

The Good Shepherd



Sunday, May 18, 2025 10:00 AM Worship Includes Special Music and Holy Communion

Abiding Savior Lutheran Church May 18th, 2025 | 10:00 am Worship | 5th 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

Music Sunday

PRELUDE | Sheep May Safely Graze | by Bach | Janelle Schauer

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

RECOGNITION OF THOSE RECEIVING 1ST COMMUNION

*CALL TO WORSHIP | Psalm 96

- P O sing to the Lord a new song; sing to the Lord, all the earth.
- C Sing to the Lord; bless his name; tell of his salvation from day to day.
- P Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous works among all the peoples.
- C For great is the Lord and greatly to be praised;
- P Honor and majesty are before him; strength and beauty are in his sanctuary.
- C O sing to the Lord a new song; sing to the Lord, all the earth.

*OPENING HYMN

Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us ELW #789 | All verses

Savior, like a shepherd lead us; much we need your tender care. In your pleasant pastures feed us, for our use your fold prepare. Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, you have bought us; we are yours. Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, you have bought us; we are yours.

We are yours; in love befriend us, be the guardian of our way; keep your flock, from sin defend us, seek us when we go astray. Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, hear us children when we pray. Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, hear us children when we pray.

You have promised to receive us, poor and sinful though we be; you have mercy to relieve us, grace to cleanse, and pow'r to free.

Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, early let us turn to you.

Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, early let us turn to you.

Early let us seek your favor, early let us do your will; blessed Lord and only Savior, with your love our spirits fill. Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, you have loved us, love us still. Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, you have loved us, love us still.

READING

Reader 1 | Israel is a scattered flock that lions have chased away. (Jeremiah 50:17)

Reader 2 | My people have been lost sheep; their shepherds have led them astray and caused them to roam on the mountains. (Jeremiah 50:6)

Choir | We All, Like Sheep, Have Gone Astray. (Isaiah 53:6)

Reader 1 | Suppose one of you has a hundred sheep and loses one of them. Does he not leave the ninety-nine in the open country and go after the lost sheep until he finds it? (Luke 15:4)

Reader 2 | When he saw the crowds, he had compassion on them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. (Matthew 9:36)

Choir | We all, like sheep, have gone astray, each of us has turned to his own way. (Isaiah 53:6)

Reader 1 | He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, so that we might die to sins and live for righteousness; by his wounds we have been healed. (1 Peter 2:24)

Reader 2 | For you were like sheep going astray, but now you have returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls. (1 Peter 2:25)

Choir | We all, like sheep, have gone astray, each of us has turned to his own way, and the Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all. (Isaiah 53:6)

ANTHEM | All We Like Sheep | by Handel | Adult Choir

*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P Let us confess our sins in the presence of God and one another:

{Silence for reflection and self-examination}

- P Gracious Shepherd,
- C We come before you as wandering sheep, prone to stray from your path. You call us through melodies of grace, yet we have been deaf to your song. You lead us with gentle hands, yet we have resisted your guiding touch. Forgive us for the times we have drowned out your voice with the noise of our own desires. Forgive us for failing to join in the chorus of love and mercy you have written upon our hearts. Gather us in, O Shepherd, that we may be restored to your fold and sing anew of Your boundless love.
- P Hear now the good news: Our Shepherd does not abandon the sheep. Through Christ, God calls us back, lifts us up, and places a new song upon our lips. Your sins are forgiven in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Sing forth in joy, for you are embraced by grace, carried in love, and made whole in Christ.
- C Amen.

SPECIAL MUSIC | Shepherd | written by Dave Rogge | Pastor Dave Rogge

READING | Luke 15:1-7

ANTHEM | Impressions on Aberystwyth | by Matthew Compton | Jubilation Ringers Bell Choir

READING | John 10:1-5, 11-15

*PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH | Reigning Grace Worship Band

In Christ Alone

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

{Break for Prayers of the Church}

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

READING | Psalm 23

SPECIAL MUSIC | Shepherd Me, O God | Julie Engen & Mary Larew

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

ANTHEM | *The Lord is My Shepherd* | by David N. Childs | **Adult Choir** & **Lauren Husting** | Trombone

*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

Holy Water

Reigning Grace Worship Band

*OFFERTORY PRAYER

- P Let us pray. Merciful Father,
- C We offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us—our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

*THE LORD'S PRAYER | Sung | Pastor Ryan Brodin & Pastor Lisa Engen

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

DISTRIBUTION MUSIC | *The King of Love* by Campbell | **Mary Larew & Janelle Schauer**

*POST COMMUNION BLESSING

*BENEDICTION | As You Go On Your Way | Pastor Lisa Engen
As you go on your way, may Christ go with you.

May Christ go before you to show you the way.

May Christ go behind you to encourage you,

Beside you to befriend you, above you to watch over,

within you to give you Peace.

As you go on your way, may Christ go with you (repeat). Amen.

*CLOSING LITANY

- P The Lord is our Shepherd, guiding us on paths of righteousness.
- C We follow God's voice, singing God's praises with joy.
- P God leads us beside still waters, refreshing our souls.
- C We lift our songs in gratitude, for God's mercies never fail.
- P Through every valley, God's melody of grace sustains us.
- C We trust in the harmonies of God, woven into each moment of our lives.
- P As we leave this place of worship today, may we carry the song of our loving shepherd as we share the love and peace of Christ with the world.
- C May our lives be a song of joy to the God of glory and the Lord of love! Amen!

*CLOSING HYMN

Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee
ELW #836 | All verses | Accompanied by Brass Band

Joyful, joyful we adore thee, God of glory, Lord of love! Hearts unfold like flow'rs before thee, praising thee, their sun above. Melt the clouds of sin and sadness, drive the gloom of doubt away. Giver of immortal gladness, fill us with the light of day.

All thy works with joy surround thee, earth and heav'n reflect thy rays, stars and angels sing around thee, center of unbroken praise. Field and forest, vale and mountain, flow'ry meadow, flashing sea, chanting bird, and flowing fountain call us to rejoice in thee.

Thou art giving and forgiving, ever blessing, ever blest, wellspring of the joy of living, ocean-depth of happy rest!

Thou our Father, Christ our brother, all who live in love are thine; teach us how to love each other, lift us to the joy divine!

*DOXOLOGY | Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow | ELW #884

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heav'nly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

*SENDING

- P Go in Peace. Follow the Good Shepherd.
- C Thanks be to God!

*POSTLUDE | Aloha Oe | Tait Schnabel | Ukelele

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THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO PARTICIPATED IN MUSIC SUNDAY! WE ARE BLESSED BY YOU SHARING YOUR TIME & TALENTS WITH ALL OF US!! THANK YOU AS WELL TO ALL OF OUR AMAZING VOLUNTEERS WHO HELP MAKE WORSHIP RUN SMOOTHLY!

Greeters | Arla Rost

ACOLYTES | OLIVER MAJKOZAK

Readers | Cheryl Bornhorst, Pastor Ryan

SPECIAL MUSIC | SENIOR CHOIR, JUBILATION RINGERS BELL CHOIR, REIGNING GRACE WORSHIP BAND, BRASS BAND, JULIE ENGEN, Dr. Mary Larew, Janelle Schauer, Tait Schnabel, Pastor Dave Rogge, Pastor Lisa Engen & Pastor Ryan Brodin

Brass Band | Katelyn Sangren, Josh Ertz on Trumpet & Lauren Husting on Trombone

REISNING GRACE WORSHIP BAND | DAWSON BLANCK, ALEX & JOSH ETTZ, GATY PETERSON, TOM SAUERWEIN, BEN SCHNABEL, TAIT SCHNABEL, PERCUSSION | JACK BROUILLARD

COMMUNION SERVERS | PASTOR RYAN, CHERYL BORNHORST, HELEN KRIESEL, LINKA HOLEY, GLORIA PETTIS, ELLEN ZIMMERMAN

USHERS | Dean & CHERI Wagner, Gary Cox, Lori Wagner, Stephen Hermanek & Darin Hatch and Kathie Anderson

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





LUTHERAN LUAU

PLEASE HEAD TO THE FELLOWSHIP HALL AND JOIN IN THE FOOD, FUN & FELLOWSHIP AS WE CELEBRATE ANOTHER WONDERFUL PROGRAM YEAR! CAKES PROVIDED IN HONOR OF INA MAE GLOMMEN'S 97TH BIRTHDAY AND JACKSON MATTHEWS 1ST COMMUNION

Congratulations
to the following
youth for
receiving their



First Communion

Morgan Kilpatrick
Jackson Matthews
Dexter Wagner
Miles Weller



Jump Socks are required - you can purchase them at Zero Gravity, but you can also wear a pair you already have (socks from other

places like SkyZone are fine)!

A safety waiver must be completed before jumping, please complete the waiver by clicking the link below!

THIS WEEK IN THE LIFE OF OUR CONGREGATION

SUNDAY | 05/18 — MUSIC SUNDAY

Music Sunday short-term special choir practice // 8:45am
Worship service // 10am
Lutheran Luau and potluck // 11am
Youth led worship service and dinner // 5:30pm

MONDAY 05/19 Growing Through Loss // 6:45pm	THURSDAY 05/22 Work crew // 9am NO Women's Bible study
TUESDAY 05/20 Men's breakfast & Bible study // 8:30am Quilting // 9am Staff meeting // 10am Council meeting // 6:30pm	FRIDAY 05/23 OFFICE CLOSED
WEDNESDAY 05/21 Cub Foods baked goods delivery // 9:30am Preschool graduation // 10:30m MS/HS youth outing to Zero Gravity 6:30—8pm	SATURDAY 05/24

SUNDAY | 05/25

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

MUSIC SUNDAY & LUTHERAN LUAU

THIS SUNDAY!

Our annual Lutheran Luau will feature pulled pork, BBQ sauce, buns, lemonade, coffee and water and desserts (all provided). We'll be having a "potluck" with the side dishes.

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.

CONGRATULATIONS PRESCHOOL GRADS!

The 2024-25 preschool and toddler room year will be coming to a close next week! Thank you to all the families who have chosen the Abiding Savior Preschool program as their first educational program for their child! There are still a few openings for the 2025-26 school year (toddler program, preschool and Pre-K programs), so help spread the word about our p r o g r a m! V i s i t www.abidingsaviorpreschool.com for more information!

HS SENIORS! APPLY FOR A SCHOLARSHIP!

Graduating seniors: stop by the office to pick up an application or email Katie. **Applications are due Sunday, June 1!** Mark your calendars for Graduation Sunday, June 22!

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!

FINANCIAL UPDATE AS OF 03/31/25

2025 YTD Income: \$171,596 2025 YTD Expenses: \$169,328 2025 YTD Net Income: \$2.268

PASTOR KATIE'S RITE OF ORDINATION

SUNDAY, JUNE 1 // 3PM

All members of Abiding Savior are invited to the Service of Ordination for Pastor Katie on Sunday, June 1 at 3PM. We are excited to welcome Pastor Katie to our staff and hope we can have a large congregational representation at her ordination to show our support as we welcome her into ministry with us! Katie's ordination will be at her home church: Augustana Lutheran Church, 1400 S Robert St, West St. Paul.

SUMMER WORSHIP SCHEDULE

For summer worship this year, we plan to alternate Sundays worshipping both outside and inside. On Communion Sundays (1st & 3rd Sunday of the month), we will worship inside. On noncommunion Sundays (2nd, 4th and 5th Sundays of the month), we will worship outside (weather permitting). We hope this gives everyone the opportunity to enjoy the different settings for worship and helps make it easier for those helping with set up/distribution.

GRADUATION SUNDAY

SUNDAY, JUNE 22

We will be celebrating our graduates on Sunday, June 22, during our outdoor worship service (weather permitting).

MEALS ON WHEELS VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

We are looking for some individuals to help deliver meals this summer! If you're interested and available any of the days of June 30—July 3 and August 25-29, (from approximately 11am—1pm), please speak with Fern Fisher or the office.

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 for supporting Abiding Savior's





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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