

*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 Lutheran Church**

**September 13th, 2020 - Rally Sunday**

### **Blended Outdoor Worship Service Bulletin**

Services begin LIVE at 10:00 am in the backyard at Abiding Savior

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**PRELUDE** Janelle Schauer

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**MISSION MINUTE:** Deacon Kari Alice Olsen, Shobi's Table

**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.**

*{Silence for reflection & 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 minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

**OPENING HYMN**

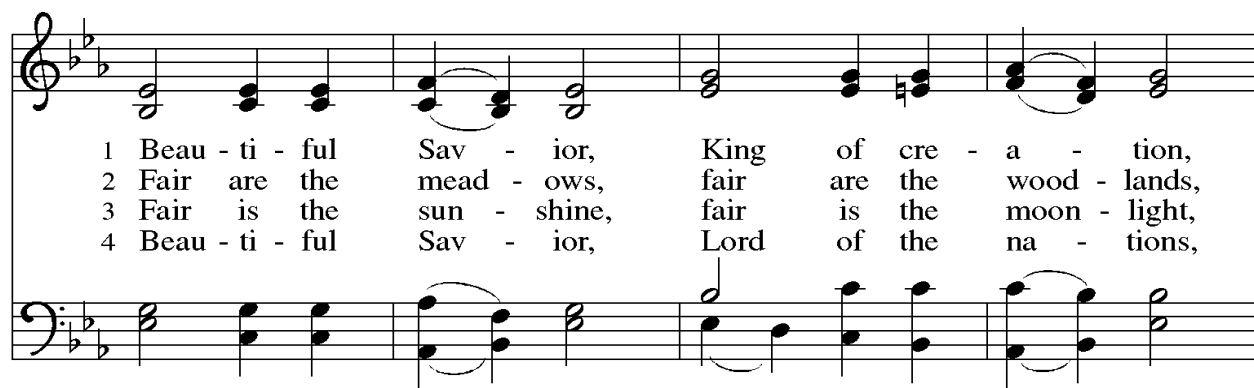
*Beautiful Savior*

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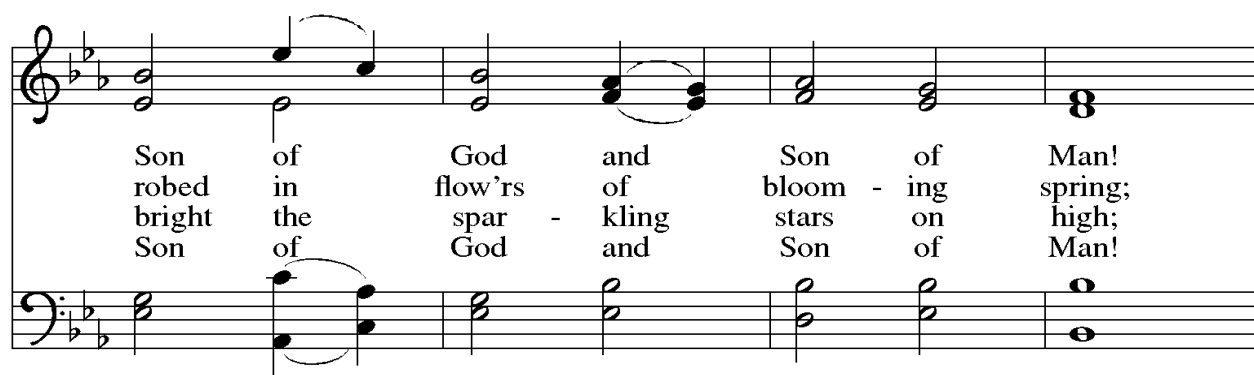
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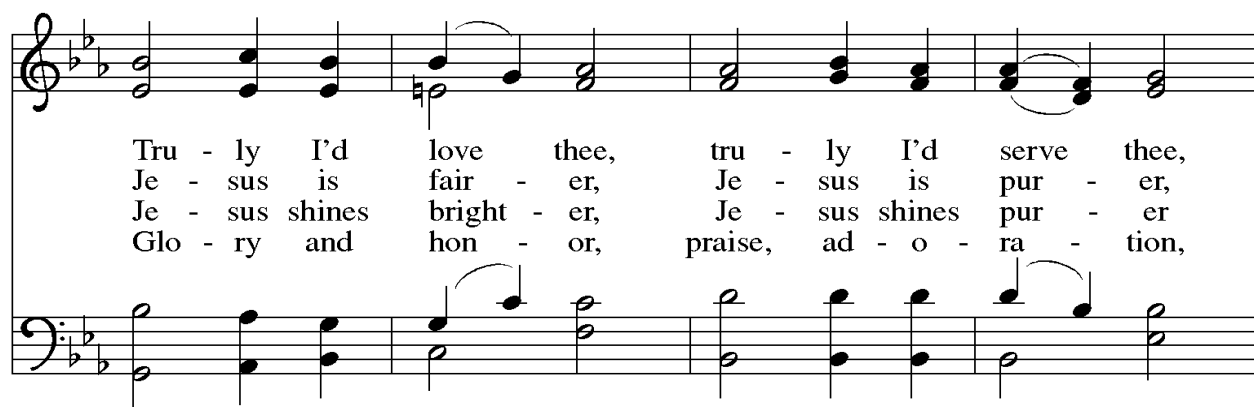
# Beautiful Savior



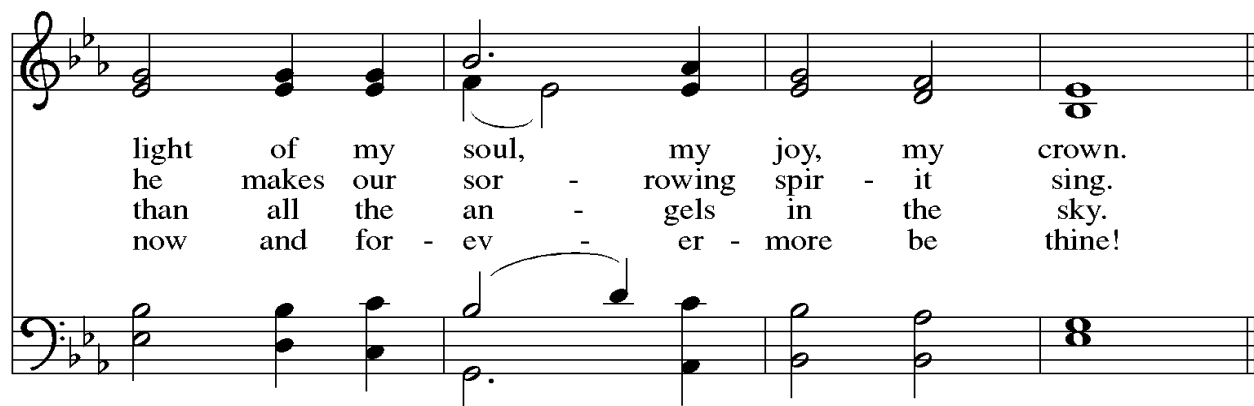
1 Beau - ti - ful Sav - ior, King of cre - a - tion,  
 2 Fair are the mead - ows, fair are the wood - lands,  
 3 Fair is the sun - shine, fair is the moon - light,  
 4 Beau - ti - ful Sav - ior, Lord of the na - tions,



Son of God and Son of Man!  
 robed in the spar - kling stars bloom - ing spring;  
 bright the of God and Son of high;  
 Son of God and Son of Man!



Tru - ly I'd love thee, tru - ly I'd serve thee,  
 Je - sus is fair - er, Je - sus is pur - er,  
 Je - sus shines bright - er, Je - sus shines pur - er  
 Glo - ry and hon - or, praise, ad - o - ra - tion,



light of my soul, my joy, my crown.  
 he makes our sor - rowing spir - it sing.  
 than all the an - gels in the sky.  
 now and for - ev - er - more be thine!

## **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.

**All** **O Lord God, merciful judge, you are the inexhaustible fountain of forgiveness. Replace our hearts of stone with hearts that love and adore you, that we may delight in doing your will, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

## **CHILDREN'S SERMON - BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS**

Brad Mills & Patty Mesenbring

{We encourage all school-age youth to come forward and receive a blessing; this includes preschool, elementary, middle school, high school and college students}

**GOSPEL:** Matthew 18:18-35

## **SERMON**

Pastor Ryan Brodin

## **HYMN OF THE DAY**

***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

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, to honor you

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You are my king  
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Jesus, You are my king  
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In all I do, I honor you

## **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;  
Please share a verbal 'Peace' instead of shaking hands)*

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

This morning, ushers will collect offering in large baskets. Please hold out your envelopes for ushers to see as they are walking around. During the offering time, children are invited to bring forward an offering of dollar bills and loose change to the globe at the front of Brad's Pad. All the offerings received in the globe go to support our Companion Congregation in Makungu, Tanzania.

To find additional ways to support the mission & ministry of

Abiding Savior, please visit the following page:

<http://abidingsavior.org/OutreachPro/give-to-abiding-savior/>

## **OFFERING MUSIC**

*Special Music by Janelle Schauer*

## **OFFERTORY PRAYER**

**P** Let us pray. Merciful Father,

**C** **Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things. You have set before us these gifts of your good creation. Prepare us for your heavenly banquet, nourish us with this rich food and drink, and send us forth to set tables in the midst of a suffering world, through the bread of life, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

## **PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH/THE LORD'S PRAYER**

### ***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  
{Prayers/The Lord's Prayer}  
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**

Pastor Lisa Richardson Engen

## **CLOSING SONG**

### ***Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee***

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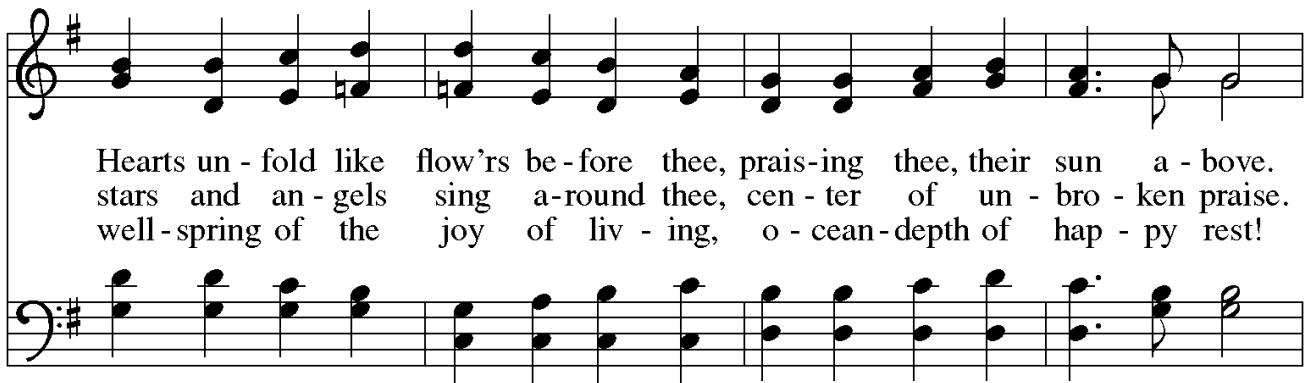
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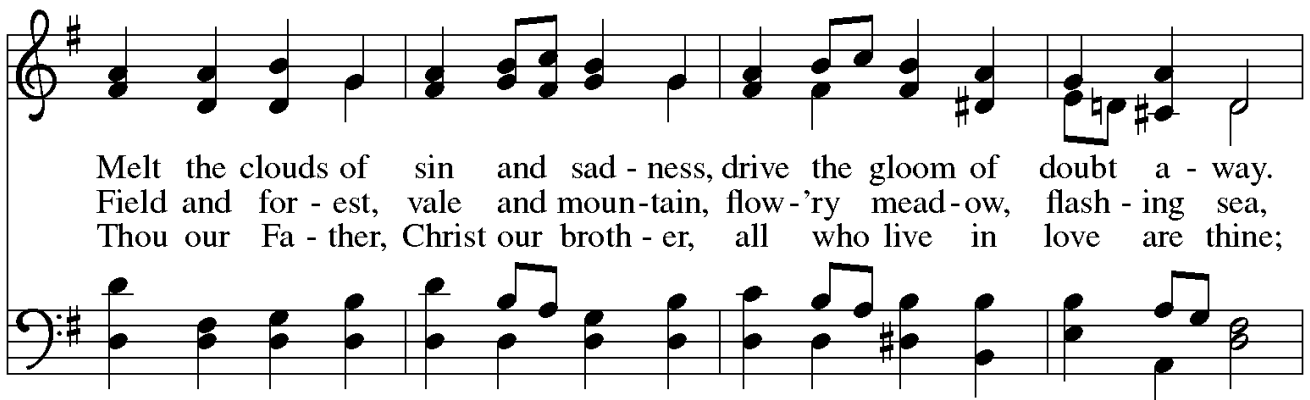
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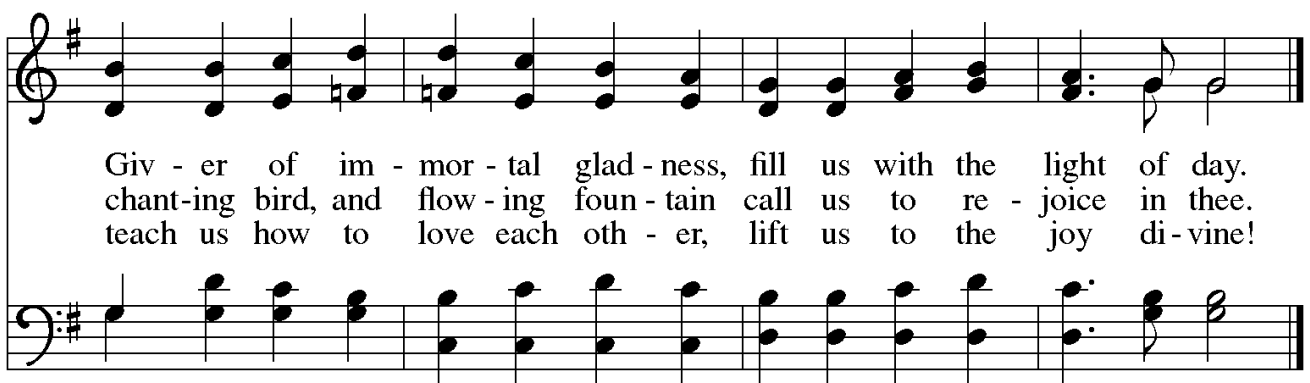
1 Joy - ful, joy - ful we a - dore thee, God of glo - ry, Lord of love!  
2 All thy works with joy sur-round thee, earth and heav'n re - flect thy rays,  
3 Thou art giv - ing and for - giv - ing, ev - er bless-ing, ev - er blest,



Hearts un - fold like flow'rs be - fore thee, prais-ing thee, their sun a - bove.  
stars and an - gels sing a-round thee, cen - ter of un - bro - ken praise.  
well-spring of the joy of liv - ing, o - cean-depth of hap - py rest!



Melt the clouds of sin and sad - ness, drive the gloom of doubt a - way.  
Field and for - est, vale and moun-tain, flow-'ry mead-ow, flash - ing sea,  
Thou our Fa - ther, Christ our broth - er, all who live in love are thine;



Giv - er of im - mor - tal glad - ness, fill us with the light of day.  
chant-ing bird, and flow - ing foun - tain call us to re - joice in thee.  
teach us how to love each oth - er, lift us to the joy di - vine!

## SENDING

P Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

ALL Thanks be to God. Amen.

## POSTLUDE

Janelle Schauer



**SOUND BOOTH TECHS:** Colin Owens, Jim Schlotterback, Jack Brouillard

**VIDEO:** Katie & Taylor Brouillard

**USHERS:** Mark Radtke, Linda Radtke, Rick Winters, Jerry Kunz, Barb Kunz, Gary Engen, Mark Pothen, Paul Schweppe

### Memorial Flowers



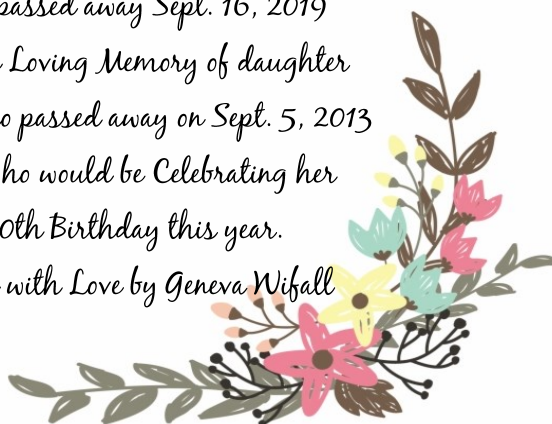
Flowers near the alter today  
are In Memory of  
Bill & Jeanne McCormick  
Given with Love  
by Diana McCormick



Flowers near the alter today  
are in Celebration of the 50th  
Wedding Anniversary of  
Dean & Katharine Holmquist  
Given with love by Dean  
Actual Anniversary: Sept. 12<sup>th</sup>



Flowers near the alter today  
are In Memory of Ronald Wifall,  
who passed away Sept. 16, 2019  
and In Loving Memory of daughter  
Lisa, who passed away on Sept. 5, 2013  
and who would be Celebrating her  
50th Birthday this year.  
Given with Love by Geneva Wifall





## Pastoral and Musical Staff

Pastor

Rev. Elisa Richardson Engen

Pastor

Rev. Dr. Ryan D. Brodin

Organist

Janelle Schauer

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