



Transfiguration Sunday



Sunday | February 11, 2024



10:00 AM



Abiding Savior
Lutheran Church

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February 11th, 2024 | 10:00 am Worship
Transfiguration of our Lord

*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 HYMN**

I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light

ELW #815, verses 1 & 3

**I want to walk as a child of the light. I want to follow Jesus.
God set the stars to give light to the world. The star of my life is Jesus.**

Refrain: In him there is no darkness at all. The night and the day are both alike.
The Lamb is the light of the city of God. Shine in my heart, Lord Jesus.

I'm looking for the coming of Christ. I want to be with Jesus.
When we have run with patience the race, we shall know the joy of Jesus. *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.

***PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray.

C Almighty God, the resplendent light of your truth shines from the mountaintop into our hearts. Transfigure us by your beloved Son, and illumine the world with your image, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

ANTHEM

Fishers of Men & Behold, I Stand at the Door

Sunday School Kids

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.

*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: Mark 9:2-9

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

P The Gospel of the Lord.

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

SERMON

Pastor Marla Amborn

{SONG WITHIN THE SERMON}

I Can Only Imagine

Reigning Grace Worship Band

**I can only imagine what it will be like
When I walk by Your side
I can only imagine what my eyes will see
When Your face is before me
I can only imagine**

**Surrounded by Your glory, what will my heart feel?
Will I dance for You, Jesus, or in awe of You be still?
Will I stand in Your presence or to my knees will I fall?
Will I sing hallelujah, will I be able to speak at all?
I can only imagine, I can only imagine**

**I can only imagine when that day comes
And I find myself standing in the Son
I can only imagine when all I will do
Is forever, forever worship You
I can only imagine**

**Surrounded by Your glory, what will my heart feel?
Will I dance for You, Jesus, or in awe of You be still?
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***HYMN OF THE DAY**

Beautiful Savior
ELW #838, all verses

**Beautiful Savior, King of creation, Son of God and Son of Man!
Truly I'd love thee, truly I'd serve thee, light of my soul, my joy, my crown.**

**Fair are the meadows, fair are the woodlands, robed in flow'rs of blooming spring;
Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer, he makes our sorrowing spirit sing.**

**Fair is the sunshine, fair is the moonlight, bright the sparkling stars on high;
Jesus shines brighter, Jesus shines purer than all the angels in the sky.**

**Beautiful Savior, Lord of the nations, Son of God and Son of Man!
Glory and honor, praise, adoration, now and forevermore be thine!**

***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 crucified, 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

The Lord is My Light

{a Taizé Song}

Adult Choir

***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**

Shine On Us

Reigning Grace Worship Band

Lord let Your light

Light of Your face shine on us

Lord let Your light

Light of Your face shine on us

That we may be saved

That we may have life

To find our way in the darkest night

Let Your light shine on us

{Break for Prayers of the Church}

**Lord let Your love
Love with no end come over us
Lord let Your love
Love with no end come over us
That we may be saved
That we may have life
To find our way in the darkest night
Let Your love come over us
Let Your light shine on us**

***THE LORD'S PRAYER**

ELW pg.191

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 SONG**

We Are Marching in the Light
Reigning Grace Worship Band

**We are marching in the light of God, we are marching in the light of God.
We are marching in the light of God, we are marching in the light of God.
We are marching, we are marching, ooh we are marching in the light of God.
We are marching, we are marching, ooh we are marching in the light of God.**

Additional verses:

**We are dancing...
We are praying...
We are singing...**

***SENDING**

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

C Thanks be to God. Amen.

***REPRISE** *We Are Marching in the Light*

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Thank you to all who made worship possible today!

GREETERS |

SPECIAL MUSIC | Reigning Grace, Sunday School kids & Adult Choir

REIGNING GRACE WORSHIP BAND | Dawson Blanck, Alex & Josh Ertz, Gary Peterson, Tom Sauerwein, Tait Schnabel and Ben Schnabel

USHERS | Arden Erickson, Barry Gibelyou, Roger & Pearl Boldenow, Dale Aukee & Peter Zimmerman

A/V CREW | Taylor Brouillard, Dylan Brouillard and Katie Brouillard

THANK YOU TO ALL WHO ORDERED
SUPER BOWL SUBS!

Just a reminder to please pick up your sub orders from the Big Kitchen by the end of the Annual Meeting today.

Thank you for your support of our
ELCA Youth Gathering participants!!

ANNUAL MEETING LUNCHEON

Our ELCA Youth Gathering participants/committee also prepared our luncheon today and we will be taking a free will offering that will go towards the trip fees.

Please be generous!



Newborn Kits

FOR GLOBAL HEALTH MINISTRIES

Abiding Savior's Mission Outreach Committee is setting a goal to collect supplies for 40 Newborn Kits (to coincide with the 40 days of Lent) that will be sent overseas. We are requesting new items only and prefer gender neutral items.

Please take a sticky note or two from the display poster in the narthex for the items you plan to donate. Items can be placed in the pack and play in the narthex January 28th throughout month of February.

Thank you in advance for your generosity!

Each kit will contain:

- **1 wash cloth and 1 regular-size bath towel** (approx. 52 inches long)
 - NO MICROFIBER, no dark blue, red, black or white
- **1 bath-size bar white ivory soap**
 - In original packaging
- **1 short sleeved cotton t-shirt or 'onesie' in 0-3 or newborn size**
 - Prefer white or solid colors, gender neutral
- **1 newborn stocking hat either purchased, knitted OR crocheted**
 - Small size, about 14 inch circumference; instructions on GHM website or available in office
- **1 baby receiving cotton or light flannel blanket approximately 30" x 30"**
 - Purchased or knit/crocheted with cotton or acrylic yarn
- **2 cloth diapers**
 - Diaper pins will be supplied by Mission Outreach
- **Standard size pillowcase**
 - Used to ship kit in. Protects contents, keeps them clean and becomes an extra gift!



JANUARY 28TH

THROUGH

FEBRUARY 29TH





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 02/11 ANNUAL MEETING & SOUPER BOWL SUNDAY Sunday school and fellowship // 9am Worship // 10am Soup & sandwich lunch fundraiser // 11am ANNUAL MEETING // 11:30am	
MONDAY 02/12 <i>Meals on Wheels delivery</i> Women's gathering at Moe's // 5:30pm	THURSDAY 02/15 <i>Meals on Wheels delivery</i> Women's Bible study // 10am Jubilation ringers // 7pm
TUESDAY 02/13 <i>Meals on Wheels delivery</i> Staff meeting // 10am Lydia circle // 5:30pm Youth prep Valentine's flowers // TBD	FRIDAY 02/16 <i>Meals on Wheels delivery</i> OFFICE CLOSED
WEDNESDAY 02/14 ASH WEDNESDAY Cub Foods baked goods delivery // 9:45am <i>Meals on Wheels delivery</i> Wednesday night Lenten activities <i>(see schedule on next page)</i>	SATURDAY 02/17
SUNDAY 02/18 Sunday school and fellowship // 9am Worship with Holy Communion // 10am Brunch // 11am	

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

UPCOMING EVENTS

SOUPER BOWL SUNDAY

TODAY!

Let's think of more than football this Sunday and remember those who are hungry. Please look for the collection bowls in the narthex after worship and donate to help alleviate hunger in our area. All proceeds will go to Meals on Wheels. The generosity of our congregation is always a delight to behold.

ANNUAL MEETING

TODAY! // 11:30AM

All members of Abiding Savior are invited and encouraged to attend our Annual Meeting. There will be lunch available beforehand. Donations go towards the ELCA Youth Gathering attendees!

LENT BEGINS THIS WEEK—ASH WEDNESDAY

DRESS FOR SUCCESS: A WARDROBE OF FAITH

For our mid-week Lenten worship services, we will use the beautiful Holden Evening Prayer liturgy and reflect on a passage from Colossians 3:12-17. As followers of Christ, we are to let go of old vices and "clothe" ourselves in virtues such as compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience. Living in Christian community provides a place to live in harmony with God and with one another.

LENTEN SOUP SUPPERS-1 HOSTING SPOT LEFT

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 20 SPOT IS OPEN

Sign your group up to host the 1 remaining Lenten Soup Supper and raise funds for a cause you care about! Sign up outside the office.

HEGGIES PIZZA—PRESCHOOL FUNDRAISER

These are delicious pizzas that you can keep in your freezer for busy nights! Order forms are available in the Narthex. Orders are due February 20 and will be delivered March 6.

CONFIRMATION RETREAT

SUN., FEB. 18-MON., FEB. 19

Confirmation students: Remember to turn in your Confirmation Retreat registration forms as soon as possible! Also remember to find a mentor for Lent!

Wednesday Night Schedule During Lent

4:00—4:45pm	Lenten Worship
4:45—6:15pm	Soup Supper Served
2/14:	Loaded Potato Soup
5:00—5:30pm	Celebration Ringers
5:30—6:00pm	King's Msgrs Choir
5:30—6:00pm	POWER Up
6:00—6:25pm	WWJD Choir
6:00—6:25pm	POWER Up
6:30—7:15pm	Lenten Worship
7:15—8:00pm	Adult Choir

APPLY FOR AN ENDOWMENT GRANT

APPLICATIONS DUE FEBRUARY 29

The Endowment Committee is thrilled to again be awarding grants for mission and ministry in 2024! Grant Applications are available in the church office. Applications must be received by 2/29.

WOMEN'S RETREAT

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.

YOUTH—SIGN UP TO ACOLYTE!

Our acolytes play such an important role in worship. Please sign up at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080548ACAA2EA1FF2-acolyte1>

SCAN HERE TO DONATE TO ASLC!

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



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

Lenten Services | Wednesdays | 4:00 PM & 6:30 PM | Sanctuary

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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