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*Sunday, September 11th, 2022*

*Blended Worship Service/Fall Kick-off Sunday*

Abiding Savior Lutheran Church  
14th Sunday after Pentecost ~ September 11, 2022  
10:00 AM Worship Service

**PRELUDE**

Janelle Schauer

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**\*CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS**

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who is eager to forgive and who loves us beyond our days.

C **Amen.**

P Dear friends, together let us acknowledge our failure to love this world as Jesus does.

*{Silence for reflection & self-examination}*

P God of mercy and forgiveness, ,

C **we confess that sin still has a hold on us. We have harmed your good creation. We have failed to do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with you. Turn us in a new direction. Show us the path that leads to life. Be our refuge and strength on the journey, through Jesus Christ, our redeemer and friend. Amen.**

P Beloved of God: your sins are forgiven † and you are made whole. God points the way to new life in Christ, who meets us on the road. Journey now in God's abiding love through the power of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

**\*OPENING HYMN**

*Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty!*

ELW #413, verses 1, 2 & 4

**Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty!**

**Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee.**

**Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty!**

**God in three persons, blessed Trinity!**

**Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore thee,  
casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;  
cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee,  
which wert and art, and evermore shalt be.**

**Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!**  
**All thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky and sea.**  
**Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty!**  
**God in three persons, blessed Trinity!**

**\*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** **God, overflowing with mercy and compassion, you lead back to yourself all those who go astray. Preserve your people in your loving care, that we may reject whatever is contrary to you and may follow all things that sustain our life in your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

**SPECIAL MUSIC**

*I Am Here In the Heart of God*  
**Adult Choir**

Arr. by Chanda Rule

**BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS**

**GOSPEL:** Luke 15:1-10

**SERMON**

Pastor Ryan Brodin

**\*HYMN OF THE DAY**

*Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing*

ELW #807, all verses

Led by Reigning Grace Worship Band

**Come, thou Fount of ev'ry blessing, tune my heart to sing thy grace;  
streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise.**

**While the hope of endless glory fills my heart with joy and love,  
teach me ever to adore thee; may I still thy goodness prove.**

**Here I raise my Ebenezer: "Hither by thy help I've come";  
and I hope, by thy good pleasure, safely to arrive at home.**

**Jesus sought me when a stranger, wand'ring 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 that grace now like a fetter bind my wand'ring heart to thee.  
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it; prone to leave the God I love.  
Here's my heart, oh, take and seal it; seal it for thy courts above.**

### **\*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 MUSIC**

*Open the Eyes of My Heart*

Led by Reigning Grace Worship Band

**Open the eyes of my heart, Lord; Open the eyes of my heart**

**I want to see You, I want to see You**

**Open the eyes of my heart, Lord; Open the eyes of my heart**

**I want to see You, I want to see You**

**To see you high and lifted up; Shining in the light of your glory**

**Pour out your power and love; As we sing holy, holy, holy**

**Holy, holy, holy, Holy, holy, holy; Holy, holy, holy, I want to see you**

**Open the eyes of my heart, Lord, Open the eyes of my heart**

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**\*OFFERTORY PRAYER**

**P** Let us pray.

**C** Gracious God, in your great love you richly provide for our needs. Make of these gifts a banquet of blessing, and make us ready to share with all in need; through Jesus Christ, who sets a table for all. Amen.

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

*In Christ Alone*

Led by 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 & 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**

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 HYMN**

*Praise to the Lord, the Almighty*  
*ELW #858, all verses*

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!  
O my soul, praise him, for he is your health and salvation!  
Let all who hear now to his temple draw near, joining in glad adoration!

Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things is wondrously reigning  
and, as on wings of an eagle, uplifting, sustaining.  
Have you not seen all that is needful has been sent by his gracious ordaining?

Praise to the Lord, who will prosper your work and defend you;  
surely his goodness and mercy shall daily attend you.  
Ponder anew what the Almighty can do if with his love he befriend you.

Praise to the Lord! Oh, let all that is in me adore him!  
All that has life and breath, come now with praises before him!  
Let the amen sound from his people again. Gladly forever adore him!

**\*DISMISSAL**

P    Go in peace, with Christ beside you.  
C    Thanks be to God.

**POSTLUDE**

Janelle Schauer

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THANK YOU TO ALL WHO MADE WORSHIP POSSIBLE TODAY!

**SONG LEADERS:** Senior Choir & **Reigning Grace Worship Band:** Dawson Blanck, Alex & Josh Ertz, Gary Peterson, Tom Sauerwein and Ben Schnabel

**SOUND BOOTH TECH:** Jack Brouillard

**VIDEO:** Taylor Brouillard/Katie Brouillard

**POWERPOINT:** Helena Mills

**USHERS:** Dean & Cheri Wagner, Lori Wagner, Gary Cox, Jack Canfield

Your Church Directory Committee is looking for photos of varying church activities. If you have any clear, nice quality pictures of groups, events, etc. please submit them to the office for consideration in our new directory.

**Church  
Directory**



It is easier for us to work with digital photos, but we can certainly scan a copy of a printed photograph.

Thank you for your help!



Flowers in the sanctuary  
were given in loving  
memory of  
Barbara Gibelyou

Wednesday evening meals & activities resume this week!

Please check out the schedules and be ready to join in  
and get involved in your church community!!

SEPTEMBER 11, 2022  
FOURTEENTH SUNDAY  
AFTER PENTECOST



*God's promises overcome God's righteous judgment.*

### DAILY BIBLE READINGS

These passages are related to the Lectionary texts for this Sunday.

Sunday	Luke 15:1-10	The lost sheep and the lost coin
Monday	Exodus 32:7-14	Moses pleads for the people
Tuesday	1 Timothy 1:12-17	Gratitude for mercy
Wednesday	James 5:13-16	The prayer of faith
Thursday	Jeremiah 31:31-34	A new covenant
Friday	Ephesians 5:25-32	Rules for the new life
Saturday	Psalms 51:1-10	A prayer for forgiveness
Sunday	Luke 16:1-13	Parable of the shrewd manager

### SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THIS WEEK

*The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners—of whom I [the Apostle Paul] am the foremost. 1 Timothy 1:15 (NRSV)*

### PRAYERS AND BLESSING

#### **A Prayer for the Week:**

God of divine justice, we thank you for remembering your promise of mercy and forgiveness and bringing us back to you through Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### **Mealtime Prayer:**

Dear God, just as we need this gift of food to survive, help us always to remember that we need your love to survive as well. Amen.

#### **A Blessing to Give:**

May the God who remembers you with love bless you with peace and joy.





SEPTEMBER 11, 2022

## HYMN OF THE WEEK

*Amazing Grace, How  
Sweet the Sound*



## WEEKLY MILESTONES

Take a moment to tell or think about a recent mountain high and/or valley low in your life.

## CARING CONVERSATIONS



Discuss in your home, small group, or use for personal reflections:

- Some people feel that when something bad happens, it is God's judgment. Do you agree? Why or why not?
- Why is it important to know that God's mercy endures beyond God's judgment?

## DEVOTIONS



*Read:* Exodus 32:7-14.

There is plenty of wrath, divine repentance, even humor in this Old Testament Story. God wants to destroy the people who have turned away to worship a golden calf and won't even acknowledge them as God's people. God refers to them as Moses' people, the people whom Moses led out of Egypt. Moses refutes this and says they are God's people and God led them out of Egypt. Moses stands as a prophet speaking not to the people about God's word, but to God about God's promises that go back to Abraham, Isaac, and Israel (Jacob). Fortunately, Moses wins the debate and God repents, turning from the divine anger planned for the obstinate and unfaithful people. God saves the people by not destroying them. What is at stake? God's passion and mercy for the people does battle (through Moses) and wins the day by not letting God's judgment get the last word. Thanks be to God for promises to us that are from everlasting to everlasting.

*Discuss:* What do you find surprising about God's actions in this reading?

*Pray:* **God of justice and mercy, we thank you that you know our weaknesses and failings and yet love us still through Christ Jesus our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

## SERVICE



Jesus calls us to serve our neighbor in love. Based on the Daily Bible Readings and theme for this week, how might you help and encourage others who feel the weight of their regrets?

## RITUALS AND TRADITIONS



In Luke 15:1-10 Jesus tells parables about the lost being found. Our sin is a condition of being lost and apart from God. God rejoices when, through faith in Christ, we, as the lost, are found and restored to a relationship with God. Hide chocolate coins or other candies and have others find them. After the treats are found, talk about the joy of finding them and then about God's joy at searching for and finding us. *Pray:* **Thank you, God, for searching for us when we stray from you. Thank you for finding us and forgiving us. Amen.**



In addition to *Taking Faith Home*, celebrate milestones in your daily life as an effective faith formation tool. Go to: [www.milestonesministry.org](http://www.milestonesministry.org)



# 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 | 09/11

#### FALL KICK-OFF SUNDAY!

Sunday school kids & families coffee, juice, fellowship & registration // 9:15—9:45

Indoor Worship with Blessing of the Backpacks // 10am

Brunch // 11am

### MONDAY | 09/12

### THURSDAY | 09/15

Bible study // 10am

Jubilation Ringers // 7pm

### TUESDAY | 09/13

Staff meeting // 10am

Property Committee // 2:45pm

Lydia circle // 6pm

### FRIDAY | 09/16

Office closed

### WEDNESDAY | 09/14

Cub Foods baked goods delivery // 9:45am

Wednesday night activities resume!

*(see schedule on next page)*

### SATURDAY | 09/17

### SUNDAY | 09/18

Sunday school and Sunday school family fellowship // 9am

Indoor Worship // 10am

Cinnamon roll sale // following worship

Girl Scout meeting at church // 3pm

Outdoor movie night "The Princess Bride" // 6pm

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

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### FALL KICKOFF SUNDAY

*TODAY!*

We are excited to kick off our fall programming with special activities today! Sunday school families are invited to Join us starting at 9:15am for coffee, iced coffee, and juice boxes as we get young children registered for Sunday school and visits to classrooms. Worship will be at 10am followed by brunch at 11am!

### LYDIA CIRCLE

*TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13 // 6PM*

Our Lydia Circle will be kicking off a new year and will be meeting on the second Tuesday of the month. The next gathering will be Tuesday, September 13 at 6pm. We will meet at the church and will be using the Bible study in the magazine of the Women of the ELCA, "Gather". Come join us!

### ABIDING SAVIOR PRESCHOOL OPEN HOUSE

*THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 16 // 6-7PM*

Know someone who is still looking for a preschool? Abiding Savior Preschool will be hosting an Open House this Thursday for all enrolled families along with anyone else who may be looking for a great school! Help spread the word about Abiding Savior Preschool and tell your friends, neighbors and family!

### PRESCHOOL THANK YOU

Our preschool playground has undergone a transformation (new play structure, new mulch, power washed and newly stained fence, etc.). We want to thank EVERYONE who played any part in all the work done to make these improvements! Stay tuned for an 'Open House' date to come take a look at the playground!

### NEW CHURCH DIRECTORY & PICTURES

*SEPT. 28-OCT. 1 // varying times*

NOW is the time to schedule your photos for our NEW, up-to-date directory of our members! To schedule your photography appointment online, go to [www.ucdir.com](http://www.ucdir.com), click on Photography Appointment Scheduling Login on the right side, enter **mn274** in the Church Code field and enter **photos** in the Church Password field.

## Wednesday Night Schedule

4:30—6:15pm Dinner served

9/14: Tacos

5:00—5:30pm Celebration Ringers

5:30—6:00pm King's Msgrs Choir

5:30—6:00pm POWER Up (grd 2-5)

6:00—6:30pm WWJD Choir (grd 2-5)

6:00—6:30pm POWERUp (4yrs-1st grd)

6:00—7:00pm Reigning Grace practice

6:30—7:00pm Wednesday Worship

6:30—8:00pm Confirmation

6:30—8:00pm High School Yth Group

7:00—8:00pm Adult Choir

### NEW MEMBER CLASS

*WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 21 // 5:30PM*

Abiding Savior is a place to belong! Are you (or someone you know) interested in or curious about becoming a member at Abiding Savior?

Join us for a new members class on Wednesday, September 21 at 5:30pm to learn more about the ministries of Abiding Savior, what it means to be Lutheran, and to get to know one another! Please contact the church office at 763-784-5120 if you are interested! New members will be received on Sunday, October 2 at 10:00am.

### BLOOD DRIVE

*THURS., SEPTEMBER 29 // 1:30-6:30PM*

Please call 1-800-733-2767 or visit [www.redcrossblood.org](http://www.redcrossblood.org) and enter: Abiding to schedule an appointment. If you'd be interested in volunteering at the drive, contact the office!

### SCAN HERE TO DONATE TO ASLC!

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. Thank you for your support of the mission and ministries of our congregation!



## Pastoral and Musical Staff

*Pastor*

Rev. Elisa Richardson Engen

*Pastor*

Rev. Dr. Ryan D. Brodin

*Organist*

Janelle Schauer

*Choir Director*

Dr. Mary Larew

*Deacon & Youth Director*

Brad Mills

*Children's Ministry Director*

Patty Mesenbring



### Abiding Savior Worship Service Schedule:

Traditional/Blended Worship ~ Sundays at 10:00 AM

Casual/Family Worship ~ Wednesdays at 6:30 PM

Women's Bible Study ~ Thursdays at 10:00 AM

Men's Bible Study & Breakfast ~ Every other Tuesday at 8:30 AM



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