

The Parable of *The Weeds & The Wheat*



Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

Sunday, July 19, 2026 | 10:00 AM
Worship with Holy Communion

ABIDING SAVIOR LUTHERAN CHURCH

July 19, 2026 | 10:00 am Worship

Eighth Sunday After Pentecost | Worship with Holy Communion



Welcome to our worship service this morning. We are so glad you are here! If you are in need of a church home, you are always welcome at Abiding Savior! God bless your worship today.

**When you see this mark in the bulletin, please stand as you are able*

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*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.**

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

{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 your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

***OPENING HYMN**

Praise and Thanksgiving
ELW 689 | Verses 1, 3 & 4

**Praise and thanksgiving, God, we would offer
for all things living, you have made good:
harvest of sown fields, fruits of the orchard,
hay from the mown fields, blossom and wood.**

**Father, providing food for your children,
by Wisdom's guiding teach us to share
one with another, so that, rejoicing
with us, all others may know your care.**

**Then will your blessing reach ev'ry people,
freely confessing your gracious hand.
Where you are reigning, no one will hunger;
your love sustaining showers the land.**

***APOSTOLIC GREETING AND 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 Faithful God, most merciful judge, you care for your children with firmness and compassion. By your Spirit nurture us who live in your kingdom, that we may be rooted in the way of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

CHILDREN'S SERMON | Josh & Alex Ertz

***GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

Alleluia | ELW p. 142

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

***GOSPEL | Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43**

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

P The Gospel of the Lord.

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

***HYMN OF THE DAY**

Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love
ELW 708 | Verses 1-3

Refrain **Jesu, Jesu, fill us with your love,
show us how to serve the neighbors we have from you.**

**Kneels at the feet of his friends, silently washes their feet,
master who acts as a slave to them. *Refrain***

**Neighbors are wealthy and poor, varied in color and race,
neighbors are near us and far away. *Refrain***

**These are the ones we will serve, these are the ones we will love;
all these are neighbors to us and you. *Refrain***

***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.

***PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH**

P Lord, in Your mercy,

C Hear our prayer.

***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. Children are invited to bring forward an offering of dollar bills and loose change to the globe. 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.

*During the offering, please take a moment to find the **Friendship Pad** located at the end of your pew. We invite you to sign the pad and pass it down the row. These pads help us to know the names of those around us and extend warm hospitality to those who are visiting.*



Thank you for supporting the mission and ministries of Abiding Savior! If you prefer to make a gift electronically, please scan the QR code to the left.

OFFERING MUSIC | Lisa Schlotterback | *Forgive Our Sins* | Fettke

***OFFERTORY RESPONSE**

Create in Me | ELW p. 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 Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts: our selves, our time, and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered, in feeding the world with your love, through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

***THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

***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.

***LAMB OF GOD**

Lamb of God | ELW p. 146

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world. Grant us peace.**

DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION

All Children of God are welcomed for Communion. Ushers will guide each row. As you come forward, please proceed down your aisle and kneel at the railing to receive communion. You will be given a wafer and also be offered grape juice or wine (wine = red | grape juice = white).

- *Gluten Free wafers are available upon request.*
- *Please alert a communion server if you need grape juice and there is none available on the tray. They will grab an additional tray for you.*
- *If you prefer to remain in your seat to receive communion, please let an usher know and communion will be brought to you.*
- *Children are invited to come forward with their parents to receive a blessing.*

DISTRIBUTION MUSIC | Janelle Schauer

***POST COMMUNION BLESSING**

***POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

P Compassionate God, through the gifts of bread and wine our hearts are filled with the abundance of your love. Strengthen us that we, through this holy meal, may share your love freely, as you have shared with us. We ask this in the name of Jesus, through the spirit nourishing us now and forever.

C Amen.

***BENEDICTION**

***CHIMES**

***CLOSING HYMN**

Go My Children, with My Blessing
ELW 543 | All Verses

**Go, my children, with my blessing, never alone.
Waking, sleeping, I am with you, you are my own.
In my love's baptismal river I have made you mine forever.
Go, my children, with my blessing, you are my own.**

**Go, my children, sins forgiven, at peace and pure.
Here you learned how much I love you, what I can cure.
Here you heard my dear Son's story, here you touched him, saw his glory.
Go, my children, sins forgiven, at peace and pure.**

Go, my children, fed and nourished, closer to me.
Grow in love and love by serving, joyful and free.
Here my Spirit's power filled you, here my tender comfort stilled you.
Go, my children, fed and nourished, joyful and free.

***SENDING**

P Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

***POSTLUDE**

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AUGUST 10-14

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Join us for a week of fun as
we adventure through stories
of animals in the Bible!

ROAR!

WILD ABOUT FAITH

9a-12p | M-F | Entering PreK-5th grade

Save the Date for Family Fun Night!
Wednesday, August 12th



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

GREETERS | Jenny Burgers & Marj Efteland

SONG LEADER & SPECIAL MUSIC | Lisa Schlotterback

COMMUNION SERVERS | Pastor Ryan Brodin, Pastor Katie Hendrikson,
Amy Bridenstine, Donna Kluck, Michele Olson, Lori Wagner &
Ellen Zimmerman

USHERS | Larry Thill, Curt Johnson, Kaethe Bisek & John Booker

A/V CREW | Colin Owens, Chris Burgers, Gary Engen (G2), Melissa
Holmquist, Tristan Overby & Jim Schlotterback



DOOR UPDATE

WE ARE EXCITED TO ANNOUNCE THAT THE INSTALLATION OF OUR NEW SECURITY SYSTEM IS COMPLETE! WE ARE NOW IN THE PROCESS OF IDENTIFYING THOSE WHO NEED ACCESS AND GETTING THAT ACCESS SET UP BEFORE WE RE-KEY THE BUILDING.

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**American
Red Cross**

Community of Giving

Blood Drive

Abiding Savior Lutheran Church

Thursday, July 23, 2026
1:30 PM – 6:30 PM

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8211 Red Oak Drive
Mounds View, MN 55112

For an appointment, please visit redcrossblood.org
Or call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767).

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THIS WEEK IN THE LIFE OF OUR CONGREGATION

SUNDAY 07/19 Youth lock-in concludes Worship service with Holy Communion // 10am	
MONDAY 07/20 Doris Wilson visitation // 10am Doris Wilson funeral // 11am	TUESDAY 07/21 Quilting // 9am Pat Hovind visitation // 10am Pat Hovind funeral // 11am
WEDNESDAY 07/22 Cub Foods baked goods delivery // 9:15am	THURSDAY 07/23 Work crew // 9am Women's Bible study // 10am BLOOD DRIVE 1:30—6:30pm
FRIDAY 07/24 OFFICE CLOSED	SATURDAY 07/25 Youth overnight lock-in // 6:30PM
SUNDAY 07/26 Outdoor worship service // 10am Youth movie outing to "Minions & Monsters" // 11am	

NOTES & REFLECTIONS

Please use this space to take notes and reflect on the worship service and the sermon.

Questions for possible reflection:

- What message of faith did you hear today in worship today?
- How can you live out that message of faith in your daily life this week?

UPCOMING EVENTS

BLOOD DRIVE—SIGN UP TO DONATE!

THURSDAY, JULY 23 // 1:30-6:30PM

Join us this Thursday, July 23 from 1:30pm—6:30pm for our blood drive! Please call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit redcrossblood.org and enter: Abiding to schedule an appointment.

MEALS ON WHEELS HELP NEEDED!

During the summer months some of our regular Meals and Wheels volunteers are not available. Our next delivery dates are July 27 - 31. Deliveries are ready for pick up at Unity at 10:20AM and you'll typically be done delivering by noon. If you are interested, please reach out to Fern Fisher at 763-742-2187.

REGISTER FOR ROAR! - VBS 2026

Join us for a week of fun as we adventure through stories of animals in the bible! Monday, August 10 - Friday August 14 from 9AM - Noon. We welcome all children ages 3 (by September 1 of the year) and potty-trained, through those entering 5th grade! Register here: <https://forms.gle/WXP875LLNLSN7BRC8>

VOLUNTEER AT VBS

VBS preparation is well under way and we need your help! Volunteers areas include leading or assisting with crafts, games, music, science, snack, registration/check in, small group leader or assistant, or floater. Even if you can't volunteer for a full day or week, we'd love for you to join in the fun! Sign ups are available in the narthex and the Children, Youth and Family bulletin board.



EL SALVADOR MISSION TRIP

There are 14 people from Abiding Savior visiting El Salvador in a few weeks. They are planning to take donations with them for the medical mission as well as supplies for students. Please consider donating from items from the list in the bulletin or making a cash donation. We will be collecting items until next Sunday!

REGISTER FOR PRESCHOOL NOW!

There are still a few openings for the 2026 -27 school year (toddler program, preschool and Pre-K programs), so help spread the word! For more information, visit www.abidingsaviorpreschool.com!

ABIDING SAVIOR PRESCHOOL IS HIRING!

Abiding Savior Preschool is hiring a new Director for this fall! If you know of anyone who would be interested in joining the Abiding Savior Preschool team to make a difference in the lives of children, please let the office or Linda Weiner Herman know!

OUTDOOR WORSHIP SET-UP CREW

In order to hold our outdoor worship services, we need your help! Take part in a wonderful opportunity to not only serve but also to connect with fellow members of our Abiding Savior Lutheran Church family. On outdoor worship Sundays, we will gather at 9:15AM to transform our outdoor space into a beautiful worship setting. We are looking for 4 people to help each week! Please speak with the office if you're available or sign up here [General: Worship volunteers!](#)

FINANCIAL UPDATE AS OF 06/30/26

2026 YTD Income:	\$327,555
2026 YTD Expenses:	\$342,132
2026 YTD Net Income:	(\$14,577)

SCAN HERE TO DONATE

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





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.

Abiding Savior Pastoral and Musical Staff

Senior Pastor

Rev. Dr. Ryan D. Brodin

Associate Pastor

Rev. Katie Hendrikson

Youth Directors

Alex & Josh Ertz

Organist

Janelle Schauer

Choir Director

Dr. Mary Larew

Bell Choir Director

Paul Weller

Abiding Savior Weekly Schedule

Traditional Worship | 1st, 3rd & 5th Sundays | 10:00 AM | Sanctuary

Outdoor Worship | 2nd & 4th Sundays | 10:00 AM | Brad's Pad

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

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