

# ***Our Mission***

The logo is a dark green circle containing a white cross. The words "ABIDING SAVIOR" are written in white, uppercase, sans-serif font along the top arc of the circle, and "LUTHERAN CHURCH" is written along the bottom arc. A white, leafy vine-like border surrounds the cross.

Living in **God's love**,  
Abiding Savior Lutheran Church  
is a **welcoming**  
and **caring** family that  
**nurtures** spiritual growth,  
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**Sunday | September 8 | 2024**

Fall Kick-Off Sunday | 10:00 am

Abiding Savior Lutheran Church | Mounds View

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# Fall Kick-off Sunday

**\*PRELUDE**

*Be Thou My Vision*

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.

*{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 HYMN

*Gather Us In*

ELW #532, verses 1, 2 & 4

**Here in this place the new light is streaming,  
now is the darkness vanished away;  
see in this space our fears and our dreamings  
brought here to you in the light of this day.**

**Gather us in, the lost and forsaken,  
gather us in, the blind and the lame;  
call to us now, and we shall awaken,  
we shall arise at the sound of our name.**

**We are the young, our lives are a myst'ry,  
we are the old who yearn for your face;  
we have been sung throughout all of hist'ry,  
called to be light to the whole human race.**

**Gather us in, the rich and the haughty,  
gather us in, the proud and the strong;  
give us a heart, so meek and so lowly,  
give us the courage to enter the song.**

**Not in the dark of buildings confining,  
not in some heaven, light years away—  
here in this place the new light is shining,  
now is the kingdom, and now is the day.**

**Gather us in and hold us forever,  
gather us in and make us your own;  
gather us in, all peoples together,  
fire of love in our flesh and our bone.**

## \*APOSTOLIC GREETING & 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** **Gracious God, throughout the ages you transform sickness into health and death into life. Open us to the power of your presence, and make us a people ready to proclaim your promises to the whole world, through Jesus Christ, our healer and Lord. Amen.**

## **ANTHEM**

*Alleluia 11*  
Adult Choir

- by Jacques Berthier

## **BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS**

Patty Mesenbring

## **CHILDREN'S TIME**

*Following the Blessing of the Backpacks, 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**

*Alleluia*  
ELW pg. 151

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

## **\*GOSPEL | Mark 7:24-37**

**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**

*Amazing Grace, My Chains Are Gone*  
Led by 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**

**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 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.**

### **OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS AND TITHES**

*Ushers will come around and collect your offering today. During this time, children are invited to bring forward an offering of dollar bills and loose change to the globe on the steps of the altar area. All offerings received in the globe go to support our Companion Congregation in Makungu, Tanzania. Adults are encouraged to give spare change to children around them.*

### **OFFERTORY**

*Way Maker*  
Reigning Grace Worship Band

**\*OFFERTORY PRAYER**

P Let us pray.

**C Blessed are you, O God, source of every gift of your creation. By these gifts and with our lives, help us to serve one another and all in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

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

*You Are My King | Amazing Love*

Led by Reigning Grace Worship Band

**I'm forgiven because You were forsaken;  
I'm accepted, You were condemned  
I'm alive and well, Your spirit is within me;  
Because You died and rose again**

*Chorus: Amazing love, how can it be,  
that You my king would die for me?*

**Amazing love, I know it's true, and it's my joy to honor You.  
In all I do, I honor you**

*{Break for 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.*

**I'm forgiven because You were forsaken;  
I'm accepted, You were condemned  
I'm alive and well, Your spirit is within me;  
Because You died and rose again**

*Chorus*

**You are my King, You are my King, Jesus You are my King  
You are my King, You are my King, Jesus You are my King**

*Chorus*

**In all I do, I honor you**

**\*BENEDICTION**

**\*CLOSING HYMN**

*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.**

**\*SENDING**

**P** Go in peace. Follow Jesus.

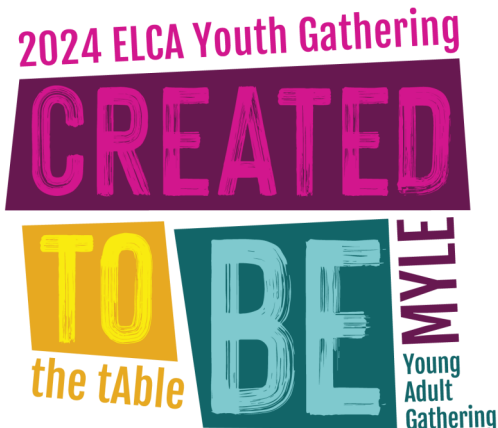
**C** **Thanks be to God.**

**\*POSTLUDE**

*Gavotte* — Bigel

Janelle Schauer

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**ON SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 22ND, THE GROUP THAT  
ATTENDED THE 2024 ELCA YOUTH GATHERING  
WILL SHARE ALL ABOUT THEIR EXPERIENCES IN  
NEW ORLEANS DURING WORSHIP! DON'T MISS IT!**

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

**GREETERS** | PETER & ELLEN ZIMMERMAN

**ACOLYTES** |

**USHERS** | DEAN & CHERI WAGNER, LORI WAGNER, GARY COX, JACK CANFIELD, STEPHEN HERMANEK & DARIN HATCH, KATHIE ANDERSON

**REIGNING GRACE WORSHIP BAND** | DAWSON BLANCK, ALEX & JOSH ERTZ, GARY PETERSON, TOM SAUERWEIN, BEN SCHNABEL, TAIT SCHNABEL AND LONDON BLANCK. **PERCUSSION** | JACK BROUILLARD

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

SUNDAY BRUNCH

following worship

today!





# Let's get excited for fall learning and growing!

Sunday, September 8



## ENJOY SOME FREE COFFEE & JUICE

Stop by and grab a cup of hot or iced coffee for adults and a juice box for the kids!



## REGISTER FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL & FALL PROGRAMMING

We'll have registration open for Sunday school, Wednesday night POWERUp, and Confirmation.



## WORSHIP WITH BLESSING OF BACKPACKS

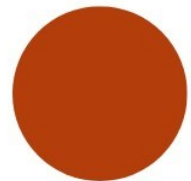
After enjoying a cup of coffee or juice, getting registered and visiting with others, stay for worship during which all students are invited to wear their backpacks and receive a blessing!



## BRUNCH FOLLOWING WORSHIP

You're invited to a delicious brunch following Sunday's worship service! Enjoy this time of fellowship and food!

*Invite a friend*





# WELCOME

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## THIS WEEK IN THE LIFE OF OUR CONGREGATION

### SUNDAY | 09/08

#### Fall Kick-Off Sunday

Fall programming registration and Fellowship // 9:30am  
Indoor Worship with Blessing of the Backpacks // 10am  
Brunch // 11am

### MONDAY | 09/09

Women's gathering at Moe's // 5:30pm

### THURSDAY | 09/12

Work crew // 9am  
Women's Bible study // 10am  
Growing Through Loss at  
Nativity Lutheran in St. Anthony // 6:45pm  
Jubilation Ringers // 7pm

### TUESDAY | 09/10

Staff meeting // 10am  
Caring Visitors meeting // 2pm  
Lydia Circle // 5:30pm

### FRIDAY | 09/13

OFFICE CLOSED

### WEDNESDAY | 09/11

Cub Foods baked goods delivery // 9:30am  
Wednesday night dinner // 4:30pm  
POWER Up // 5:30pm  
Confirmation // 6:30pm  
Adult choir // 7:00pm

### SATURDAY | 09/14

### SUNDAY | 09/15

Fellowship // 9:30am  
Children's Time (Sunday School) // 9:30am  
Worship with Holy Communion // 10am

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

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### FALL KICKOFF SUNDAY

*THIS SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8*

We are excited to kick off our fall programming this Sunday! Plan to join us that day for fall programming registration, worship at 10AM with Blessing of the Backpacks, and a delicious brunch after worship!

### VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

It's a joy to share God's word and love with the children of Abiding Savior, and you are invited to be a part of it! **Children's Time (aka Sunday school) Opportunities:** Help supervise and assist children with opening time activities, help supervise children during their time away from worship, or accompany children on the piano or guitar. *Speak with Patty if you are able to help!!*

### WOMEN'S GATHERING AT MOE'S

*MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 9 // 5:30PM*

You are invited to join in on a monthly "meet-up" for the Women of ASLC at Moe's in their main dining room at 5:30pm on Monday (come for as long as you're able). The purpose of this meet-up is simply to socialize and get to know our "Pew Sisters" better and may to discuss future activities and gatherings.

### BELL RINGER NEEDED!

Jubilation Ringers is in need of an additional ringer! We meet one evening a week to practice and play one Sunday a month in worship. If you're interested, please speak with the office or let Paul Weller know!

### GROWING THROUGH LOSS SERIES

*THURSDAY EVENINGS THRU OCTOBER 12*

This 6-week series provides an opportunity for individuals to obtain information and support for a variety of loss and grief issues. Each session is complete in itself; attend any or all sessions. Child care will not be provided. Call 763-755-5335 or visit [www.growingthroughloss.org](http://www.growingthroughloss.org) for more information. The series will be held Thursday evenings, September 5 through October 12, from 6:45 to 9PM at Nativity Lutheran Church, 3312 Silver Lake Road NE, Saint Anthony.

### Wednesday Night Schedule

4:30—6:15pm Dinner served

09/11: Tacos & Spanish Rice

09/18: Hot Dogs & Potato Salad

09/25: Cold Chicken Salad

5:30—6:30pm POWER Up

6:30—8:00pm Confirmation

### BLOOD DRIVE

*THURS., SEPT. 26 // 1:30—6:30PM*

Please call 1-800-RED CR OS S (1-800-733-2767) or go to [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org) and enter: Abiding to schedule an appointment. If you are available to help check people in or serve treats, please tell the office.

### THANK YOU VOLUNTEERS!

Thank you to everyone who helps out in anyway at Abiding Savior! Your help and sharing of your talents is appreciated!

### CALL COMMITTEE UPDATE

Currently the Call Committee is awaiting more candidates from the St. Paul Area Synod. The Call Committee wants the congregation to know that there is no set timeline for this call process. It could take several more months to find the person God has in mind for Abiding Savior. Please continue to pray for our call process here at Abiding Savior. We continue to trust that God will provide us with who and what we need to continue God's work in this church, community, & beyond.

### FINANCIAL UPDATE AS OF 07/31/24

2024 YTD Income: \$335,627

2024 YTD Expenses: \$353,557

2024 YTD Net Income: -\$17,930

### SCAN HERE TO DONATE TO ASLC!

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



# *Pastoral and Musical Staff*

## *Senior Pastor*

Rev. Dr. Ryan D. Brodin

## *Children's Ministry Director*

Patty Mesenbring

## *Youth Directors*

Alex & Josh Ertz

## *Bell Choir Director*

Paul Weller

## *Choir Director*

Dr. Mary Larew

## *Organist*

Janelle Schauer

## Abiding Savior Worship Schedule:

Blended Worship | Sundays | 10:00 AM | Sanctuary

Women's Bible Study | Thursdays | 10:00 AM | Coffee House

Men's Bible Study | Tuesdays | 8:30 AM | Fellowship Hall\*

\*Meets every other Tuesday | September—May

Children's Ministry Activities | Wednesdays | 5:30 PM | Mod #1

Confirmation/Youth Activities | Wednesdays | 6:30 PM | Youth Room



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