

Announcements and Reminders

Communion Statement

In accordance with the teachings of Holy Scripture and the Lutheran Confessions, we believe and confess that in this Sacrament we receive the true body and blood of Jesus Christ under the forms of bread and wine. Our gathering at the Table of the Lord is not a mere symbolic eating and drinking. Receiving the body and blood of Christ together at this Holy Table is confessing that we who here receive this Sacrament share this common belief. Such celebration of the Sacrament carries two pastoral concerns:

- That all communicants understand what God is giving to us in His Supper. The New Testament speaks of grave harm that will come upon anyone who does not "discern the Lord's body" (1 Corinthians 11:29). We desire that you receive this gift to your good and never to your harm.
- Each one should be able to examine themselves and recognize their sin and need for God's grace, lest we contradict Christ by sin against Him and sin against His people. In this Sacrament we are most fully at one with Christ and with one another, and so we should come to this Table at peace with Him and at peace with all our sisters and brothers.

Because communion at the table of our Lord is such a confession of common faith, worshipers who have a different understanding, or who hold a differing confession of faith, and yet desire to receive the Sacrament should first speak with an Elder or the Pastor before communing. For those with health concerns, gluten-free wafers are available on request and non-alcoholic wine is available in the center cups of each communion tray. Those who do not wish to commune may come forward for a blessing by crossing their arms over their chest at the communion rail.

Sunday Adult Bible Studies.

- 9:45 a.m. "Girl Friends" Bible Study meets in the Library of Building 3. This class is led by Linda Struckmeyer, Debbie Hill, and Karen Brautcheck and is also available via Zoom. Join us for a study of the book of **Hebrews** titled "*Better*". Contact Linda at struck60@gmail.com for a Zoom link.
- 9:45 a.m. Study the Bible "One Book at a Time" with Chuck Moss in the Building 1 classroom. This group is studying the Old Testament book of **Haggi**. Contact Chuck Moss@msn.com for a Zoom link for this class.
- 9:45 a.m. Pastor Jack leads a study of the book of **Ephesians**. This class meets in the Octagon room in the FLC.
- **Monday 7:00 p.m.** A study of the book of **Colossians** is led by Joshua Mazur via Zoom. For the Zoom link, contact Jmazur@abidingsavior.info.
- **Sunday School for children through 5th grade -** Join us in the Family Life Center fellowship hall at 9:45 a.m. or contact Sarah Sain at Sarah.d.sain@gmail.com for an online link.
- Parents and Tots Sunday School in the nursery at 10:00 a.m. with Susan Moss.
- Children's Activity Bulletins are available on the welcome table in the Narthex.

Our annual VBS Planning Meeting: Planning for this summer's VBS continues! Anyone interested in playing a role and continuing to help us plan a wonderful week for our children, please attend our next meeting today after late service. If you can't make it, but want to make sure we know you're available to volunteer or support our VBS team, please email Sarah Sain at sarah.d.sain@gmail.com.

Blood Drive: The Blood Mobile will be at Abiding Savior next week on May 8th.

- **Young at Heart** Ladies Bible Study that meets the second Tuesday of the month in Building One. The next meeting will be May 10 at 10:00 a.m. Annetta Coleman will lead the study titled "More than Conquerors"
- **Work Days**: Each year, preschool playgrounds are refreshed & mulched. Many hands are needed. Opportunities to help out are coming up on Saturday, May 7. Work begins at 7:30 a.m. Bring wheelbarrows, work gloves, rakes & shovels. Water, coffee & donuts will be provided as well as pizza for lunch. *Students may receive services hour credits for participation*.
- May 16th at 7:00 pm A NIGHT AT THE OPERA: VERDI'S NABUCCO with Dinner & Dessert in the FLC. Verdi's Nabucco permanently established Verdi's reputation as a great composer of opera. Enjoy this great masterpiece in an informal setting with dinner & dessert provided! The opera's runtime is ~2 hours and will be presented with an intermission.
- Meals of Hope Meal packing on Saturday, May 21st.

There will be two shifts to sign up for or if you feel really energetic you can sign up for both. An online link is available on the church website, or simply use the sign-up



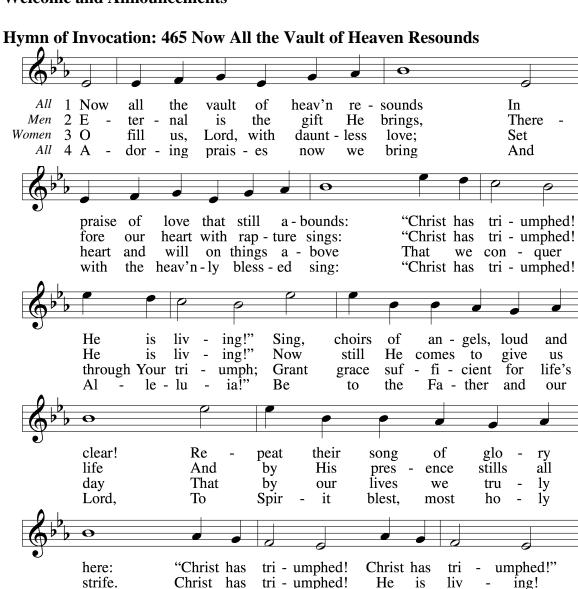
sheet in the Narthex to volunteer. Bring your friends, neighbors, co-workers and family for a fun event. All the meals we pack go to help the food insecure in our area. <u>Shifts: 9:00-11:00 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.</u>

Preschool Job Opening: Abiding Savior Lutheran Preschool has an opening for a Christian preschool lead teacher beginning in August 2022 for the 2022-2023 school year. Applicant will be responsible for planning and implementing a Christian and developmentally appropriate early childhood program for a Preschool 2s class. Must be a self-starter, patient, loving, flexible, reliable, and a team player. Hours are 7:30-1:30, with the possibility of extra after care hours. Bachelor's degree required. Early childhood teacher experience preferred. 40 Hour DCF Training preferred and must pass Level 2 background screening. Paid holidays, paid time off, and health care benefits included. Salary based on credentials and experience. Contact Preschool Director Brenda Arden at 352-331-7770. Send resume to Abiding Savior Lutheran Preschool, 9700 W Newberry Rd., Gainesville, FL 32606.

Building Project for Vets: Contact Mike Brannon at 305-923-3776 if you are able to help construct a small home for disabled veterans. The next work day is planned for May 14.

ORDER OF WORSHIP PREPARATION

Prelude Welcome and Announcements



tri - umphed!

glo - ry,

He

nev - er

liv

end

is

ing!"

ing!

"Christ has

the

All

say: God,



CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

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

Invocation

- **P** In the name of the Father and of the

 → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

Exhortation LSB 167

- **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 on God's Word and for self-examination.

Confession of Sins

- **P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. 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. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. 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.

AbsolutionLSB 167

- 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 H Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

SERVICE OF THE WORD

Kyrie 168

P In peace let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.

P For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.

For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.

P Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.



This Is the Feast



171

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia.



3



Salutation and Collect of the Day

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **C** And also with you.
- Risen Christ, You are the Lamb of God who sits on the heavenly throne in unspeakable glory and unimaginable power. You have commanded us to worship You. You are worthy of our worship. All power and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing belong to You forever and ever.
- C Amen.

Sit

First Reading

Acts 9:1–22

¹But Saul, still breathing threats and murder against the disciples of the Lord, went to the high priest ²and asked him for letters to the synagogues at Damascus, so that if he found any belonging to the Way, men or women, he might bring them bound to Jerusalem. ³Now as he went on his way, he approached Damascus, and suddenly a light from heaven flashed around him. ⁴And falling to the ground he heard a voice saying to him, "Saul, Saul, why are you persecuting me?" ⁵And he said, "Who are you, Lord?" And he said, "I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting. ⁶But rise and enter the city, and you will be told what you are to do." ⁷The men who were traveling with him stood speechless, hearing the voice but seeing no one. ⁸Saul rose from the ground, and although his eyes were opened, he saw nothing. So they led him by the hand and brought him into Damascus. ⁹And for three days he was without sight, and neither ate nor drank.

¹⁰Now there was a disciple at Damascus named Ananias. The Lord said to him in a vision, "Ananias." And he said, "Here I am, Lord." ¹¹And the Lord said to him, "Rise and go to the street called Straight, and at the house of Judas look for a man of Tarsus named Saul, for behold, he is praying, ¹²and he has seen in a vision a man named Ananias come in and lay his hands on him so that he might regain his sight." ¹³But Ananias answered, "Lord, I have heard from many about this man, how much evil he has done to your saints at Jerusalem. ¹⁴And here he has authority from the chief priests to bind all who call on your name." ¹⁵But the Lord said to him, "Go, for he is a chosen instrument of mine to carry my name before the Gentiles and kings and the children of Israel. ¹⁶For I will show him how much he must suffer for the sake of my name." ¹⁷So Ananias departed and entered the house. And laying his hands on him he said, "Brother Saul, the Lord Jesus who appeared to you on the road by which you came has sent me so that you may regain your sight and be filled with the Holy Spirit." ¹⁸And immediately something like scales fell from his eyes, and he regained his sight. Then he rose and was baptized; ¹⁹and taking food, he was strengthened.

For some days he was with the disciples at Damascus. ²⁰And immediately he proclaimed Jesus in the synagogues, saying, "He is the Son of God." ²¹And all who heard him were amazed and said, "Is not this the man who made havoc in Jerusalem of those who called upon this name? And has he not come here for this purpose, to bring them bound before the chief priests?" ²²But Saul increased all the more in strength, and confounded the Jews who lived in Damascus by proving that Jesus was the Christ.

- This is the Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

Second Reading

Revelation 5:8–14

⁸And when he had taken the scroll, the four living creatures and the twenty-four elders fell down before the Lamb, each holding a harp, and golden bowls full of incense, which are the prayers of the saints. ⁹And they sang a new song, saying,

"Worthy are you to take the scroll and to open its seals,

for you were slain, and by your blood you ransomed people for God from every tribe and language and people and nation,

¹⁰and you have made them a kingdom and priests to our God, and they shall reign on the earth."

¹¹Then I looked, and I heard around the throne and the living creatures and the elders the voice of many angels, numbering myriads of myriads and thousands of thousands, ¹²saying with a loud voice, "Worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing!" ¹³And I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea, and all that is in them, saying, "To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever!" ¹⁴And the four living creatures said, "Amen!" and the elders fell down and worshiped.

- L This is the Word of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God. \mathbf{C}

Stand



Holy Gospel John 21:1–19

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the twenty-first chapter.



¹After this Jesus revealed himself again to the disciples by the Sea of Tiberias, and he revealed himself in this way. ²Simon Peter, Thomas (called the Twin), Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two others of his disciples were together. ³Simon Peter said to them, "I am going fishing." They said to him, "We will go with you." They went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing.

⁴Just as day was breaking, Jesus stood on the shore; yet the disciples did not know that it was Jesus. ⁵Jesus said to them, "Children, do you have any fish?" They answered him, "No." ⁶He said to them, "Cast the net on the right side of the boat, and you will find some." So they cast it, and now they were not able to haul it in, because of the quantity of fish. ⁷That disciple whom Jesus loved therefore said to Peter, "It is the Lord!" When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on his outer garment, for he was stripped for work, and threw himself into the sea. ⁸The other disciples came in the boat, dragging the net full of fish, for they were not far from the land, but about a hundred yards off.

⁹When they got out on land, they saw a charcoal fire in place, with fish laid out on it, and bread. ¹⁰Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish that you have just caught." ¹¹So Simon Peter went aboard and hauled the net ashore, full of large fish, 153 of them. And although there were so many, the net was not torn. ¹²Jesus said to them, "Come and have breakfast." Now none of the disciples dared ask him, "Who are you?" They knew it was the Lord. ¹³Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them, and so with the fish. ¹⁴This was now the third time that Jesus was revealed to the disciples after he was raised from the dead.

¹⁵When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon, son of John, do you love me more than these?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." He said to him, "Feed my lambs." ¹⁶He said to him a second time, "Simon, son of John, do you love me?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." He said to him, "Tend my sheep." ¹⁷He said to him the third time, "Simon, son of John, do you love me?" Peter was grieved because he said to him the third time, "Do you love me?" and he said to him, "Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my sheep. ¹⁸Truly, truly, I say to you, when you were young, you used to dress yourself and walk wherever you wanted, but when you are old, you will stretch out your hands, and another will dress you and carry you where you do not

want to go." ¹⁹(This he said to show by what kind of death he was to glorify God.) And after saying this he said to him, "Follow me."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



Confession of Faith

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. As of first importance Christ also died for our sins according to the Scriptures. He was buried and was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures. He appeared to Peter, and then to the Twelve and after that, He appeared to more than five hundred of the brothers at the same time. He ascended into heaven and will come again to gather the harvest as He is the first fruits of all who have fallen asleep. 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.

Sit

Hymn of the Day: Is He Worthy?

Andrew Peterson

Do you feel the world is broken? **We do**Do you feel the shadows deepen? **We do**But do you know that all the dark
Won't stop the light from getting
through? **We do**Do you wish that you could see it all
made new? **We do**

Is all creation groaning? **It is**Is a new creation coming? **It is**Is the glory of the Lord to be the light within our midst? **It is**Is it good that we remind ourselves of this? **It is**

Is anyone worthy? Is anyone whole? Is anyone able to break the seal and open the scroll? The Lion of Judah, who conquered the grave, He is David's Root, And the Lamb who died to ransom the slave! Is He worthy, Is He worthy? Of all blessing and honor and glory? Is He worthy of this? He is

Does the Father truly love us? **He does**Does the Spirit move among us? **He does**

And does Jesus our Messiah Hold forever those He loves? **He does** Does our God intend to dwell again with us? **He does**

Is anyone worthy? Is anyone whole? Is anyone able to break the seal and open the scroll? The Lion of Judah, who conquered the grave, He is David's Root and the Lamb who died to ransom the slave! From ev'ry people and tribe, every nation and tongue, He has made us a kingdom and priests to God to reign with the Son! Is He worthy? Is He worthy? Of all blessing and honor and glory?

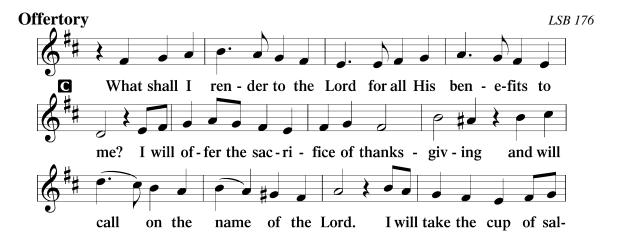
```
Is He worthy?
Is He worthy?
Is He worthy of this?
He is!
Is He worthy?
Is He worthy?
He is!
Andrew Peterson | Ben Shive O 2018 Capitol CMG Genesis
```

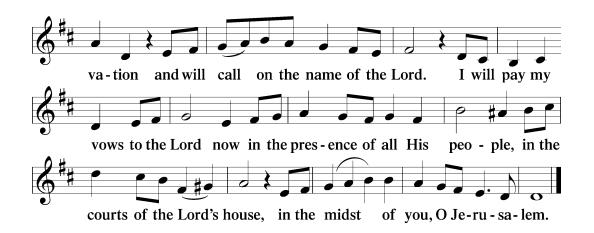
Sermon The Lamb Who was Slain

Voluntary and Gathering of Prayer Requests

Stand

Prayer of the Church

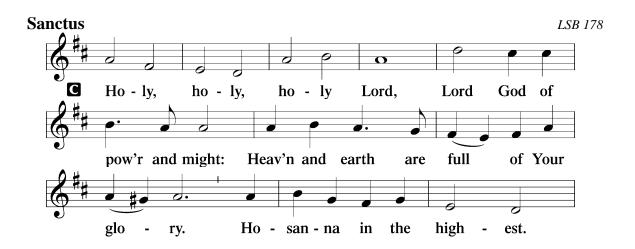


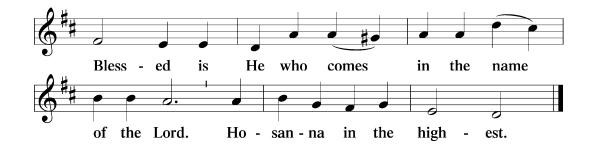


SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

Preface LSB 177

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **C** And also with you.
- **P** Lift up your hearts.
- **C** We lift them to the Lord.
- **P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- **C** It is right to give Him thanks and praise.





Prayer of Thanksgiving

LSB 178

P Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

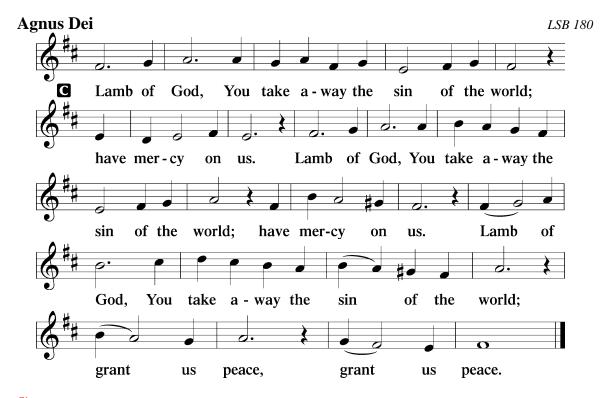
Prayer

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.

The Words of Our Lord

Pax Domini LSB 180

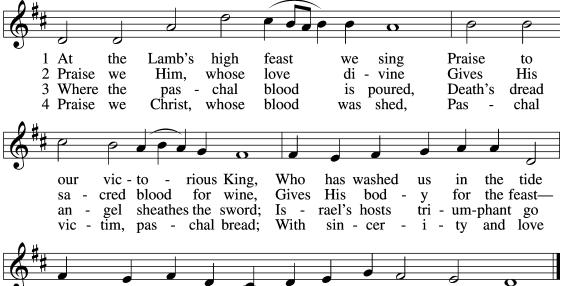
- **P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C Amen.

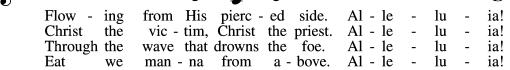


Sit

Distribution



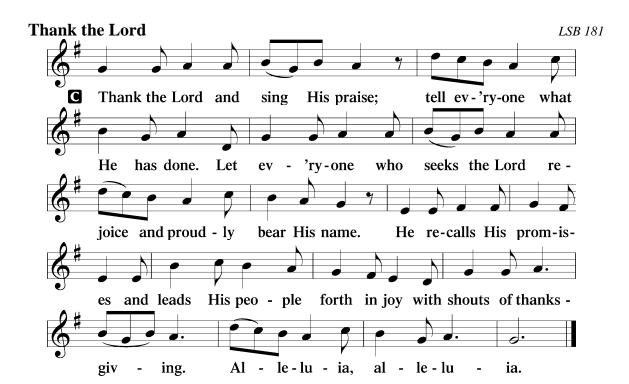




- 5 Mighty Victim from the sky, Hell's fierce pow'rs beneath You lie; You have conquered in the fight, You have brought us life and light. Alleluia!
- 7 Easter triumph, Easter joy!
 This alone can sin destroy;
 From sin's pow'r, Lord, set us free,
 Newborn souls in You to be.
 Alleluia!
- 6 Now no more can death appall, Now no more the grave enthrall; You have opened paradise, And Your saints in You shall rise. Alleluia!
- △8 Father, who the crown shall give, Savior, by whose death we live, Spirit, guide through all our days: Three in One, Your name we praise. Alleluia!

The Dismissal

Stand



Post-Communion Collect

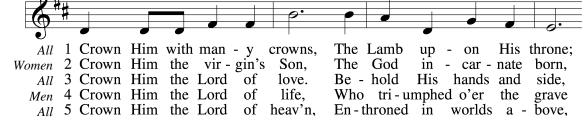
P Let us pray.

O God the Father, the fountain and source of all goodness, who in loving-kindness sent Your only-begotten Son into the flesh, we thank You that for His sake You have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament, and we ask You not to forsake Your children but always to rule our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may be enabled constantly to serve You; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Benediction LSB 183

Hymn to Depart: 525 Crown Him with Many Crowns





Hark how the heav'n-ly an - them drowns All mu - sic but its own. Whose arm those crim-son tro - phies won Which now His brow a-dorn: Rich wounds, yet vis - i - ble a - bove, In beau - ty glo - ri-fied. And rose vic - to - rious in the strife For those He came to save. Crown Him the king to whom is giv'n The won-drous name of Love.



A - wake, my soul, and sing
Fruit of the mys-tic rose,
No an - gels in the sky
His glo - ries now we sing,
Crown Him with man - y crowns

Him who died Of for thee, Yet ofthat rose the stem. The Can ful - ly bear that sight, But Who died and rose on high, Who As thrones be - fore Him fall; Crown



thy match-less king Through all hail as e - ter - ni root whence mer - cv ev - er flows. The babe of Beth - le - hem. down-ward bend their won-d'ring eves At mvs - ter - ies bright. died e - ter - nal life to bring And lives that death may die. ye kings, with man - y crowns, For He is king all.

Postlude

Acknowledgments

Divine Service, Setting Two from Lutheran Service Book

Unless otherwise indicated, Scripture quotations are from the ESV® Bible (The Holy Bible, English Standard Version®), copyright © 2001 by Crossway, a publishing ministry of Good News Publishers. Used by permission. All rights reserved. Created by Lutheran Service Builder © 2022 Concordia Publishing House.

ABIDING SAVIOR LUTHERAN CHURCH

Connecting Hearts to Jesus The Lutheran Church Missouri Synod

Serving Today

Pastor: Rev. Jack Mackowiak
Director of Music Ministry: Joshua Mazur

8:00 a.m. 10:45 a.m.

Acolyte: Gillian Collins Acolyte: Brody Sain

Elder of the Month: Derek Sain Elder of the Month: Fred Townsend

Reader: Pete Schmitt Reader: Dustin Banks

8:00 a.m. Choir

Hannah Mazur Susan Moss Lenny Terry
Bette Pring Barbara Moore Stephen Saxon
Carol Wilson Joni Johnson Ron Wilson
Phyllis Leone Paul Moore Michael Baltzell

10:45 a.m. Praise Team

Carol Wilson Dustin Banks
Ron Wilson Hannah Mazur

Park Colomon Roll Transier

Randy Coleman Ralph Toppins
Zachery Sain Colleen Toppins

Last Week's Attendance

8:00am: 65 10:45am: 45 Total: 110

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS (May 8)

First Reading - Acts 20:17-35 Second Reading - Revelation 7:9-17 Gospel Reading - John 10:22-30

Last Week's Offerings

Offerings: \$ 5,976 Building Fund: \$ 0



Today's altar flowers are provided by the Townsends in celebration of Alice's birthday.

2022 Year to Date

Average Attendance: 114 Total Offerings: \$ 106,851 Avg. Weekly Offerings: \$ 6,285 Building: \$ 914

Anniversaries

Paul & Vicki Schurbring 5/3 Rob & Sarah Suter 5/3

Birthdays

Amie Spooner 5/6 Daisy Slaughter 5/6 Shirley Jackson 5/6 Alice Townsend 5/7

9700 W. Newberry Rd. Gainesville, Fl. 32606 www.abidingsavior.info – office@abidingsavior.info – 352-331-4409

If you would like to place an announcement in the Sunday Bulletin, please contact the office or email them to Office@abidingsavior.info no later than Wednesday mornings. Send your newsletter articles by the 25th of each month.

ABIDING SAVIOR LUTHERAN CHURCH

Connecting Hearts to Jesus since 1991 The Lutheran Church Missouri Synod



9700 W. Newberry Rd. Gainesville, Fl. 32606 www.abidingsavior.info – office@abidingsavior.info – 352-331-4409