

Now the *God* of hope fill
you with all joy and peace
in believing

Romans 15:13



American Lutheran Church (ALC)

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✦ Please stand as you are able.

♪ Prelude Music

We prepare for worship.

✦ Welcome and the Sharing of God's Peace

♪ Opening Hymn "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"

#543 LBW

Confessional Prayer

First Reading

Proverbs 4:18-22

Psalm 116:1-7

READER: 01 I love the LORD because He hears my voice
and my prayer for mercy.

**ALL: 02 Because He bends down to listen,
I will pray as long as I have breath!**

READER: 03 Death wrapped its ropes around me;
the terrors of the grave overtook me!

I saw only trouble and sorrow.

**ALL: 04 So I called on the name of the LORD:
"Please, LORD, save me!"**

READER: 05 How kind the LORD is! How good He is!
So merciful, this God of ours!

**ALL: 06 The LORD protects those of childlike faith;
I was facing death, and He saved me.**

READER: 07 Let my soul be at rest again...

ALL: ... for the LORD has been good to me.

Second Reading

James 1:19-25

✦ The Gospel, God's Good News

Matthew 13:1-9

Children's Sermon

♪ Hymn Requests

Choose your favorites from the hymnals.

- “Abide with Me” #272 LBW
- “Battle Hymn of the Republic” #332 LBW
- “Guide Me Ever, Great Redeemer” #343 LBW
- “I Know that My Redeemer Lives” #352 LBW
- “Lift High the Cross” #377 LBW
- “The King of Love My Shepherd Is” #456 LBW
- “For the Beauty of the Earth” #561 LBW
- “Day by Day” #746 WOV
- “Bind Us Together” #748 WOV
- “Be Thou My Vision” #776 WOV
- “O Christ the Same” #778 WOV
- “On Eagle’s Wings” #779 WOV
- “My Life Flows On in Endless Song” #781 WOV

Sermon “Do You Have Ears?”

Our Tithes and Offerings “Lord, Let My Heart Be Good Soil” #713 WOV

Commissioning of God’s Servants

✦ Prayers of the People

The Lord’s Prayer

**ALL: Our Father, who art in Heaven, hallowed be Thy Name.
Thy Kingdom come; Thy will be done on earth as it is in Heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the Kingdom, and the power,
and the glory forever and ever! Amen.**

♪ Hymn Requests

Choose your favorites from the hymnals.

Benediction

A word of blessing.

♪ Closing Hymn “A Mighty Fortress Is Our God”

#229 LBW

Postlude Music

We depart in peace, ready to serve the LORD!

The Mission Statement of American Lutheran Church

Led by the Holy Spirit and strengthened by the Gospel of Jesus Christ,
we seek to make the Kingdom of God real and present in our
world through ongoing worship, witness, and service.



WELCOME TO WORSHIP!

Visitors are welcome to sign our guest book in the narthex gathering area. If you are looking for a church home, please contact Pastor Ethan or talk to one of the ushers about our American Lutheran Church family!

Our current prayer list includes Deb Adamek, Marlys Arenson, Lee Fearing, Larry Hatton, Mike Holden, Stephanie James, Kay Larson, Linda Maus, Karen Ness, Rose Thorp, Sharon Wiegers, LaVonne (the sister of Elaine Johnson).

Today’s KEYL Radio Broadcast of our worship service is sponsored by John & Helen Monson in honor of their 58th wedding anniversary. Thank you for ensuring God’s Word can reach people over the airwaves!

If you would like to sponsor a broadcast, please sign up on the sheet in the narthex. The cost is \$75. Thank you!

Please consider signing up to serve as an usher or greeter. Sign-up sheets are on the wall in the back of the sanctuary. See Blain Hall, Head Usher, with any questions.

Bible Readings for Next Week: July 31, 2022

Proverbs 11:1,4

James 5:1-6

Psalms 84:1-2, 4, 10

Matthew 13:34-35, 44-45

Sermon Title: “What Do You Treasure?”

Worship Leaders

Pastor: Ethan Fearing

Musician: Jane Olson

Altar Guild: Betty Oliver

Acolyte: Evan Flan

Deacon: Jon Fevig



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Commemorative Kitchen Towels for our American Lutheran Church 90th Anniversary may be ordered by signing up on the bulletin board in the narthex. Please leave payment of \$15 each with Lori in the office. The deadline for ordering towels is today, July 24th.

90th Anniversary Reunion Lunch Sign-Up sheet is on the bulletin board in the narthex. Please sign-up so we can get a head count for the caterers. The reunion lunch will be Sunday, August 28th and there will be no charge for this meal.

“See our accumulating Treasure” Day on Wednesday July 27. We need to have a fun Shoebox organizing day. You have been so faithfully bringing in gifts all year that we can almost not get into our room! We are NOT complaining! This is a wonderful blessing. However, we do need to start counting and figuring in which areas there is still a need. Anyone who has all or part of the 27th open is invited to come help beginning around 9:30 am throughout the day. There are tasks as simple as counting & unwrapping to be done. Love to see U here!

The August issue of The Daily Walk and copies of Our Daily Bread are on the small table at the rear of the sanctuary.

The American Lutheran Church Choir will be practicing this summer on August 10th and August 24th at 6:30 p.m. and August 28th at 8:00 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. (reunion choir practice).

Esther Circle will meet on Wednesday, August 10, 9:30 a.m. at the church. We will be starting a new Women of Faith study entitled “Understanding Purpose”.

CHURCH OUTREACH

Missionaries: Dan and Nancy Butkowski; Dwight and Dorothy Hazard; Chris Mikkelson.

Prayer Partners is our confidential chain of prayer. To request a prayer, send an e-mail to prayer@americanlutheranchurch.org. If you would like your name added or removed from the Prayer Partners' e-mail list, contact Patty Ostendorf or Becky Hillig.

Our Mission Focus for July is our local outreach, Long Prairie missions. Spanish language bibles are purchased and distributed at the food shelf and fair stand. Coburns gift cards have been given out to people coming to the church in crisis.

Weekly Report:

Worship Attendance for last week: 65

General Fund receipts for last week: \$5,920.00

General Fund budgeted weekly needs: \$4,521.21

General Fund Year to Date (YTD) as of 6/30/22:

Budgeted needs: \$117,551.46

Receipts: \$102,012.49

Actual expenses: \$108,790.54

As of July 17th, our 2022 YTD General Budget receipts were \$16,734.83 behind our YTD General Budget needs.

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Online Donations: [on Website](#)

Facebook Page: [American Lutheran Church](#)

Sunday Worship Livestream: [on Facebook](#)

YOUTH & FAMILY

July 24th, 2022

SAVE
THE
DATE

August 14th: Mission Trip Sharing Service

August 24th: Church Family Night at the Drive In

August 27th: Anniversary Kick-off Bonfire at ALC 6:00pm

August 28th: Anniversary Worship Service/Games, etc. to follow!

2022 Mission Trip Itinerary

Thank you for "praying through" our trip with us!

Friday, July 29th: Depart ALC at 8:00 AM- Travel day to Rapid City, SD with a few sightseeing stops along the way

Saturday July 30th: Sightseeing around Rapid City: Mount Rushmore, Custer State Park, the Badlands

Sunday July 31st: Church in Rapid City, followed by lunch and then travel to Eagle Butte, SD; home of Cheyenne River Reservation

Monday-Friday August 1-5th: Mission Trip work days on Cheyenne River Reservation through Next Step Ministries

Saturday, August 6th: Travel back to Long Prairie

Sunday, August 14th: Mission Trip Sharing Service

Youth Missionaries: Ashlyn Christians, Sira Christians, Connor Flan, Evan Flan, Gavin Hasse, Ronelle Hasse, Rebekah Hibbs, Ashley Larson, Ayla Larson, Addison Young, Ellianna Young

Trip Leaders: Kari Christians, Sierra Larson, Jonathan Young



90 Exciting Plans

That is a slight exaggeration! There may not be 90 plans on the table, but American Lutheran 90-year church anniversary will be fun and exciting! **AND** – WE WANT TO BE SURE **YOU** are participating in as many ways as possible. We want to remind you of some responses we want from you!

~ **First** – Tell all your family or friends who have been ALC members about the upcoming celebration. There are “Save the Date” postcards on the table in the narthex which we encourage you to send out.

~ **Please RSVP** to the church at PO Box 119 or phone # 320-732-2932. And, as you rsvp, please let us know how many will be participating in our catered **lunch** and also if you want to be part of a *reunion choir*. **Lunch** will be a 2-meat meal served by Clarissa Ballroom; *reunion choir* will include a short rehearsal sometime early Sunday afternoon

~ **PLEASE search your memory** for your favorite anecdote(s) from your times at ALC. Submit a written copy(ies) to Blanche Tirk at ALC, PO Box 119, ATT: Blanche Tirk **OR** bitlp.tirk@gmail.com so we can compile a fun anniversary booklet which will be distributed to all in attendance

~ **If you have any anniversary suggestions**, please share ideas with Laurie Fevig,

~ **Plan to be here** on Sunday, August 28

Weekly Schedule at American Lutheran Church

Sun. July 24th Deadline to Order Anniversary Towels
9:00 am Mission Trip Commissioning Worship Service
10:15 am Missions Committee Meeting

Tue. July 26th 9:00 am Staff Meeting

Wed. July 27th 9:30 am Shoebox Organizing Day

Fri. July 29th – Sat. Aug. 6th Youth Mission Trip

Sun. July 31st 9:00 am Worship Service with Communion
10:00 am Prayer at Altar after Service
10:15 am Board of Education Meeting

Sunday worship services are radio broadcast on KEYL 1400 AM and 103.1 FM, live-streamed on Facebook, and posted with video recordings of services later on our website.