

WELCOME



AMERICAN LUTHERAN CHURCH

15th Sunday after Pentecost
WOV Holy Communion Setting Five: Bread of Life
Sunday, September 21, 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 BLUE HYMNAL for the following
(WOV p. #) = Page number (WOV #) = Hymn number

ORDER OF WORSHIP

PRELUDE BY CASSIE GORMAN

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS (WOV p. 10)

ENTRANCE HYMN *Listen, Spirit of Gentleness* (WOV 684)

GREETING

KYRIE (WOV p. 28)

PRAYER OF THE DAY (WOV p. 16)

The salutation may precede the prayer.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

Lord God, you call us to work in your vineyard and leave no one standing idle. Set us to our tasks in the work of your kingdom, and help us to order our lives by your wisdom; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

FIRST READING: Amos 8:4-7

A reading from Amos.

⁴ Hear this, you who trample on the needy, and bring to ruin the poor of the land, ⁵ saying, "When will the new moon be over so that we may sell grain, and the Sabbath, so that we may offer wheat for sale? We will make the ephah smaller and the shekel heavier and practice deceit with false balances, ⁶ buying the poor for silver and the needy for a pair of sandals and selling the sweepings of the wheat." ⁷ The LORD has sworn by the pride of Jacob: Surely I

will never forget any of their deeds.
The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 113

¹ Hallelujah! Give praise, you servants of the LORD; praise the name of the LORD.
² **Let the name of the LORD be blessed, from this time forth for evermore.**
³ From the rising of the sun to its going down
let the name of the LORD be praised.
⁴ **The LORD is high above all nations, and his glory above the heavens. R**
⁵ Who is like the LORD our God, who sits enthroned on high,
but stoops to behold the heavens and the earth?
⁶ **He takes up the weak out of the dust and lifts up the poor from the ashes.**
⁷ He sets them with the princes, with the princes of his people.
⁸ **He makes the woman of a childless house to be a joyful mother of children. R**

SECOND READING: 1 Timothy 2:1-7

A reading from 1 Timothy.
¹ First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for everyone, ² for kings and all who are in high positions, so that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and dignity. ³ This is right and acceptable before God our Savior, ⁴ who desires everyone to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. ⁵ For there is one God; there is also one mediator between God and humankind, Christ Jesus, himself human, ⁶ who gave himself a ransom for all this was attested at the right time.⁷ For this I was appointed a herald and an apostle (I am telling the truth; I am not lying), a teacher of the gentiles in faith and truth.
The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (WOV p. 31)

GOSPEL: Luke 16:1-13

The gospel is announced.
The Holy Gospel according to Luke, the 16th chapter.
Glory to you, O Lord.

¹ Then Jesus said to the disciples, “There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was squandering his property. ² So he summoned him and said to him, ‘What is this that I hear about you? Give me an accounting of your management because you cannot be my manager any longer.’ ³ Then the manager said to himself, ‘What will I do, now that my master is taking the position away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. ⁴ I have decided what to do so that, when I am dismissed as manager, people may welcome me into their homes.’ ⁵ So, summoning his master’s debtors one by one, he asked the first, ‘How much do you owe my master?’ ⁶ He answered, ‘A hundred jugs of olive oil.’ He said to him, ‘Take your bill, sit down quickly, and make it fifty.’ ⁷ Then he asked another, ‘And how much do you owe?’ He replied, ‘A hundred containers of wheat.’ He said to him, ‘Take your bill and make it eighty.’ ⁸ And his master commended the dishonest manager because he had acted shrewdly, for the children of this age are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than are the children of light. ⁹ And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of dishonest wealth so that when it is gone they may welcome you into the eternal homes. ¹⁰ “Whoever is faithful in a very little is faithful also in much, and whoever is dishonest in a very little is dishonest also in much. ¹¹ If, then, you have not been faithful with the dishonest wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? ¹² And if you have not been faithful with what belongs to another, who will give you what is your own? ¹³ No slave can serve two masters, for a slave will either hate the one and love the other or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth.”

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ

SERMON

MINISTRY MOMENT: Royal Family Kids Camp.

HYMN OF THE DAY I Want Jesus to Walk with Me (WOV #660)

CREED (WOV p. 32-33)

PRAYER SONG **WOV #772**

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

PEACE (WOV p. 34)

THE OFFERING IS RECEIVED (WOV p. 35)

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Let us pray. Blessed are you,

O Lord our God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts. With them we offer ourselves to your service and dedicate our lives to the care and redemption of all that you have made, for the sake of him who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING (WOV p. 36)

LORD’S PRAYER (WOV p. 39)

COMMUNION (WOV p. 39)

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER (WOV p. 41)

Let us pray.

Almighty God, you provide the true bread from heaven, your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Grant that we who have received the Sacrament of his body and blood may abide in him and he in us, that we may be filled with the power of his endless life, now and forever. Amen

SENDING HYMN (WOV #651) Shine Jesus Shine

BLESSING (WOV p. 41)

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

Amen

DISMISSAL (WOV p. 41)

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE: Cassie Gorman

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

Jesup Ambulance Fundraiser Meal

Saturday, Sept. 27 • 4–7 PM at the Jesup Ambulance Building.
Freewill donation meal: pulled pork sandwiches, cheesy potatoes, baked beans & dessert.

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.

Wisdom of the Ages: Keeping Our Seniors Safe

Saturday, September 27 • 1–2 PM
Winding Creek Meadows, 1044 9th St, Jesup

Join us for a presentation by Riverview Center on senior safety, covering physical safety, financial scams, and awareness of harassment and abuse. Q&A to follow. Light refreshments will be served.

“Protecting our seniors means protecting our whole community.”

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.

Thank you so much for letting my students perform their voice recital last spring. We are very lucky to have such a nice space to perform and have lessons. Thank you, Jessica Saunders/Corkery

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.

THIS WEEK AT ALC

Sunday, Sept. 21st

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

Tuesday, Sept. 23rd

9am Quilters

Wednesday, Sept. 17th

6pm Worship Wednesdays

Thursday, Sept. 18th

6:30pm Thursday's with God Bible Study in person or by Zoom

Sunday, Sept. 28th

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

BY THE NUMBERS

Attendance September 14th

9am 30

4pm 10

4pm no service

Offering: **9/14/2025**

Current: \$5045

Benevolence: \$260

Improvement: \$25

LWR \$100

Youth \$100

Current Balance as of 8/31/25

Checking: \$1,788.90

Savings:\$32,876.36

Improvement \$50,681.09

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: Cassie Gorman
Usher: Sheila Collins, Wayne Schneider
Deacon: Maureen Even
Reader: Jaidyn Wright
Fellowship: Cindy Gosse

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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.

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