



Sunday, October 30th, 2022

10:00 am Worship Service ~ Reformation/Confirmation Sunday

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**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**

*A Mighty Fortress Is Our God*

ELW #504, all verses

**A mighty fortress is our God, a sword and shield victorious;  
he breaks the cruel oppressor's rod and wins salvation glorious.**

**The old satanic foe has sworn to work us woe!**

**With craft and dreadful might he arms himself to fight. On earth he has no equal.**

**No strength of ours can match his might! We would be lost, rejected.**

**But now a champion comes to fight, whom God himself elected.**

**You ask who this may be? The Lord of hosts is he!**

**Christ Jesus, mighty Lord, God's only Son, adored. He holds the field victorious.**

**Though hordes of devils fill the land all threat'ning to devour us,  
we tremble not, unmoved we stand; they cannot overpow'r us.**

**Let this world's tyrant rage; in battle we'll engage!**

**His might is doomed to fail; God's judgment must prevail! One little word subdues him.**

**God's Word forever shall abide, no thanks to foes, who fear it;  
for God himself fights by our side with weapons of the Spirit.**

**Were they to take our house, goods, honor, child, or spouse,  
though life be wrenched away, they cannot win the day. The kingdom's ours forever!**

### **\*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** Almighty God, gracious Lord, we thank you that your Holy Spirit renews the church in every age. Pour out your Holy Spirit on your faithful people. Keep them steadfast in your word, protect and comfort them in times of trial, defend them against all enemies of the gospel, and bestow on the church your saving peace, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

### **CHILDREN'S SERMON**

Patty Mesenbring

### **CHILDREN'S TIME**

*Following the Children's Sermon, 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, during the sermon. Children will return to their families after the sermon.*

### **FAITH SHARING**

Anna Schwientek ~ Confirmand

**SCRIPTURE:** Romans 3:19-28

Maggie Burgers ~ Confirmand

### **\*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

ELW pg. 151

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

**GOSPEL:** John 8:31-36

**C**      **Glory to you, O Lord.** *(spoken)*

**P**      The Gospel of the Lord.

**C**      **Praise to you, O Christ.** *(spoken)*

**SERMON**

Deacon Brad Mills

**\*HYMN OF THE DAY**

*Borning Cry*

ELW #732, all verses

**I was there to hear your borning cry, I'll be there when you are old.**

**I rejoiced the day you were baptized to see your life unfold.**

**I was there when you were but a child, with a faith to suit you well;  
in a blaze of light you wandered off to find where demons dwell.**

**When you heard the wonder of the Word I was there to cheer you on;  
you were raised to praise the living Lord, to whom you now belong.  
If you find someone to share your time and you join your hearts as one,  
I'll be there to make your verses rhyme from dusk till rising sun.**

**In the middle ages of your life, not too old, no longer young,  
I'll be there to guide you through the night, complete what I've begun.  
When the evening gently closes in and you shut your weary eyes,  
I'll be there as I have always been, with just one more surprise.**

**I was there to hear your borning cry, I'll be there when you are old.  
I rejoiced the day you were baptized to see your life unfold.**

**CONFIRMATION ~ AFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM**

Introduction of Confirmands

The Apostles' Creed

Prayer for the Confirmands

Statement of Personal Affirmation and Pastoral Prayers

Laying on of Hands and Stole Presentation

Blessing

## **\*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 Special Music**

Dawson Blanck & Landon Blanck ~ Confirmand

## **\*OFFERTORY RESPONSE**

*Create in Me*

ELW #186

**Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.**

**Cast me not away from your presence, and take not your Holy Spirit from me.**

**Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and uphold me with your free Spirit.**

## **\*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.

## **\*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.**

## **\*BENEDICTION**

**\*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!*

ACOLYTES:

GREETERS: 2022 Confirmands

SOUND BOOTH TECH: Jack Brouillard

VIDEO: Katie Brouillard

POWERPOINT: Helena Mills/Taylor Brouillard

USHERS: Arden Erickson, Scott Quarberg, Roger & Pearl Boldenow, Dale Aukee and  
Barry Gibelyou



# CONFIRMATION

Affirmation of Baptism

*Congratulations to all of our Confirmands today!*

*We thank and praise God for you and your devotion and dedication on studying and learning God's Word over the past several years. What a blessing for our church that God continues to provide young people who wish to hear and study his word.*

*From all of us at Abiding Savior...Congrats!*

## 2022 Confirmands

*Landon Patrick Blanck*

John 16:33

*Wade Earl Miller*

Psalms 108:1

*Anna Claire Schwientek*

Matthew 21:22

*Jillian Ryan Proell*

I Peter 5:7

*Magdalen Frances Burgers*

Luke 10:36-37

*Morgan Faye Syverson*

Isaiah 41:10

*Ava Jane Haugen*

1 Corinthians 13:8a

*Owen Harold Van Ert*

Ephesians 2:8-9

{Cross of Glory}

**OCTOBER 30, 2022**

## **HYMN OF THE WEEK**

*There's A Wideness in  
God's Mercy*



# taking<sup>+</sup> faith home

## **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:

- Is caring for others or helping someone in need easy or difficult for you? Explain.
- How does having a loving and forgiving God free you to care for others?

## **DEVOTIONS**



*Read:* Isaiah 1:10-18.

The prophet Isaiah speaks of a religious life that pleases God. We are to worship and praise God with a merciful heart. What pleases God is a faith-filled life where people acknowledge their broken lives, seek forgiveness (Psalm 32:1-7), and do acts of mercy. For example: aiding those who are beaten down, caring for orphans, and being an advocate for widows or others in society. The way of life desired by God is not complicated: acknowledge our need for God, confess our brokenness, and serve those in need. This is a message needed in Isaiah's time and also needs to be known in the world today.

*Discuss:* In what ways have you been tempted to place your own needs before the needs of others?

*Pray:* **Dear God, give us a heart that acknowledges our need for you and seeks to do your will of love and mercy for the sake of Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.**

## **SERVICE**



Jesus calls us to serve our neighbor in love. Based on the Daily Bible Readings and theme for this week, how can you care for others?

## **RITUALS AND TRADITIONS**



Jesus was a guest at the house of Zacchaeus and brought salvation to his home (Luke 19:5-9). As a sign and reminder of Christ's presence in your home, set an extra place at your table this week. While you are eating, think or talk about what it means for Jesus to be part of your life. When you finish, pray: **Lord Jesus, thank you for your presence at this table and in our lives. Bless this home with your salvation. Amen.**



**OCTOBER 30, 2022  
TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY  
AFTER PENTECOST**



*God's mercy frees us to care for others.*

### **DAILY BIBLE READINGS**

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

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Luke 19:1-10</b>	<b>Jesus visits Zacchaeus</b>
<b>Monday</b>	<b>Isaiah 1:10-18</b>	<b>Justice is needed, not sacrifice</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>2 Thess. 1:1-4, 11-12</b>	<b>God will relieve their troubles</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Exodus 34:1-9</b>	<b>Moses worships the Lord</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Psalms 86:8-17</b>	<b>Asking for help against enemies</b>
<b>Friday</b>	<b>2 Corinthians 1:3-7</b>	<b>Paul gives thanks</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>Psalms 32:1-7</b>	<b>The joy of forgiveness</b>
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Luke 20:27-38</b>	<b>Jesus speaks of the resurrection</b>

### **SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THIS WEEK**

*Wash yourselves; make yourselves clean; remove the evil of your doings from before my eyes; cease to do evil, learn to do good; seek justice, rescue the oppressed, defend the orphan, plead for the widow.*

**Isaiah 1:16-17 (NRSV)**

### **PRAYERS AND BLESSING**

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

God of justice and mercy, free us of self-centeredness that we may be freed to care for others in the name of Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### **Mealtime Prayer:**

Dear Jesus, just as you blessed Zacchaeus by joining him at his table, thank you for blessing us with your presence at this meal today. Amen.

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

May the Lord Jesus bless you with the joy of a forgiven life. (Psalm 32:1)





# 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 | 10/30—CONFIRMATION & REFORMATION SUNDAY

Sunday School and Sunday school family fellowship // 9am

Worship with Rite of Confirmation // 10am

Cinnamon roll sale // following worship

### MONDAY | 10/31

Happy Halloween!

### THURSDAY | 11/03

Bible study // 10am

### TUESDAY | 11/01

Men's breakfast and Bible study // 8:30am

Staff meeting // 10:00am

Committee meetings // 6:30pm

### FRIDAY | 11/04

Office closed

### WEDNESDAY | 11/02

Cub Foods baked goods delivery // 9:45am

Galatians Bible study // 5:30pm

Wednesday night activities // No Celebration

Ringers

*(see schedule on next page)*

### SATURDAY | 11/05

Rain garden clean-up // 9am

### SUNDAY | 11/06

### ALL SAINTS SUNDAY

Sunday School and Sunday School family fellowship // 9am

Worship with Holy Communion // 10am

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

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### CONFIRMATION SUNDAY

Today our 9th graders will be reaffirming their faith with the Rite of Confirmation during worship. Please keep these young persons in your prayers: Landon Blanck, Magdalen Burgers, Ava Haugen, Wade Miller, Jillian Proell, Anna Schwientek, Morgan Syverson and Owen Van Ert {COG}.

### GET YOUR WREATHS FOR CHRISTMAS!

*ORDER FORMS DUE TODAY!*

Help support our preschool and get your home ready for the Christmas season! The preschool is selling items from Mickman Brothers: wreaths, swags and centerpieces. Check your GREEN insert for an order form and return it in the offering plate today!

### GALATIANS BIBLE STUDY

*WEDNESDAYS, NOVEMBER 2, 9 & 16 // 5:30PM*

Join Pastor Ryan for a journey through the book of Galatians. Galatians is short, but it provides a powerful message about putting faith into action. No prior knowledge of the Bible necessary to attend and no one will be asked to answer any questions if they do not wish to do so! Come early and have dinner!

### RAIN GARDEN CLEAN UP

*SATURDAYS, NOVEMBER 5 & 12 // 9AM*

Come help us clean up our rain gardens! Some areas have gotten overgrown and needs some trimming. Many hands make light work!

### ALL SAINTS SUNDAY

*NEXT SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 6*

We invite you to this special worship service as we remember all the saints in our lives who have gone before us. There will be an opportunity to light a candle in honor or in memory of those special saints in your life!

### ELECTION NIGHT MEAL & BAKE SALE

*TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 8 // 4-6:30PM*

Come enjoy both a 'mini' Smorgasbord and BBQ! We'll be offering a Smorgasbord Meal (\$10), a BBQ Pork Meal (\$7), and a Kid's Meal (\$5). Tickets are available for purchase before/after church or during office hours!

## Wednesday Night Schedule

4:30—6:15pm Dinner served  
11/2: Chicken Hot Dish  
5:00—5:30pm Celebration Ringers  
5:30—6:30pm Galatians Bible Study  
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)  
6:30—7:00pm Wednesday Worship  
6:30—8:00pm Confirmation  
6:30—8:00pm High School Yth Group  
7:00—8:00pm Adult Choir

### BE A MEMBER OF THE ALTAR GUILD!

We are still in need of more hands to help with Altar Guild duties. This is a flexible opportunity and perfect for families, couples, or friends. Altar Guild helps set up for Baptisms, Communion, changes banners during church seasons, and makes sure there's oil in the candles! Speak with the office, Tonya Cox or Gloria Pettis if you're available or have questions! Your help is appreciated!

### EAGLE SCOUT / GARDEN WATERING PROJECT NEEDS SUPPORT!

We have a local Scout doing another wonderful Eagle Scout project. The project is to create a rainwater collection system for garden watering. This project could use volunteers as well as financial support. Please see the office for more info or put 'Eagle Scout Project' in the memo of a check for donation. Thank you!

### ABIDING SAVIOR IS... PLEDGE FORMS

It's not too late to turn in your pledge forms for our 2022 Stewardship Campaign. You can place them in the offering plate or drop them off/mail them to the office. Thank you for your support of our congregation's ministries!

### THANK YOU VOLUNTEERS!

Thanks to everyone who volunteers their time and talents at Abiding Savior!

## 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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