

"For all who do evil hate the light and do not come to the light, so that their deeds may not be exposed. But those who do what is true come to the light, so that it may be clearly seen that their deeds have been done in God."

John 3:20-21



Sunday | March 10, 2024



10:00 AM



Abiding Savior  
Lutheran Church

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March 10th, 2024 | 10:00 am Worship | 4th Sunday in Lent

\*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**

*Light The Fire*

Reigning Grace Worship Band

**I stand to praise You, but I fall on my knees  
My spirit is willing, but my flesh is so weak**

**So light the fire in my soul, Fan the flame, make me whole  
Lord, You know where I've been, So light the fire in my heart again**

I feel Your arms around me  
As the power of Your healing begins  
Your spirit rushes through me  
Like a mighty rushing wind

So light the fire in my soul  
Fan the flame, make me whole  
Lord, You know where I've been  
So light the fire in my heart again (*repeat chorus*)

**\*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**

*Return to God*  
{*Congregation to sing Refrain*}

*Congregation:*

Re - turn to God with all your heart, the

Source of grace and mer - cy; Come, seek the ten - der

faith - ful - ness of God.

*Repeat optional*

Now the time of grace has come, the day of salvation;  
come and learn now the way of our God. ***Refrain***

I will take your heart of stone and place a heart within you,  
a heart of compassion and love. ***Refrain***

## \*PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Let us pray.

C O God, rich in mercy, by the humiliation of your Son you lifted up this fallen world and rescued us from the hopelessness of death. Lead us into your light, that all our deeds may reflect your love, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you 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.*

## \*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION | *Lenten Acclamation*



## \*GOSPEL: John 3:14-21

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

P The Gospel of the Lord.

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

## SERMON

Pastor Ryan Brodin

## \*SONG OF THE DAY

*Open the Eyes of My Heart*  
Reigning Grace Worship Band

**Open the eyes of my heart, Lord; Open the eyes of my heart  
I want to see You, I want to see You**

**Open the eyes of my heart, Lord; Open the eyes of my heart**

**I want to see You, I want to see You**

*{Break for 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.*

**To see you high and lifted up  
Shining in the light of your glory**

**Pour out your power and love  
As we sing holy, holy, holy**

**Holy, holy, holy**

**Holy, holy, holy**

**Holy, holy, holy, I want to see you (repeat)**

### **\*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**

*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**

*What Wondrous Love is This*

Arr. by Eric H. Thiman

**Adult Choir**

**\*OFFERTORY RESPONSE**     *Change My Heart, O God*  
ELW #801

**Change my heart, O God; make it ever true.  
Change my heart, O God; may I be like you.  
You are the potter; I am the clay.  
Mold me and make me; this is what I pray.  
Change my heart, O God; make it ever true.  
Change my heart, O God; may I be like you.**

**\*OFFERTORY PRAYER**

**P**     Let us pray.

**C**     **Liberating God, you break the bonds of injustice and let the oppressed go free.  
Receive these offerings in thanksgiving for all your works of merciful power, and  
shape us as people of your justice and freedom. You we magnify and adore, through  
Jesus our Savior, Amen.**

**\*PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH**

*Amazing Grace (My Chains are Gone)*  
Reigning Grace Worship Band

**Amazing grace, how sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me  
I was once was lost, but now I'm found, was blind, but now I see**

**'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear and grace my fears relieved  
How precious did that grace appear, the hour I first believed**

*Chorus: My chains are gone, I've been set free*  
**My God, my savior has ransomed me and like a flood, His mercy reigns  
Unending love, amazing grace**  
*{Break for Prayers of the Church}*

**The Lord has promised good to me His word, my hope secures  
He will my shield and portion be as long as life endures**

*Chorus: My chains are gone, I've been set free*  
**My God, my savior has ransomed me and like a flood, His mercy reigns  
Unending love, amazing grace (repeat chorus)**

**The earth shall soon dissolve like snow  
The sun forbear to shine  
But God who calls me here below**

**Will be forever mine  
Will be forever mine  
You are forever mine**

**\*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 HYMN**

*Beneath the Cross of Jesus*

ELW #338, all verses

**Beneath the cross of Jesus I long to take my stand;  
the shadow of a mighty rock within a weary land,  
a home within a wilderness, a rest upon the way,  
from the burning of the noontide heat and burdens of the day.**

**Upon the cross of Jesus, my eye at times can see  
the very dying form of one who suffered there for me.  
And from my contrite heart, with tears, two wonders I confess:  
the wonder of his glorious love and my unworthiness.**

**I take, O cross, your shadow for my abiding place;  
I ask no other sunshine than the sunshine of his face;  
content to let the world go by, to know no gain nor loss,  
my sinful self my only shame, my glory all, the cross.**

**\*SENDING**

**P Go in peace. Share your bread.**

**C Thanks be to God. Amen.**

**\*POSTLUDE**

Janelle Schauer



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

**GREETERS** | Gary & Tonya Cox

**SPECIAL MUSIC** | Reigning Grace, Janelle Schauer & Adult Choir

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

**USHERS** | Larry Thill, Curt Johnson, Kaethe Bisek, Bob Wirtz, Debby Nelson and John Booker

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



**APRIL 19TH - 21ST, 2024**

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**INFORMATION & REGISTRATION CAN BE FOUND ON OUR WEBSITE:**  
**[HTTPS://ABIDINGSAVIOR.ORG/OUTREACHPRO/WOMENS-RETREAT/](https://abidingsavior.org/outreachpro/womens-retreat/)**



# GARDEN OF GRACE

## Informational Spring Meeting

SUNDAY, MARCH 17TH

FOLLOWING WORSHIP | MOD #2

THIS WILL BE A SHORT MEETING FOR ANYONE INTERESTED IN GARDENING THE PLOTS AND/OR REPAIRING THE RAISED GARDEN BEDS. IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS, PLEASE CONTACT AGGIE REINERS.

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FOR GLOBAL HEALTH MINISTRIES

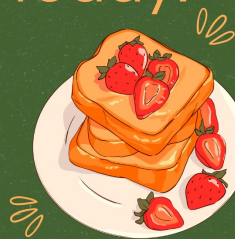
*Packing Event!*

Wednesday, March 20th

Volunteers will be needed to help pack baby items into pillow cases per Global Health's specific instructions. We will meet in the back hallway near the Preschool following the 4PM worship service.

## SUNDAY BRUNCH

following  
worship today!





# 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 | 03/10

Sunday school and fellowship // 9am  
Worship // 10am  
Brunch // 11am

### MONDAY | 03/11

June Peterson visitation // 10am  
June Peterson funeral // 11am  
Women's gathering at Moe's // 5:30pm

### THURSDAY | 03/14

Work crew // 9am  
Women's Bible study // 10am  
Jubilation ringers // 7pm

### TUESDAY | 03/12

Staff meeting // 10am  
Lydia circle // 5:30pm

### FRIDAY | 03/15

OFFICE CLOSED

*Registration due for Women's Retreat!*

### WEDNESDAY | 03/13

Cub Foods baked goods delivery // 9:45am  
Wednesday night Lenten activities  
(see schedule on next page)

### SATURDAY | 03/16

### SUNDAY | 03/17

Sunday school and fellowship // 9am  
Worship with Holy Communion and Baptism // 10am  
First Communion class // 11am

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

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### LENTEN WEDNESDAY WORSHIP

#### *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.

### WOMEN'S RETREAT

*APRIL 19-21, 2024 // REGISTER BY MARCH 15*

You're invited to Abiding Savior's Women's Retreat! Register by March 15 using a form located in the Narthex or sign up at <http://abidingsavior.org/OutreachPro/women-s-retreat/>. The cost for the weekend will be \$250 per person for meals and double occupancy rooms.

### FIRST COMMUNION CLASS

*SUNDAY, MARCH 17 // 11:00 AM TO 2:00 PM*

All fourth-graders and their families (along with any older children who have not yet received their first communion) are invited to participate in a **first communion class** with Pastor Marla on **Sunday, March 17**. The class begins with lunch in the Fellowship Hall following worship (approximately 11:00) and will conclude by 2:00. Please contact Patty ([patty@abidingsavior.org](mailto:patty@abidingsavior.org)) to RSVP for this class, or if you have questions.

### 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!** If you are able to help with any of the following please speak with the office: Video recording the Sunday service on Facebook Live (training provided); PowerPoint operators for worship; mailing preparation and more. Thank you!

### Wednesday Night Schedule During Lent

4:00—4:45pm	Lenten Worship
4:45—6:15pm	Soup Supper Served
3/13:	Waffles
3/20:	Vegetable Beef
3/28:	Potato Leek and Bacon
<b><i>NO POWER Up (Spring Break)</i></b>	
6:30—7:15pm	Lenten Worship
7:15—8:00pm	Adult Choir

### BLOOD DRIVE — SIGN UP TO DONATE!

*THURSDAY, MARCH 21 // 1:30—6:30PM*

The next blood drive at Abiding Savior is March 21. Please call 1-800-733-2767 or visit [www.redcrossblood.org](http://www.redcrossblood.org) and enter **Abiding** to schedule an appointment.

### 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. Thank you for supporting our ministries!





happy easter

**EGG HUNT**

**SATURDAY 23 MARCH**

**10:30 - NOON**

**FELLOWSHIP HALL**

**AND CHURCH LAWN (WEATHER PERMITTING)**

**EGG HUNT, CRAFTS, SNACKS & FUN!**

PLEASE BRING YOUR OWN BASKET TO PARTICIPATE



# *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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