

Abiding Word Lutheran Church

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Weekly Newsletter

Friday, June 23, 2023

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Sunday School: 9:00 a.m.; Worship Service: 10:00 a.m.



Are You Excited for VBS?

Some Pictures from our Family Rally Night on Wednesday



A lot more fun
and learning in
store during VBS!



Vacation Bible School

Next Week!!

Tuesday - Thursday

June 27-29, 5:30 - 8:00 pm

(meal included)

Sign up on the Church's webpage:

<https://www.abidingword.org/2023->

[vbs](https://www.abidingword.org/2023-vbs)

or Contact Geraldine Johnson at 979-203-3131 by Monday, June 26th.

Registrations will be accepted at the door, but pre-registration preferred.



VBS 2023: You are God's Masterpiece

June 27-29th

VBS Prayer for the Week

(Adapted from Deeper Kidmin)

Week 4: Proverbs 3:24 Give all involved in VBS a good night's rest this coming week, so we may be prepared and energized for VBS.

May we be ready for anything you have planned for us to do this week. In the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen.

Prayer Guide for VBS

If you would like to join the church in praying for VBS, please pick up a copy of "14 Days of Prayer for VBS" on the Welcome Table.



Last Sunday for *Hymn Requests!*

Write your favorite hymns on the back of your Welcome Card or contact the Church Office!

Vacation Bible Schools at Local NALC Churches

As we prepare for our Vacation Bible School on June 27-29, we are hopeful that members will reach out to family, friends and neighborhoods to invite them to participate with us.

We recognize that our dates may not work for each family, and the child's Christian education is our primary concern. Therefore, we are sharing other church VBS dates as they are also sharing ours. Perhaps a child may want to attend two VBS sessions!

St. John / Prairie Hill - July 31-Aug 6

VBS Encouragement Box

(On the small table by the sanctuary doors.)

Take an index card and write a VBS volunteers name with an encouraging note to them! Feel free to sign your name or remain anonymous and place it in the box. The box will remain out until after service Sunday July 2nd, then the notes will be collected and distributed.

VBS Volunteers: There will be a special time of prayer for VBS volunteers during the service this coming Sunday. Please attend if possible.

VBS Schedule

Please be praying for VBS throughout the week, but particularly during these times!

- 5:30-6:00 pm Supper
- 5:55 pm 5 min Countdown
- 6:00-6:30 pm Large Group
- 6:30-6:50 pm Small Group
- 6:50-7:15 pm Art or Games
- 7:15-7:40 pm Art or Games
- 7:40-7:55 pm Closing/release



CHOIR
Rehearsal

Final Choir Practice
Sunday, June 25, after
the service.



Patriotic Music Sing-a-Long

Sunday, July 2nd, 9:45 am

Join us for a special music before the service.

Wear your Red, White, and Blue!

***No Adult Bible Study July 2nd**

Lectionary Readings for This Sunday:

Third Sunday After Pentecost

First Reading: Jeremiah 20:7-13

Responsive Reading: Psalm 91:1-16

Second Reading: Romans 6:12-23

Gospel Reading: Matthew 10:5a, 21-33

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*Thank You*

To all our faithful servants every Sunday. The church couldn't function without you.

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Our Servants This Sunday, June 25

Fourth Sunday After Pentecost

Pastor: Rev. Cody Mills

Musician: Debbie Heidemann

Lay Minister: Gary Crocker

Reader: Sandra Aschenbeck

Greeters: Preston & Melody Perry

Audio/Video: Bill & Lois Rankin

Ushers: Roy & Jan Kelm

Little Lambs: Rev. Cody Mills

Altar Guild: Karen Johnson, Melody Perry

Our Servants Next Sunday, July 2

Fifth Sunday After Pentecost

Pastor: Rev. Cody Mills

Musician: Debbie Heidemann

Lay Minister: Becky Bosse

Reader: Marilyn Watts

Greeters: Ralph & Sandra Becker

Communion: Rev. Mills & Becky Bosse

Audio/Video: Benita Schramme & Wade Seidel

Ushers: Michael Kelling & Robert Mikeska

Little Lambs: Michael Kelling

Altar Guild: Melody Perry, Pat Quebe, Darlene Etzel

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## Prayer Time for Servants Before Worship Service

Note for all those involved in the worship service: Rev. Mills would like to meet for prayer in the church office with all those involved in the worship service, 5 minutes before the service starts. Please join if your duties permit.

## Prayer Concerns Within Our Church Family\*

Cathy Johnson

Barbara Lighter

Ralph Martin & family

Marita Mikeska

Wade Mills

Dennis & Doris Penkert

John Porter

Ray & Ethel Sanders

Don Schlaudraff

Stanley Schneider

Susie Seidel & family

Patsy Wegner

## Prayer Concerns Beyond Our Church Family\*

Carol Crosby

Sonya Graham

Mollie Grote

The family of Lonnie Grawunder

Will Hibbs

Dawson Lee Jasinski & family

Starlyn Jasinski

Matthew, Aislinn & Thomas Kelling

Harvey Ludwig

Dee Neyhard

Kim Sauer

Glyn Spies

Eloise Wehring

Rita Werner

The family of Aubert V. 'Bert' Jaeger

Faith Lutheran Church

National and government leaders

All those in the military and first responders

Those affected by the war in Ukraine

Our Community, Nation, and World

\*AWLC respects the right to privacy. Please verify that we have permission to add a family member or friend to our prayer list.

\*Names of loved ones outside our church are posted during the month of request and the following month unless we are asked to remove or extend them.

\*You may request that names be added to or removed from our list by emailing them to: [admin@abidingword.org](mailto:admin@abidingword.org) or by calling the church office.

## Pastor's Schedule

Monday: Off

Tuesday: Church Office – 12 pm - 8 pm

Wednesday: Church Office/Appointments/Continuing Education 9 am-5 pm

Thursday: Church Office/Appointments 9 am - 5 pm

Friday: Home visitations through the day

Saturday: Off

Sunday: Worship - 9 am - 11 am

Emergency Calls: 218-405-0710

Extra time is spent with committees, classes, and other events. Schedule subject to change.

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Looking Ahead

*Men's Breakfast, 1st Saturdays, July 1 at 8:30 am at Smitty's

*Journey Together Ladies Lunch & Devotional, July 11, Texas Steak & Seafood on Market St. at 11:00 am

*Ladies' Evening Bible Study 2nd Wednesdays, July 12 at 6:30 pm at the Church

June/July 2023

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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| 18  Coffee & Connection 9:00 am Adult Bible Study 9:00 am Worship 10:00 am VBS Workers In-Service after service- 2:00 pm Stanley Schneider | 19 | 20 Church Council Meeting 5:45 pm | 21  VBS Family Rally Night 5:30 pm John & Susan Davies | 22 Tom & Kathleen Insley Larry & Marjorie Stark | 23 | 24 |
| 25 Coffee & Connection 9:00 am Adult Bible Study 9:00 am Worship 10:00 am Choir Practice after service Last Sunday to turn in Hymn Requests | 26 | 27  VBS 5:30-8:00 pm | 28  VBS 5:30-8:00 pm Elsie Mills | 29  VBS 5:30-8:00 pm | 30 Robert & Marita Mikeska | July 1 Men's Breakfast at Smitty's 8:30 am Melody Perry Ron & Judy Warschak |
| 2 Coffee & Connection 9:00 am NO Adult Bible Study Patriotic Music Sing-a-Long 9:45 am Worship 10:00 am | 3 | 4 Office Closed  McKenna Reimer | 5 | 6 | 7 Betsy Faske | 8 Gary Crocker Taylor Reimer Red = Adult's Birthday Blue = Child's Birthday Green = Wedding Anniversary |
| 9 Coffee & Connection 9:00 am Adult Bible Study 9:00 am Worship 10:00 am | 10 | 11 Journey Together Ladies Lunch & Devotional Texas Seafood & Steak House 11:00 am Outreach Committee Meeting 5:30 pm | 12 Ladies Evening Bible Study 6:30 pm | 13 | 14 | 15 Winston Walters Red = Adult's Birthday Blue = Child's Birthday Green = Wedding Anniversary |

Reminders

- Youth Sunday School is breaking for the summer. Sunday Adult Bible Study will continue.
- **Check out Rev. Mills' weekly Facebook clip!** You can also find sermons, adult Bible studies, upcoming events and more! <https://www.facebook.com/AbidingWordBrenham/>
- Online Giving is available through the Church Website. <https://www.abidingword.org/tithe>

Happy Birthday

Elsie Mills, June 28



The flowers for Sunday are given by Dottie and John Schaer.