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10:30 AM Broadcast of Worship Service on KDOM

2:00 PM Shetek Conference Assembly- First Lutheran, Worthington