



Hope

ADVENT 2022

NOVEMBER

SUNDAY

27

10:00AM

Abiding Savior Lutheran Church

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1st Sunday in Advent ~ November 27th, 2022
10:00 AM Worship Service

PRELUDE

Janelle Schauer

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE—CANDLE OF HOPE

Light One Candle for Hope

Light one candle for Hope. Hope that the whole world needs.

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Advent Reading & Scripture, Lighting of the Advent Candle and Prayer

The Overby Family: Jay, Stacy and Tristan

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***CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS**

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, †one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

C **Amen.**

P Let us confess our sin, trusting in the tender mercy of our God.

{Silence is kept for reflection}

P Gracious God,

C **We acknowledge that we are sinners and we confess our sins – those known to us that burden our hearts, and those unknown to us by seen by you. We know that before you nothing remains hidden, and in you everything is revealed. Free us from the slavery of sin; liberate us from the bondage of guilt; work in us that which is pleasing in your sight; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

P From the house of David, God raised up a mighty Savior.

C **Blessed be the Lord God of Israel, who comes to set us free.**

P Remembering the covenant, God delivered us from our enemies.

C Blessed be the Lord God of Israel, who comes to set us free.

P Before God we are holy and righteous, free to worship without fear.

C Blessed be the Lord God of Israel, who comes to set us free.

P With a heart full of mercy and compassion, God saves us and forgives us all from our sins. Christ, the dawn from on high, shines upon us, and by the light of the Holy Spirit guides our feet into the way of peace.

All Amen.

***OPENING HYMN** *Awake! Awake, and Greet the New Morn*

ELW #242, verses 1 & 4

Awake! Awake, and greet the new morn, for angels herald its dawning.

Sing out your joy, for soon he is born, behold! the Child of our longing.

**Come as a baby weak and poor, to bring all hearts together,
he opens wide the heav'nly door and lives now inside us forever.**

**Rejoice, rejoice, take heart in the night, though dark the winter and cheerless,
the rising sun shall crown you with light, be strong and loving and fearless.**

**Love be our song and love our prayer and love our endless story;
may God fill ev'ry day we share and bring us at last into glory.**

***APOSTOLIC GREETING & PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P From the one who was, who is, and who is to come: Grace and peace be with you all.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray.

**All Stir up your power, Lord Christ, and come. By your merciful protection save us
from the threatening dangers of our sins, and enlighten our walk in the way of your
salvation, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now
and forever.**

ANTHEM Adult Choir

Advent Echo Carol

by Mary Kay Beall

CHILDREN'S SERMON

***GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

Hark, the Glad Sound!

ELW #239

**Hark, the glad sound! The Savior comes, the Savior promised long;
let ev'ry heart prepare a throne and ev'ry voice a song.**

***SCRIPTURE & GOSPEL:** Galatians 2:15-16, Matthew 24:36-44

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

P The Gospel of the Lord.

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

SERMON

Pastor Ryan Brodin

***HYMN OF THE DAY**

Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus

ELW #254, all verses

**Come, thou long-expected Jesus, born to set thy people free;
from our fears and sins release us; let us find our rest in thee.
Israel's strength and consolation, hope of all the earth thou art,
dear desire of ev'ry nation, joy of ev'ry longing heart.**

**Born thy people to deliver, born a child, and yet a king;
born to reign in us forever, now thy gracious kingdom bring.
By thine own eternal Spirit rule in all our hearts alone;
by thine all-sufficient merit raise us to thy glorious throne.**

***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

Janelle Schauer

***OFFERTORY RESPONSE**

People Look East

ELW #248

**People, look east. The time is near of the crowning of the year.
Make your house fair as you are able, trim the hearth and set the table.
People, look east, and sing today—Love, the Guest, is on the way.**

***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**

P Lord, in your mercy,

C **Hear our prayer.**

***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**

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**

Rejoice, Rejoice, Believers

ELW #244, verses 1, 3 & 4

Rejoice, rejoice, believers, and let your lights appear;
the evening is advancing, and darker night is near.
The bridegroom is arising and soon is drawing nigh.
Up, pray and watch and wrestle; at midnight comes the cry.
The saints, who here in patience their cross and suff'rings bore,
shall live and reign forever when sorrow is no more.
Around the throne of glory the Lamb they shall behold;
in triumph cast before him their diadems of gold.
Our hope and expectation, O Jesus, now appear;
arise, O Sun so longed for, o'er this benighted sphere.
With hearts and hands uplifted, we plead, O Lord, to see
the day of earth's redemption that sets your people free!

***DISMISSAL**

P Go in peace. Christ is near.

C Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Janelle Schauer

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Thank you to all who made worship possible today

REIGNING GRACE WORSHIP BAND: Dawson Blanck, Alex & Josh Ertz, Gary Peterson, Tom Sauerwein, Ben Schnabel; Guest Singer: Tait Schnabel

SPECIAL MUSIC: WWJD Choir, King's Messengers Choir, Adult Choir, Jubilation Ringers Bell Choir

SOUND BOOTH TECH: Jack Brouillard

VIDEO: Katie Brouillard

POWERPOINT: Taylor Brouillard

USHERS: Larry Thill, Curt Johnson, Kaethe Bisek, Bob Wirtz, Debby Nelson



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FIRST SUNDAY
OF ADVENT**



Jesus is coming to bring hope.

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

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

Sunday	Matthew 24:36-44	The coming of the Son of Man
Monday	Isaiah 2:1-5	Peace that lasts forever
Tuesday	Romans 13:11-14	The day when Christ returns
Wednesday	Isaiah 55:10-13	God's people will celebrate
Thursday	Psalms 147:1-11	Sing and praise the Lord
Friday	Romans 12:9-13	Marks of the true Christian
Saturday	Psalms 122	A song of praise
Sunday	Matthew 3:1-12	Prepare the way of the Lord

SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THIS WEEK

Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, to the house of the God of Jacob; that he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths. Isaiah 2:3a (NRSV)

PRAYERS AND BLESSING

A Prayer for the Week:

Almighty God, in the power of your mystery and majesty, you do great things for us so that we may live with hope through Christ Jesus, the Son of Man. Amen.

Mealtime Prayer:

Dear God, you who give food to the nations, we thank you for feeding us this day and for being with us now and always through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

A Blessing to Give:

May the God of peace bring you hope now and always.



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HYMN OF THE WEEK

All Earth Is Hopeful



taking+ 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:

- When something important is about to happen, how do you prepare for it?
- During the Advent season, how do you prepare for the coming of Jesus?

DEVOTIONS



Read: Matthew 24:36-44.

With Advent we begin a new church year. Last year our Gospel readings came from Luke. This year they will be from the Gospel of Matthew. This passage leads us to raise many questions, to take life and faith seriously, and to wonder. Who is in and who is out? Remembering that some people were living with the intimidation of Roman occupation in Galilee and Judea, we wonder on what basis is one person taken and another left. What does it mean to stay awake and be prepared for the coming of the Son of Man? Are the pleasures and responsibilities of daily life leading us to complacency? Are we not seeing the signs of the times? What the Gospel tells us is to be attentive and live a life that walks in the ways of the Lord. Jesus has come and is still coming into our lives so that we may know the good news of God's love and faithfulness. God's reign in our lives brings peace, not power grabbing, hope, not despair, and joy, not fear (Isaiah 2:1-5).

Discuss: What does it mean to you to stay awake and be prepared for the Son of Man?

Pray: **Dear Jesus, give me a living faith to seek your presence in my life each day so that I may know, trust, and share your love for all people and be the loving presence you want me to be. Amen.**

SERVICE



Jesus calls us to serve our neighbor in love. Based on the Daily Bible Readings for this week, how might you serve others that they may experience hope?

RITUALS AND TRADITIONS



Advent means "coming." During the four weeks of Advent, we prepare our hearts and minds for the coming of Jesus Christ. Make a circular Advent wreath for your home to remind you of God's unending love and eternal life through Jesus. Use evergreens to decorate the wreath as a symbol of life and growth. Place four candles around the wreath. Put a white candle in the center that will be lit on Christmas Eve or Christmas Day to represent Christ. For this first week of Advent, light one candle to focus on the hope we have in God through Jesus Christ.

Say: **Come, let us walk in the light of the Lord, the light of Christ that gives us hope.**



In addition to *Taking Faith Home*, celebrate milestones in your daily life as an effective faith formation tool. Go to: 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 11/27 NO Sunday School 1st Sunday in Advent—Worship // 10am	
MONDAY 11/28	THURSDAY 12/01 Women's Bible study // 10am Jubilation ringers // 7pm
TUESDAY 11/29 Men's breakfast and Bible study // 8:30am Staff meeting // 10am <i>Outing to Church Basement Ladies</i> — Lunch // 11am —Depart church // 11:45am —Show // 1pm	FRIDAY 12/02 Office closed
WEDNESDAY 11/30 Cub Foods baked goods delivery // 9:45am Wednesday night activities (see schedule on next page)	SATURDAY 12/03 Sunday school Christmas program practice 2nd—5th graders + costumed/speaking parts 9:30—11am
SUNDAY 12/04 2nd Sunday in Advent Sunday school and fellowship // 9am Worship with Holy Communion // 10am	

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

UPCOMING EVENTS

THANK YOU FOR DECORATING

A special thanks to all the volunteers who decorated the church building for Advent/Christmas!

CHRISTMAS PROGRAM PRACTICE

SATURDAYS, THRU DECEMBER 17 // 9:30-11AM

Sunday school students will be meeting for Christmas Program practice the following dates/times:

- Sat., Dec. 3: 9:30—11am
 - 2nd—5th graders and costumed/speaking parts
- Sat., Dec. 10 & 17: 9:30—11am
 - All children

SLP-BLAINE-MOUNDS VIEW SANTA PARADE

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 6 // 6:40PM

You're invited to come watch the Fire Department's Santa Parade in the Abiding Savior parking lot! Hot chocolate & treats provided! Bring a non-perishable food item to donate.

CHRISTMAS CAROLING

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 21 // 5:15PM

Join us as we share the joy of Christmas with those who are homebound in the neighborhood and the senior buildings in the area. Meet at church at 5:15 and we'll carpool. We will need some drivers for this event. Choir members will be done before practice starts.

EL SALVADOR MISSION TRIP

AUGUST 1—6, 2023

Pastor Ryan and Deacon Brad are leading an inter-generational mission trip to El Salvador. The trip will be both participating in active ministry as well as learning about the culture and people. The cost of the trip, before fundraising, is approx. \$1800. If you have questions, please speak with Pastor Ryan.

COOKIE MAKING FOR EL SALVADOR TRIP

FRI. & SAT., DEC. 16 & 17

Come help make Christmas cookies to help raise funds for the El Salvador Mission Trip. Look for info in the days ahead on how you can place an order for Christmas cookies.

Wednesday Night Schedule

4:30—6:15pm Dinner served

12/07: Tator Tot Hotdish

12/14: Tacos (last meal)

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)

6:30—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!

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 supporting the mission and ministries of ASLC!



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!

Pastoral and Musical Staff

Pastor

Rev. Elisa Engen

Pastor

Rev. Dr. Ryan D. Brodin

Organist

Janelle Schauer

Choir Director

Dr. Mary Larew

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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