



**IF ANY WISH TO COME AFTER ME, LET THEM
DENY THEMSELVES AND TAKE UP THEIR
CROSS AND FOLLOW ME.**

Matthew 16:24

Sunday, August 30, 2026 | 10:00 AM
Outdoor Traditional Worship

ABIDING SAVIOR LUTHERAN CHURCH

August 30, 2026 | 10:00 am Worship

Fourteenth Sunday After Pentecost | Traditional Worship



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 | *Rise Up and Serve the Lord* | Harris

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**

Rise Up, O Saints of God
ELW 669 | All Verses

**Rise up, O saints of God! From vain ambitions turn;
Christ rose triumphant that your hearts with nobler zeal might burn.**

**Speak out, O saints of God! Despair engulfs earth's frame;
as heirs of God's baptismal grace, the word of hope proclaim.**

**Rise up, O saints of God! The kingdom's task embrace;
redress sin's cruel consequence; give justice larger place.**

**Give heed, O saints of God! Creation cries in pain;
stretch forth your hand of healing now, with love the weak sustain.**

**Commit your hearts to seek the paths which Christ has trod;
and, quickened by the Spirit's pow'r, rise up, O saints of God!**

***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 O God, we thank you for your Son, who chose the path of suffering for the sake of the world. Humble us by his example, point us to the path of obedience, and give us strength to follow your commands, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

CHILDREN'S SERMON | Pastor Ryan Brodin

***GOSPEL | Matthew 16:21-28**

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**

Lead Me, Guide Me

ELW 768 | All Verses

Refrain **Lead me, guide me, along the way; For if you lead me, I cannot stray.**

Lord, let me walk each day with thee. Lead me, O Lord, lead me.

I am weak and I need thy strength and pow'r

To help me over my weakest hour.

Help me through the darkness thy face to see.

Lead me, O Lord, lead me. *Refrain*

Help me tread in the paths of righteousness,

Be my aid when Satan and sin oppress.

I am putting all my trust in thee.

Lead me, O Lord, lead me. *Refrain*

I am lost if you take your hand from me,

I am blind without thy light to see.

Lord, just always let me thy servant be.

Lead me, O Lord, lead me. *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.

***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 | Alex Ertz | You Say | Daigle

***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.

***PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH**

P Lord, in Your mercy,

C Hear our prayer.

***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**

***CHIMES**

***CLOSING HYMN**

Lift High the Cross
ELW 660 | Verses 3 & 4

**Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim
till all the world adore his sacred name.**

**O Lord, once lifted on the glorious tree,
as thou hast promised, draw us all to thee.**

**Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim
till all the world adore his sacred name.**

**So shall our song of triumph ever be:
praise to the Crucified for victory!**

**Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim
till all the world adore his sacred name.**

***SENDING**

P Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

***POSTLUDE** | *To God Be the Glory* | Broughton

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

SONG LEADER & SPECIAL MUSIC | Alex Ertz

USHERS | Mark Pothén, Gary Engen, Linda & Mark Radtke &
Scott Quarberg

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

Blessing of the Backpacks

Join us on Sunday, September 13th for the
Blessing of the Backpacks! All ages are
invited to bring a backpack, lunchbox,
workbag, or other school/work related items
to receive a blessing during worship as we
head into a new school year. Bag tags will be
available to take before and after worship.





CONFIRMATION INFORMATION NIGHT

Wednesday, September 9th
6th - 7th - 8th - 9th graders and parents

Gather at 6:30!
Youth Room

JOIN US FOR ABIDING SAVIOR'S 16TH ANNUAL MEN'S FISHING TRIP



Cost
\$120

1st Prize =
bragging
rights!



**BIG SANDY LAKE
MCGREGOR, MN
FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 18 -
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 20**

Contact Pastor Ryan with any questions or check the August Vinebranch for more info!

Abiding Savior Lutheran Church

LITTLE FREE FOOD SHELF



DONATIONS NEEDED!

Your contributions to our free food shelf can make a difference to those facing food insecurity. We're collecting non-perishable items, as well as cash donations. Items most in need include:

- Canned meals (chili, stew, hearty soups)
- Spaghetti and spaghetti sauce
- Kid-friendly snacks (granola bars, Goldfish crackers)
- Condiments (ketchup, mustard, mayo, relish, peanut butter)
- Crackers (Ritz, graham crackers, wheat thins)
- Cleaning and hygiene products (laundry and dish soap, shampoo, deodorant, toothpaste)
- Baby diapers and wipes



Donations can be dropped off in the church office.
Thank you for your help!!



ABIDING SAVIOR PRESCHOOL

START AHEAD. STAY AHEAD.

OUR PROGRAMS INCLUDE

-  **Toddlers**
-  **Preschool**
-  **Pre-K**
-  **Lunch Bunch *(optional)***

REGISTER TODAY

For more information visit our website

www.abidingsaviorpreschool.com

WE'RE HIRING!

Abiding Savior Preschool is looking for an energetic, enthusiastic, and caring individual to join our program staff!

PRESCHOOL DIRECTOR

Call 763-784-5326 to inquire!



THIS WEEK IN THE LIFE OF OUR CONGREGATION

SUNDAY 08/30 Outdoor worship service // 10am Worship planning meeting // 11:15am	
MONDAY 08/31	TUESDAY 09/01 Staff meeting // 10am
WEDNESDAY 09/02 Cub Foods baked goods delivery // 9:15am Adult choir // 7pm	THURSDAY 09/03 NO women's Bible study (Labor Day weekend)
FRIDAY 09/04 OFFICE CLOSED	SATURDAY 09/05
SUNDAY 09/06 Indoor worship service with Holy Communion // 10am	

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

SCHOOL SUPPLIES

Help collect school supplies for our local elementary and middle schools! Supplies can be dropped off in the office. Items needed include: #2 pencils, 24-count crayons, markers (thin or thick), colored pencils, glue sticks, plastic rulers, erasers, notebooks (college or wide-ruled) & 1" 3-ringed binders.

LITTLE FREE FOOD SHELF DONATIONS

If you're out shopping and would like to support our Little Free Food Shelf ministry, please pick up a few items and drop them off in the office. Most needed items we could use help with:

- Canned meals (chili, stew, hearty soups)
- Spaghetti and spaghetti sauce
- Kid-friendly snacks (granola bars, Goldfish crackers)
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CONFIRMATION PARENT INFO NIGHT

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 9 // 6:30PM

All 6th—8th graders and their parents are invited to Confirmation Information Night this Wednesday. We'll get to know one another, discuss the year, and answer any questions! Classes start September 11 at 6:30PM.

FALL KICKOFF SUNDAY SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13

We are excited to kick off our fall programming on Sunday, September 13! Mark your calendars and plan to join us that day for worship at 10AM with a Blessing of the Backpacks for all ages all followed up with Sunday BRUNCH!

DONATED ITEMS MADE BY POLLIE HANSON

There are a number of items/projects made by Pollie Hanson (a dear member who passed away in 2018) in the office hallway. Please help yourself to something special and remember Pollie!

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!

HIRING! ABIDING SAVIOR PRESCHOOL

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!

MEN'S FISHING TRIP | MCGREGOR, MN SEPTEMBER 18-20

Mark your calendars now for the Annual Men's Fishing Trip held in McGregor, MN on Big Sandy Lake at Pastor Ryan's cabin. The cost will be \$120 per person to cover food, gas, etc. Contact Pastor Ryan with any questions or sign up outside the church office.

THRIVENT GRANTS NEEDED!

We have many events in the weeks ahead that could use Thrivent Action Team grants. If you have any available, let the office know and we'll provide the application details!

FINANCIAL UPDATE AS OF 07/31/26

2026 YTD Income:	\$392,710
2026 YTD Expenses:	<u>\$397,931</u>
2026 YTD Net Income:	(\$5,221)

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. Thank you!





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