

WELCOME



AMERICAN LUTHERAN CHURCH

17th Sunday after Pentecost
ELW Holy Communion Setting Three
Sunday, October 5, 2025

OUR MISSION

Jesus Christ calls American Lutheran Church to nourish the world by faithfully sharing His gifts.

Praise God that we can worship together! We pray you will be enlightened by the Holy Spirit and strengthened in the faith that trusts in our Lord Jesus Christ and praises him for the gift of our salvation. Peace be with you.

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WELCOME VISITORS!

We are so happy you've joined us today. If you have any questions about our service or facilities, please reach out to an usher. If you are a guest please fill out the yellow slip and place it in the offering plate.

The children will be invited up front during the children's message – please feel free to join us!

All who are baptized are welcome to receive communion. If you would prefer to receive a blessing only, come with your hands folded.

If you are looking for a church home, know you are always welcome here.

Please note: In order to conserve paper we are eliminating printing the whole service.

You can use the RED HYMNAL for the following
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ORDER OF WORSHIP

PRELUDE BY KAREN WELTZIN

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM (ELW p. 97)

GATHERING SONG *Now Thank We All Our God* (ELW 840)

GREETING

CANTICLE OF PRAISE (ELW p. 140) THIS IS THE FEAST

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray. Benevolent, merciful God: When we are empty, fill us. When we are weak in faith, strengthen us. When we are cold in love, warm us, that with fervor we may love our neighbors and serve them for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

The assembly is seated.

FIRST READING: Habakkuk 1:1-4; 2:1-4

The reading may be announced:

A reading from Habakkuk.

¹ The oracle that the prophet Habakkuk saw. ² O LORD, how long shall I cry for help, and you will not listen? Or cry to you "Violence!" and you will not save?

³ Why do you make me see wrongdoing and look at trouble? Destruction and violence are before me; strife and contention arise. ⁴ So the law becomes slack, and justice never prevails. The wicked surround the righteous; therefore judgment comes forth perverted.

^{2:1} I will stand at my watchpost and station myself on the rampart; I will keep watch to see what he will say to me and what he will answer concerning my

complaint. ²Then the LORD answered me and said: Write the vision; make it plain on tablets, so that a runner may read it. ³For there is still a vision for the appointed time; it speaks of the end and does not lie. If it seems to tarry, wait for it; it will surely come; it will not delay. ⁴Look at the proud! Their spirit is not right in them, but the righteous live by their faithfulness.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 37:1-9

¹ Do not be provoked by evildoers; do not be jealous of those who do wrong.

² **For they shall soon wither like the grass, and like the green grass fade away.**

³ Put your trust in the LORD and do good; dwell in the land and find safe pasture.

⁴ **Take delight in the LORD, who shall give you your heart’s desire. R**

⁵ Commit your way to the LORD; put your trust in the LORD, and see what God will do.

⁶ **The LORD will make your vindication as clear as the light and the justice of your case like the noonday sun.**

⁷ Be still before the LORD and wait patiently. Do not be provoked by the one who prospers, the one who succeeds in evil schemes.

⁸ **Refrain from anger, leave rage alone; do not be provoked; it leads only to evil.**

⁹ For evildoers shall be cut off, but those who hope in the LORD shall possess the land. **R**

SECOND READING: 2 Timothy 1:1-14

The reading may be announced:

A reading from 2 Timothy.

¹ Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, for the sake of the promise of life that is in Christ Jesus, ²To Timothy, my beloved child: Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord.

³I am grateful to God—whom I worship with a clear conscience, as my ancestors did—when I remember you constantly in my prayers night and day. ⁴ Recalling your tears, I long to see you so that I may be filled with joy. ⁵I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that lived first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, lives in you. ⁶ For this reason I remind you to rekindle the gift of God that is within you through the laying on of my hands, ⁷ for God did not give us a spirit of cowardice but rather a spirit of power

and of love and of self-discipline.

⁸ Do not be ashamed, then, of the testimony about our Lord or of me his prisoner, but join with me in suffering for the gospel, in the power of God, ⁹ who saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works but according to his own purpose and grace, and this grace was given to us in Christ Jesus before the ages began, ¹⁰ but it has now been revealed through the appearing of our Savior Jesus Christ, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. ¹¹ For this gospel I was appointed a herald and an apostle and a teacher, ¹² and for this reason I suffer as I do. But I am not ashamed, for I know the one in whom I have put my trust, and I am sure that he is able to guard until that day the deposit I have entrusted to him. ¹³ Hold to the standard of sound teaching that you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. ¹⁴ Guard the good deposit entrusted to you, with the help of the Holy Spirit living in us.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (ELW p. 142)

GOSPEL: Luke 17:5-10

The gospel is announced.

The holy gospel according to Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord.

⁵The apostles said to the Lord, “Increase our faith!” ⁶The Lord replied, “If you had faith the size of a mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, ‘Be uprooted and planted in the sea,’ and it would obey you.

⁷ “Who among you would say to your slave who has just come in from plowing or tending sheep in the field, ‘Come here at once and take your place at the table’? ⁸ Would you not rather say to him, ‘Prepare supper for me; put on your apron and serve me while I eat and drink; later you may eat and drink’? ⁹ Do you thank the slave for doing what was commanded? ¹⁰ So you also, when you have done all that you were ordered to do, say, ‘We are worthless slaves; we have done only what we ought to have done!’ ”

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

The assembly is seated.

⁴**HYMN OF THE DAY *Gracious Spirit, Heed Our Pleading*(ELW 401)**

CREED (ELW P.105)

PRAYER SONG ELW #751

THE PRAYERS

God of grace, **receive our prayer.**

Blessing of Lutheran World Relief Personal Care Kits and School Kits

After the work of collecting, stitching, and packing, we gather to bless these gifts of love and pray for those who will receive them.

Scripture

Acts 2:43–47.

Blessing

Invite participants to extend their arms in blessing.

Litany

L: God, our neighbors around the world need hope. Open our hearts and hands to see your presence near and far.

C: **Jesus, help us speak words of hope.**

L: We thank you for fabric, thread, sewing machines, and all collected items. May these quilts wrap others in love, and these kits bring dignity and healing.

C: **Jesus, help us see hope in our neighbors.**

L: Bless those who labored and those who will deliver these gifts. Keep them strong and safe.

C: **Jesus, help us share hope.**

L: Be with those who receive these gifts. May they feel your love and taste your goodness.

C: **Amen.**

Sending

L: Filled with God's hope, go and be signs of love and justice to neighbors near and far, in the name of the Father, + the Son, and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

PEACE (ELW p.143)

THE OFFERING IS RECEIVED (ELW #186)

Noisy offering: Knights of Columbus

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Let us pray. **God of all creation, all you have made is good, and your love en-**

dures forever. You bring forth bread from the earth and fruit from the vine. Nourish us with these gifts, that we might be for the world signs of your gracious presence in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING (ELW P.144)

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY (ELW p. 144)

LORD'S PRAYER (ELW P.145)

COMMUNION

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray. **O God, we give you thanks that you have set before us this feast, the body and blood of your Son. By your Spirit strengthen us to serve all in need and to give ourselves away as bread for the hungry, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

BLESSING

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ☩ give you peace.

Amen.

SENDING SONG *Let Justice Flow like Streams* (ELW 717)

POSTLUDE: KAREN WELTZIN

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Blessing of LWR Kits

Today we give thanks and ask God's blessing on the **25 School Kits** and **31 Personal Care Kits** lovingly assembled by our congregation. These gifts will soon travel across the world to bring hope, comfort, and opportunity to those in need. Thank you to everyone who donated items, time, and prayers to make this ministry possible! ***After worship, volunteers are needed to help pack the kits for shipping.***

Noisy Offering

The Knights of Columbus are unable to collect donations outside Casey's or Kwik Star this year. Instead, they are asking each church in Jesup to support their annual fund drive. We will be taking a noisy offering **today and next Sunday**, with all gifts donated to help support their ministries.

Remember our members in your prayers: Wendel, Gene, Shirley, Jeanne , Bill and Marie

Prayer Chain: Contact Kaye Jones kayejns@gmail.com or the office-
secretary@americanlutheranjesup.org

Join us for Cottage Meetings! Sign up sheet at the back of the church

In October and November the Council will be conducting cottage meetings to gather your feedback and listen to your needs. Each of these meetings will be small, open discussions about your needs, what you're currently getting from our church, and what you hope to see us grow into. You only need to join us for one meeting from the dates below. Please sign up for a meeting on the sign up sheet at the back of the church, by calling at (319-827-6626), or by emailing Chris at secretary@americanlutheranjesup.org. If you are unable to attend one of these meetings but would like to provide your thoughts, please reach out to a Council member. We look forward to hearing your voice about the future of ALC!

All meetings will be held at the church on the following dates:

- o Wednesday, October 15, 2025 @ 2:00 PM
- o Sunday, October 19, 2025 @ 10:30 AM
- o Wednesday, October 22, 2025 @ 6:00 PM
- o Sunday, October 26, 2025 @ 5:00 PM
- o Wednesday, October 29, 2025 @ 2:00 PM
- o Sunday, November 2, 2025 @ 10:30 AM
- o Wednesday, November 5, 2025 @ 6:00 PM
- o Sunday, November 9, 2025 @ 5:00 PM

2025 Fall Craft & Vendor Show Falcon Civic Center—Saturday, October 18th

9am to 3pm free admission. If you are a crafter or vendor and would like to get a booth in this show the fee is \$35 for an 8x8 space with a table and two chairs. All crafters and vendors must have sales tax ID# to participate in the show contact Angie 319-334-6711

THIS WEEK AT ALC

Sunday, October 5th

9am Worship with Communion
4pm Contemporary Worship
5pm Confirmation

Wednesday, October 8th

6pm Worship Wednesdays

Thursday, October 9th

6:30pm Thursday's with God Bible Zoom

Sunday, October 12th

9am Worship with Communion
4pm Contemporary Worship
5pm Confirmation

BY THE NUMBERS

Attendance September 28th

9am 29

4pm 16

Offering: **9/28/2025**

Current: \$1702

Benevolence: \$170

Improvement: \$45

LDR \$50

Youth \$100

Funds for Leaders \$100

Current Balance as of 8/31/25

Checking: \$1,788.90

Savings:\$32,876.36

Improvement \$50,681.09

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Military members: Military members:

Christa Leach has returned from deployment and is still with the 434th Air Force Reserve Unit in Grissom, Indiana. Jordan and Justin continue their monthly drills with the 185th Air Refueling Wing in Sioux City. Jeryn Loyd is stationed at Fort Knox and in the Army Reserves Cassidee and Cole. Please contact the church office to add other names who serve. We remember them in our prayers.

ASSISTING THIS SUNDAY:

Pastor: Pat Mohr-Kelly

Music: Karen Weltzin

Usher: Tom & Sue Hoey

Deacon: Mike Waring

Reader: Connie Hamilton

Fellowship: Joellen Yeager

ELECTRONIC GIVING IT'S EASY!

Simply Giving is a stress-free, no hassle way to set up automatic giving to ALC. You have the ability to set up one-time or regular giving at a frequency that works best for you. Use your smartphone to scan the QR code below or download the Give+ App to get started. Feel free to reach out to Mike Waring or Sara Borland for more info.

