

Shores of the Sea of Galilee

Abiding Savior Lutheran Church May 4th, 2025 | 10:00 am Worship | 3rd Sunday of Easter



Welcome to our worship service this morning. We are so glad you are here! Please list your name and address on the friendship pad as it is passed to you during the offering. If you are in need of a church home, you are always welcome at Abiding Savior!

God bless your worship today.

*When you see this mark in the bulletin, please stand as you are able

PRELUDE | Janelle Schauer

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

- P In the name of the Father, and of the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.
- 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.
- P Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

{Silence for reflection and self-examination}

- P Gracious God,
- C Have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your spirit, so that we may live and service you in the newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. 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 HYMN

You Have Come Down to the Lakeshore ELW #817 | all verses

You have come down to the lakeshore seeking neither the wise nor the wealthy, but only asking for me to follow.

Refrain: Sweet Lord, you have looked into my eyes; kindly smiling, you've called out my name.
On the sand I have abandoned my small boat; now with you, I will seek other seas.

You know full well what I have, Lord: neither treasure nor weapons for conquest, just these my fish nets and will for working. *Refrain*

You need my hands, my exhaustion, working love for the rest of the weary—a love that's willing to go on loving. Refrain

You who have fished other waters; you, the longing of souls that are yearning:
O loving Friend, you have come to call me. Refrain

*APOSTOLIC GREETING AND PRAYER OF THE DAY

- 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.
- P Let us pray.
- C Eternal and all-merciful God, with all the angels and all the saints we laud your majesty and might. By the resurrection of your Son, show yourself to us and inspire us to follow Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

RECOGNITION OF THOSE RECEIVING FIRST COMMUNION

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Patty Mesenbring

CHILDREN'S TIME

LESSON | Acts 9:1-12, 17-20

- L The Word of the Lord
- C Thanks be to God

*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia ELW pg. 151

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

- *GOSPEL: John 21:1-19
- C Glory to you, O Lord. (spoken)
- P The Gospel of the Lord.
- C Praise to you, O Christ. (spoken)

SERMON | Pastor Ryan Brodin

*HYMN OF THE DAY

Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service ELW #712 | All verses

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.

As we worship, grant us vision, till your love's revealing light in its height and depth and greatness dawns upon our quickened sight, making known the needs and burdens your compassion bids us bear, stirring us to ardent service, your abundant life to share.

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

*PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

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

*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

{Please pass the Friendship Pad!}

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.

OFFERING MUSIC

Love One Another | by Natalie Sleeth

Adult Choir

*OFFERTORY RESPONSE

Alleluia, Alleluia, Give Thanks WOV #671

Refrain: Alleluia, alleluia, give thanks to the risen Lord; Alleluia, alleluia, give praise to his name.

Jesus is Lord of all the earth; he is the king of creation. Refrain

*OFFERTORY PRAYER

- P Gracious Provider, you set your immense treasures among us, opening your heart to the world. As we prepare to feast on your bountiful love, deepen our commitment to sharing those treasures with others, through our Savior, Jesus Christ.
- C Amen.

*THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION & 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.

LAMB OF GOD ELW pg.154

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world. Grant us peace. Grant us peace.

DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION

All Children of God are welcomed for Communion. Ushers will come around and guide each row. As you come forward, please proceed down your aisle and kneel at the railing to receive Communion. You will also be offered grape juice and/or wine (wine =red, grape juice = white).

- Gluten free wafers are available upon request
- Please alert a communion server if you need grape juice and there is none available on the tray. They will grab an additional tray for you
- If you prefer to remain in your seat to receive communion, please let an usher know and communion will be brought to you
- Children are invited to come forward with their parents to receive a blessing

*POST COMMUNION BLESSING

*BENEDICTION

*CHIMES

*CLOSING HYMN

Alleluia! Jesus Is Risen! ELW #377 | Verses 1-4

Alleluia! Jesus is risen! Trumpets resounding in glorious light! Splendor, the Lamb, heaven forever! Oh, what a miracle God has in sight!

Refrain: Jesus is risen and we shall arise. Give God the glory! Alleluia!

Walking the way, Christ in the center telling the story to open our eyes; breaking our bread, giving us glory: Jesus our blessing, our constant surprise. *Refrain*

Jesus the vine, we are the branches; life in the Spirit the fruit of the tree; heaven to earth, Christ to the people, gift of the future now flowing to me. *Refrain*

Weeping, be gone; sorrow, be silent: death put asunder, and Easter is bright. Cherubim sing: O grave, be open! Clothe us in wonder, adorn us in light. *Refrain*

*SENDING

- P Alleluia! Christ is risen.
- C Christ is risen, indeed. Alleluia!
- P Go in peace. In Christ you are made new. Alleluia!
- C Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

*POSTLUDE |

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THANK YOU TO ALL WHO MADE WORSHIP POSSIBLE TODAY!

Greeter | Arla Rost

Reader I CINDY COVINGTON

COMMUNION SERVERS | PASTOR RYAN, AMY BRIDENSTINE, JENNY BURSERS, MAREN HAWKINS, LINKA HOLEY, LAURIE MIDDENDORF, ELAINE SILPALA AND ELLEN ZIMMERMAN

SPECIAL MUSIC | ADULT CHOIC

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

A/V Crew | Jack Brouillard, Katrina Streeter, Tristan overby, Katie Brouillard and Taylor Brouillard

SPECIAL

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

FOR THE PURPOSE OF
EXTENDING A LETTER OF CALL
TO THE RECOMMENDED CANDIDATE
FOR THE ROLE OF
ASSOCIATE PASTOR

SUNDAY, MAY 4 - 11:15AM







SPRING FUNDRAISER

YOU'RE INVITED!

for a Garden Center Shopping Fundraiser with

Abiding Savior Lutheran Church - Tanzania Trip

When: Sunday, May 4 - Saturday, May 10, 2025

Where: 2456 125th Avenue NE, Blaine, MN 55449

20045 County Road 81, **Rogers**, MN 55374

How: Bring this form to any Malmborg's Garden Center Location

during the shopping week above and present it to the cashier.

10% of your pre-tax purchase will be donated to your group.

Form must be presented at time of purchase. Please do not distribute shopper forms on the garden center premises. The purchase of gift cards does not apply to fundraiser sales totals.

Thank you for choosing Malmborg's Garden Center to assist you in your fundraising efforts.



to assist you in your fundraisii	ng efforts.	made easy
Sign-up for Malmborg's E-Newsletter to r	eceive garden center updates &	specials: (optional)
Name:		
Email:		
For Cashier Use \$	Print copy of rec	ceipt and staple to form.

THIS WEEK IN THE LIFE OF OUR CONGREGATION

SUNDAY | 05/04 — SPECIAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

Music Sunday short-term special choir practice // 8:45am
Sunday school and fellowship // 9am
Worship service & 4th Graders receive First Communion // 10am
Cinnamon roll sale // 11am
Special congregational meeting // 11:15am

THURSDAY 05/08 Meals on Wheels delivery Work crew // 9am Women's Bible study // 10am Jubilation Ringers // 7pm
FRIDAY 05/09 OFFICE CLOSED Meals on Wheels delivery Craft fair set up // 4—7pm
SATURDAY 05/10 Craft Fair 9am—3pm Petting Zoo 10am—1pm

SUNDAY | 05/11 — Happy Mother's Day

Music Sunday short-term special choir practice // 8:45am Sunday school and fellowship // 9am Worship service // 10am

NOTES & REFLECTIONS

Please use this space to take notes and reflect on the worship service and the sermon.

Questions for possible reflection:

- What message of faith did you hear today in worship today?
- How can you live out that message of faith in your daily life this week?

UPCOMING EVENTS

SPECIAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

SUNDAY, MAY 4 // 11:15AM

The Congregational Council and the Call Committee announces a Special Congregation Meeting on Sunday, May 4, 2025, at 11:15 AM, for the purpose of extending a Letter of Call to the recommended candidate for the role of Associate Pastor. Please plan to attend!

SHORT-TERM CHOIR FOR MUSIC SUNDAY

Like to sing but aren't in our adult choir? You're invited to take part in a short-term opportunity for Music Sunday on May 18. We will meet at 8:45AM Sundays through May 18 to prepare "All We Like Sheep" from the Messiah. Please join us!

MALMBORG'S SPRING FUNDRAISER

SUNDAY, MAY 4—SATURDAY, MAY 10 Support the Tanzania trip by purchasing your Mother's Day flowers and summer gardening supplies at Malmborg's! Pick up a form from the office to show at check-out.

GROWING THROUGH LOSS SERIES

MONDAYS THROUGH MAY 19 // 6:45-9PM Abiding Savior is hosting this spring's Growing Through Loss series. Growing Through Loss provides an opportunity for individuals to obtain information and support for a variety of loss and grief issues. All are welcome.

Registration: 6:45— 7PM Speaker: 7 — 7:45PM Small Groups: 8 — 9PM

CRAFT SALE AND PETTING ZOO

SATURDAY, MAY 10 // 9AM—3PM

Come shop this Mother's Day weekend at our 3rd Annual Craft Fair! All proceeds go towards our Youth BWCA Trip. In addition to the Spring Craft Fair with a multitude of local crafters & vendors, there will be a FREE petting zoo, kids crafts, concessions and more!! Please share with your friends & neighbors. All are welcome to attend!

Wednesday Night Schedule

4:30—6:15pm Dinner served

05/07: Grilled Hamburgers & Potato Salad

05/14: Tacos & Spanish Rice 5:30—6:30pm POWER Up 7:00—8:00pm Confirmation 7:00—8:00pm Adult Choir

NEW MEMBER CLASS

WEDNESDAY, MAY 14 // 5:30PM

If you or someone you know is considering joining Abiding Savior, our next New member class will be Wednesday, May 14, 5:30—7:30pm. Come early and enjoy a time of fellowship at our Wednesday Evening Supper served 4:30. Contact Pastor Ryan or the church office if you are interested in joining or have any questions. We would love to see you there!

BOUNDARY WATERS CANOE TRIP

AUGUST 1—5

Are you wild about Jesus? Do you love the outdoors? Then you may be interested in a camping and canoeing trip in the beautiful BWCA this summer! Chat with Josh Ertz if you're interested in attending!

TANZANIA TRIP—DEADLINE IS MAY 14!

We are planning a trip to visit the water project and our companion congregation, the Makungu Parish in October. The trip will include travelling to Makungu for a weekend of worship and learning, a stay in the provincial capital of Iringa, and a safari in the Ruaha Game Park. If you are interested in learning more about the Tanzania trip, please talk to Pastor Ryan.

FINANCIAL UPDATE AS OF 03/31/25

2025 YTD Income: \$171,596 2025 YTD Expenses: \$169,328 2025 YTD Net Income: \$2,268

SCAN HERE TO DONATE

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





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.

Abiding Savior Pastoral and Musical Staff

Senior Pastor Rev. Dr. Ryan D. Brodin

Youth Directors
Alex & Josh Ertz

Choir Qirector Dr. Mary Larew

Children's Ministry Director Patty Mesenbring

> Bell Choir Director Paul Weller

> > Organist
> > Janelle Schauer

Abiding Savior Worship Schedule

Blended Worship | Sundays | 10:00 AM | Sanctuary
Sunday School | Sundays 9:00 AM | Mod #1
Power Up | Wednesdays | 5:30—6:30 PM | Mod #1
Youth Activities | Wednesdays | 6:30—8:00 PM
Women's Bible Study | Thursdays | 10:00 AM | Coffee House
Men's Bible Study | Tuesdays | 8:30 AM | Fellowship Hall*
*every other Tuesday of the month

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