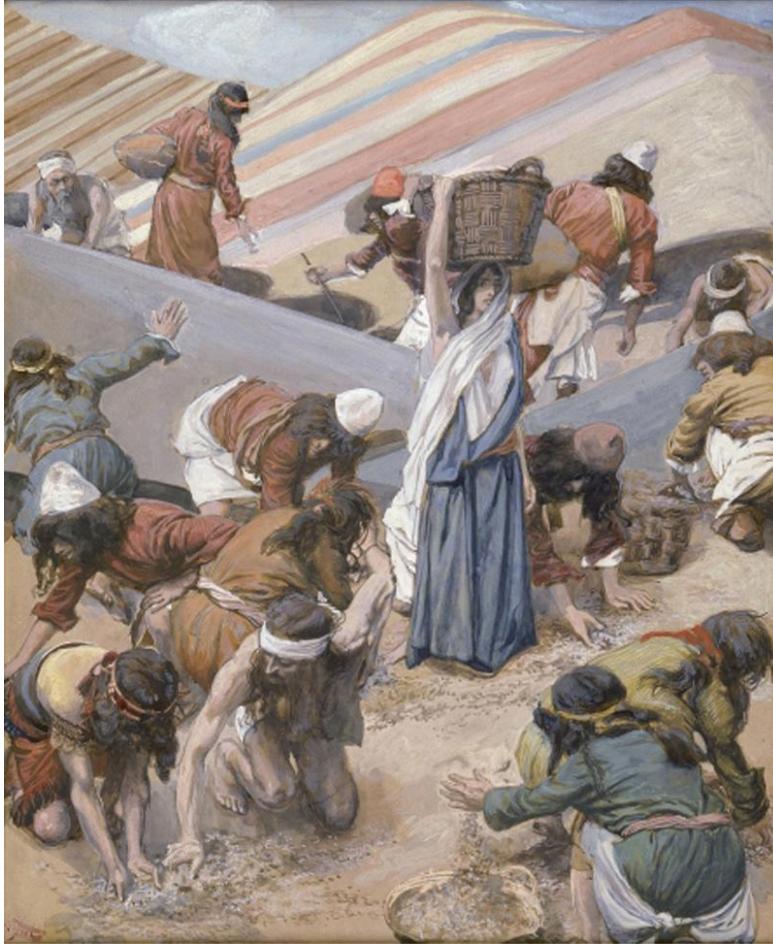


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Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

August 4, 2024

10:00 a.m.

Welcome to Abiding Peace Lutheran Church!



Abiding Peace Lutheran Church makes Christ known by welcoming all people to a supportive and accepting place to grow in faith and community and to serve the Lord as people created by God, saved by Christ and nurtured by the Holy Spirit. We are a Reconciling in Christ congregation, committed to the full inclusion and celebration of people of all sexualities, genders, and gender expressions, and to the work of racial equity.

In-person visitors are invited to share their contact information with the usher, if they would like a follow up with the pastor. Thank you for blessing us with your presence. We welcome children to worship and we encourage their participation, including their wiggles and child voices. There is a seating area at the back of the sanctuary with room for little ones to crawl around. If desired, there is also a nursery room available, accompanied by parents or guardians.

Offering: The ministry of Abiding Peace is supported by the generous donations of our community. Please consider supporting our work through a variety of giving options, including donations through Venmo (search for @Abiding-Peace-BuddLake), through on-line bill pay with your bank, mailing your offering envelope to the church, or plate giving.

Holy Communion: We commune at the altar rail. Please collect an individual cup from the usher when you come forward. We offer either wine or juice and gluten-free bread. If you are unable to come forward to receive communion, the usher can bring communion to you. Those who do not receive communion are invited to come forward with arms crossed for a blessing.

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WORDS FOR REFLECTION

Apparently not satisfied by Jesus' feeding of thousands, some who were there pressure him for a sign of his power; perhaps it is daily manna they want. As always in John's gospel when people want a sign, Jesus offers himself. He is the bread from heaven, sent to give life to the world. He calls us to come to him and believe in him, and through that relationship to know the one who sent him.

PRELUDE

Onward Christian Soldiers

LBW 509

Requested by Jean Scalora in honor of Pat Scalora

GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, the God of manna, the God of miracles, the God of mercy.

C **Amen.**

P Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P God, our provider,

C help us. It is hard to believe there is enough to share. We question your ways when they differ from the ways of the world in which we live. We turn to our own understanding rather than trusting in you. We take offense at your teachings and your ways. Turn us again to you. Where else can we turn? Share with us the words of eternal life and feed us for life in the world. Amen.

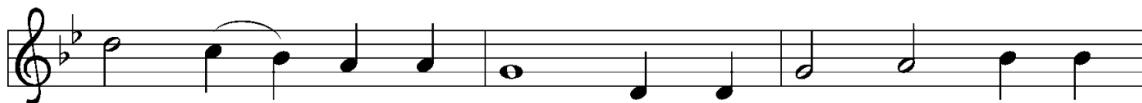
P Beloved people of God: in Jesus, the manna from heaven, you are fed and nourished. By Jesus, the worker of miracles, there is always more than enough. Through Jesus, † the bread of life, you are shown God's mercy. You are forgiven and loved, which is abundant life.

C Amen.

GATHERING HYMN Lord Enthroned In Heavenly Splendor **ELW 475**



1 Lord, en - throned in heav'n - ly splen - dor, first - be -
2 Though the low - liest form now veil you as of
3 Pas - chal Lamb, your of - f'ring, fin - ished once for
4 Life - im - part - ing heav'n - ly man - na, strick - en



got - ten from the dead, you a - lone, our strong de -
old in Beth - le - hem, here as there your an - gels
all when you were slain, in its full - ness un - di -
rock with stream - ing side, heav'n and earth with loud ho -



fend - er, lift - ing up your peo - ple's head. Al - le -
 hail you, branch and flow'r of Jes - se's stem. Al - le -
 min - ished shall for - ev - er - more re - main, Al - le -
 san - na wor - ship you, the Lamb who died, Al - le -



lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Je - sus, true and
 lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! We in wor - ship
 lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! cleans - ing souls from
 lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! ris'n, as - cend - ed,



liv - ing bread! Je - sus, true and liv - ing bread!
 join with them; we in wor - ship join with them.
 ev - 'ry stain; cleans - ing souls from ev - 'ry stain.
 glo - ri - fied; ris'n, as - cend - ed, glo - ri - fied!

Text: George H. Bourne, 1840–1925
 Music: BRYN CALFARIA, William Owen, 1814–1893

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.

HYMN OF PRAISE

Refrain



☐ This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



☐ Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us



P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray. O God,

C eternal goodness, immeasurable love, you place your gifts before us; we eat and are satisfied. Fill us and this world in all its need with the life that comes only from you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Please be seated.

WORD

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

THE FIRST READING

Exodus 16:2-4, 9-15

A food crisis becomes a faith crisis for the Israelites in the wilderness. The hungry people forget God's saving work in the exodus, and they wish for the food they had in Egypt. Nevertheless, God miraculously meets their needs, with manna for bread and quail for meat.

L A reading from Exodus.

The whole congregation of the Israelites complained against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness. The Israelites said to them, "If only we had died by the hand of the Lord in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the fleshpots and ate our fill of bread; for you have brought us out into this

wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger."

Then the Lord said to Moses, "I am going to rain bread from heaven for you, and each day the people shall go out and gather enough for that day. In that way I will test them, whether they will follow my instruction or not."

Then Moses said to Aaron, “Say to the whole congregation of the Israelites, ‘Draw near to the Lord, for he has heard your complaining.’” And as Aaron spoke to the whole congregation of the Israelites, they looked toward the wilderness, and the glory of the Lord appeared in the cloud. The Lord spoke to Moses and said, “I have heard the complaining of the Israelites; say to them, ‘At twilight you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall have your fill of bread; then you shall know that I am the Lord your God.’”

In the evening quails came up and covered the camp; and in the morning there was a layer of dew around the camp. When the layer of dew lifted, there on the surface of the wilderness was a fine flaky substance, as fine as frost on the ground. When the Israelites saw it, they said to one another, “What is it?” For they did not know what it was. Moses said to them, “It is the bread that the Lord has given you to eat.”

L The Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

THE PSALM

Psalm 78:23-29

The Psalm will be spoken responsively, by verse.

- 23 So God commanded the clouds above
and opened the doors of heaven,
24 **raining down manna upon them to eat
and giving them grain from heaven.**
25 So mortals ate the bread of angels;
God provided for them food enough.
26 **The Lord caused the east wind to blow in the heavens
and powerfully led out the south wind,**
27 raining down flesh upon them like dust
and flying birds like the sand of the seas,
28 **letting them fall in the midst of the camp
and round about the dwellings.**
29 So the people ate and were well filled,
for God gave them what they craved.

THE SECOND READING

Ephesians 4:1-16

Christians share fundamental unity without erasing our diversity. Our unity consists in the one body, one Spirit, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, and one God. Our diversity is expressed in various forms of ministry whose goal is equipping the saints and building up Christ's one body.

L A reading from Ephesians.

I therefore, the prisoner in the Lord, beg you to lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all.

But each of us was given grace according to the measure of Christ's gift. Therefore it is said, "When he ascended on high he made captivity itself a captive; he gave gifts to his people."

(When it says, "He ascended," what does it mean but that he had also descended into the lower parts of the earth? He who descended is the same one who ascended far above all the heavens, so that he might fill all

things.) The gifts he gave were that some would be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, until all of us come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to maturity, to the measure of the full stature of Christ. We must no longer be children, tossed to and fro and blown about by every wind of doctrine, by people's trickery, by their craftiness in deceitful scheming. But speaking the truth in love, we must grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, from whom the whole body, joined and knit together by every ligament with which it is equipped, as each part is working properly, promotes the body's growth in building itself up in love.

L The Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand, if you are able.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?
You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

THE GOSPEL

John 6:24-35

Many of the five thousand people Jesus fed in the wilderness continued to follow him throughout the countryside. Jesus challenges them to consider the real nature of their quest.

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the sixth chapter:

C **Glory to you, O Lord.**

When the crowd saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were [beside the sea,] they themselves got into the boats and went to Capernaum looking for Jesus.

When they found him on the other side of the sea, they said to him, “Rabbi, when did you come here?” Jesus answered them, “Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life,

which the Son of Man will give you. For it is on him that God the Father has set his seal.” Then they said to him, “What must we do to perform the works of God?” Jesus answered them, “This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent.” So they said to him, “What sign are you going to give us then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing? Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, ‘He gave them bread from

heaven to eat.’” Then Jesus said to them, “Very truly, I tell you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.” They said to him, “Sir, give us this bread always.”

Jesus said to them, “I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.”

P The Gospel of the Lord.
C **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Please be seated.

CHILDREN’S TIME

SERMON

Silence for reflection follows. All stand and sing the Hymn of the Day.

HYMN OF THE DAY

Glorious Things Of Thee Are Spoken **ELW 647**



1 Glo - rious things of you are spo - ken, Zi - on, cit - y
 2 See, the streams of liv - ing wa - ters, spring - ing from e -
 3 Round each hab - i - ta - tion hov - 'ring, see the cloud and
 4 Sav - ior, since of Zi - on's cit - y I through grace a



of our God! He whose word can - not be bro - ken
 ter - nal love, well sup - ply your sons and daugh - ters,
 fire ap - pear for a glo - ry and a cov - 'ring,
 mem - ber am, let the world de - ride or pit - y,



formed you for his own a - bode. On the Rock of A - ges
and all fear of want re - move. Who can faint, while such a
show - ing that the Lord is near. Thus de - riv - ing from their
I will glo - ry in your name. Fad - ing are the world's vain



found - ed, what can shake your sure re - pose? With sal -
riv - er ev - er will their thirst as - suage? Grace which,
ban - ner light by night and shade by day, safe they
plea - sures, all their boast - ed pomp and show; sol - id



va - tion's walls sur - round - ed, you may smile at all your foes.
like the Lord, the giv - er, nev - er fails from age to age.
feed up - on the man - na which God gives them on their way.
joys and last - ing trea - sures none but Zi - on's chil - dren know.

Text: John Newton, 1725–1807, alt.

Music: BLAENWERN, William P. Rowlands, 1860–1937

APOSTLE'S CREED

C I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

A One in the communion of saints and in the power of the Holy Spirit, we join our voices in prayer.

Silence is kept for reflection.

A Redeeming God, we give you thanks for the lives and witness of those now departed. As you have promised, bring your beloved into eternal glory, opening wide the gates to the heavenly banquet. Merciful God,

C receive our prayer.

A Guiding God, your wisdom has been present in this world since its beginning. Pour out your wisdom into the hearts of the whole church, especially the newly baptized, lay leaders, deacons, pastors, and bishops. Merciful God,

C receive our prayer.

A Holy God of all creation, you are the source of all life. Where the sun blazes hard and strong, bring cooling breezes and refreshing rain. In the places experiencing the cold of winter, bring your warmth and nurture coming growth. Merciful God,

C receive our prayer.

A Compassionate God, you are the source of all human greatness. As the Olympic Games focus so many on national pride, channel that pride toward championing ideals that foster inclusion, cooperation, justice, and peace. Merciful God,

C receive our prayer.

A Provider God, you are the Bread of life from heaven. Fill all who hunger with needed nutrition and open our hearts to eliminate hunger in this world. May we see a day when all are fed. We pray for all who are mourning and for all on our prayer list, including Susan & William, Scott, Audrey, Tara, George, Sibylle, Leslie, Hailey, Kate, Dawn, Doug, Nancy, and Kenneth. (*Pause to allow additional prayers to be offered.*) We pray for all in harm's way, including essential workers, our armed forces, and all serving overseas. Merciful God,

C receive our prayer.

A God of Wisdom of Truth, we need never feel lost or confused when you are with us. Help us to understand your will for the global church and for our congregation. Equip us with the insights and energy we need to pursue effective ministry. May your wisdom be found at every step. Merciful God,

C receive our prayer.

A Receive our prayers, O God, and come quickly to our aid, through the power of the Spirit and the love of Jesus Christ.

C Amen.

THE PASSING OF THE PEACE

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C And also with you.

The Ministers and People share the sign of peace. Afterward, please be seated.

MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

THE OFFERING

Now we join Christians all over the world in worshiping God through the giving of our financial resources, in recognition and thanksgiving that all we have comes from God.

P Let us with gladness present the offerings of our life and labor to the Lord.



OFFERTORY

What A Friend We Have In Jesus

ELW 742

Please stand, if you are able.



cup of blessing. Gather a harvest from the seeds that were sown,
 that we may be fed, we may be fed with the bread of life.
 Gather the hopes and the dreams of all; unite them with the
 prayers we offer now. Grace our table with your presence,
 and give us a fore-taste of the feast to come.

A Jesus, Bread of life,

C you have set this table with your very self, and called us to the feast of plenty. Gather what has been sown among us, and strengthen us in this meal. Make us to be what we receive here, your body for the life of the world. Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

D 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 our thanks and praise.

P It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,



Lord God of pow'r and might, heav-en and earth are



full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Bless - ed, bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the
 Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

P Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord, heaven and earth are full of your glory. In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son, who reached out to heal the sick and suffering, who preached good news to the poor, and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: *“Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.”*

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: *“This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.”*

Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension, we await his coming in glory. Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord, and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food, the body and blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord; to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and forever.

C Amen.

THE LORD’S PRAYER

P Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us:

C 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.

Please be seated.

P Christ has set the table with more than enough for all.

C **We come to share God's gift together.**

You will be invited to come forward to the altar rail, collecting a cup from the usher. Please observe distancing at the rail, hold your hand flat for the bread and raise your cup for the chalice bearer to pour. You may leave your cup in the basket in the front row when you return to your seat.



♩ Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world;



have mer-cy on us, have mer-cy on us, have mer - cy.



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world;



have mer-cy on us, have mer-cy on us, have mer - cy.



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; grant us peace.

COMMUNION HYMN

In The Quiet Consecration **LBW 223**

Stand, if you are able.

1 In the quiet con - se - cra - tion Of this
 2 Christ, our liv - ing bread from heav - en, Lord, whose
 3 By your death for sin a - ton - ing, By your
 4 While a - far in sol - emn ra - diance Shines the

glad com - mu - nion hour, Here we rest in you, Lord
 blood is drink in - deed: Here by faith and with thanks-
 res - ur - rec - tion life, Hold us fast in bless - ed
 feast that is to come Af - ter con - flict, toil, and

Je - sus, Taste your love, and touch your pow'r.
 giv - ing In this feast on you we feed.
 u - nion; Gird us, nerve us for the strife;
 test - ing— Your great feast of love and home.

Text: Constance Coote, 1844-1936, alt. Music: V. Earle Copes, b. 1921. Text © John H. Plumptre. Music © Abingdon Press.

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C Amen.

A Jesus, Bread of life,

C we have received from your table more than we could ever ask. As you have nourished us in this meal, now strengthen us to love the world with your own life. In your name we pray. Amen.

C Thank-ful hearts and voice - es raise; tell ev-'ry -
 one what God has done. Let all who
 seek the Lord re - jice, re - jice and
 bear Christ's ho - ly name. Send us, O God, with your
 prom - is - es, and lead us forth in joy
 with shouts of thanks-giv-ing. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

THE BENEDICTION

P The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us,
 † be upon you now and forever.

C Amen.

Please be seated.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SENDING HYMN

Stand In The Congregation **W&P 131**

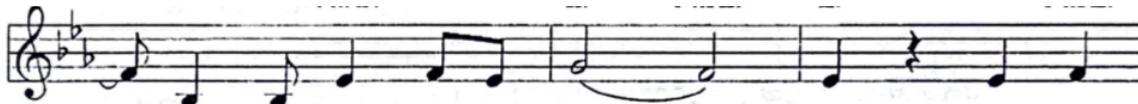
All stand, as able, and sing.



1 I will stand in the con - gre - ga - tion and I will ex -
 2 I will stand in the con - gre - ga - tion and I will . . .
 3 We will join as a con - gre - ga - tion and we will ex -



alt you; I will stand in the con - gre - ga -
 praise your name; I will stand in the con - gre - ga -
 alt you; we will join as a con - gre - ga -



- tion and I will ex - alt you. Let the
 - tion and I will . . . praise your name. With your
 - tion and we will ex - alt you. We will



chil-dren of your sal - va - tion lift their prais - es too!
 peo - ple in ev - 'ry na - tion I will shout this praise!
 sing . . . as all cre - a - tion lifts the song a - new!



Hal - le - lu - jah!

³ E \flat B \flat sus B \flat Gm⁷ Cm⁷
 Hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le - lu - jah!
 F \flat sus F B \flat A \flat /B \flat B \flat
 Hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le - lu - jah!
 A \flat /B \flat B \flat E \flat Fm/E \flat E \flat Fm/E \flat
 Let the chil - dren of your sal - va - tion lift their
 E \flat E \flat ⁷/G A \flat Fm⁷ E \flat A \flat M⁷/B \flat B \flat ⁷ E \flat Fm/B \flat E \flat
 prais - es too! Hal - le - lu - jah!

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DISMISSAL

A Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.

C **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

On Eagle's Wings

Michael Joncas

Recorded by Brittanie Scalora & Ben Schroeder



Flowers dedicated in loving memory of Pat Scalora on the 40th anniversary of his wedding to Jeanne.

Next Week's Lessons:

Proverbs 9:1-6

Psalm 34:9-14

Ephesians 5:15-20

John 6:51-58

Serving in Worship		
	Today, 8/4	Next Week, 8/11
Altar Guild	Mary Karakove	Sandy Carlson
Counter	George Pawlo	Ursula Schroeder
Assistant Minister	Sue Stirrat	Sandy Carlson
Lector	Maria Jerez-Kearney	Roy Persson
Communion Assist.	Howard Corneilson	Cindy Pawlo
Usher/Greeter/Acolyte	Sandy Carlson	Mary Kasakove
Soloist	Sibylle Schroeder	Maria Jerez
Accompanist	Mary Kasakove	Praise Band
Livestream Assistant	Ray Mueller	Sheeba David

OFFICE HOURS**Pastor Serena:** Thursday, 8/8, 10:30 a.m. - 8:30 p.m.; Sunday, 8/11, 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.**Erin Porter:** Is currently on tour in the UK! She can be reached via email, and will return to the office the week of August 12th.

Keep These Friends in Your Prayers: Those who are sick or in need: Bill Phinney, Joshua Olsen, Dawn Larsen, Jon, Cheryl Inglin, Judy Consentino, Jon & Maria, Sandy Kahler, Karen Qualls, Jim Tangen, Elisabeth & Otto Schroeder, Don Larsen, Joseph Horn, Ryan Manhardt, Evelyn & Woody Woodruff, Grace Bessasparis, Jackson Cook, Donna Fahy, Jeanne Scalora, Valeriy Braginets, Jennifer Kahler, Mark Dennis, John Corneilson, Karen & Ken Predmore and family, David Breault, Charles Wetzel, Patricia Coats, Alia Duffy, Harold Olsen, Aimee Nilsen, Joy Laird, Lydia Millner, Dean Kowal, April Inglin, Bella Adams, Bodhi Maslow, Papa Joe, Barbara P, Joan Lewis, Susan & William Swainy, Scott Schaefer, Audrey Moehringer, Tara Woodard-Lehman, the Masone Family, George Schroeder, Sibylle Scheiermann, Leslie Picinich, Hailey Ochs Plante, Kate Draven, Dawn Huber, Doug Laird, Nancy Appel, and Kenneth Johanson.

Those in mourning: The family of Vera Reybitz, the family of Mike Schroeder, The family of Neil Nilsen (father of Heather Nilsen), the family of Henry Olson (brother of Nancy Ayotte), the family of Ann Diecke, the family of Rick Oliva (brother-in-law of Shelli Skeels), the family of Elfriede Kiesling, and the family of Pat Scalora.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

~ **Church office hours:** Pastor Serena will generally hold office hours on Wednesdays or Thursdays (as noted in the bulletin each week) and Sundays. She is also available for pastoral care by phone, zoom or other means on other days (Saturday is her day off). If you have a need to access the church building, please contact Pastor Serena.

~ **Food Pantry Needs for (month):**

~ **Altar Flowers:** Please consider signing up for altar flower donations. Price: \$17.50. If interested send an email to Erin Porter at least one week out with your dedication and date you want the flowers on the Altar and send your check to the church.

~ **Interested in hosting a coffee hour?** Not hard. Just bring some store bought baked goods. Coffee is already prepared ahead of time by the Altar Guild. Questions: Call Demetria Laird at 973-398-9614.

ART, MUSIC, AND LITURGY

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This week at Abiding Peace

Sunday, August 4:

- Worship Service, 10:00 a.m. - In-person and Live-streamed
- Sign Committee Meeting, 11:30 a.m.

Monday, August 5:

- Worship & Music Committee, 1:00 p.m. via Zoom
- Unfinished Objects Night, 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday, August 6:

- Faith Kitchen, 9:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Wednesday, August 7:

- AA meeting, 6:30 p.m.

Thursday, August 8:

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- Book Club session 2, 7:30 p.m. via Zoom

Friday, August 9:

Saturday, August 10:

Next week at Abiding Peace

Sunday August 11:

- Worship Service, 10:00 a.m. - In-person and Live-streamed
- Church Painting & Pizza Day, 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Monday, August 12:

Tuesday, August 13:

Wednesday, August 14:

- AA meeting, 6:30 p.m.

Thursday, August 15:

Friday, August 16:

Saturday, August 17:

- Mt Olive Non-profit Fair 12 p.m.-3:00 p.m. @ Turkey Brook Park

Upcoming Events

Sunday, August 18, 10:00 a.m. - **Guest Preacher, Brigid Dwyer**

Thursday, Aug 29, 7:30 p.m. - **Summer Book Club Session 3. Our book is: *An Altar In The World*, by Barbara Brown Taylor**

For all live-streamed services, click (or type) the link below:

<https://www.facebook.com/AbidingPeaceChurch/live>

OUTREACH SURVEY

Name (optional) _____ Date _____

As the church tries to improve our outreach to the larger community, there are several ways that you can help. Each week, this survey will be printed in the back of the bulletin. It gives you a chance to identify connections and opportunities in the Greater Mount Olive area to share about our congregation and ministries, as well as the chance to offer your own “testimonials” about what you value about Abiding Peace.

Whenever you have something to share, joy it down, tear it off, and leave it in the basket in the Narthex!

- Do you know of any community bulletin boards or online calendars where the church could post announcements about coming events?

- Can you let us know of any upcoming events where Abiding Peace might host a table / send representatives?

- Are you a member / volunteer for any community organizations where you might be able to share information about Abiding Peace events?

- Testimonial (offer a meaningful quote from today’s worship, and description of our congregation, or explain the reason why you are part of this community):

