



**Abiding Savior Lutheran Church**

January 9, 2022

10:00 AM Worship

Baptism of Our Lord Sunday

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\*Stand as you are able

**PRELUDE**

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**\*CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS**

**L** We gather in the name of God, the Creator of Light; + Jesus, the Light of the World; and the Holy Spirit, the Light who illumines our path.

**C** **Amen.**

**P** In this season of light, let us go before God and confess how our words and actions contribute to the darkness instead of adding to the light.

*{Silence for reflection and self-examination}*

**P** God of Love and Light,

**C** **We confess that we are not always the light-bearers you desire us to be. We shine a spotlight on the transgressions of others while trying to keep our own sins hidden in the dark. We burn bridges by being impatient, opinionated and judgmental. Forgive us Jesus, the Everlasting Light. Come to us, abide with us, our Lord, Emmanuel. Teach us to walk as children of light, surrounded by your love, forgiveness and healing. We ask this in the name of Christ. Amen.**

**P** God is light, and in God there is no darkness at all. If we walk in the light as God is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus cleanses us from all sin. Your sins are forgiven for Jesus' sake.

**C** **Amen.**

**\*OPENING HYMN** *Christ, When for Us You Were Baptized*

ELW #304, verse 1 & 4

**Christ, when for us you were baptized, God's Spirit on you came,  
as peaceful as a dove, and yet as urgent as a flame, as urgent as a flame.**

**Baptize us with your Spirit, Lord; your cross on us be signed,  
that likewise in God's service we may perfect freedom find, may perfect freedom find.**

**\*APOSTOLIC GREETING**

**P** The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**C** **And also with you.**

**\*KYRIE**

{to the tune of: *Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus*}

**Lord, have mercy on your people. Christ have mercy on us.  
Shine your light into our darkness. Fill us with your holy love.  
Show us how to love our neighbor. Run to those who cry for help.  
Word made flesh who lives among us. Christ, our Lord, Emmanuel.**

**\*HYMN OF PRAISE**

*Glory to God*

{to the tune of: *Angels We Have Heard on High*}

**Glory be to God on high, peace, goodwill to all the earth.  
Let us sing a joyful song to the Christ, the Living Word.  
Gloria in excelsis Deo; Gloria in excelsis Deo.**

**Love has come to dwell with us. Light now shines on everyone.  
Hope has lifted up our hearts. Joy has made, in us, a home.  
Gloria in excelsis Deo; Gloria in excelsis Deo.**

**\*APOSTOLIC GREETING AND PRAYER OF THE DAY**

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** **And also with you.**

**P** Let us pray.

**C** **Almighty God, you anointed Jesus at his baptism with the Holy Spirit and revealed him as your beloved Son. Keep all who are born of water and the Spirit faithful in your service, that we may rejoice to be called children of God, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

**ANTHEM** Senior Choir *Many and Great, O God Are Thy Works* (Dakota Hymn)

**CHILDREN'S SERMON/CHILDREN'S TIME**

**FIRST READING:** Isaiah 43:1-7

**\*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**      *Hark, the Glad Sound!*

ELW #239

**Hark, the glad sound! The Savior comes, the Savior promised long;  
let ev'ry heart prepare a throne and ev'ry voice a song.**

**\*GOSPEL: Luke 3:15-17, 21-22**

**C**      **Glory to you, O Lord.** *(spoken)*

**P**      The Gospel of the Lord.

**C**      **Praise to you, O Christ.** *(spoken)*

**SERMON**

Pastor Ryan Brodin

**\*HYMN OF THE DAY**

*Baptized in Water*

ELW #456, verses 1 & 3

**Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit, cleansed by the blood of Christ our king:  
heirs of salvation, trusting his promise, faithfully now God's praise we sing.**

**Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit, marked with the sign of Christ our king:  
born of the Spirit, we are God's children; joyfully now God's praise we sing.**

**\*APOSTLES' CREED**

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of  
the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was cruci-  
fied, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He as-  
cended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to  
judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

**\*SHARING OF THE PEACE**

**P**      The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C**      **And also with you.**

*(The pastors and congregation may greet one another in the name of the Lord with Peace be with you)*

## **OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS AND TITHES**

*During the offering time, children are invited to bring forward an offering of dollar bills and loose change to the globe in the front of the church. All the offerings received in the globe go to support our Companion Congregation in Makungu, Tanzania. Adults are encouraged to give their spare change to the children around them to be brought forward.*

## **OFFERTORY MUSIC**

Janelle Schauer

**\*OFFERTORY RESPONSE**     *Prepare the Royal Highway*

ELW #264, vs. 1

**Prepare the royal highway; the King of kings is near!**

**Let ev'ry hill and valley a level road appear!**

**Then greet the King of glory, foretold in sacred story:**

*Refrain: Hosanna to the Lord, for he fulfills God's word!*

## **\*OFFERTORY PRAYER**

P     Let us pray.

C     **God of Light, our world can be a very dark place. Therefore, we offer the gifts of ourselves, our time and our resources, trusting you will use them to set the world aglow with your loving presence. May our offerings continue to shine brightly before others so they may see our good works and give glory to you. We ask this in the name of Christ. Amen.**

## **\*PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH**

P     Lord, in your mercy,

C     **Hear our prayer.**

## **\*LORD'S PRAYER**

ELW pg.145

**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.**

## **\*BENEDICTION**

**\*CLOSING HYMN**

*Spirit of Gentleness*

ELW #298, verses 1 & 4

***Refrain: Spirit, Spirit of gentleness, blow through the wilderness calling and free;  
Spirit, Spirit of restlessness, stir me from placidness, wind, wind on the sea.***

**You moved on the waters, you called to the deep, then you coaxed up the mountains  
from the valleys of sleep; and over the eons you called to each thing:  
"Awake from your slumbers and rise on your wings." *Refrain***

**You call from tomorrow, you break ancient schemes.  
From the bondage of sorrow all the captives dream dreams; our women see visions,  
our men clear their eyes. With bold new decisions your people arise. *Refrain***

**\*DISMISSAL**

**P** Go in peace. Christ is with you.

**C** Thanks be to God.

**POSTLUDE**

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Special Thanks to Pastor David Eck for granting us the privilege to  
use his Liturgy 'Everlasting Light'.

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*Thank you to all who made worship possible today!*

**GREETERS:** Leroy & Evonne Tauer

**ACOLYTES:**

**SONG LEADER:** Senior Choir

**SOUND BOOTH OPERATOR:** Jack Brouillard

**POWER POINT OPERATOR:** Taylor Brouillard

**VIDEO:** Katie Brouillard

**USHERS:** Dean & Cheri Wagner, Lori Wagner, Gary Cox, Jack Canfield





# WELCOME

Living in **God's love**, Abiding Savior Lutheran Church  
is a **welcoming** and **caring** family  
that **nurtures** spiritual growth, **shares** our Christian faith,  
and **serves** all creation.

## THIS WEEK IN THE LIFE OF OUR CONGREGATION

<b>SUNDAY   01/09</b> Baptism of Our Lord Sunday school // 9am Worship // 10am Brunch // 11am	
<b>MONDAY   01/10</b> Women's gathering at Moe's // 5:30pm	<b>THURSDAY   01/13</b> Work crew // 9am Women's Bible study // 10am
<b>TUESDAY   01/11</b> Staff meeting // 10am Lydia Circle // 6pm	<b>FRIDAY   01/14</b> Office Closed
<b>WEDNESDAY   01/12</b> Cub Foods baked goods delivery // 9:45am Wednesday evening programs 4:30—8:00pm* *See schedule on next page	<b>SATURDAY   01/15</b>
<b>SUNDAY   01/16</b> Sunday school // 9am Worship with Holy Communion // 10am Cinnamon roll sale	

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

### ANNUAL MEETING & YOUTH CHILI FUNDRAISER

Mark your calendar for our upcoming Annual Congregational Meeting. Sunday, January 30th @ 11:30am. The youth will be organizing a chili lunch as a fundraiser for the ELCA 2022 Youth Gathering.

### ANNUAL MEETING REPORTS

If you or your committee have a report to be submitted for the 2021 Annual Report, please submit those to Katie by January 15th. You can email them to [office@abidingsavior.org](mailto:office@abidingsavior.org). We understand that many committees or groups did not meet as normal in 2021, but a summary of activities or items from the past year is still important for documentation purposes. Thank you!

### FEED MY STARVING CHILDREN

WEDNESDAY, JAN 19 @ 7:00PM

Abiding Savior has reserved 85 spots to pack food at Feed My Starving Children on Wed. January 19th from 7-8:30pm. All ages are welcome, though those under 12 must be supervised by an adult. Please sign up outside the church office or via SignUp Genius. We look forward to a fun evening!

### BLOOD DRIVE

THURSDAY, JAN. 20 @ 1:30PM—6:30PM

Join us Thursday, January 20th for our Red Cross blood drive. Please call 1-800-RED-CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit [www.redcrossblood.org](http://www.redcrossblood.org) and enter: Abiding to schedule an appointment! If you are available to volunteer with check-in or treats, please see the church office.

### APPLY FOR A MISSION ENDOWMENT GRANT

The Endowment Committee is thrilled to again be awarding grants for mission and ministry in 2022! The Mission Endowment Fund accepts applications from committees, staff, Council members, ministries of Abiding Savior, individual church members, and community nonprofit organizations. This year there will be over \$7,000 available for distribution! Grant Applications are available in the church office. Applications must be received by February 28.

## Wednesday Night Schedule

4:30—6:30pm	Dinner served
1/12:	Turkey dinner
5:00—5:30pm	Celebration Ringers
5:30—6:00pm	King's Msgrs Choir
5:30—6:00pm	POWER Up
6:00—6:30pm	WWJD Choir
6:00—6:30pm	POWER Up
6:00—7:00pm	Reigning Grace
6:30—7:00pm	Wednesday Worship
6:30—8:00pm	Confirmation
6:30—8:00pm	High School Youth Grp
7:00—8:00pm	Adult Choir

## VOLUNTEERS

It takes many hands to provide the ministries our congregations does. To each of you who share of your time and talents, *THANK YOU!* Here are some of the more urgent needs we have right now for volunteers. If you are able to help please speak with Pastor Ryan or Pastor Lisa!

- Video recording the Sunday service on Facebook Live (training provided);
- PowerPoint operators for worship;
- Sound Booth operators (training provided);
- Computer and Software Help;
- Mailing preparation and more.

Thank you!

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## PASTORAL STAFF

**Pastor Ryan Brodin**

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**JANUARY 9, 2022**  
**BAPTISM OF**  
**OUR LORD**



*Jesus' baptism points to a way of life.*

**DAILY BIBLE READINGS**

These passages are related to the Lectionary texts for this Sunday.

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Luke 3:15-17, 21-22</b>	<b>The baptism of Jesus</b>
<b>Monday</b>	<b>Isaiah 43:1-7</b>	<b>Restoration and protection</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Acts 8:14-17</b>	<b>Receiving the Holy Spirit</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Matthew 3:13-17</b>	<b>Jesus' baptism</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Colossians 3:12-17</b>	<b>New life in Christ</b>
<b>Friday</b>	<b>Ephesians 4:1-6</b>	<b>Unity in the body of Christ</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>Psalms 29</b>	<b>The voice of the Lord</b>
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>John 2:1-11</b>	<b>The wedding at Cana</b>

**SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THIS WEEK**

*Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heaven was opened, and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. **Luke 3:21-22a (NRSV)***

**PRAYERS AND BLESSING**

**A Prayer for the Week:**

Come Lord Jesus, come, Holy Spirit, strengthen us in our baptismal life and feed us with your power to believe that we are loved by God. Amen.

**Mealttime Prayer:**

May the gift of this food strengthen us to live in peace and faith in Christ. Amen.

**A Blessing to Give:**

May God bless you to know you are loved and precious.



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**HYMN OF THE WEEK**

*Change My Heart,  
O God*



**WEEKLY MILESTONES**

Take a moment to tell or think about a recent mountain high and/or valley low in your life.

**CARING CONVERSATIONS**



Discuss in your home, small group, or use for personal reflections:

- When have you received criticism that helped you?
- How can the judgment of another—or of God—be a blessing to you?

**DEVOTIONS**



*Read:* Luke 3:15-17, 21-22.

In this passage we receive important themes that will continue later in the Gospel. In Luke (and Acts written by Luke), the Holy Spirit plays a large role in connecting Jesus with the church and the church with God. At Jesus' baptism, he is doing something that often happens during significant moments in his ministry in Luke: he is praying. Prayer and the work of the Spirit belong together for Jesus and for us as we are brought into the work of his eternal reign. John the Baptist speaks of a winning fork that separates wheat from chaff. As Luke continues to tell the story of Jesus, that separation is not about divine vengeance, but a judgment that cleanses us from our chaff, our sin, and leads us to be the church, the wheat in the world that feeds the world with God's grace. John's vision of Jesus, like ours, will change and grow. In Luke 7:19 John is perplexed by Jesus' words and actions and wonders if Jesus is the one, or should he (and we) look for another Messiah. In the Gospel of Luke, Jesus' baptism points to our baptism and a life of prayer, repentance, forgiveness, and growth in Christ.

*Discuss:* How does baptism free you to pray, seek forgiveness and grow in faith and love?

*Pray:* **Lord Jesus, may we grow in grace as we live out our baptismal life with prayer, humility, and the desire to serve you and the world in love. Amen.**

**SERVICE**



Jesus calls us to serve our neighbor in love. Based on the Daily Bible Readings and theme this week, how does your way of life show God's love to others?

**RITUALS AND TRADITIONS**



Jesus' baptism sets the stage for the beginning of his ministry, just as our baptism establishes our life as a follower of Jesus. When Jesus was baptized, he was also praying. Use prayer as a way to recall and live your baptism. Dip your fingers into a bowl of water, make the sign of the cross on your or another's forehead or hand, and say: **[I am/You are] baptized and God's beloved child.** Then close by praying the Lord's Prayer and any other prayers you may wish to add.



In addition to *Taking Faith Home*, celebrate milestones in your daily life as an effective faith formation tool. Go to: [www.milestonesministry.org](http://www.milestonesministry.org)

## Pastoral and Musical Staff

*Pastor*

Rev. Elisa Richardson Engen

*Pastor*

Rev. Dr. Ryan D. Brodin

*Organist*

Janelle Schauer

*Choir Director*

Dr. Mary Larew

*Deacon & Youth Director*

Brad Mills

*Children's Ministry Director*

Patty Mesenbring



### Abiding Savior Worship Service Schedule:

Traditional/Blended Worship ~ Sundays at 10:00 AM

Casual Worship ~ Wednesdays at 6:30 PM

Bible Study ~ Thursdays at 10:00 AM



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