

The power of healing

Are any among you suffering? They should pray. Are any cheerful? They should sing songs of praise. Are any among you sick? They should call for the elders of the church and have them pray over them, anointing them with oil in the name of the Lord. The prayer of faith will save the sick, and the Lord will raise them up; and anyone who has committed sins will be forgiven. Therefore confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another, so that you may be healed. The prayer of the righteous is powerful and effective.

James 5:13-16

Abiding Savior
Lutheran Church
April 14 | 2024
10:00 AM
Blended Worship
New Member
Sunday

Abiding Savior Lutheran Church

April 14, 2024 | 10:00 am Worship | 3rd Sunday of Easter

New Member Sunday | Blended Worship

Welcome New Members!

PRELUDE

Janelle Schauer

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

***CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS**

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

C **Amen.**

P Let us acknowledge before God and one another our need for repentance and God's mercy.

P Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C **Amen.**

{Silence for reflection and self-examination}

P Most merciful God,

C **We confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

P In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all of your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

***OPENING SONG**

Come Thou Fount
Reigning Grace Worship Band

Chorus: **O my restless heart finds rest in You**
O my restless heart finds rest in You
Jesus, my restless heart finds rest in You
Jesus, my restless heart finds rest in You

Come Thou Fount of every blessing, Tune my heart to sing Thy grace
Streams of mercy never ceasing, Call for songs of loudest praise
Teach me some melodious sonnet, Sung by flaming tongues above
Praise the mount I'm fixed upon it, Mount of Thy redeeming love

Here I raise my Ebenezer, Here there by Thy help I've come
And I hope by Thy good pleasure, Safely to arrive at home
Jesus sought me when a stranger, Wandering from the fold of God
He to rescue me from danger, Interposed His precious blood

Oh to grace how great a debtor, Daily I'm constrained to be
Let Thy goodness like a fetter, Bind my wandering heart to Thee
Prone to wander Lord I feel it, Prone to leave the God I love
Here's my heart Lord, take and seal it, Seal it for Thy courts above
Here's my heart Lord, take and seal it, Seal it for Thy courts above

Chorus: **O my restless heart finds rest in You**
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Jesus, my restless heart finds rest in You
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***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**

Lord Have Mercy

Reigning Grace Worship Band

Jesus, I've forgotten the words that You have spoken
Promises that burned within my heart have now grown dim
With a doubting heart I follow the paths of earthly wisdom
Forgive me for my unbelief, renew the fire again

**All: Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy, Lord have mercy on me
Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy, Lord have mercy on me**

I have longed to know You and Your tender mercies
Like a river of forgiveness ever flowing without end
I bow my heart before You in the goodness of Your presence
Your grace forever shining like a beacon in the night.

**All: Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy, Lord have mercy on me
Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy, Lord have mercy on me**

***PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P Holy and righteous God, you are the author of life, and you adopt us to be your children.
Fill us with your words of life, that we may live as witnesses to the resurrection of your
Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

NEW MEMBER RECOGNITION

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.

SCRIPTURE READING: James 5:13-16

***GOSPEL ACCLAMATION** *Christ is Alive! Let Christians Sing*

ELW #389, verse 1

**Christ is alive! Let Christians sing. The cross stands empty to the sky.
Let streets and homes with praises ring. Love, drowned in death, shall never die.**

***GOSPEL: Matthew 25:31-40**

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

P The Gospel of the Lord.

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

SERMON

Pastor Marla Amborn

COMMISSIONING OF CARING VISITORS

***HYMN OF THE DAY**

Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service

ELW #712, verses 1, 2 & 4

**Lord, whose love in humble service bore the weight of human need,
who upon the cross, forsaken, worked your mercy's perfect deed:
we, your servants, bring the worship not of voice alone, but heart;
consecrating to your purpose ev'ry gift which you impart.**

**Still your children wander homeless; still the hungry cry for bread;
still the captives long for freedom; still in grief we mourn our dead.
As you, Lord, in deep compassion healed the sick and freed the soul,
by your Spirit send your power to our world to make it whole.**

**Called by worship to your service, forth in your dear name we go,
to the child, the youth, the aged, love in living deeds to show;
hope and health, good will and comfort, counsel, aid and peace we give,
that your servants, Lord, in freedom may your mercy know and live.**

***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.**

(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

The Gift to be Simple by Dale Wood

Adult Choir

***OFFERTORY RESPONSE**

Create In Me

ELW pg. 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 **Risen One, you call us to believe and bear fruit. May the gifts that we offer here be signs of your abiding love. Form us to be your witnesses in the world, through Jesus Christ, our true vine. Amen.**

***PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH & THE LORD'S PRAYER**

In Christ Alone

Reigning Grace Worship Band

In Christ alone, my hope is found

He is my light, my strength, my song

This cornerstone, this solid ground

Firm through the fiercest drought and storm

What heights of love, what depths of peace

When fears are stilled, when strivings cease

My comforter, my all in all, here in the love of Christ I stand

{Prayers of the Church & The Lord's Prayer}

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.

**No guilt in life, no fear in death
This is power of Christ in me, from life's first cry
To final breath, Jesus commands my destiny**

**No power of hell, no scheme of man
Can ever pluck me from His hand
'Til He returns or calls me home, here in the power of Christ I stand**

***BENEDICTION**

***CLOSING HYMN**

I Know That My Redeemer Lives!

ELW #619, verses 1, 2, 7 & 8

**I know that my Redeemer lives! What comfort this sweet sentence gives!
He lives, he lives, who once was dead; he lives, my ever-living head!**

**He lives triumphant from the grave; he lives eternally to save;
he lives exalted, throned above; he lives to rule his church in love.**

**He lives and grants me daily breath; he lives, and I shall conquer death;
he lives my mansion to prepare; he lives to bring me safely there.**

**He lives, all glory to his name! He lives, my Savior, still the same;
what joy this blest assurance gives: I know that my Redeemer lives!**

***SENDING**

P Alleluia! Go in peace. Rejoice and be glad.

C Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

***POSTLUDE**

Janelle Schauer



Thank you to all who made worship possible today!

ACOLYTES |

GREETERS | CAROL WIDNER

MUSIC LEADERS | REIGNING GRACE WORSHIP BAND, JANELLE SCHAUER, MARY LAREW & ADULT CHOIR

REIGNING GRACE WORSHIP BAND | DAWSON BLANCK, ALEX & JOSH ERTZ, GARY PETERSON, TOM SAUERWEIN, TAIT SCHNABEL AND BEN SCHNABEL

USHERS | MARK POTHEN, MARK & LINDA RADTKE, GARY ENGEN, PAUL SCHWEPPE, SCOTT QUARBERG AND TOM BROWN

A/V CREW | JACK BROUILLARD, KATRINA STREETER, KATIE BROUILLARD, TAYLOR BROUILLARD AND DYLAN BROUILLARD

2024 Abiding Savior Mission Endowment Grant Recipients



ASLC Mission Endowment Fund

Leave a legacy of faith & generosity

Garden of Grace | Garden Renovations | \$1,000

CSC | Annual Luncheon Sponsor | \$1,100

Shobi's Table | 'Love Made Edible' Truck Fridge | \$1,000

Humble Walk | Camp Outreach & Meals | \$500

CPY | Mini-bus purchase | \$1,500

ASLC Preschool | New Fence for Play Area | \$2,500

Quincy House | Feeding Teens | \$1,020

Total grant money awarded = \$8,620



Saturday, May 11th | 9am - 3pm

**CRAFTERS & VENDORS
WANTED**

Register: <https://forms.gle/YgCu2FcHp3A6asmq6>



Spring Craft Sale
Crafters & Vendors
Wanted!!

Please see our website for more information and details on being a crafter/vendor at our sale. All proceeds from booth costs & concessions will go to the youth headed to New Orleans in July for the ELCA National Youth Gathering!

[Abiding Savior Craft Sale Page](#)

MUSIC
Sunday

Mark your calendar now!

Sunday, May 5 | 10:00 AM
Abiding Savior Lutheran Church

RIDE - ROLL - REPEAT

Then have a sweet treat!



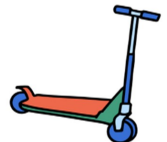
SUNDAY, APRIL 28
1:00-2:30



Bring your wheels (bikes, trikes, scooters, skateboards) and hit the Abiding Savior parking lot for some outdoor fun! Lawn toys and sidewalk chalk will also be available.

ICE CREAM TREATS & POPSICLES, TOO!

* Cold/rainy weather backup: Bingo in the Fellowship Hall





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 | 04/14—NEW MEMBER SUNDAY

Intergenerational choir practice // 8:45am

Sunday school and fellowship // 9am

Worship with New Member recognition & commissioning of Caring Visitors // 10am

Brunch // 11am

MONDAY | 04/15

THURSDAY | 04/18

Women's Bible study // 10am

Jubilation Ringers // 7:15pm

TUESDAY | 04/16

Men's breakfast & Bible study // 8:30am

Don Stafford visitation // 10am

Don Stafford funeral // 11am

Council meeting // 6:30pm

FRIDAY | 04/19

OFFICE CLOSED

Women's Retreat begins

WEDNESDAY | 04/17

Cub Foods baked goods delivery // 9:30am

Wednesday evening activities

(See next page for full schedule)

SATURDAY | 04/20

Women's Retreat

SUNDAY | 04/21

Sunday school and fellowship // 9am

Worship with Holy Communion // 10am

Women's Retreat ends

Gregorian Singers *All Creatures Great & Small* concert // 4pm

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

UPCOMING EVENTS

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

THIS SUNDAY

We are so happy to welcome our newest members to Abiding Savior!

CARING VISITORS COMMISSIONING

This Sunday we commission our Caring Visitors team. Nine members of our congregation participated in training and made the commitment to serve in the caring ministry of ASLC. Our Caring Visitor team includes Cheryl Bornhorst, Don Kluck, Donna Kluck, Laurie Middendorf, Tim Middendorf, Debbie Phillips, Aggie Reiners, Cindy Rothstein and Elaine Silpala. They are able to provide a ministry of listening presence to congregational members during life transitions or times of illness or loss. This team extends the caring ministry of our pastoral staff and works closely with our pastors.

ADULT ED: *THE HOLY SPIRIT*

WEDNESDAYS THROUGH MAY 1

Come get to know that wild, comforting, inspiring, unpredictable Third Member of the Trinity! 5:30—6:30 in the Coffee House.

INTERGENERATIONAL CHOIR OPPORTUNITY

Singers of all ages - kids, teens, and adults - are invited to sing pieces in a special choir for Music Sunday, May 5. Singers are asked to attend at least 3 rehearsals. Rehearsals will be:

- Sunday, April 14: 8:45-9:30am
- Wednesday, April 17: 5:30-6:30pm
- Wednesday, April 24: 7-8:00pm
- Wednesday, May 1: 6-6:30pm and 7-8:00pm

GREGORIAN SINGERS CONCERT

SUNDAY, APRIL 21 // 4PM

The Gregorian Singers is coming to Abiding Savior Lutheran Church! Please join The Gregorian Singers (*in which our own Mary Larew sings*) for a sprightly spring concert in honor of Earth Day: *Creatures Great and Small*. Come here music about ants, crocodiles, birds, fireflies, salamanders, an annoying fly, a tortoise, dogs, bugs, and small children. This is a concert for all ages!

Wednesday Night Schedule During Lent

- 4:30—6:15pm Dinner served
04/17: Chicken ala King
04/24: Beef Stroganoff
5:30—6:30pm Adult Ed: The Holy Spirit
5:30—6:30pm Inter-gen. Choir Practice
5:30—6:30pm POWER Up
6:30—7:00pm Wednesday Worship
6:30—8:00pm Confirmation

GROWING THROUGH LOSS

MONDAY EVENINGS, APRIL 8—MAY 13

If you or someone you know has experienced the death of a loved one, a broken relationship, a divorce or separation, pregnancy or infant loss, a job loss or change, a move to a new home or city, or have a loved one who needs your support, you are encouraged to attend! This year's series will be held at Christ the King Lutheran in NB.

RIDE-ROLL-REPEAT FAM. MIN. EVENT

SUNDAY, APRIL 28 // 1—2:30PM

Bring your wheels (bikes, trikes, scooters, skateboards) and hit the Abiding Savior parking lot for some outdoor fun. Lawn toys and sidewalk chalk will also be available. ICE CREAM TREATS & POPSICLES, TOO!

SPRING CRAFT SALE BENEFITING YOUTH

SATURDAY, MAY 11 // 9AM—3PM

There will be 15+ crafters/vendors, along with concessions, family activities and more. Come and shop for Mother's Day, Spring gifts, Graduation gifts and more! Speak to Katie to be a Crafter/Vendor.

SCAN HERE TO DONATE TO ASLC!

Scan the QR code to make a contribution to ASLC'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

Casual 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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