

Lord, how often should I forgive?

MATTHEW 18:21



Sunday, September 13, 2026 | 10:00 AM
Blended Worship

ABIDING SAVIOR LUTHERAN CHURCH

September 13, 2026 | 10:00 am Worship
Sixteenth Sunday After Pentecost | Blended 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

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

RECOGNITION OF 25 YEARS OF SERVICE FOR JANELLE SCHAUER

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.

[Time of silence for relection as music plays softly in the background]

This Confession & Forgiveness was written by Pastor Dave Rogge in the days following September 11, 2001

CONFESSION | Sung by Pastor Dave Rogge

*God of all power, glory, and might, humbly we bow before you.
Acknowledging all the sins that we hide. Forgive us now, we implore you.
Give us new eyes with which to see Your light inside each other.
Eyes of compassion, filled with Your love, radiating Your glory.
Holy, holy. Teach us to pray and love one another.
Teach us to pray and love one another. Holy, holy, holy.*

ABSOLUTION

- P God hears the confession of your hearts and through Chris, the darkness of your sin is washed away. You are free to shine with the goodness of God's grace. May your eyes proclaim God's goodness. May you live as forgiven people.
- C **Amen.**

THE TRANSFORMATION FORGIVENESS BRINGS: *Let My Eyes* | Sung by Pastor Dave Rogge

*Let my eyes be the windows of a soul
who seeks to be more like Jesus, to Live a life of peace.
Let my ears learn to listen with an understanding heart.
Let my heart humbly praise you for the wonder of your love.
And let my hands be swift to serve you, let my feet walk in your ways.
Fill my mouth with words of kindness. Let me live the words my mouth says.
Let my eyes be the windows of a soul who seeks to be more like Jesus, to live a life of peace.
To be more like Jesus, to live a life of peace. More like Jesus.*

***PRAYER OF REMEMBRANCE & FORGIVENESS**

- P Holy God, today we remember September 11, 2001. A day that changed our country and whose wounds still fester in our national memory. We remember the lives lost, the courage of first responders, the kindness of strangers, the unity that rose from the ashes and the compassion that carried us. Comfort those whose memories are heavy.

Today we ask that you would help us practice forgiveness. Help us let go of anger and hatred, jealousy and resentment, bitterness and fear. As we have been forgiven, teach us to forgive others and open a future where love is stronger than vengeance and hope shines into all despair. Guide our nation, and all nations, toward justice rooted in love and security rooted in dignity for all people.

As we remember the tragedy of 9/11, let the power of forgiveness transform our hearts, heal our communities, and renew our world. This we pray in Jesus' name.

- C **Amen.**

***OPENING HYMN**

All Are Welcome
ELW 641 | Verses 1,4 & 5

**Let us build a house where love can dwell and all can safely live,
a place where saints and children tell how hearts learn to forgive.
Built of hopes and dreams and visions, rock of faith and vault of grace;
here the love of Christ shall end divisions:
All are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place.**

**Let us build a house where hands will reach beyond the wood and stone
to heal and strengthen, serve and teach, and live the Word they've known.**

**Here the outcast and the stranger bear the image of God's face;
let us bring an end to fear and danger:**

All are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place.

**Let us build a house where all are named, their songs and visions heard
and loved and treasured, taught and claimed as words within the Word.**

**Built of tears and cries and laughter, prayers of faith and songs of grace,
let this house proclaim from floor to rafter:**

All are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place.

***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 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.

ANTHEM | Adult Choir | *I Come with Joy* | Highben

BACKPACK BLESSING & INSTALLATION OF CYF VOLUNTEERS

***GOSPEL | Matthew 18:21-35**

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**

Where Charity and Love Prevail

ELW 359 | Verses 1, 2 & 5

**Where charity and love prevail, there God is ever found;
brought here together by Christ's love, by love we thus are bound.**

**With grateful joy and holy fear, God's charity we learn;
let us with heart and mind and soul now love God in return.**

**Let us forgive each other's faults as we our own confess,
that we may love each other well in Christian gentleness.**

***THE 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.



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 | Reigning Grace | Mighty to Save | Morgan & Fielding

***OFFERTORY RESPONSE**

*Create in Me
Reigning Grace*

**Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me
Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me
Cast me not away from your presence, O Lord,
and take not your Holy Spirit from me
Restore unto me the joy of your salvation
and renew a right spirit within me
and renew a right spirit within me**

***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**

*Here's My Heart | Tomlin
Reigning Grace*

**Here's my heart, Lord. Here's my heart, Lord.
Here's my heart, Lord. Speak what is true. (repeat)**

**'Cause I am found, I am Yours, I am loved, I'm made pure
I have life, I can breathe, I am healed, I am free.**

**Here's my heart, Lord. Here's my heart, Lord.
Here's my heart, Lord. Speak what is true.**

[Break for Prayers]

**Here's my heart, Lord. Here's my heart, Lord.
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[Break for Prayers]

**Here's my heart, Lord. Here's my heart, Lord.
Here's my heart, Lord. Speak what is true.**

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.

**'Cause I am found, I am Yours, I am loved, I'm made pure
I have life, I can breathe, I am healed, I am free.
'Cause You are strong, You are pure, You have life, You endure
You are good, always true, You are light breaking through**

**Here's my heart, Lord. Here's my heart, Lord.
Here's my heart, Lord. Speak what is true.
Here's my life, Lord. Here's my life, Lord. Here's my life, Lord.
Speak what is true. Speak what is true. Speak what is true.**

***BENEDICTION**

CLOSING MUSIC

Passacaglia in C Minor | Bach
Performed by Janelle Schauer

A message from Janelle:

Today I celebrate 25 years of playing organ here at Abiding Savior. I have celebrated professional milestones with music and for this occasion I have selected to play the Passacaglia by Bach. I have chosen this because as a Lutheran organist, who better represents Lutheran music than Bach, and secondly, because I have wanted to play this Passacaglia. Also, I enjoy songs in minor keys; this piece is in c minor which has 3 flats and is in 3/4 time, both of which are a nod to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

A passacaglia is a dance form that originated in Spain during the 1600s. It has a repeating bass line. This piece opens with just the pedals playing the main theme. You will hear the main theme played 21 times, with different melodies and harmonies played on the manuals.

The entire piece is divided into 3 sections.

Bach's music is often mathematical and in the passacaglia the number 21 is divisible by 3, representing the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit and by 7, representing Creation and rest.

Finally, Bach signed all his music S. G. D., soli deo gloria, or to God alone, the glory.

I, too, play for the glory of God. I thank you for being my church home and for the opportunity to serve God through the gift of music.

-Janelle

***SENDING**

P Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

† † †

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

GREETERS | Carole Widner

SPECIAL MUSIC | Adult Choir, Pastor Dave Rogge, Janelle Schauer &
Reigning Grace Worship Band | Dawson Blanck, Jack Brouillard,
Alex & Josh Ertz, Gary Peterson, Tom Sauerwein, Ben Schnabel &
Tait Schnabel

USHERS | Dean & Cheri Wagner, Gary Cox, Lori Wagner, Stephen
Hermanek, Darin Hatch & Kathie Anderson

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



Flowers Today were Given

in honor of Janelle's 25th Anniversary
as Organist for Abiding Savior.

Thank you, Janelle!



Called to Serve

Have you ever felt called to serve as an Usher, Communion Server, or on Altar Guild, but were unsure of what to do?

Join us for a training session on **Sunday, September 20 at 11:30 am!**

Come learn about the roles and responsibilities of each of these positions and discern if serving on any of these teams is right for you.



INFORMATIONAL MEETING
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 27
11:15 AM | YOUTH ROOM

**join the
movement**

WORSHIP ALONGSIDE
THOUSANDS OF HIGH SCHOOLERS
AT US BANK STADIUM!

2027 ELCA YOUTH GATHERING
JUNE 28 - JULY 2, 2027 | MINNEAPOLIS

THIS WEEK IN THE LIFE OF OUR CONGREGATION

SUNDAY | 09/13 - RALLY SUNDAY

Worship with Blessing of Backpacks & Installation of Small Group Leaders // 10am
Recognition of Janelle S's 25 years as organist
Brunch // 11am

MONDAY | 09/14

First day of Preschool (Mon. classes)
Women's gathering // 5:30pm

TUESDAY | 09/15

First day of Preschool (Tues. classes)
Men's breakfast & Bible study // 8:30am
Quilting // 9am
Staff meeting // 10am
Council meeting // 6:30pm

WEDNESDAY | 09/16

Baked goods distribution // 9:15am
Wednesday evening activities
(see schedule on next page)

THURSDAY | 09/17

Women's Bible study // 10am

FRIDAY | 09/18

OFFICE CLOSED
Men's fishing trip departs

SATURDAY | 09/19

Men's fishing trip
Ron & Vickie Wendel anniv (FH) // 2-5pm

SUNDAY | 09/20

Worship with Holy communion // 10am
Usher, communion server & altar guild training // 11:15am

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

UPCOMING EVENTS

RALLY SUNDAY & BRUNCH

TODAY

We are excited to kick off our fall programming this Sunday! Bring your backpack for a Blessing of the Backpacks for all ages, installation of our small group leaders, all followed up with Sunday BRUNCH!

WORSHIP VOLUNTEER TRAINING

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 20 // 11:30AM

Have you ever felt called to serve as an usher, communion server, or on altar guild but were unsure of what to do? Join us for a training session to learn about the roles and responsibilities of these positions and discern if serving on any of these teams is right for you!

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)
- 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

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!

Wednesday Night Schedule

4:30–6:15pm Dinner served
09/16: Hamburgers on the grill
09/23: Cold chicken salad
09/30: Tacos and Spanish rice
6:30–8:00pm Confirmation
7:00–8:00pm Adult choir
8:00–9:00pm Reigning Grace practice

THANK YOU JANELLE!

This Sunday we're recognizing and celebrating Janelle Schauer's 25 years as Abiding Savior's organist. Thank you, Janelle, for your ministry among us and for sharing your musical talents!

MENTAL HEALTH & FIRST AID TRNG

TUES., SEPT. 29 // 8:30AM–5PM

Church leaders and volunteers are often the first ones people turn to when life gets hard. This full-day training is for pastors, staff, small group leaders, volunteers and anyone serving in a role where people come to you, so you feel equipped to show up well for them.

To register, please sign up on the board outside of the church office, email office@abidingsavior.org or call 763-784-5120. Registration deadline is Friday, September 18.

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!

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)

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Looking for an easy way to donate to Abiding Savior? Scan our QR code to make a contribution!





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

Worship | Sundays | 10:00 AM | Sanctuary
Community Meal | Wednesdays | 4:00 - 6:30 PM | Fellowship Hall
ASK (Abiding Savior Kids) | 1st Wednesdays | 5:30 - 6:30 PM | Library
Confirmation | Wednesday | 6:30 - 8:00 PM | Youth Room
Adult Choir | Wednesdays | 7:00 - 8:00 PM | Choir Room
Reigning Grace Worship Band | Wednesday | 8:00 - 9:00 PM | Sanctuary
Women's Bible Study | Thursdays | 10:00 AM | Coffee House
Jubilation Ringers Bell Choir | Thursdays | 7:00 - 8:00 PM | Sanctuary

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