

Welcome in the name of Jesus Christ!

We thank God that you have joined us for worship.

If you are visiting with us, we thank God you are here and pray our worship together will be a mutual blessing. If you are looking for a church home, we hope Abiding Savior can meet your needs. Please introduce yourself to one of the Pastors.

We ask both members and visitors to kindly fill out attendance cards and pass them to the center aisle. The ushers will gather them during the song following the Children's Message. Feel free to add a prayer request for the Pastor to include in the congregational prayer.

We love children here at Abiding Savior. Parents are encouraged to sit in the front pews so that young children can see what is happening during worship. If you should want to make use of our cry room or nursery, please ask one of our ushers for directions.

Ministers

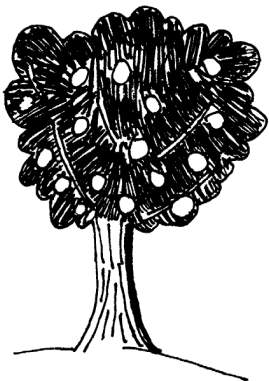
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Worship Service of Word and Song

The Third Sunday in Lent

Saturday, March 6th – 5:00 p.m.
Sunday, March 7th, 2010 – 10:00 a.m.

OPENING SONG

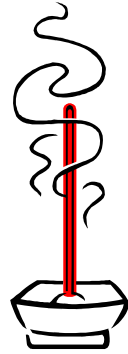
“May My Prayer Be Set Before You”

Refrain:

**May my prayer be set before you as incense,
May the lifting of my hands be like the evening sacrifice.
May my prayer be set before you as incense,
May the lifting of my hands be like the evening sacrifice.**

Set a guard over my mouth, O Lord.
Keep watch over the door of my lips.
Open my lips, O Lord, and my mouth will declare your praise. *Refrain*

Make haste to deliver me, O Lord.
Make haste to help me, O God.
Open my lips, O Lord, and my mouth will declare your praise. *Refrain*



WELCOME

INVOCATION

Pastor: In the Name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

All: **Amen!**

THE OLD TESTAMENT READING

EZEKIEL 33:7-20

"Son of man, I have made you a watchman for the house of Israel; so hear the word I speak and give them warning from me. When I say to the wicked, 'O wicked man, you will surely die,' and you do not speak out to dissuade him from his ways, that wicked man will die for his sin, and I will hold you accountable for his blood. But if you do warn the wicked man to turn from his ways and he does not do so, he will die for his sin, but you will have saved yourself. "Son of man, say to the house of Israel, 'This is what you are saying: "Our offenses and sins weigh us down, and we are wasting away because of them. How then can we live?"' Say to them, 'As surely as I live, declares the Sovereign LORD, I take no pleasure in the death of the wicked, but rather that they turn from their ways and live. Turn! Turn from your evil ways! Why will you die, O house of Israel?' ⇨

"Therefore, son of man, say to your countrymen, 'The righteousness of the righteous man will not save him when he disobeys, and the wickedness of the wicked man will not cause him to fall when he turns from it. The righteous man, if he sins, will not be allowed to live because of his former righteousness.' If I tell the righteous man that he will surely live, but then he trusts in his righteousness and does evil, none of the righteous things he has done will be remembered; he will die for the evil he has done. And if I say to the wicked man, 'You will surely die,' but he then turns away from his sin and does what is just and right- if he gives back what he took in pledge for a loan, returns what he has stolen, follows the decrees that give life, and does no evil, he will surely live; he will not die. None of the sins he has committed will be remembered against him. He has done what is just and right; he will surely live. "Yet your countrymen say, 'The way of the Lord is not just.' But it is their way that is not just. If a righteous man turns from his righteousness and does evil, he will die for it. And if a wicked man turns away from his wickedness and does what is just and right, he will live by doing so. Yet, O house of Israel, you say, 'The way of the Lord is not just.' But I will judge each of you according to his own ways."



SONG

“Refiner’s Fire”

Purify my heart, let me be as gold and precious silver.
Purify my heart, let me be as gold, pure gold.

Refrain:

**Refiner’s fire, my heart’s one desire is to be holy,
Set apart for You, Lord.
I want to be holy, Set apart for You, my Master,
Ready to do Your will.**

Purify my heart, cleanse me from within and make me holy;
Purify my heart, cleanse me from my sin deep within. *Refrain*

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*Worshippers are invited to kneel for the Confession and Absolution.
Those who desire not to kneel may sit or stand.*

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Pastor: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
All: But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Pastor: Let us then confess our sins to God our Father. Most merciful God,

All: 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.

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 the Word, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

THE EPISTLE READING

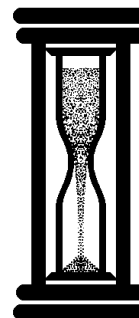
1 CORINTHIANS 10:1-13

For I do not want you to be ignorant of the fact, brothers, that our forefathers were all under the cloud and that they all passed through the sea. They were all baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea. They all ate the same spiritual food and drank the same spiritual drink; for they drank from the spiritual rock that accompanied them, and that rock was Christ. Nevertheless, God was not pleased with most of them; their bodies were scattered over the desert. Now these things occurred as examples to keep us from setting our hearts on evil things as they did. Do not be idolaters, as some of them were; as it is written: "The people sat down to eat and drink and got up to indulge in pagan revelry." We should not commit sexual immorality, as some of them did--and in one day twenty-three thousand of them died. We should not test the Lord, as some of them did--and were killed by snakes. And do not grumble, as some of them did--and were killed by the destroying angel. These things happened to them as examples and were written down as warnings for us, on whom the fulfillment of the ages has come. So, if you think you are standing firm, be careful that you don't fall! No temptation has seized you except what is common to man. And God is faithful; he will not let you be tempted beyond what you can bear. But when you are tempted, he will also provide a way out so that you can stand up under it.

SONG

"May the Words of My Mouth"

May the words of my mouth, And the thoughts of my heart,
Bless Your name, bless Your name, Jesus.
And the deeds of the day, And the truth in my way,
Speak of You, speak of You, Jesus.



Refrain:

**For this is what I'm called to do,
It's time to live a life of love that pleases You.
And I will give my all to You,
Surrender everything I have and follow You, I'll follow You.**

Lord, will You be my vision, Lord will You be my Guide?
Be my hope, be my life, and the Way.
And I'll look not for riches, Nor praises on the earth,
Only You'll be the first of my heart. *Refrain*

I will follow, I will follow You. I will follow, I will follow You.
I will follow, I will follow You. I will follow, I will follow You. *Refrain*

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Please stand for the Reading of the Holy Gospel.

THE HOLY GOSPEL

LUKE 13:1-9

Now there were some present at that time who told Jesus about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mixed with their sacrifices. Jesus answered, "Do you think that these Galileans were worse sinners than all the other Galileans because they suffered this way? I tell you, no! But unless you repent, you too will all perish. Or those eighteen who died when the tower in Siloam fell on them--do you think they were more guilty than all the others living in Jerusalem? I tell you, no! But unless you repent, you too will all perish." Then he told this parable: "A man had a fig tree, planted in his vineyard, and he went to look for fruit on it, but did not find any. So he said to the man who took care of the vineyard, 'For three years now I've been coming to look for fruit on this fig tree and haven't found any. Cut it down! Why should it use up the soil?' "'Sir,' the man replied, 'leave it alone for one more year, and I'll dig around it and fertilize it. If it bears fruit next year, fine! If not, then cut it down.'"

SONG

"Take My Life"

Take my life, and let it be Consecrated, Lord, to Thee.
Take my moments and my days, Let them flow in ceaseless praise.
Take my hands and let them move, At the impulse of Thy love.
Take my feet and let them be Swift and beautiful for Thee.



Take my voice and let me sing, Always, only, for my King.
Take my lips and let them be Filled with messages from Thee.
Take my silver and my gold, Not a mite would I withhold.
Take my intellect and use Every power as You choose.
Here am I, All of me. Take my life, It's all for Thee.

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CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SONG

"Take My Life"

Take my will and make it Thine, It shall be no longer mine.
Take my heart, it is Thine own. It shall be Thy royal throne.
Take my love, my Lord, I pour, At Your feet its treasure store.
Take myself and I will be Ever, only, all for Thee.

Here am I, All of me. Take my life, It's all for Thee.
Here am I, All of me. Take my life, It's all for Thee.
Take my life, and let it be Consecrated, Lord, to Thee.

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THE SERMON

APOSTLES CREED

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, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come 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.

GATHERING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

God doesn't need our money, but in His grace He gives us the privilege to be stewards of everything He has entrusted to our care. We can do more together than separately. As one body in Christ, our congregation has agreed to offer our first fruits to support ministries and missions that enable us to communicate Christ's love to everyone, everywhere; and our love for Him. Your sacrificial gift enables this holy work.

MUSICAL OFFERING 5:00 p.m.

ABIDING SAVIOR SCHOOL 4TH & 5TH GRADES

"Fe Y Esperanza"

Faith and Hope

arr. Anne Krentz Organ

MUSICAL OFFERING 10:00 a.m.

CHERUB CHOIR

"Walking With My Jesus"

by Chris Rogers

THE PRAYERS

THE LORD'S PRAYER

All: 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 for ever and ever. Amen.

THE BENEDICTION

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

All: Amen!

CLOSING SONG

“Indescribable”

From the highest of heights to the depths of the sea,
Creation's revealing Your majesty.
From the colors of Fall to the fragrance of Spring,
Ev'ry creature unique in the song that it sings.
All exclaiming:



Refrain: **Indescribable, uncontainable; You placed the stars in the sky,
And You know them by name. You are amazing, God;
All powerful, untamable.
Awestruck, we fall to our knees as we humbly proclaim
You are amazing, God.**

Who has told ev'ry lightning bolt where it should go
Or seen heavenly storehouses laden with snow?
Who imagined the sun and gives source to its light
Yet conceals it to bring us the coolness of night?
None can fathom. *Refrain*

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Worship Times

Traditional Worship Sunday, 7:50 a.m. & 11:15 a.m.
Contemporary Worship Saturday, 5:00 p.m. & Sunday, 10:00 a.m.
Contemporary Communion Worship, Nytelife Sunday, 6:00 p.m.
Sunday School Sunday, 9:00 to 9:50 a.m.
High School & Adult Bible Studies Sunday, 9:00 to 9:50 a.m.

Flowers

The flowers which grace our altar this weekend are dedicated to the glory of the Lord in celebration of the birthdays of **Jeanne, Matt, and John Grovom** along with the birthdays of **Mark and Nicole Herrera**. Also, flowers are placed on our altar to the glory of our Lord in celebration of **Holly Buban's 15th** birthday.

Keep in Your Prayers

Prayers for strength and healing, guidance and blessing for:

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| Margo Aguiñaga | Betsy Hotsko | Guy Reneau |
| Mary Andrade | Patricia Howard | Richard Ryan |
| Sam Beniche | Beth Howland | Denice Soresi |
| Richard Berman | Elizabeth Hurley | Eileen Stewart |
| Candy Blackinton | Bob LaFave | Jim Towles |
| Emily DeArmond | Brad Lucente | Penny Waren |
| Gary Docherty | Carol Lyons | Vernita Warsinski |
| Nicole Duston | Jan McFarlane | Susan Wendt |
| Lily Helen Enns | Crystal Nylander | Rob & Bettie Wilcox |
| Alexander Hernandez | Caitlin Passalacqua | Ed Williams |

We pray for those who are ill:

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| Bill Bergman | Jennifer Fielding | Tyler Seder |
| Barbara Bonenfant | Jeanne Kelly | Lou Torres |
| Edna Broske | Jeremy Kuester | Kristina Travisano |
| Irene Fabre | Laurie Plautz | Doug Wells |
| | Larry Reimnitz | |

We pray for those who are recovering:

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| Virginia Bulmer | Vincent Carnevale | Mike McReynolds |
| Etsuko Busker | Joanne Green | June Thomas |
| | Roger Gross | |

We keep in our prayers:

All those who are serving our country in the armed forces especially:

Craig Berry, Krystal Brooks, Scott Carr, Scott Chapman, Sean Crockett, Jon Derhammer, Tyler Gilmore, Oscar Gonzales, David Gutierrez, Zachary Hendry, Adam Justin, Jonathan Lehmeier, Joe Levell, Jerry Logan, Kristianne Lopez, Garrett Ludke, Rex McMillian, Jim Nelson, Corey Polopek, John Quade, Meghan Robinson, Scott Schladweiler, Troy Severson, Mike Sims, Mike Smith, Julia Taylor, Greg Thomas, Nat Towles, John Turnbull, Bobby Vandenberg, Wayne Vandenberg, Greg Walker, and Ryan Weisrock

We pray for our missionaries:

Robert and Laine Rosin serving our Lord in Eurasia

The Rosin's ask us to pray that God would bless efforts to connect teaching opportunities with ready servants from LCMS schools, so that people and pastors in Eurasia might grow in His Word.

