

Abiding Word Lutheran Church

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Weekly Newsletter

Friday, April 14, 2023

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



Dear congregants of Abiding Word Lutheran Church. Please remember that the nave and sanctuary is a place for those that want to reflect and pray before worship begins. I uphold those that wish to be in the worship area for this time of reflection and solitude before worship. Time for reflection and prayer is an opportunity to come before God and a great practice for all individuals. Please respect those individuals, and please keep conversation in the fellowship area. ~Rev. Cody Mills



Pictures from Easter

Thank you to all who made it a special and joyous day celebrating our risen savior!



If anyone has pictures from the Easter Egg Hunt please send them to the admin for next weeks' newsletter. Thanks!



Please Note: Rev. Mills and his family are out of town, for a family medical crisis. Please keep him and his family in prayer. Our Council President, Bill Rankin will be giving our message on Sunday, April 16.

Note: there will be no Sunday School, April 16.

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## Update on First Fruit & Mission Offering Collections

**Every** Sunday we will be collecting for **both** Faith Mission and Adult/Teen Challenge. The following items can be donated:

### Faith Mission— Items should **NOT** be Family Size.

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|--------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|------------------|
| * Canned foods (soups/veggies/ fruit)      | * Breakfast foods (cereals)        | * Paper goods    |
| * Staples (flour/sugar/coffee/rice)        | * Men's & Women's hygiene products | * Baby items     |
| * Cleaning supplies (small sizes)          | * Bakery (bread/crackers/buns)     | * \$5 gift cards |
| * Condiments (jelly/mustard/ mayo/ catsup) |                                    |                  |

### Adult/Teen Challenge, houses men, ages 20-42

- \* All paper products (plates, utensils, napkins, toilet paper, paper towels, etc.)
- \* All cleaning supplies **small** sizes (disinfectants, laundry & dishwashing)
- \* Body wash, shaving supplies for the men

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We still have open Sundays for April and most of May to provide altar flowers. Sign up on the bulletin board or call the church office.

Upcoming Ladies' Bible Studies

- ❖ Ladies' Journey Together Bible Study, Tuesday, April 18, 10:00 am at the Church
- ❖ NALC Ladies' Bible Study, Thursday, April 20, 1:30 pm at the Church



Lectionary Readings for This Sunday:

Second Sunday of Easter

First Reading: Acts 5:29-42

Responsive Reading: Psalm 148

Second Reading: 1 Peter 1:3-9

Gospel Reading: John 20:19-31

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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, April 16

Second Sunday of Easter

Pastor: Bill Rankin

Musician: Debbie Heidemann

Lay Minister: Michael Kelling

Reader: Jon Hill

Greeters: Gary Hind & Mary Ann Schulte

Communion: Bill Rankin & Michael Kelling

Audio/Video: Gary Crocker & Charlotte Smith

Ushers: Berrie Etzel & Robert Mikeska

Little Lambs: Charlotte Smith

Sunday School: **NO Sunday School**

Altar Guild: Karen Johnson and Patti Swenson

Our Servants Next Sunday, April 23

Third Sunday of Easter

Pastor: Rev. Cody Mills

Musician: Debbie Heidemann

Lay Minister: Susie Seidel

Reader: Wade Seidel

Greeters: Tom & Peggy Campbell

Audio/Video: Bill & Lois Rankin

Ushers: Roy & Jan Kelm

Little Lambs: Rev. Cody Mills

Sunday School: Cathy Johnson

Altar Guild: Karen Johnson and Patti Swenson

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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\*

Betty Becker

Betsy Faske

Barbara Lighter

Ralph Martin & family

Marita Mikeska

Wade Mills

Dennis & Doris Penkert

John Porter

Ray and Ethel Sanders

Don Schlaudraff

Stanley Schneider

Larry Stark

Patsy Wegner

## Prayer Concerns Beyond Our Church Family\*

Krista Bowers Carol Crosby

Carol Fornof Dawson Lee Jasinski & family

Will Hibbs Matthew, Aislinn & Thomas Kelling

David Martin Alan Thackett

Rita Werner Taylor Wick

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: Classical Conversations Tutor all day;  
Church Office – 5 pm - 10 pm

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

Thursday: Church Office/Appointments 5 - 10 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

*Journey Together Ladies Bible Study 1st & 3rd

Tuesdays, April 18 at 10:00 am at the Church

*Men's Breakfast, 1st Saturdays, May 6 at 8:30 am
at Brenham Grill

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

April/May 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
9 Easter Sunrise Service 7:00 am NO Sunday School Easter Worship Service 10:00 am  Harrison Sommer	10 Rev. Mills out this week	11 Outreach Committee Meeting 5:30 pm	12 Ladies Evening Bible Study 6:30 pm	13 Ronnie Lueckemeyer	14 Ralph Martin	15 Cameron Roehling
16 Mission Offering Coffee & Connection 9:00 am No Sunday School Worship 10:00 am Tony Gomez	17	18 Journey Together Ladies Bible Study- 10:00 am Church Council Meeting 5:45 pm Hope Gathering Meeting 6:00pm @ Church Gene King	19	20 NALC Ladies Bible Study 1:30 pm Lois Rankin	21	22
23 Coffee & Connection 9:00 am Adult Bible Study & Children's Sunday School 9:00 am Worship 10:00 am	24	25 Susie Houston	26	27	28 Peggy Campbell	29
30 Fifth Sunday Breakfast 9:00 am No Sunday School Worship 10:00 am	May 1 Gene & Jean King	2 Journey Together Ladies Bible Study- 10:00 am Worship Committee Meeting 5:30 pm	3	4 William Corn	5 Kathleen Insley Wayne & Susan Winkelmann	6 Men's Breakfast 8:30 am Red = Adult's Birthday Blue = Child's Birthday Green = Wedding Anniversary
7 First Fruits Coffee & Connection 9:00 am Adult Bible Study & Children's Sunday School 9:00 am Worship 10:00 am Eleanor Mills	8 Benita Schramme Rick Hutchens	9 Outreach Committee Meeting 5:30 pm	10 Ladies Evening Bible Study 6:30 pm Karen Johnson	11	12 Mike Swenson	13 Blake Shedd

Happy Birthday

Ralph Martin, April 14
Cameron Roehling, April 15
Tony Gomez, April 16

If you have any announcements, articles, pictures, prayer requests or updates, or corrections for the newsletter, please send them to the admin. Thanks for your help! But please send it to the office no later than Wednesday noon before. Thank you.