



MAY 7, 2023
5th SUNDAY OF EASTER

PRELUDE	"How Can I Keep From Singing"
CALL TO WORSHIP	"Christ is Risen, Alleluia!" vs. 1 #382
WELCOME	
SONG OF CELEBRATION	"Blessed Be the Name" #797
GREETING & PRAYER OF THE DAY	
THE READINGS	
GOSPEL ACCLAMATION	"Jesus, Name Above All Names"
THE GOSPEL	
CHILDREN'S MESSAGE	
SERMON & REFLECTION	
SONG OF THE DAY	"Bring Many Names, Beautiful and Good"
PROFESSION OF FAITH	
PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE	
SPECIAL MUSIC	(8:30) "Resurrection Medley" (11:00) "In the Name of Love"
OFFERING PRAYER	
COMMUNION	"How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds" vs. 1,2,3,7 #620 "I Received the Living God" #477
ANNOUNCEMENTS	
BLESSING	
SENDING SONG	"Good Christian Friends, Rejoice and Sing! #385
MISSION AND PEACE	"Traveling Mercies"
POSTLUDE	"Blessed Be Your Name"

PRAYER OF THE DAY

God of life and all creation, you invite us into new dimensions of living faith. You guide us into different seasons of life and service and you call forth the gifts of your Spirit in us. Name the strengths and capacities with which you have blessed us and through which we can bless the world, living fully and authentically as you lead. Amen.

GENESIS 32:22-31

²² The same night he got up and took his two wives, his two maids, and his eleven children, and crossed the ford of the Jabbok. ²³ He took them and sent them across the stream, and likewise everything that he had. ²⁴ Jacob was left alone; and a man wrestled with him until daybreak. ²⁵ When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he struck him on the hip socket; and Jacob's hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him. ²⁶ Then he said, "Let me go, for the day is breaking." But Jacob said, "I will not let you go, unless you bless me." ²⁷ So he said to him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Jacob." ²⁸ Then the man said, "You shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with humans, and have prevailed." ²⁹ Then Jacob asked him, "Please tell me your name." But he said, "Why is it that you ask my name?" And there he blessed him. ³⁰ So Jacob called the place Peniel, saying, "For I have seen God face to face, and yet my life is preserved." ³¹ The sun rose upon him as he passed Peniel, limping because of his hip.

PSALM ANTIPHON



PSALM 113

¹ Praise the Lord! Praise, O servants of the Lord; praise the name of the Lord. ² Blessed be the name of the Lord from this time on and forevermore. ³ From the rising of the sun to its setting the name of the Lord is to be praised. *Antiphon*

⁴ The Lord is high above all nations, and his glory above the heavens. ⁵ Who is like the Lord our God, who is seated on high, ⁶ who looks far down on the heavens and the earth? *Antiphon*

⁷ He raises the poor from the dust, and lifts the needy from the ash heap, ⁸ to make them sit with princes, with the princes of his people. ⁹ He gives the barren woman a home, making her the joyous mother of children. Praise the Lord! *Antiphon*

ACTS 9:19-29

For several days Saul was with the disciples in Damascus, ²⁰ and immediately he began to proclaim Jesus in the synagogues, saying, "He is the Son of God." ²¹ All who heard him were amazed and said, "Is not this the man who made havoc in Jerusalem among those who invoked this name? And has he not come here for the purpose of bringing them bound before the chief priests?" ²² Saul became increasingly more powerful and confounded the Jews who lived in Damascus by proving that Jesus was the Messiah. ²³ After some time had passed, the Jews plotted to kill him, ²⁴ but their plot became known to Saul. They were watching the gates day and night so that they might kill him; ²⁵ but his disciples took him by night and let him down through an opening in the wall, lowering him in a basket. ²⁶ When he had come to Jerusalem, he attempted to join the disciples; and they were all afraid of him, for they did not believe that he was a disciple. ²⁷ But Barnabas took him, brought him to the apostles, and described for them how on the road he had seen the Lord, who had spoken to him, and how in Damascus he had spoken boldly in the name of Jesus. ²⁸ So he went in and out among them in Jerusalem, speaking boldly in the name of the Lord.

MATTHEW 16:13-19

¹³ Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that the Son of Man is?" ¹⁴ And they said, "Some say John the Baptist, but others Elijah, and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets." ¹⁵ He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?" ¹⁶ Simon Peter answered, "You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God." ¹⁷ And Jesus answered him, "Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father in heaven. ¹⁸ And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it. ¹⁹ I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven."

Welcome to Worship at Abiding Love! May you know God's love as you sing, pray, proclaim, and serve. **All are welcome to communion at Abiding Love.** Hold out your hands to receive the bread. Gluten free wafers are available. Take a cup of wine (red) or grape juice (white) from the tray. Children and adults not communing may come forward and cross their arms over their chest to receive a blessing. Please follow the direction of the ushers.

WORSHIP IN THE SEASON OF EASTER

May 7: *What's In A Name?*

May 14: *In My Name*

May 21: *What's Your Name?*

UPCOMING EVENTS

Blood Drive: May 13

9:00 am to 1:00 pm, St. Catherine of Siena, 4800 Convict Hill Rd. Register at weareblood.org.

23rd Abiding Love Men's Service Retreat: May 19-21

Lutheran Camp Chrysalis, Kerrville, Texas. Contact Dale Sump, dsump@sbcglobal.net

Summer Day Camp: June 12-16

19 spots for campers remaining! Register now!

- Go to (<https://crosstrails.org/congregational-day-camp>)
- Create an account or sign-in to your existing account.
- Register camper under 'Day Camp 2023' and Abiding Love Lutheran Church – Austin.
- Return the Day Camp Registration 2023 and payment to Tyler Parks by May 1.

Day Camp Assistants Needed!

High School students and adults are needed to work with the Cross Trails staff the week of Day Camp. Complete a Day Camp Volunteer Registration (in the narthex) and return to Tyler Parks.

SERVING SUNDAY, MAY 7, 2023

Preaching and Presiding Minister: Rev. Brad Highum

Altar Guild: (8:30) Trish Slovacek, Coleen Thompson (11:00) Denise Alaimo

Acolyte: (8:30) Cali Taylor (11:00) Jonah Gysan

Assisting Minister: Reggie Kikta

Communion Assistant: (8:30) Karron Lewis (11:00) Rosa Hatfield

Lector: (8:30) Audrey Lehman (11:00) Joyce Flachmeier

Ushers: (8:30) Tom & Judy Tough (11:00) Kurt Armstrong, Steve Essinger

Tech: Zee Zepeda, Jan Haas

Music: Gus Sterneman, Stephanie Morrison, Sanctuary Choir

ABIDING LOVE CALENDAR

SUNDAY, MAY 7

8:30 & 11:00 am Worship w/Communion
9:45 am Faith Formation
9:45 am Confirmation
5:00 pm ASCI Diversity Band Rehearsal (AC)

MONDAY, MAY 8

11:00 am ALLC Food Pantry
5:00 pm Bread For All
7:00 pm AA (HS Room)
7:00 pm Troop 555 (AC)
7:00 pm Children's Outreach Ministries

TUESDAY, MAY 9

10:30 am Tuesday Bible Study (C)
7:00 pm Alanon (C)

WEDNESDAY, MAY 10

9:00 am Naomi Circle (AC)
10:00 am Staff Meeting (L)
1:00 pm Sew Bee Quilting (C)
6:00 pm Music Rehearsals
7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY, MAY 11

10:00 am CC Chapel (S)
10:00 am Quilting (UC)
6:00 pm Alanon (L)
7:00 pm Lion's Club (C)

FRIDAY, MAY 12

SATURDAY, MAY 13

9:00 am Blood Drive/St. Catherine of Siena
2:00 pm Private Event (AC)

SUNDAY, MAY 14 Mother's Day

8:30 & 11:00 am Worship w/Communion
9:45 am Faith Formation
9:45 am Confirmation
5:00 pm ASCI Diversity Band Rehearsal (AC)



ABIDING LOVE LUTHERAN CHURCH

MAY 7, 2023

"You shall
be called
by a new
name..."

"What's in a name?"

Scripture is filled with names—of people and of places—with profound meanings. And it is full of stories of re-naming as significant events or revelations of character take place. The word "*onoma*" translates from the Greek as "*name*" but means so much more. *Onoma* expresses the character, the essence and fullness of what is named. We see examples of true *onoma* emerging in the lives of Jacob/Israel, Saul/Paul, Simon/Peter. God re-names as God consecrates people to new purpose. We, in turn, wield considerable power as we name the world around us!

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