

**HOLY COMMUNION
SUNKEN MEADOW STATE PARK
SUNDAY, AUGUST 9, 2026
8:00AM**



**ABIDING PRESENCE LUTHERAN CHURCH
AND PRESCHOOL
ROUTE 25A & SUNKEN MEADOW ROAD,
4 TRESCOTT PATH
FORT SALONGA, NEW YORK**

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**Evangelical
Lutheran Church
in America**

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✙ one God,
full of compassion and mercy,
abounding in steadfast love.
Amen.

Trusting God's promise of forgiveness,
let us confess our sin against God and one another.

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

Eternal God our creator,
in you we live and move and have our being.
Look upon us, your children,
the work of your hands.
Forgive us all our offenses,
and cleanse us from proud thoughts and empty desires.
By your grace draw us near to you,
our refuge and our strength;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Since we are justified by faith,
we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.
God's love has been poured into our hearts
through the Holy Spirit given to us.
In the mercy of almighty God,
Christ died for us while we still were sinners;
and for his sake, God ✙ forgives us all our sins. **Amen.**

SONG 556

"Morning Has Broken"



1 Morn - ing has bro - ken like the first morn - ing;
 2 Sweet the rain's new fall, sun - lit from heav - en,
 3 Mine is the sun - light! Mine is the morn - ing,



black-bird has spo - ken like the first bird.
 like the first dew - fall on the first grass.
 born of the one light E - den saw play!



Praise for the sing - ing! Praise for the morn - ing!
 Praise for the sweet - ness of the wet gar - den,
 Praise with e - la - tion, praise ev - 'ry morn - ing,



Praise for them, spring - ing fresh from the Word!
 sprung in com - plete - ness where God's feet pass.
 God's re - cre - a - tion of the new day!

Text: Eleanor Farjeon, 1881–1965

Music: BUNESSAN, Gaelic tune

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GREETING

PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray together:

**O God our defender, storms rage around and within us and cause us to be afraid. Rescue your people from despair, deliver your sons and daughters from fear, and preserve us in the faith of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen.**

FIRST LESSON Romans 10: 5-15

GOSPEL Matthew 14: 22-33

MEDITATION

APOSTLES' CREED

PRAYERS AND SHARING OF THE PEACE

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

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. 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:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he(+) who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

THANKSGIVING AT TABLE

Holy God, you alone are holy, you alone are God.
The universe declares your praise:
beyond the stars; beneath the sea;
within each cell; with every breath.

We praise you, O God.

Generations bless your faithfulness:
through the water; by night and day;
across the wilderness; out of exile; into the future.
We bless you, O God.

We give you thanks for your dear Son:
at the heart of human life; near to those who suffer;
beside the sinner; among the poor; with us now.
We thank you, O God.

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 his love for us on the way, at the table, and to the end,
we proclaim the mystery of faith:
Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.

We pray for the gift of your Spirit:
in our gathering; within this meal;
among your people; throughout the world.
Blessing, praise, and thanks to you, holy God, through Christ Jesus,
by your Spirit, in your church, without end.
Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

**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**

DISTRIBUTION

BLESSING

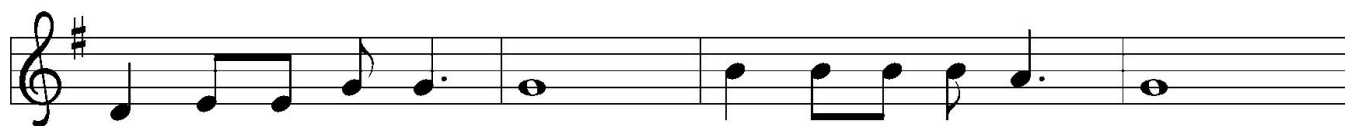
PRAYER

Let us pray: We thank you, God of heaven and earth,
that you fill our deepest need with the very gift of Jesus Christ,
broken and poured out for us.
Pour us out into a broken world.
Channel our common life toward the common good,
following the way our Savior leads us
now and forever. **Amen.**

BENEDICTION

SONG 677

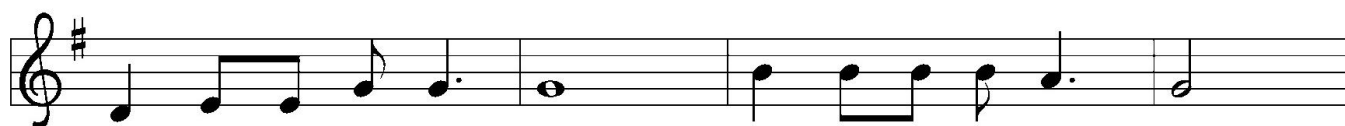
"This Little Light of Mine"



1 This lit - tle light of mine, I'm goin' - a let it shine;
2 Ev - 'ry - where I go, I'm goin' - a let it shine;
3 Je - sus gave it to me, I'm goin' - a let it shine;



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let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.
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Text: African American spiritual

Music: THIS JOY, African American spiritual

If you would like contact information for the council members listed below, please call the church office at 631-269-6454.

Lauri Christiansen-Wegener, Outreach and Marketing (Evangelism)

Sunday school N3 – Grade 5 9:30am In person September - May

OUR MISSION

The mission of Abiding Presence Lutheran Church, a spiritual home centered in Christ and community, is to share Jesus' love in our words and in our works as we welcome all to the family of God.



PRESCHOOL WEBSITE

Church: www.abidingpresencechurch.org email: abidingpresenceoffice@gmail.com
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Daily Bible Readings for Year A (August 9 – August 16)
From *EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN WORSHIP*

The foundational premise of this set of daily readings is their relationship to the Sunday lectionary. The readings are chosen so that the days leading up to Sunday (Thursday through Saturday) prepare for the Sunday readings. The days flowing out from Sunday (Monday through Wednesday) reflect upon the Sunday readings.

Sun 8/9	<i>Lectionary 19</i> 1 Kings 19:9-18 Psalm 85:8-13 Romans 10:5-15 Matthew 14:22-33	
Mon 8/10	Psalm 18:1-19 Genesis 7:11—8:5 2 Peter 2:4-10	
Tues 8/11	Psalm 18:1-19 Genesis 19:1-29 Romans 9:14-29	<i>Mary, Mother of Our Lord</i> Isaiah 61:7-11 Psalm 34:1-9 Galatians 4:4-7
Wed 8/12	Psalm 18:1-19 Job 36:24-33; 37:14-24 Matthew 8:23-27	Luke 1:46-55
Thurs 8/13	Psalm 67 Isaiah 45:20-25 Revelation 15:1-4	
Fri 8/14	Psalm 67 Isaiah 63:15-19 Acts 14:19-28	
Sat 8/15	Psalm 67 Isaiah 56:1-5 Matthew 14:34-36	<i>Mary, Mother of Our Lord</i> Isaiah 61:7-11 Psalm 34:1-9 Galatians 4:4-7
Sun 8/16	<i>Lectionary 20</i> Isaiah 56:1, 6-8 Psalm 67 Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32 Matthew 15:[10-20] 21-28	Luke 1:46-55

THE PARISH COUNCIL

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Betty Bose, Music and Worship
Aubrey Minton, Christian Education
Paul Farber, Stewardship
Lauri Christiansen-Wegener, Outreach and Marketing (Evangelism)

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Sunday Schedule	9:30am In person	The Holy Eucharist
	and Live stream via YouTube	
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NO MONDAY EVENING WORSHIP JULY & AUGUST

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