



Day By Day



Divine commands seem perfectly reasonable. With the Ten Commandments, we can easily understand why God forbids idols, murder, and adultery. But elsewhere, He gives instructions that ostensibly make little sense. Let's look at why He calls us to the seemingly impossible task of giving thanks in everything.

The Scriptures clearly teach that giving thanks is meant to be a way of life, not just a seasonal event (Psalms 92:1-2; Philippians 4:6-7). The problem is that we often do not feel appreciative, particularly when facing painful circumstances or faith tests. In fact, expressing gratitude for bad news seems irrational. What seems logical to the human mind, however, cannot compete with God's greater knowledge of what is best for His children. As a result, we live a successful Christian life only by choosing to thank Him for everything He sends or allows to cross our path.

The Lord knows that gratitude powerfully impacts the believer. Trials can leave us feeling isolated but thanking God for His ongoing care of provision reminds us of His constant presence. Equipped with the knowledge that He is in full control; we can then submit our will to His. Though our circumstances may remain the same, our attitude

is divinely transformed through trust.

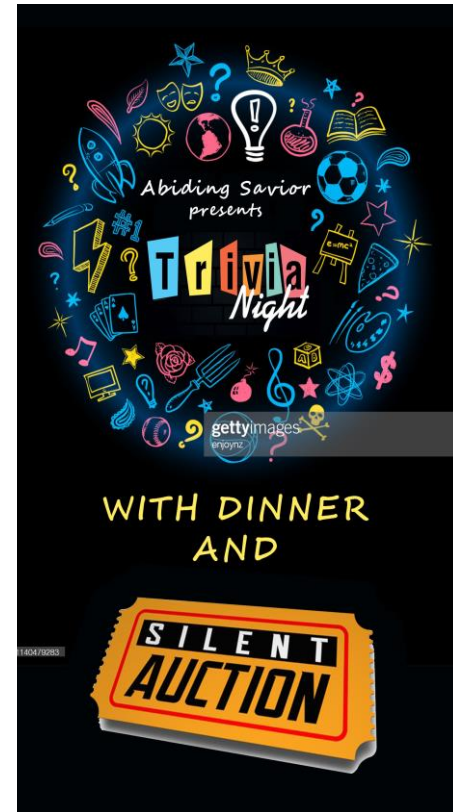
The Lord has a purpose for every circumstance He allows in our life, and thankfulness motivates us to seek His purpose.

If we hope to maintain a grateful spirit, we must find a consistent motivation. Otherwise, our thankfulness will ebb and flow according to our current conditions. Since the only constant in our life is the Lord Himself, that's where our focus should be.

First of all, we can be thankful for the demonstrations of God's power and wisdom as displayed in His creation. The world around us reveals His goodness and lovingkindness in the way He designed such a beautiful habitation for us. Then, by lifting our eyes to the heavens, we see the vastness of His power and creativity. And by gazing into a microscope, we observe His intricate design of even the smallest particles of creation.

Another reason for gratitude is God's providential care. Every day, we are sheltered in His protection, guided by His Spirit, and nourished both physically and spiritually through His gracious provision and His unfailing Word.

Most of all, we should always be thankful for our redemption. Apart from salvation through Christ, we would be without God, both in this world and throughout eternity. So even when life lets us down or turns out differently than we hoped, we should remember there's an inheritance reserved for us in heaven. That is a sufficient reason for continual gratitude!



SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 6

Join us for our very FIRST Abiding Savior Trivia Night in the gym on Saturday, November 6 at 6:00 p.m.

There will be dinner, a silent auction, trivia games, and prizes will be awarded to make this a wonderful evening.

All proceeds will benefit the Ladies Guild Scholarship fund.

Tickets are \$10 per person and will be available for purchase in the Narthex on Saturdays and Sundays. You can also purchase your tickets in the church or school offices during the week.

Please note, you must be at least 21 years of age to attend this event.



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Please note, the Church Office will be closed on the following days:
Veteran's Day: November 11
Thanksgiving: November 25 and 26

Portals of Prayer

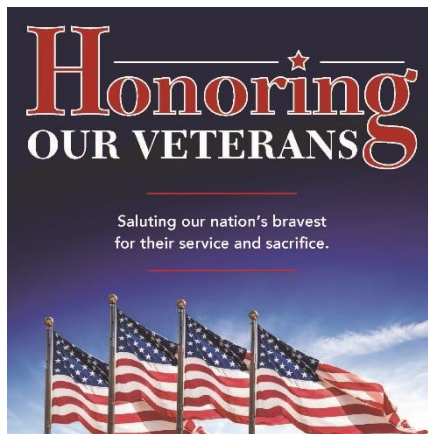


Portals of Prayer is great for personal devotions and can be used to open church meetings or Bible

studies. Published quarterly, authors change each month.

The October, November, December 2021 edition of Portals of Prayer has arrived. Pick up your copy from the church office during office hours during the week.

Pick-up an extra one and share with a friend!



Abiding Savior will be honoring our Veteran's during our Saturday and Sunday services November 13th and 14th. The service will feature a special video honoring our veterans and members currently serving.



*Please join us
for worship
this Thanksgiving:*

**Wednesday
November 24
at 7:00 p.m
Thanksgiving Eve Service**

**Thursday
November 25
at 10:00 a.m.
Thanksgiving Day Service**



Rock of Aging Ministry



Abiding Savior has a very special ministry to our homebound members who can no longer attend church, called Rock of Aging.

Volunteers in this ministry keep in touch with one or two of our homebound members either by in-person visits or by phone, depending on the senior's preference.

Once a month, we gather together either by Zoom or in person to report on our visits that month and talk about how we can serve our homebound members better.

We have an urgent need for new volunteers in this ministry. We have many more members that have become homebound either due to health issues or due to their risk should they contact COVID-19. People are very lonely, and a friendly phone call a couple times a month or a monthly visit can make a great deal of difference in these people's lives. Families with children can be a particular joy for our seniors, and your children will learn the meaning of our calling as Christians to love and serve one another.

To learn more about this ministry contact Laura Lyons by email at silvercreek5@cox.net or by calling the church office at 949.830.1460 during her working days, which are Monday through Wednesday.



Beginning Sunday, November 28, our Angel Tree will be in the narthex. Please stop by and pick up a name of someone in our community and help make Christmas a little brighter. If shopping isn't for you, feel free to donate gift cards or checks and we will do the shopping for you!

LWML Mites



Mite Boxes are used to further God's kingdom through the mission grants. Its name comes from the lesson of the widow's mite. Mite Boxes are available from the church office. Place your Mite Box in an obvious place so you can "feed" it. Return your filled Mite Box to the church office and exchange it for an empty box and start filling again! As we continue to support Mite Box projects, may God bless our efforts to spread the good news.

IN CASE OF PASTORAL EMERGENCY

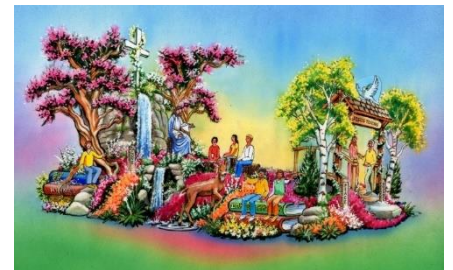
If you have a pastoral emergency when the church office is not open, you can call **661.505.8152** to be connected to the pastor's emergency line.

In particular, we ask you to notify the church office if you or anyone in your family is hospitalized.

Decorate Rose Parade Floats

Join us and help to support and make possible the only Christian float in the parade!

The 2022 Tournament of Roses parade theme is "Dream Achieve Believe", and our float is titled "Jesus Teaches". Just as Mary sat at Jesus' feet.....May this representation, through the power of the Holy Spirit, be instrumental in inspiring many to spend time with Jesus every day and follow where He leads.



Please visit the website below to decorate Rose parade floats: <https://www.petalpushers.org/reg>.

The **Lutheran Hour Ministries Float** is the self-funded project of the **Lutheran Hour Ministries Float Committee (LHMFC)** and Southern California District of the International Lutheran Laymen's League (Int'l LLL). The Lutheran Hour Ministries Float will participate in the Rose Parade for the 71st year on January 1, 2022.

The **Petal Pushers®** is a group of 4,000-5,000 volunteers from across the U.S. and Canada, who decorate floats. These volunteers are organized and coordinated by the LHMFC. Petal Pushers® Phoenix Decorating, our float builder, makes a donation to LHMFC in proportion to the number of hours worked by the Petal Pushers® volunteers.



PRESENTS:

Ladies' Night Out!

Mark your calendars for the 1st Monday of each month (excluding December) from 6:00 - 7:30 pm for a rewarding night out.

Each month will have a different activity along with a potluck dinner.

Please plan to join us each month as we get to know each other!

NOVEMBER 1 | CRAFT

Drinks and dessert will be provided

Potluck: Last name A - L Salad | M - Z main dish to serve 8

DECEMBER 11 | ADVENT BY CANDLELIGHT

Saturday 6:00 - 8:00 pm

Sign ups start soon, space is limited | More information to follow

JANUARY 3 - FEBRUARY 7 - MARCH 7 - APRIL 4 - MAY 2



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Preschool

Mary Wolfinbarger
Preschool Director



We have so much to be thankful for at the preschool this year. We are thankful for our wonderful staff, students and families and our adopted families in the congregation. We are pleased to be able to bring back special activities this year including Pony Pictures, Amazing Athletes, Showtime Dance, Evening with Dad, Parent Conferences, and Christmas Services. We are also blessed to have had a donation from one of our families to put pour-in-place ground covering on our playground.

Our staff is grateful for the opportunity to be part of the Pacific Southwest District Lutheran Educator's Conference this year in Palm Springs. We are glad to have the opportunity to be together for fellowship and professional development.

This year, our school is full, and we have a wait list. We will start registering for next fall on February 1, 2022. Please contact the Director, Mary Wolfinbarger, for more information on the center or to schedule an appointment for a Zoom tour, at 949.837.4292 or mwolfinbarger@abidingsavior.com. You can also visit our website at www.abidingsavior.com.

Upcoming Dates at Preschool:

- November 11 – Veteran's Day - Preschool and Extended Care closed.
- November 12 – Preschool Parent Conferences. Preschool and Extended Care Closed.
- November 22-26 – Preschool and Extended Care will be closed for Lutheran Educator's Conference and Thanksgiving.
- December 13 – Mrs. Siegert's Class Christmas Program.

- December 14 – Miss Jennifer's Class Christmas Program
- December 15 – Miss Emily's Class Christmas Program
- December 16 – Mrs. Nagel's Class Christmas Program
- December 17 – Mrs. Rivers' Class Christmas Program.



Sunday School is in session each Sunday after the Children's Message at the 10:15 service. We need teachers and helpers. Please contact Sharon Simon at ssimon@abidingsavior.com to participate in this ministry to children.

Updated Playground

The work crews put in our new pour-in-place ground covering and re-varnished our play structure.

We pray that that will be a blessing to the children for years to come.



Scrip is a gift certificate program that provides a variety of gift cards for purchase. The gift certificates are purchased by the scrip program at a discount and sold to participants at face value. The difference is profit. This profit is split (50/50) between the school and the family purchasing the scrip.

We use these funds for non-budgeted items, and families will receive a tuition credit for the following school year.

Holiday Gift List

- Mom
- Dad
- Kids
- Charity



amazon smile

The HOLIDAY SEASON is just around the corner and now is the perfect time to remind you to please support Abiding Savior by shopping on amazon smile.

Go to smile.amazon.com, select Abiding Savior as your charitable organization and Amazon will donate 0.5% of the price of your purchases to support Abiding Savior.

Every time you log in after that, the site will remember Abiding Savior as your selected charity.

Ask your friends and family to sign up and support us!



Elementary School

Donna Lucas,
School Principal



November is Operation Christmas Child month. The school will be providing and collecting Operation Christmas Child boxes during the first couple weeks of November. Boxes will be available in the church narthex, school office and church office. Help the school reach its goal again this year and bless children around the world with supplies and the Gospel of Jesus Christ.



Our 7th and 8th grade girls' volleyball team went undefeated this Fall. The season ended with a home game on October 13th, and we were pleased to see church and school come out in support of our team. We are so proud of them and how they played together as a team. They encouraged one

another and used their talents to glorify God. Mrs. Loranger and Mr. Vick coached this team on to victory.



Fall Carnival

Thank you to everyone who came to the Fall Carnival and also volunteered to help make the event a success. Everyone had a wonderful time!



Would you like to be more involved in PTL? Join the PTL steering committee – a group of parents who plan and implement PTL programs, and join a specific committee or help out on an occasional basis. Want to help? Please call Melanie Schwald at 949.293.9449 for more information.



Abiding Savior has three youth ministries. For more information, or questions please contact Daniel Ruiz at druiz@abidingsavior.com or calling 949.830.1460. Club 56 is our youth ministry for 5th and 6th grade students, Junior High Ministry (JHM) is for students in 7th and 8th grade, and the High Ministry (HSM) is for students in high school, 9th – 12th grade.

November

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1 6p-Women's Fellowship Night 7p-Elders Bible Study 7:30p-NA	2 7:30p-Praises Ring	3 9a-Wednesday Bible Study 6p-Confirmation 6p-Youth Group 7:30p-Chapel Choir 7:45p-AA	4 5p-Pickleball 21-22 6p-Paper Crafters Night 7:30p-Abiding Praise 7:30p-AA	5 7:30p-NA	6 9a-Altar Guild 5p-Sat Service 6p-Trivia night
3 Worship Schedule- See chart at bottom of Calendar 5p-Life Group Lou Marting 7p-Youth Group	4 6p-Women's Fellowship Night 7p-Elders Bible Study 7:30p-NA	5 4p-Kingdom Kids 7:30p-Praises Ring	6 9-Wednesday Bible Study 12p-Ladies Guild 6p-Confirmation 6p-Youth Group 7:30p-Chapel Choir 7:45p-AA	7 5p-Sports Fellowship Pickleball 6p-Paper Crafters Night 7:30p-Abiding Praise Practice 7:30p-AA	8 7:30p-NA	9 9a-Altar Guild Prep 9a-Flu Shot Clinic 5p-Informal Worship Service
7 Worship Schedule- See chart at bottom of Calendar 7p-Youth Group	8 6p-Cub Scout Den Meeting 7:30p-NA	9 3p-Junior Girl Scouts Meeting 6p-Rock of Aging on Zoom 7:15p-Praises Ring	10 9a-Wednesday Bible Study 12p-Ladies Guild 3p-Cadette Girl Scouts Meeting 6p-Confirmation 6p-Youth Group 7:30p-Chapel Choir 7:45p-AA	11 Veterans Day – Campus Closed 5p-Pickleball 21-22 7:30p-Abiding Praise 7:30p-AA	12 7:30p-NA	13 9a-Altar Guild Prep 5p-Informal Worship Service
14 Worship Schedule- See chart at bottom of Calendar 7p-Youth Group	15 5:30p-Boy Scout Pack Meeting 7p-Elders bible study 7:30p-NA	16 7:30p-Praises Ring	17 9a-Wednesday Bible Study 6p-Confirmation 6p-Youth Group 7:30p-Chapel Choir 7:45p-AA	18 5p-Sports Fellowship Pickleball 7:30p-Abiding Praise Practice 7:30p-AA	19 7:30p-NA	20 9a-Altar Guild Prep 5p-Informal Worship Service
21 Worship Schedule- See chart at bottom of Calendar 7p-Youth Group	22 No School – Thanksgiving Break 7:30p-NA	23 No School – Thanksgiving Break 7:15p-Praises Ring	24 No School – Thanksgiving Break 9a-Wednesday Bible Study 7p-Thanksgiving Eve Service 7:45pm-AA	25 Thanksgiving Day – Campus Closed 10a-Thanksgiving Day Service 7:30p-Abiding Praise 7:30pm-AA	26 Church and School Offices Closed 7:30p-NA	27 9a-Altar Guild Prep 5p-Informal Worship Service
28 Worship Schedule- See chart at bottom of Calendar 7p-Youth Group	29 7:30p-NA	30 3p-Junior Girl Scouts meeting 7:15p-Praises Ring				

WORSHIP | COMMUNION SCHEDULE

In Person Classic Worship – Sunday 8:00 AM

In Person Informal Worship – Saturday 5:00 PM

In Person Abiding Praise Worship – Sunday 10:15 AM

Live Stream Abiding Praise Worship Via You Tube – Sunday 10:15 AM

Communion Offered 1st and 3rd Weeks

Communion Offered Weekly

Communion Offered 2nd and 4th Weeks



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Return Service Requested
Time Dated Materials



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Adult Bible Studies

Sunday @ 9:15 AM - 10:00 AM
in the Adult Ed. Room

Wednesday @ 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM
in the Adult Ed. Room or Gathering Grounds



Angel Tree



Coming
November 28