

A person wearing a white, fringed robe is walking barefoot on a dirt path. The scene is set at sunset or sunrise, with a warm, golden light illuminating the background. The person is walking away from the camera, and their shadow is cast on the ground. A large, semi-transparent circle is overlaid on the image, containing the text "Come & See".

Come & See



Sunday
January 14, 2024



10:00am



Abiding Savior
Lutheran Church

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January 14th, 2024 | 10:00 am Worship
2nd Sunday after Epiphany

*Stand as you are able

PRELUDE

Janelle Schauer

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

***CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS**

P 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 SONG**

Listen, God is Calling

ELW #513, all verses

*Refrain: (Listen) listen, God is calling, through the Word inviting,
offering forgiveness, comfort and joy.*

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offering forgiveness, comfort and joy.*

*(Jesus gave his mandate:) share the good news
(that he came to save us) and set us free. Refrain*

*(Let none be forgotten) throughout the world.
(In the triune name of God) go and baptize. Refrain*

*(Help us to be faithful) standing steadfast,
(walking in your precepts) led by your Word. Refrain*

***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**

ELW pg. 184-185

Refrain: Kyrie eleison, on our world and on our way, Kyrie eleison, ev'ry day.

For peace in the world, for the health of the church, for the unity of all; for this holy house, for all who worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord

Kyrie eleison, on our world and on our way, Kyrie eleison, ev'ry day.

That we may live out your impassioned response to the hungry and the poor; that we may live out truth and justice and grace, let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord

Kyrie eleison, on our world and on our way, Kyrie eleison, ev'ry day.

For your Spirit to guide; that you center our lives in the water and the Word;

that you nourish our souls with your body and blood,

let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord

Kyrie eleison, on our world and on our way, Kyrie eleison, ev'ry day.

***HYMN OF PRAISE**

Glory to God

ELW pg. 185-186

Glory to God in the highest, the highest, and peace to God's people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

Glory to God in the highest, the highest, and peace to God's people on earth.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.

Glory to God in the highest, the highest, and peace to God's people on earth.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen. Amen. Amen.

Glory to God in the highest, the highest, and peace to God's people on earth. Glory to God in the highest, the highest, and peace to God's people on earth.

***PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray.

C **Thanks be to you, Lord Jesus Christ, most merciful redeemer, for the countless blessings and benefits you give. May we know you more clearly, love you more dearly, and follow you more nearly, day by day praising you, with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Patty Mesenbring

CHILDREN'S TIME

Following the Children's Sermon, Children's Time is an opportunity for young children to have a bible story, music or activity time with our Children's Ministry Director, Patty Mesenbring.

PSALM | Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18 (Read responsively)

P O LORD, you have searched me and known me.

C **You know when I sit down and when I rise up; you discern my thoughts from far away.**

P You search out my path and my lying down, and are acquainted with all my ways.

C **Even before a word is on my tongue, O LORD, you know it completely.**

P You hem me in, behind and before, and lay your hand upon me.

C **Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; it is so high that I cannot attain it.**

P For it was you who formed my inward parts; you knit me together in my mother's womb.

C **I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made. Wonderful are your works; that I know very well.**

P My frame was not hidden from you, when I was being made in secret, intricately woven in the depths of the earth.

C **Your eyes beheld my unformed substance. In your book were written all the days that were formed for me, when none of them as yet existed.**

P How weighty to me are your thoughts, O God! How vast is the sum of them!

C **I try to count them—they are more than the sand; I come to the end—I am still with you.**

***GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

Alleluia

ELW pg. 188

Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.

Alleluia, alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia, alleluia.

***GOSPEL: John 1:43-51**

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

P The Gospel of the Lord.

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

SERMON

Pastor Marla Amborn

***HYMN OF THE DAY**

Here I Am, Lord

ELW #574, all verses

**I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my people cry. All who dwell in dark and sin
my hand will save. I, who made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright.
Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?**

Refrain: **Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you calling in the night. I will go,
Lord, if you lead me. I will hold your people in my heart.**

**I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my people's pain. I have wept for love of them.
They turn away. I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love alone.
I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send? *Refrain***

**I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame. I will set a feast for them.
My hand will save. Finest bread I will provide till their hearts be satisfied.
I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send? *Refrain***

***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
ascended 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.**

OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS AND TITHES

Ushers will come around and collect your offering today. During the offering time, children are invited to bring forward an offering of dollar bills and loose change to the globe on the front of the altar area. 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 Adult Choir

All I Am, I Lay it Down | by Adam Howard

***OFFERTORY RESPONSE**

Create in Me

ELW 186

**Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.
Cast me not away from your presence, and take not your Holy Spirit from me.
Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and uphold me with your free Spirit.**

***OFFERTORY PRAYER**

P Let us pray.

C God of field and forest, sea and sky, you are the giver of all good things. Sustain us with these gifts of your creation, and multiply your graciousness in us, that the world may be fed with your love, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

***PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH**

P Lord, in Your mercy.

C Hear our prayer.

***THE 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**

Lord, Speak to Us, That We May Speak

ELW #676, all verses

**Lord, speak to us, that we may speak in living echoes of your tone;
as you have sought, so let us seek your straying children, lost and lone.**

**Oh, lead us, Lord, that we may lead the wand'ring and the wav'ring feet;
oh, feed us, Lord, that we may feed your hung'ring ones with manna sweet.**

**Oh, teach us, Lord, that we may teach the precious truths which you impart;
and wing our words, that they may reach the hidden depths of many a heart.**

**Oh, fill us with your fullness, Lord, until our very hearts o'erflow
in kindling thought and glowing word, your love to tell, your praise to show.**

***SENDING**

P Go in peace. You are God's beloved.

C Thanks be to God. Amen.

***POSTLUDE**

Janelle Schauer

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Thank you to all who made worship possible today!

ACOLYTES | Molly Burgers, Tristan Overby

SPECIAL MUSIC | Adult Choir

USHERS | Dean & Cheri Wagner, Gary Cox, Lori Wagner and Jack Canfield

A/V CREW | Jack Brouillard, Katrina Streeter, Taylor Brouillard, Dylan Brouillard and Katie Brouillard

Thank you 



FOR SHARING YOUR TIME & TALENTS!



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

SUNDAY 01/14 Sunday school and fellowship // 9am Worship // 10am Brunch // following worship	
MONDAY 01/15 OFFICE CLOSED <i>Martin Luther King, Jr. Day</i>	THURSDAY 01/18 Women's Bible study // 10am Jubilation ringers // 7pm
TUESDAY 01/16 Men's breakfast & Bible study // 8:30am Quilting // 9am Staff meeting // 10am Caring Visitors training // 2—4pm	FRIDAY 01/19 OFFICE CLOSED
WEDNESDAY 01/17 Cub Foods baked goods delivery // 9:45am Wednesday night activities (see schedule on next page) Service night outing to FMSC (no worship)	SATURDAY 01/20 Julie Trelstad's 80th Birthday Party //1-3pm Fellowship Hall
SUNDAY 01/21 Sunday school and fellowship // 9am Worship with Holy Communion // 10am	

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OFFICE HOURS Monday—Thursday: 9am—4pm; Friday CLOSED

UPCOMING EVENTS

PHILIPPIANS: JOY IN THE JOURNEY STUDY

WEDNESDAYS THROUGH FEB. 7 // 5:30-6:30PM

Do you want to think about joy – what it means to have joy in faith? That is one of the themes of the Bible study that will be led by Pastor Marla in January. Paul's letter to the church at Philippi was written from prison. Yet, in these four chapters he talks about joy and rejoicing 16 times!

All are welcome – men and women, young and old! Come and immerse yourself in the joy of the Christian journey as shared by Paul. We will meet five times – each Wednesday between January 10 and February 7 from 5:30 to 6:30 in the coffee house.

FEED MY STARVING CHILDREN PACKING EVENT

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 17 // 7PM

Abiding Savior has reserved 85 spots to pack food at Feed My Starving Children on Wednesday, January 17. We will pack food from 7:00 PM to 8:30 PM. All ages are welcome (under 12 must be supervised by an adult). Please sign up outside the church office. Absolutely NO experience necessary. Come and experience the joy of sharing!

USHERS NEEDED!

USHER TRAINING — MON., JAN. 22 // 6:30PM

You are invited to be an usher! Ushers are terribly important. They not only hand out bulletins and receive the offering, they also are often the first people to greet visitors to our church and are there to provide help in emergencies and to keep the building safe. Please consider becoming an usher and joining us for this training!

YOUTH—SIGN UP TO ACOLYTE!

Our acolytes play such an important role in worship. Please check your calendars and sign up on the sheet outside the Sacristy or online at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080548ACAA2EA1FF2-acolyte1>

Wednesday Night Schedule

4:30—6:15pm Dinner served

01/17: Scalloped Potatoes and Ham

01/24: Turkey Dinner

01/31: Tator Tot Hot Dish

5:30—6:30pm *Philippians: Joy in the Journey* Bible Study

5:30—6:00pm POWER Up

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6:30—7:00pm Wednesday Worship

6:30—8:00pm Confirmation

7:00—8:30pm Packing event at FMSC

7:00—8:00pm Adult Choir

ANNUAL MEETING

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 11 // 11:30AM

All members of Abiding Savior are invited and encouraged to attend our Annual Meeting. Committee reports are due January 15!

WOMEN'S RETREAT: *Our Faith Journey* APRIL 19-21, 2024

Pastor Marla is working with a small group to plan a women's retreat at Heartwood Conference Center in Trego, WI. The cost for the weekend will be \$250 per person for meals and double occupancy rooms. There will be fundraising opportunities for those who would like to defray the costs. We are trying to get a rough head count so if you think you might be interested in participating, let us know by filling out a form in the narthex or by calling or emailing the church office.

SCAN HERE TO DONATE TO ASLC!

Looking for an easy way to donate to Abiding Savior? Scan the QR code to make a contribution to Abiding Savior's General Fund.





Registration Opens January 15th!
Sign Up Today!!
<http://lwlbc.com/abidingsavior>

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lakewapo.org



YOU ARE INVITED TO

*Julie Trelstad's
Birthday Party*

JANUARY 20, 2024

SATURDAY 1:00 - 3:00 PM

ABIDING SAVIOR
FELLOWSHIP HALL

Cake, coffee & lemonade will be served

HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!

2024 ELCA Youth Gathering

CREATED

TO BE MYLE
the table Young Adult Gathering

NEW ORLEANS

JULY 16-20, 2024

PLEASE REACH OUT TO JOSH & ALEX ASAP IF

YOU ARE INTERESTED IN ATTENDING!

NEXT REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS FEBRUARY 14TH!

MORE FUNDRAISING OPPORTUNITIES COMING SOON.

newborn kits

FOR GLOBAL HEALTH MINISTRIES

Knitters & Crocheters wanted!

Mission Outreach will be collecting items for newborn kits including Receiving blankets (30"x30") and newborn stocking hats (14" circ).

Yarn should be soft,

breathable and washable.

Blankets may also be made from cotton or light flannel.

more info
coming soon!

See you there!

USHER TRAINING

Monday | January 22, 2024 | 6:30-8 PM

USHERS NEEDED!!

You are invited to be an usher!
Ushers not only hand out bulletins and receive the offering, they also are often the first people to greet visitors to our church and are there to provide help in emergencies and keep the building safe. Ushers are an essential part of worship and Abiding Savior is in need of more volunteers.

We'll cover the week-to-week tasks of ushering as well as an overview of the new Abiding Savior Safety Policy. Please considering becoming an usher and joining us for this important training!

Pastoral and Musical Staff

Senior Pastor

Rev. Dr. Ryan D. Brodin

Interim Pastor

Pastor Marla Amborn

Interim Youth Directors

Alex & Josh Ertz

Children's Ministry Director

Patty Mesenbring

Choir Director

Dr. Mary Larew

Bell Choir Director

Paul Weller

Organist

Janelle Schauer

Abiding Savior Worship Schedule:

Blended Worship | Sundays | 10:00 AM | Sanctuary

Casual Family Friendly Worship | Wednesdays | 6:30 PM | Mod #2

Women's Bible Study | Thursdays | 10:00 AM | Coffee House

Men's Bible Study* | Every other Tuesday | 8:30 AM | Fellowship Hall

Sunday School | Sundays | 9:00 AM | Mod #1 & Mod #2



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