

Abiding Savior Lutheran Church April 28, 2024 | 10:00 am Worship | 5th Sunday of Easter

Tanzania Sunday

PRELUDE | TuNoe African Arts Group

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*OPENING HYMN

Come, All You People (Uyaimose) ELW #819

Uyaimose, tinamate Mwari;

{phonetic pronunciation: ooh ya e mo say, tin a ma tay ma ri}
uyaimose, tinamate Mwari;
uyaimose, tinamate Mwari;
uyaimose Zvino.

Come, all you people, come and praise the Most High; come, all you people, come and praise the Most High; come, all you people, come and praise the Most High; come now and worship the Lord.

Uyaimose, tinamate Mwari; uyaimose, tinamate Mwari; uyaimose, tinamate Mwari; uyaimose Zvino.

*CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

- P Let us confess our sins in the presence of God and one another.
- C Lord, we have been commanded to love one another, but sometimes we find it difficult to even love ourselves.
- P We have been told to spread the Good News of your love to every part of the world, but too often we hold back in fear and silence.
- C We have been told to care for our neighbor in need, but we fail to see the needs or recognize our neighbor.

- P Forgive us our sin, Lord. Forgive our failure to live in love with one another.
- C Give us greater sensitivity to the world around us so that we might recognize all your beloved children as our neighbors.
- P Open our hearts that we may hear the voices of those who cry out for help.
- C Open our eyes that we may see what others need.
- P Open our minds that we may understand what it truly means to be a good neighbor.
- C Open our lives that we may become involved, serving as your hands and feet, caring for all of our neighbors.

{Silence for reflection and self-examination}

P Today there is Good News! God has forgiven our sin. In our failures God picks us up and breathes new power into our lives. God responds with grace and love to all people made in his image, to all who call upon his name. Forgiveness and eternal life come to us through Jesus' sacrifice on the cross. The Good News has come for each of us today. We are redeemed. We are set free to love God, to love our neighbors, and even to love ourselves.

C Thanks be to God!

*KYRIE | TuNoe African Arts Group

*APOSTOLIC GREETING & PRAYER OF THE DAY

- P The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- P Toumbe. Let us pray.
- C Loving God, from the very beginning your spirit has been hovering over the waters, bringing life out of chaos. You created the world and all that is in it, making us your partners in caring for one another and for your good creation. Thank you for the trust you have placed in us. Open our hearts to be faithful stewards of all you have entrusted to our care. May we see your face in the faces of our brothers and sisters near and far, and may we be inspired to work together, bega kwa bega, sharing our gifts in ways that serve your good purposes. Amen.

GREETING FROM ASLC TANZANIA TASK FORCE | Linka Holey

CHILDREN'S SERMON | University of MN Students

*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Listen, God is Calling ELW #518, Refrain & verse 1

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

offering forgiveness, comfort and joy.

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

*GOSPEL: John 7:37-38

*GOSPEL RESPONSE

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

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MESSAGE | Sharing from the University of MN Students & Ken Smith

*HYMN OF THE DAY

We Are All One in Mission ELW #576, all verses

We all are one in mission; we all are one in call, our varied gifts united by Christ, the Lord of all.

A single great commission compels us from above to plan and work together that all may know Christ's love.

We all are called to service, to witness in God's name. Our ministries are diff'rent; our purpose is the same: to touch the lives of others with God's surprising grace, so ev'ry folk and nation may feel God's warm embrace.

Now let us be united, and let our song be heard. Now let us be a vessel for God's redeeming Word. We all are one in mission; we all are one in call, our varied gifts united by Christ, the Lord of all.

*AN AFRICAN CREED

- (A Massai version of the Nicene Creed, developed by Catholic missionaries in east Africa)
- C We believe in the one High God, who out of love created the beautiful world and everything good in it.
- P He created humans and wanted them to be happy in the world. God loves the world and every nation and tribe on the earth. We have known this High God in darkness, and now we know him in the light. God promised in the book of His Word, the Bible, that He would save the world and all the nations and tribes.
- C We believe that God made good His promise by sending His son, Jesus Christ.
- P A man in the flesh, a Jew by tribe, born poor in a little village, who left his home and was always on safari doing good, curing people by the power of God, teaching about God and humanity, showing the meaning of religion is love. He was rejected by His people, tortured and nailed hands and feet to a cross, and died. He lay buried in the grave, but the hyenas did not touch Him, and on the third day, He rose from the grave. He ascended to the skies. He is the Lord.
- C We believe that all our sins are forgiven through Him.
- P All who have faith in Him must be sorry for their sins, be baptized in the Holy Spirit of God, live the rules of love and share the bread together in love, to announce the good news to others until Jesus comes again.
- C We are waiting for Him. He is alive. He lives. This we believe. Amen.

*SHARING OF THE PEACE

- P We invite all who are present to greet one another with a message of welcome, peace or grace. In Swahili, Welcome is Karibu, Peace is Amani, and Grace is Neema. The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C And also with you.

PROCESSIONAL OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS AND TITHES

Offering today will be a Processional Offering modeled after the offering taken at our companion congregation in Makungu. We ask that if you are able, please bring your offering forward to the basket. If you are unable, please pass your offering to a neighbor or usher and they will bring it forward on your behalf. 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 of our 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 Special Music | TuNoe African Arts Group

*OFFERTORY PRAYER

- P Loving God,
- C We offer these gifts as a sign of our gratitude and commitment to your work in the world done in and through us, your people. Help us to be wise stewards of the resources you have entrusted to us and guide us in using these resources to bring about love, understanding, relationships, empathy, justice, peace, and compassion for all people. In the name of Jesus Christ, we pray, Amen.

*OFFERTORY RESPONSE Asante Sana Yesu

I am thanking Jesus, I am thanking Jesus, I am thanking Jesus in my heart. I am thanking Jesus, I am thanking Jesus, I am thanking Jesus in my heart.

Asante sana Yesu, Asante sana Yesu, Asante sana Yesu mo yo ni. Asante sana Yesu, Asante sana Yesu, Asante sana Yesu mo yo ni.

*PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

- P Lord, in Your mercy.
- C Hear our prayer.

*THE LORD'S PRAYER | In Swahili, sing responsively | Led by TuNoe African Arts Group

- P Baba yetu, uliye mbinguni (Our Father who art in heaven)
- C Jina Lako Litukuzwe (geena lah-ko lee-tu-koozway) (Hallowed be thy name)
- P Ulfalme wako uje, mapenzi yatimizwe (Thy kingdom come, thy will be done)
- C Jina Lako Litukuzwe (Hallowed be thy name)
- P Hapa duniani, kama mbinguni (On earth as it is in heaven)
- C Jina Lako Litukuzwe (Hallowed be thy name)
- P Utupe leo hii, riziki yetu (Give us this day our daily bread)
- C Jina Lako Litukuzwe (Hallowed be thy name)
- P Utusamehe baba, makosa yetu (forgive us our trespasses)
- C Jina Lako Litukuzwe (Hallowed be thy name)
- P Kwa jinsi sisi nasi, tunavyosamehe (as we forgive those who trespass against us)
- C Jina Lako Litukuzwe (Hallowed be thy name)
- P Usitutie kamwe, majaribuni (and lead us not into temptation)
- C Jina Lako Litukuzwe (Hallowed be thy name)

- P Bali utuokie, katika uovu (but deliver us from evil)
- C Jina Lako Litukuzwe (Hallowed be thy name)
- P Kwa kuwa wako ufalme, mamlake yote (thine is the kingdom and the power)
- C Jina Lako Litukuzwe (Hallowed be thy name)
- P Na utukufu sasa, na hata milele (and the glory, forever and ever)
- C Jina Lako Litukuzwe (Hallowed be thy name)
- P Amin, Amin, tunakushukuru (Amen. Amen. It shall be so.)
- C Jina Lako Litukuzwe (Hallowed be thy name)
- P Uhimidewe Bwana, wee mfalme wetu (Hallowed be thy name)
- C Jina Lako Litukuzwe (Hallowed be thy name)

*BENEDICTION

The Lord bless you and keep you; Bwana akubariki. na kukulinda:

The Lord make his face to shine upon you;

Bwana akuangazie nuru za uso wake, na kukufadhili;

The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

Bwana akulinulie uso wake, na kukupa Amani.

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Katika Jina la Bab, na la + Mwana, na la Roho Mtakatifu. Amen.

*CLOSING HYMN

We Are Marching in the Light

Siyahamba

ELW #866

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, (marching, we are marching, marching,)

we are marching in the light of God.

We are marching, (marching, we are marching, marching,)

we are marching in the light of God.

We are praying...
We are singing...

*SENDING

P The Spirit of the Lord is upon us!

We have been called, we have been given a task.

We are to go out from here into the mission field that is the world.

We go carrying Good News of God's love and salvation for all people.

We go united as brothers and sisters in Christ.

C Hallelujah! Amen.

*POSTLUDE | TuNoe African Arts Group

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Thank you to all who made worship possible today!

GREETERS | Karn Matthews and Kathie Anderson

ACOLYTES

SPECIAL GUESTS

TuNoe African Arts Group: Elidady Msangi, Tuma Mutua, Noela Thurn

University of MN Students: Hailey Bargman, Sophia Hardman, Joshua Ichen, Insia Kizilbash, Nicholas Stan and Professor Ken Smith

MUSIC LEADERS | TuNoe African Arts Group, Pastor Ryan, Pastor Marla, Alex Ertz & Janelle Schauer

USHERS | Mark Pothen, Tom Brown, Gary Engen, Mark & Linda Radtke, Paul Schweppe and Scott Quarberg

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



Congregational Meeting Notice

Please note that there will be a Congregational Meeting held on Sunday, May 5th following Worship. During this brief meeting we will discuss the position of Associate Pastor, highlight the strategic goals of the congregation, and consider a proposal to amend the 2024 budget to increase the compensation range to accommodate a 3/4 time pastor.





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 | 04/28—TANZANIA SUNDAY

Tanzania Water Project presentation (Coffee House) // 9am
Sunday school and fellowship // 9am
Worship // 10am
Family ministry RIDE—ROLL—REPEAT event // 1—2:30pm

| MONDAY 04/29 | THURSDAY 05/02 Women's Bible study // 10am Jubilation Ringers // 7:15pm |
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| TUESDAY 04/30 Men's breakfast & Bible study // 8:30am Staff meeting // 10am | FRIDAY 05/03 OFFICE CLOSED |
| WEDNESDAY 05/01 Cub Foods baked goods delivery // 9:30am Wednesday evening activities (See next page for full schedule) | SATURDAY 05/04 Spring clean up // 9am |

SUNDAY | 05/05—MUSIC SUNDAY

Sunday school and fellowship // 9am Worship with Holy Communion // 10am Special congregational meeting // 11am Cinnamon roll sale // 11am

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

UPCOMING EVENTS

TANZANIA SUNDAY

ADULT FORUM // 9AM; WORSHIP // 10AM We are excited to be in partnership with the U of M, St. Paul Partners, and the Village of Makungu to make clean water a reality for Makungu! The students who travelled to Makungu and their advisor will be with to present an Adult Forum at 9AM in the Coffee House and to share briefly during the 10AM worship service.

RIDE - ROLL - REPEAT FAMILY MINISTRY EVENT TODAY! // 1:00 - 2:30PM

Bring your wheels: bikes, trikes, scooters, skateboard 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 Fellowship Hall

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.

SPRING CLEAN UP

SATURDAY, MAY 4 // 9AM—NOON

Grab your gloves and bring your rakes to help clean up our beautiful church grounds and get ready for summer! Treats provided. Come for as long as you're able!

SPECIAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

SUNDAY, MAY 5 // FOLLOWING WORSHIP

A Special Congregational Meeting will be held next Sunday in the Sanctuary following worship.

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



Wednesday Night Schedule

4:30—6:15pm Dinner served

05/01:Potato Salad

05/08: Hamburger Gravy & Mashed Potatoes

05/15: Tacos

5:30—6:30pm Adult Ed-The Holy Spirit

5:30—6:30pm POWER Up

6:00—6:30pm Intergen. Choir Practice

6:30-7:00pm Wednesday Worship

6:30-8:00pm Confirmation

7:00—8:00pm Intergen. Choir Practice

LAST NIGHT — WEDNESDAY YOUTH ACTIVITIES

THIS WEDNESDAY

We'll be celebrating the end of the year for our youth activities this Wednesday with fun activities and special treats! Invite a friend and join us!

GROWING THROUGH LOSS

MONDAY EVENINGS THRU 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 New Brighton.

SPRING CRAFT SALE BENEFITING YTH

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 if you have questions or to be a Crafter/Vendor.

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 Birator

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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