



Abiding Savior Lutheran Church

July 11, 2021 - 7th Sunday after Pentecost

Outdoor Worship Service Bulletin

Services begin LIVE at 10:00 am in the backyard at Abiding Savior
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PRELUDE

Janelle Schauer

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

***CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS**

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, the creator of wind and rain, field and ocean, the bread of life coming down from above, the power at work within us and this world.

C **Amen.**

P Before God and in the company of our sisters and brothers, let us confess our sin.

{Silence for reflection & self-examination}

P God of all,

C **We confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed. We have thought better of ourselves than others. We have told lies, said hurtful things, acted in ways we wish we could take back, and looked the other way when action was needed. In your mercy, O God, forgive us, cleanse us, and heal us, for the sake of Jesus, our Savior. Amen.**

P If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; everything has become new! In Christ, † you are a new creation: your sins are taken away and you are made new. Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ has forgiven you.

C **Amen.**

OPENING HYMN

Children of the Heavenly Father

ELW #781

Led by Dawson Blanck & Ben Schnabel

**Children of the heav'nly Father safely in his bosom gather;
nestling bird nor star in heaven such a refuge e'er was given.**

**God his own doth tend and nourish, in his holy courts they flourish.
From all evil things he spares them, in his mighty arms he bears them.**

**Neither life nor death shall ever from the Lord his children sever;
unto them his grace he showeth, and their sorrows all he knoweth.**

**Though he giveth or he taketh, God his children ne'er forsaketh;
his the loving purpose solely to preserve them pure and holy.**

***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.

ALL O God, from you come all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works. Give to us, your servants, that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey your commandments; and also that we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may live in peace and quietness, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Patty Mesenbring

SCRIPTURE: Ephesians 1:3-14

SERMON

Pastor Ryan Brodin

HYMN OF THE DAY

Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing

ELW #807

Led by Reigning Grace Worship Band

**Come, thou Fount of ev'ry blessing, tune my heart to sing thy grace;
streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise.**

**While the hope of endless glory fills my heart with joy and love,
teach me ever to adore thee; may I still thy goodness prove.**

**Here I raise my Ebenezer: "Hither by thy help I've come";
and I hope, by thy good pleasure, safely to arrive at home.**

**Jesus sought me when a stranger, wand'ring from the fold of God;
he, to rescue me from danger, interposed his precious blood.**

**Oh, to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be;
let that grace now like a fetter bind my wand'ring heart to thee.**

**Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it; prone to leave the God I love.
Here's my heart, oh, take and seal it; seal it for thy courts above.**

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

One Thing Remains

Led by Reigning Grace Worship Band

**Higher than the mountains that I face, Stronger than the power of the grave
Constant in the trial and the change, One thing remains, One thing remains**

**Your love never fails, it never gives up, It never runs out on me
Your love never fails, it never gives up, It never runs out on me
Your love never fails, it never gives up, It never runs out on me
Your love**

{Prayers}

**On and on and on and on it goes, It overwhelms and satisfies my soul
And I never ever have to be afraid, One thing remains, One thing remains**

**Your love never fails, it never gives up, It never runs out on me
Your love never fails, it never gives up, It never runs out on me
Your love never fails, it never gives up, It never runs out on me
Your love**

**In death and in life, I'm confident and covered by the power of your great love
My debt is paid, There's nothing that can separate my heart from your great love**

**Your love never fails, it never gives up, It never runs out on me
Your love never fails, it never gives up, It never runs out on me
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Your love**

***PASSING OF PEACE**

Please greet your neighbor with the Lord's peace

*(The pastors and congregation may greet one another in the name of the Lord with Peace be with you;
Please share a verbal 'Peace' instead of shaking hands)*

OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS AND TITHES

This morning, ushers will collect offering in large baskets. Please hold out your envelopes for ushers to see as they are walking around. During the offering time, children are invited to bring forward an offering of dollar bills and loose change to the globe at the front of Brad's Pad. All the offerings received in the globe go to support our Companion Congregation in Makungu, Tanzania.

OFFERTORY

Janelle Schauer

OFFERTORY PRAYER

P God of love, you call us beloved children and welcome us to your table. Receive our lives and the gifts we offer. Abide with us and send us in service to a suffering world; for the sake of your beloved Child, Jesus Christ.

C Amen.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION & THE LORD'S PRAYER

The Anthem

Led by Reigning Grace Worship Band

**Hallelujah, You have won the victory; Hallelujah, You have won it all for me
Death could not hold You down, You are the risen king
Seated in majesty, You are the risen king. (Repeat all)**

{Words of Institution/The Lord's Prayer}

**Hallelujah, You have won the victory; Hallelujah, You have won it all for me
Death could not hold You down, You are the risen king
Seated in majesty, You are the risen king. (Repeat all)**

DISTRIBUTION MUSIC

Janelle Schauer

*POST COMMUNION BLESSING

*BENEDICTION

*CLOSING HYMN

Go My Children with My Blessing

ELW #543

Led by Dawson Blanck & Ben Schnabel

**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.**

*DISMISSAL

P Go in peace. Serve the Lord!

ALL Thanks be to God!

*POSTLUDE

Janelle Schauer



Thank you to those who assisted with the service today!

REIGNING GRACE WORSHIP TEAM: Dawson Blanck, Alex & Josh Ertz, Gary Peterson, Tom Sauerwein and Ben Schnabel

SOUND BOOTH TECHS.

VIDEO: Katie Brouillard

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

GOD
BLESS
YOU

A red heart symbol is positioned between the words "BLESS" and "YOU", slightly overlapping the letter "S" in "BLESS".



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 | 7/11/2021

Outdoor worship w/Holy Communion // 10am

MONDAY | 7/12

THURSDAY | 7/15

Bible Study // 10am

TUESDAY | 7/13

Staff meeting // 10am

FRIDAY | 7/16

Office Closed

WEDNESDAY | 7/14

Cub Foods baked goods delivery //
9:45am

SATURDAY | 7/17

Youth Group // 6:30-8pm

SUNDAY | 7/18

Outdoor worship // 10am

Brunch // following worship

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

UPCOMING EVENTS

BRUNCH SUNDAY RETURNS

Next week following worship

Come hungry next Sunday and join us for brunch!

VBS 2021— WILD WALK!

AUGUST 2ND—5TH // 9:30—11:30AM

Registration is required by July 19th—please [visit our website to register!](#) Although we are inviting 4-year-olds to participate, please be advised that planned activities will be more age-appropriate for K-5th grade.

WALK 1,000 MILES FOR OUR NEIGHBORS

SUN., JULY 25TH // 10PM—2PM—SILVER VIEW PARK

Join walkers from many local churches and the community to support Community Support Center (CSC).

The CSC gives direct aid to families, refers families to services, and meets with them over weeks or months to help stabilize their situations and prevent future crises.

1. **Contribute** to the Walk Fund. (Checks to Community Support Center). Every donor will receive one chance to win a door prize; some are valued at over \$100. You can now donate online <http://www.communitysupportcenter.org/>. CSC Board of Directors will match up to \$10,000.
2. **Walk** a mile...or two...or part of a mile to support the cause.
3. **Visit** Dairy Queen (Hwy 8) on July 25 (10% of total receipts for the day go to the Walk!)

TWINS GAME

TUES., AUGUST 10TH // 7:10 GAME

Abiding Savior has 125 tickets in the outlook section of Target Field for the Minnesota Twins vs. Chicago White Sox. The cost is \$43 for the game, tailgating at church, snacks and bus to/from the game. Sign up at church or online at: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080548acaa2ea1ff2-twins>

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MASK/MEALS UPDATE

- Due to the decrease in COVID cases and the large number of people vaccinated within our congregation and community, we remove the mask/face covering restriction in our building for those who have been fully vaccinated. We strongly encourage all individuals who aren't vaccinated to continue to follow CDC guidelines by wearing masks inside the building.
- We will continue the practice of keeping every other pew in the Sanctuary roped off to provide social distancing.
- We require that dining takes place outdoors whenever possible. We also require that all food be served by servers wearing masks and gloves. We will continue the spacing of seats and tables in all spaces used for indoor dining.

**ABIDING SAVIOR
PRESCHOOL
ENROLL NOW FOR
THE FALL!**



We are excited to welcome students back into the classroom this fall! We have openings available and encourage you to help spread the word about our wonderful preschool!

[Visit our website for more information and to register!](#)

NOW HIRING LEAD TEACHER

Our preschool is hiring a lead teacher for our classes. The position is Sept—May, Mon-Fri from 8:30am-12:30pm. For more information, please contact Linda Weiner-Herman.

JULY 11, 2021

SEVENTH SUNDAY

AFTER PENTECOST



taking

faith
home

God's steadfast love and faithfulness.

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

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

Sunday	Mark 6:14-29	The death of John the Baptist
Monday	Amos 7:7-15	Vision of setting a plumb line
Tuesday	Ephesians 1:3-14	Thanksgiving for blessings
Wednesday	Psalms 86:1-17	Save me, Lord
Thursday	Deuteronomy 7:7-11	A chosen people
Friday	Leviticus 26:1-13	Rewards for obedience
Saturday	Psalms 85:8-13	God speaks peace to the people
Sunday	Mark 6:30-34, 53-56	Jesus teaches and heals

SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THIS WEEK

Steadfast love and faithfulness will meet; righteousness and peace will kiss each other. Psalm 85:10 (NRSV)

PRAYERS AND BLESSING

A Prayer for the Week:

God of glory and might, guide the rulers of the earth toward justice and mercy for the sake of peace in your world through Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

Mealtime Prayer:

Dear God, may we see in this food a banquet filled with your love that brings justice and peace to all the earth. Amen.

A Blessing to Give:

May our God and the Lord Jesus Christ bless you with love and faithfulness. (Psalm 85:10)



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HYMN OF THE WEEK

*Goodness Is Stronger
than Evil*



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:

- If you had a magic wand, what would you want to do or have happen?
- We like to have power, but power can be misused and be insensitive to others. Give an example of someone misusing their power.
- Jesus brings a power full of love and faithfulness. Where do you see that power in action?

DEVOTIONS

Read: Mark 6:14-29.

This story of the beheading of John the Baptist at a banquet hosted by King Herod presents an image of contrasts. This story comes between last week's Gospel reading about Jesus' disciples traveling without riches or power of their own and staying with others as guests. The Gospel reading two weeks from now is about Jesus' own banquet of feeding hungry souls on a hillside. Jesus treated the people with compassion like a shepherd caring for the sheep. Earthly powers represented by Herod bend toward corruption, greed, violence, and impulsive actions without thought of consequences. Jesus' rule brings people together in peace, feeds the multitudes out of love, and brings healing and an end to demonic powers. We are reminded that earthly powers and governments are not the rule that wins the day in God's universe. We are called to an ordering of life where "love and faithfulness will meet; righteousness and peace will kiss each other" (Psalm 85:10). How does Jesus' power in your life influence your thoughts and actions?

Pray: Shepherding God, in a world that seeks to dominate and humiliate others, we thank you for your reign of love and faithfulness that will never let us go through Christ our Lord. Amen.

SERVICE

In our forms of government, local, regional, and national representatives need to hear from us, especially about issues that relate to our moral resolve. How have you voiced your views on current issues?

RITUALS AND TRADITIONS

Psalm 85 talks about peace. Verse 8 states, "Let me hear what God the LORD will speak, for he will speak peace to his people, to his faithful, to those who turn to him in their hearts." Make a list or draw a picture of what brings peace to you. Then, read the verse slowly three times. Pause after each reading and wonder what God may be saying to you today. Close by praying the Lord's Prayer.



In addition to Taking Faith Home, celebrate milestones in your daily life as an effective faith formation tool. Go to: www.milestonesministry.org

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Abiding Savior Worship Service Schedule:

In-Person & Online Worship Services ~ Sundays at 10:00 AM, Outdoors

Bible Study with Pastor Lisa ~ Thursdays at 10:00 AM

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You can also find videos and other resources on our YouTube page
at: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC0kubRnh517FZ6R3fO6tywA>



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