

# JANUARY 19, 2025

## 2nd Sunday in Epiphany

PRELUDE "This Is My Father's World"

LITANY OF LIGHT

WELCOME

SONG OF CELEBRATION "Angels From the Realms of Glory" ELW #275

GREETING & PRAYER OF THE DAY

THE READINGS

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION "Spirit Open My Heart"

THE GOSPEL

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE "This Little Light of Mine"

SERMON

SONG OF THE DAY "O Morning Star, How Fair and Bright"  
ELW #308, v. 1,3,5

PROFESSION OF FAITH Apostles' Creed

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

SPECIAL MUSIC (8:30) "Wonderful Words of Life"  
(11:00) "Shout for Joy"

OFFERING PRAYER

COMMUNION ELW Setting 6  
"Bread of Life, Our Host and Meal" ELW #464  
"O Bread of Life from Heaven" ELW #480

COMMUNION PRAYER "Now Lord" ELW #200

ANNOUNCEMENTS

FOOD PANTRY RECOGNITION

BLESSING

SENDING SONG "Now Thank We All Our God" ELW #840

MISSION AND PEACE "Traveling Mercies"

POSTLUDE "Now Thank We All Our God/  
Come Ye Thankful People Come"

### PRAYER OF THE DAY

God of All, Your generosity and steadfast love challenge us to care for Your creation so that all may continue to enjoy these gifts. Guide us as people of faith to proclaim Your generosity and work toward justice as led by Your son, Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

### ISAIAH 62: 1-5

<sup>1</sup> For Zion's sake I will not keep silent,  
and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest,  
until her vindication shines out like the dawn,  
and her salvation like a burning torch.  
<sup>2</sup> The nations shall see your vindication,  
and all the kings your glory;  
and you shall be called by a new name  
that the mouth of the Lord will give.  
<sup>3</sup> You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the Lord,  
and a royal diadem in the hand of your God.  
<sup>4</sup> You shall no more be termed Forsaken,  
and your land shall no more be termed Desolate;  
but you shall be called My Delight Is in Her,  
and your land Married;  
for the Lord delights in you,  
and your land shall be married.  
<sup>5</sup> For as a young man marries a young woman,  
so shall your builder marry you,  
and as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride,  
so shall your God rejoice over you.

### PSALM 36: 5-10

<sup>5</sup> Your love, O Lord, reaches to the heavens,  
and your faithfulness to the clouds.  
<sup>6</sup> **Your righteousness is like the strong mountains, your justice like the great deep;  
you save humankind and animals, O Lord.**  
<sup>7</sup> How priceless is your love, O God!  
All people take refuge under the shadow of your wings.  
<sup>8</sup> **They feast upon the abundance of your house;  
you give them drink from the river of your delights.**  
<sup>9</sup> For with you is the well of life,  
and in your light we see light.  
<sup>10</sup> **Continue your lovingkindness to those who know you,  
and your favor to those who are true of heart.**

### 1 CORINTHIANS 12: 1-11

<sup>1</sup> Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers and sisters, I do not want you to be uninformed. <sup>2</sup> You know that when you were pagans, you were enticed and led astray to idols that could not speak. <sup>3</sup> Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking by the Spirit of God ever says "Let Jesus be cursed!" and no one can say "Jesus is Lord" except by the Holy Spirit.

<sup>4</sup> Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; <sup>5</sup> and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; <sup>6</sup> and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. <sup>7</sup> To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. <sup>8</sup> To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, <sup>9</sup> to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, <sup>10</sup> to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. <sup>11</sup> All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

### JOHN 2: 1-11

<sup>1</sup> On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. <sup>2</sup> Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. <sup>3</sup> When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." <sup>4</sup> And Jesus said to her, "Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come." <sup>5</sup> His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you." <sup>6</sup> Now standing there were six stone water jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. <sup>7</sup> Jesus said to them, "Fill the jars with water." And they filled them up to the brim. <sup>8</sup> He said to them, "Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward." So they took it. <sup>9</sup> When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom <sup>10</sup> and said to him, "Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now." <sup>11</sup> Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

### 20 YEARS OF THE ABIDING LOVE FOOD PANTRY

Abiding Love Food Pantry served its first clients on January 10, 2005. The 12 volunteers were so pleased to have 10 families join us on that day.

Last Monday we served 223 families.

Over the last 20 years, we have served over 72,000 families with 280,000 individuals. In the last 10 years, we have distributed over 7,000,000 pounds of food.

Our pantry is a success because of the financial support of our congregation and the many food donations by our church and other community partners such as Saint Catherine's of Siena Catholic Church and Bethany Lutheran Church.

Over 60 volunteers help on Mondays and 20 volunteers help pick up bread at H-E-B and food donations from Costco and Whole Foods.

We are so grateful for the church and community of volunteers who have answered the call to help our neighbors.

## Please Note:

**There will be NO Tuesday Bible Study  
this Tuesday, January 21st.**

## Save the Date: Sunday, January 26

**NO FAITH FORMATION**

**Worship w/ Holy Communion—10 am SINGLE SERVICE**

*On Sunday, January 26, 2025, there will be one service only at 10:00.*

Afterward, we'll have a potluck lunch — please bring your favorite chili or soup, or a side dish, or a dessert to share. When we've finished eating, we will have a guided conversation about who Abiding Love is as a congregation and what Abiding Love is seeking in a new senior pastor.

We'll begin by listening to God's voice in scripture in 1 Samuel 3:1-11. Then in groups of 3 to 5, you will discuss a variety of questions intended to help you hear what God might have in mind for Abiding Love at this time in its ministry life.

Pastor Kris Hill will lead the event, which should last about an hour and a half (after lunch). This, again, is an opportunity for you to share your thoughts and insights about where the congregation is headed and what ALLC might want or need in a new pastor.

Please be present on January 26 for this fun and useful conversation. Your voice matters. The Transition Team is looking forward to hearing from you!

## WELCOMING NEW MEMBERS TO ABIDING LOVE!

It is one of our greatest joys to welcome new people into membership in our community. We are blessed to have guests and visitors growing closer in relationships and involvement in the life of the church.

Membership in the congregation provides full participation in the leadership and missional direction of Abiding Love. If you would like to become a member we would be happy to welcome you! We are currently inviting everyone interested in membership to contact the church office and to complete a Member Information form (ask an usher for a copy). A New Member gathering for interested people will follow.

If you have any questions, contact the office:  
[info@abidinglove.org](mailto:info@abidinglove.org) or 512-892-4040

## MUSIC FOR TODAY'S SERVICE

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"This Is My Father's World" — arr. Cindy Berry

"Spirit, Open My Heart" — Ruth Duck, trad. © 1996

"Wonderful Words of Life" — arr. Mark Hayes

"Shout for Joy" — Douglas Nolan © 1993

"Eucharistic Prayer" —

"Traveling Mercies" — Billy Crockett © 1999

"Now Thank We All Our God/Come Ye Thankful People Come" — arr. Cindy Berry

## ABIDING LOVE CALENDAR

### SUNDAY, JANUARY 19

Bread For All Sunday

8:30 am Worship w/Holy Communion (S)

9:45 am Faith Formation

11:00 am Worship w/Holy Communion (S)

5:30 pm HS Youth Group (HS)

### MONDAY, JANUARY 20

CC Closed

11:00 am ALLC Food Pantry

5:00 pm Bread For All Food Pantry

7:00 pm AA (HS Room)

7:00 pm Sarah Circle (Z)

### TUESDAY, JANUARY 21

~~10:30 am Tuesday Bible Study (C)~~

3:30 pm CC After School (L)

7:00 pm Alanon (C)

7:00 pm Ministry Roundtable Mtg. (Z)

### WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 22

9:30 am Chapel (S)

10:00 am Staff Meeting (L)

10:00 am Hannah Bible Study (C)

1:00 pm Sew Bees (UC/MS)

3:30 pm CC After School (L)

6:00 pm Music Rehearsals

6:30 pm Children's Choir

7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal

### THURSDAY, JANUARY 23

10:00 am Quilters (UC, MS)

3:30 pm CC After School (L)

6:00 pm Alanon (L)

6:00 pm OA Mtg (HS)

### FRIDAY, JANUARY 24

3:30 pm CC After School (L)

### SATURDAY, JANUARY 25

10:00 am Westcreek NA Annual

Mtg. (AC & L)

5:00 pm ASC Diversity Band (AC)

### SUNDAY, JANUARY 26

10:00 am Worship w/Holy Communion (S)

**11:00 am Potluck & Transition Team  
Event (AC)**

5:30 pm HS Youth Group (HS)

For questions about the calendar, please visit  
our website: [www.abidinglove.org](http://www.abidinglove.org) or  
email: [rroberts@abidinglove.org](mailto:rroberts@abidinglove.org)

## SERVING

**JANUARY 19, 2025**

### Preaching & Presiding

Pr. Kris Franke Hill

### Altar Guild

(11:00) Denise Alaimo

### Assisting Minister

(8:30) Margaret Dove

(11:00) Sue Milam

### Children's Message

Tyler Parks

### Communion Assistant

(8:30) Pat Dove

(11:00) Joyce Flachmeier

### Lector

(8:30) Mike Riggs

(11:00) Audrey Lehman

### Music

Gus Sterneman

Stephanie Morrison

### Ushers

(8:30) Kyle Wych & Wil Chang

(11:00) Kurt Armstrong

### Tech

Zee Zepeda

Cathy Cox

George Glaser



## ABIDING LOVE LUTHERAN CHURCH

**JANUARY 19, 2025**

**2ND SUNDAY IN EPIPHANY**



## WELCOME TO WORSHIP AT ABIDING LOVE!

May you know God's love as you sing, pray, proclaim, and serve.

## ALL ARE WELCOME TO COMMUNION AT ABIDING LOVE

Hold out your hands to receive the bread. Gluten free wafers are available. Take a cup of wine (red) or grape juice (white) from the tray. Children and adults not communing may come forward and cross their arms over their chest to receive a blessing. Please follow the direction of the ushers.

**Celebrating 45 years  
of worship, fellowship, and service.  
1980-2025**

## CONNECT WITH ABIDING LOVE

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