

WELCOME



AMERICAN LUTHERAN CHURCH

16th Sunday after Pentecost
ELW Holy Communion Setting Three
Sunday, September 28, 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

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS (ELW p. 94)

GATHERING SONG *For the Beauty of the Earth* (ELW 879)

GREETING

CANTICLE OF PRAISE (ELW p. 140)

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray. **O God, rich in mercy, you look with compassion on this troubled world. Feed us with your grace, and grant us the treasure that comes only from you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

The assembly is seated.

FIRST READING: Amos 6:1a, 4-7

The reading may be announced:

A reading from Amos.

^{1a}Woe to those who are at ease in Zion and for those who feel secure on Mount Samaria. ⁴Woe to those who lie on beds of ivory and lounge on their couches and eat lambs from the flock and calves from the stall, ⁵who sing idle songs to the sound of the harp and like David improvise on instruments of music, ⁶who drink wine from bowls and anoint themselves with the finest oils but are not grieved over the ruin of Joseph! ⁷Therefore they shall now be the first to go into exile, and the revelry of the loungers shall pass away.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 146

¹ Hallelujah! Praise the LORD, O my soul!

² **I will praise the LORD as long as I live;**

I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.

³ Put not your trust in rulers, in mortals in whom there is no help.

⁴ **When they breathe their last, they return to earth,
and in that day their thoughts perish. R**

⁵ Happy are they who have the God of Jacob for their help,
whose hope is in the LORD their God;

⁶ **who made heaven and earth, the seas, and all that is in them;
who keeps promises forever;**

⁷ who gives justice to those who are oppressed, and food to those who hunger. The LORD sets the captive free.

⁸ **The LORD opens the eyes of the blind; the LORD lifts up those who are bowed down; the LORD loves the righteous.**

⁹ The LORD cares for the stranger; the LORD sustains the orphan and widow, but frustrates the way of the wicked.

¹⁰ **The LORD shall reign forever,
your God, O Zion, throughout all generations. Hallelujah! R**

SECOND READING: 1 Timothy 6:6-19

The reading may be announced:

A reading from 1 Timothy.

⁶ Of course, there is great gain in godliness combined with contentment, ⁷ for we brought nothing into the world, so that we can take nothing out of it, ⁸ but if we have food and clothing, we will be content with these. ⁹ But those who want to be rich fall into temptation and are trapped by many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. ¹⁰ For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil, and in their eagerness to be rich some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pains.

¹¹ But as for you, man of God, shun all this; pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance, gentleness. ¹² Fight the good fight of the faith; take hold of the eternal life to which you were called and for which you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses. ¹³ In the presence of God, who gives life to all things, and of Christ Jesus, who in his testimony before Pontius Pilate made the good confession, I charge you ¹⁴ to keep the commandment without spot or blame until the manifestation of our Lord Jesus Christ, ¹⁵ which he will bring about at the right time—he who is the blessed and only Sovereign,

the King of kings and Lord of lords. ¹⁶ It is he alone who has immortality and dwells in unapproachable light, whom no one has ever seen or can see; to him be honor and eternal dominion. Amen.

¹⁷ As for those who in the present age are rich, command them not to be haughty or to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches but rather on God, who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. ¹⁸ They are to do good, to be rich in good works, generous, and ready to share, ¹⁹ thus storing up for themselves the treasure of a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of the life that really is life.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (ELW p. 142)

GOSPEL: Luke 16:19-31

The gospel is announced.

The holy gospel according to Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said:] ¹⁹ "There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. ²⁰ And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, ²¹ who longed to satisfy his hunger with what fell from the rich man's table; even the dogs would come and lick his sores. ²² The poor man died and was carried away by the angels to be with Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried. ²³ In Hades, where he was being tormented, he lifted up his eyes and saw Abraham far away with Lazarus by his side. ²⁴ He called out, 'Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue, for I am in agony in these flames.' ²⁵ But Abraham said, 'Child, remember that during your lifetime you received your good things and Lazarus in like manner evil things, but now he is comforted here, and you are in agony. ²⁶ Besides all this, between you and us a great chasm has been fixed, so that those who might want to pass from here to you cannot do so, and no one can cross from there to us.' ²⁷ He said, 'Then I beg you, father, to send him to my father's house ²⁸ for I have five brothers—that he may warn them, so that they will not also come into this place of torment.' ²⁹ Abraham replied, 'They have Moses and the prophets; they should listen to them.' ³⁰ He said, 'No, father Abraham, but if someone from the dead goes to them, they will repent.' ³¹ He said to him, 'If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced even if someone rises from the dead.' " The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON

The assembly is seated.

HYMN OF THE DAY *God's Word Is Our Great Heritage* (ELW 509)

CREED (ELW P.105)

PRAYER SONG ELW #751

THE PRAYERS

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

PEACE (ELW p.143)

THE OFFERING IS RECEIVED (ELW #182)

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Let us pray. **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.**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING (ELW P.144)

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY (ELW p. 144)

LORD’S PRAYER (ELW P.145)

COMMUNION

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray. **God of abundance, with this bread of life and cup of salvation you have united us with Christ, making us one with all your people. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue forever in the risen life of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

SENDING HYMN *On Our Way Rejoicing* ELW 537

BLESSING

Almighty God, Father, ☩ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.
Amen.

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Share the good news.
Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE: KAREN WELTZIN

ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Check out the bulletin board as you come into worship
there is a lot going on at ALC!**

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

Tailgate Feast at Zion Lutheran

Sunday, September 28 • 4:30–6:30 PM Enjoy brats or burgers with sides, chips, beans, and dessert! Dine in for fellowship or drive-thru for convenience. Cost: \$10 (ages 6+), kids 5 & under free. Proceeds support Zion's ministries.

Charitable Giving Through Your IRA

If you're 70½ or older, you can make tax-free charitable gifts (up to \$108,000/year) directly from your IRA. For those 73+, these gifts also count toward your required minimum distribution. Contributions must go directly from your IRA custodian to the charity—American Lutheran Church qualifies. Talk with your IRA custodian, tax advisor, or our Financial Secretary, Mike Waring, for details.

Soles4Souls Shoe Drive

Bring new or gently used shoes to the collection box in the lower narthex starting September 1. Every pair helps change a life—thank you for your support!

Thursdays with God

Fireside Room or via Zoom:
Thursdays, 6:00–7:30 PM

This series takes a fresh look at Paul—his background, transformation, and lasting influence. We’ll explore questions like:

- Was Paul a Roman citizen or Pharisee—or both?
- How was he raised?
- What did he really think about women?

Join us and discover Paul in a whole new light!

Grounded in Prayer

Join a 6-week small group study on prayer to deepen your prayer life. Meeting time and place will be set by participants. Sign up by writing “Prayer Group” and your name on a slip (pink in hymnal holder) and place it in the offering plate, or contact Pastor Pat, Chris, or Kaye Jones.

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, Sept. 28th

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

Wednesday, October 1st

6pm Worship Wednesdays

Thursday, October 2nd

9am Womens’s Bible Study
6:30pm Thursday’s with God Bible
Zoom

Sunday, October 5th

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

BY THE NUMBERS

Attendance September 21st
9am 30
4pm 10

Offering: **9/21/2025**

Current: \$2408

Benevolence: \$702.18

Improvement: \$458

Royal Family Kid Camp \$125

Memorial Women Proj. \$100

Youth \$40

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: Sheila Collins, Wayne Schneider
Deacon: Amber Reuter
Reader: Connie Hamilton
Fellowship: Chris Waring

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.

