

The Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

August 3, 2025 – 8:30 and 11:00 a.m.



Deo Gratias

THANKS BE TO GOD

Abiding Savior Lutheran Church

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Sunday Bible Study

Pastor Glover's Bible Study

This class meets in the fellowship hall after breakfast. A study of Islam will continue next week.

Girlfriends Bible Study

Ladies and invited to meet in the building 3 library at 10:00 a.m. Our current study is called "Leaning on Jesus: A study of God's strength."

Study the Bible One Book at a Time

This group meets in the building 1 classroom and is studying the book of Isaiah.

Announcements

Welcome Rev. Ron Biel as he serves as guest preacher and liturgist today.

School Supply Drive: Once again Abiding Savior is supporting Stephen Foster Elementary School students. Pencils, pens, markers, highlighters, colored pencils, etc. are needed. Find the donation box near the bulletin stand in the narthex.

Wednesday Family Game Night. Meet in the fellowship hall from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. for fun and games for all ages. Drinks and some snacks will be provided, but feel free to bring snacks to share.

Little Lutherans' Lessons: Typically, on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month, children may attend lesson time during the sermon. Children stay with their families for the Divine Service until the sermon begins. At that point, volunteers lead them to the nursery for a lesson tailored just for them. After the sermon, the children will rejoin their families for the remainder of the service.

Online Giving platform has changed. As of August 1, the church website's giving link was updated. For those that choose to give online, a new email, password and account set-up is required. Those with recurring online offerings will also have to reset their accounts. Danny and Susan can provide assistance. Visit www.abidingsavior.info and find the "Giving" link to set up your online giving.

Church Directory: Abiding Savior has been blessed with more than 20 new members since January. Please check the draft directory on the stand near the welcome table. If your information needs to be added or updated, use the red pen provided to make edits. If you do not have a picture, you may send an electronic picture office@abidingsavior.info or see Susan or Danny in the choir room between services to make arrangements to have a picture taken.

Communion Statement

The Lord's Supper is celebrated at this congregation in the confession and glad confidence that, as he says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but his very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with him and with one another. Our Lord invites to his table those who trust his words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as he forgives and loves us, that they may show forth his death until he comes.

Because those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm and because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt, or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, and yet desire to receive the sacrament, are asked first to speak with the pastor or an elder.

Order of Worship

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Stand

OPENING HYMN

850 God of Grace and God of Glory

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

INVOCATION

Matthew 28:19b; 18:20

Pastor	In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
Congregation	Amen.

Confession and Absolution

EXHORTATION

Psalms 124:8; Psalm 130:3–4; Luke 18:13

Pastor	Our help is in the name of the Lord,
Congregation	who made heaven and earth.

Pastor	If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?
Congregation	But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.

Pastor	Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.
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CONFESSION OF SINS

Congregation	Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.
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ABSOLUTION

[John 20:19–23]

Pastor Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Congregation Amen.

Service of the Word

INTROIT

Psalm 49:7–8, 13–14a, 15; antiphon: vv. 1–2

Hear this, all | peoples! *
Give ear, all inhabitants | of the world,
both | low and high, *
rich and poor to- | gether!
Truly no man can ransom an- | other, *
or give to God the price | of his life,
for the ransom of their life is | costly *
and can nev- | er suffice.
This is the path of those who have foolish | confidence; *
yet after them people approve | of their boasts.
Like sheep they are appointed | for Sheol; *
death shall be their | shepherd.
But God will ransom my soul from the power | of Sheol, *
for he will re- | ceive me.
**Glory be to the Father and | to the Son *
and to the Holy | Spirit;
as it was in the be- | ginning, *
is now, and will be forever. | Amen.**
Hear this, all | peoples! *
Give ear, all inhabitants | of the world,
both | low and high, *
rich and poor to- | gether!

KYRIE

Mark 10:47



C Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer - cy; Lord, have mer - cy.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

Luke 2:14; John 1:29



- 1 To God on high be glo - ry And peace to all the earth;
2 To You, O sole-be - got - ten, The Fa - ther's Son, we pray;
3 For You a - lone are ho - ly; You on - ly are the Lord.



Good-will from God in heav - en Pro-claimed at Je-sus' birth!
O Lamb of God, our Sav - ior, You take our sins a - way.
For - ev - er and for - ev - er, Be wor-shipped and a - dored;



We praise and bless You, Fa - ther; Your ho - ly name, we sing—
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus; Re - ceive our heart - felt cry,
You with the Ho - ly Spir - it A - lone are Lord Most High,



Our thanks for Your great glo - ry, Lord God, our heav'n-ly King.
Where You in pow'r are seat-ed At God's right hand on high—
In God the Fa - ther's glo - ry. "A - men!" our glad re - ply.

Text: Stephen P. Starke

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

Pastor The Lord be with you.
Congregation And also with you.

Pastor Let us pray.
O Lord, grant us wisdom to recognize the treasures You have stored up for us in heaven, that we may never despair but always rejoice and be thankful for the riches of Your grace; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Congregation Amen.

Sit

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Ecclesiastes 1:2, 12–14; 2:18–26

²Vanity of vanities, says the Preacher,
vanity of vanities! All is vanity. . . .

¹²I the Preacher have been king over Israel in Jerusalem. ¹³And I applied my heart to seek and to search out by wisdom all that is done under heaven. It is an unhappy business that God has given to the children of man to be busy with. ¹⁴I have seen everything that is done under the sun, and behold, all is vanity and a striving after wind. . . .

¹⁸I hated all my toil in which I toil under the sun, seeing that I must leave it to the man who will come after me, ¹⁹and who knows whether he will be wise or a fool? Yet he will be master of all for which I toiled and used my wisdom under the sun. This also is vanity. ²⁰So I turned about and gave my heart up to despair over all the toil of my labors under the sun, ²¹because sometimes a person who has toiled with wisdom and knowledge and skill must leave everything to be enjoyed by someone who did not toil for it. This also is vanity and a great evil. ²²What has a man from all the toil and striving of heart with which he toils beneath the sun? ²³For all his days are full of sorrow, and his work is a vexation. Even in the night his heart does not rest. This also is vanity.

²⁴There is nothing better for a person than that he should eat and drink and find enjoyment in his toil. This also, I saw, is from the hand of God, ²⁵for apart from him who can eat or who can have enjoyment? ²⁶For to the one who pleases him God has given wisdom and knowledge and joy, but to the sinner he has given the business of gathering and collecting, only to give to one who pleases God. This also is vanity and a striving after wind.

Lector This is the Word of the Lord.

Congregation Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL

Romans 10:15b, 18b; Isaiah 52:7b, alt.

How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the | good news,*
who publish peace and bring good news of sal- | vation.
Their voice has gone out to | all the earth,*
and their words to the ends | of the world.

EPISTLE

Colossians 3:1–11

¹If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. ²Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth. ³For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. ⁴When Christ who is your life appears, then you also will appear with him in glory.

⁵Put to death therefore what is earthly in you: sexual immorality, impurity, passion, evil desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry. ⁶On account of these the wrath of God is coming. ⁷In these you too once walked, when you were living in them. ⁸But now you must put them all away: anger, wrath, malice, slander, and obscene talk from your mouth. ⁹Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have put off the old self with its practices ¹⁰and have put on the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge after the image of its creator. ¹¹Here there is not Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave, free; but Christ is all, and in all.

Lector This is the Word of the Lord.
 Congregation Thanks be to God.

Stand

ALLELUIA AND VERSE

ALLELUIA



VERSE

John 20:31



ALLELUIA



HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 12:13–21

Pastor The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the twelfth chapter.
Congregation **Glory to You, O Lord.**

¹³Someone in the crowd said to [Jesus], “Teacher, tell my brother to divide the inheritance with me.” ¹⁴But he said to him, “**Man, who made me a judge or arbitrator over you?**” ¹⁵And he said to them, “**Take care, and be on your guard against all covetousness, for one’s life does not consist in the abundance of his possessions.**” ¹⁶And he told them a parable, saying, “The land of a rich man produced plentifully, ¹⁷and he thought to himself, ‘What shall I do, for I have nowhere to store my crops?’ ¹⁸And he said, ‘I will do this: I will tear down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. ¹⁹And I will say to my soul, Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry.’ ²⁰But God said to him, ‘Fool! This night your soul is required of you, and the things you have prepared, whose will they be?’ ²¹So is the one who lays up treasure for himself and is not rich toward God.”

Pastor This is the Gospel of the Lord.
Congregation **Praise to You, O Christ.**

NICENE CREED

Congregation **I believe in one God,
 the Father Almighty,
 maker of heaven and earth
 and of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
 the only-begotten Son of God,
 begotten of His Father before all worlds,
 God of God, Light of Light,
 very God of very God,
 begotten, not made,
 being of one substance with the Father,
 by whom all things were made;
 who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven
 and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary
 and was made man;
 and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.
 He suffered and was buried.
 And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures
 and ascended into heaven**

**and sits at the right hand of the Father.
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the
dead,
whose kingdom will have no end.**

**And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and
glorified,
who spoke by the prophets.
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
and I look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life ✠ of the world to come. Amen.**

Sit

HYMN OF THE DAY

750 If Thou But Trust in God to Guide Thee sts. 1–2, 4

SERMON: **"WAIT...TILL TOMORROW!"** *(LUKE 12:16-20)*

GATHERING GIFTS AND PRAYER REQUESTS

Stand

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Service of the Sacrament

PREFACE

2 Timothy 4:22; [Colossians 3:1]; [Psalm 136]

Pastor The Lord be with you.
Congregation And also with you.

Pastor Lift up your hearts.
Congregation We lift them to the Lord.

Pastor
Congregation

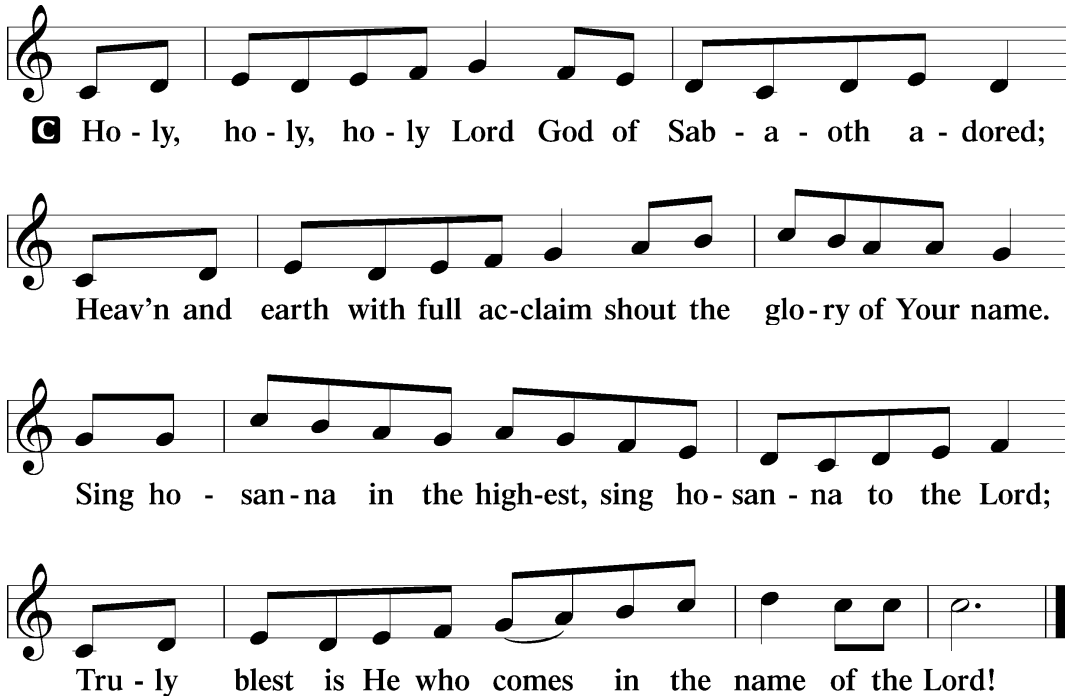
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

Pastor

It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

SANCTUS

Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9



C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth a - dored;
Heav'n and earth with full ac-claim shout the glo-ry of Your name.
Sing ho - san-na in the high-est, sing ho - san - na to the Lord;
Tru - ly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

Text: Stephen P. Starke

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Pastor Blessed are You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.

In Your righteous judgment You condemned the sin of Adam and Eve, who ate the forbidden fruit, and You justly barred them and all their children from the tree of life. Yet, in Your great mercy, You promised salvation by a second Adam, Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, and made His cross a life-giving tree for all who trust in Him.


We give You thanks for the redemption You have prepared for us through Jesus Christ. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may faithfully eat and drink of the fruits of His cross and receive the blessings of forgiveness, life, and salvation that come to us in His body and blood.

Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

LORD'S PRAYER

**Congregation 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.**

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

Pastor Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My  body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: “Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✠ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.”

PAX DOMINI

Pastor The peace of the Lord be with you always.
 Congregation Amen.

AGNUS DEI

John 1:29

1 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
 2 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
 You take the sin of the world a - way;
 You take the sin of the world a - way;
 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
 Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus Christ,
 Have mer - cy on us, Lord, we pray.
 And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

Text: Stephen P. Starke

Sit

DISTRIBUTION

THE DISMISSAL

Pastor The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you
 in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart ✠ in peace.
 Congregation Amen.

Stand

NUNC DIMITTIS

Luke 2:29-32

1 O Lord, now let Your ser - vant De -
2 All glo - ry to the the Fa - ther, All
part in heav'n - ly peace, For I have seen the
glo - ry to the Son, All glo - ry to the
glo - ry Of Your re - deem - ing grace:
Spir - it, For - ev - er Three in One;
A light to lead the Gen - tiles Un -
For as in the be - gin - ning, Is
to Your ho - ly hill, The glo - ry of Your
now, shall ev - er be, God's tri - une name re -
peo - ple, Your cho - sen Is - ra - el.
sound - ing Through all e - ter - ni - ty.

POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

Pastor Let us pray.
 Gracious God, our heavenly Father, You have given us a foretaste of the feast to come in the Holy Supper of Your Son's body and blood. Keep us firm in the true faith throughout our days of pilgrimage that, on the day of His coming, we may, together with all Your saints, celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom which has no end; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Congregation Amen.

BENEDICAMUS

Psalm 103:1

Pastor Let us bless the Lord.
Congregation Thanks be to God.

BENEDICTION

Pastor The Lord bless you and keep you.
 The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
 The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

Congregation Amen.

HYMN TO DEPART

730 What Is the World to Me

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Last Week

Attendance

8:30 a.m.: 76

11:00 a.m.: 58

Total: 134

Offerings

Total: \$7,082

Building Fund: \$380

Today's altar flowers are provided by
Barbara Haller "Praising God!"



Next Week's Readings

Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

First Reading: Genesis 15:1-16

Second Reading: Hebrews 11:1-16

Gospel: Luke 12:22-34 (35-40)

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(7/1/25 – 7/27/25)

Avg. weekly attendance: 128

Total offerings: \$30,070

Avg. weekly offering: \$7,518

Total building fund: \$450

Anniversaries

Rod & Deborah McDavis 8/7

Birthdays

Bill Carman 8/4

Fred Townsend 8/4

Jeff Dauer 8/6

Jenna Schmitt 8/7

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