



Abiding Peace NEWS & NOTES

October 21, 2018

Pictorial Directory

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DIRECTORIES
AND PORTRAITS

It is time to put together a new pictorial directory of the Abiding Peace congregation. We have so many new faces/families

that we would like included in our new directory. The dates for photography are **Friday, November 2nd** (2:00 pm – 8:00 pm) & **Saturday, November 3rd** (10:00 am – 4:00 pm). Pets are welcome to be in the photos as well. Photos make great holiday gifts for your friends and families.

There is a link set up on our Abiding Peace website for signing up for your photo session. **We are striving for 100% participation**, as the church directory helps us all to get to know one another. The slots are filling up quickly, so please make every effort to find a time slot that works for you/your family! Thank you.



Lutheran Living



Martin Luther was often criticized for not teaching good works. Others felt that if people were told that salvation was free, no one would have the incentive to do good works. People would simply take advantage of grace. Luther strongly encouraged Christian living. However, he put it in the proper perspective. Good

works follow faith. He repeatedly said that we are justified by faith alone, but faith is never alone. It is a living, busy, active thing, seeking to serve God and neighbor. Unlike the church of his day, Luther stressed that living our faith is not something done only by those involved with church work. You do not have to take a special vow of poverty, chastity, and obedience to truly live your faith. God places opportunities before us in our daily lives to live as his people, serving others in our various “callings” or “vocations”: in families and among friends; at school and in the workplace; in the marketplace and in our communities. True “Lutheran living” recognizes that we produce fruits of faith in a variety of simple ways as we go about our daily living. And through us, God cares for others and for his creation. “God’s people please God even in the least and most trifling matters. For He will be working all things through you; He will milk the cow through you and perform the most servile duties through you, and all the greatest and least duties alike will be pleasing to Him.”

(“Lectures on Genesis,” Luther’s Works 6:10).

Birthday Greetings

We extend birthday greetings this week to Hermann John (October 21), Paul Bernthal (October 23), and Koby Loszach (October 28).



Fall Cleanup Day



Thank you to all those who participated in our fall cleanup day last weekend. The church property looks great!



An Encouraging Word

Vision for Christian Living – Genesis 2:18-24



When God created Eve, he created the family unit—a unit through which he chooses to bless his people with sexual happiness, companionship, and children. What a blessing a family is. Whether you are married or not; whether you have children or not; you are part of a family—both your earthly family, but more importantly your heavenly Father’s family, through which you receive forgiveness of sins, eternal life, and salvation. In light of God’s blessing of family, may each of our families strive to serve our heavenly Father better. May we be better husbands, better wives, better sons and daughters, and better fathers and mothers. May we be better stewards of the gifts he gives to us and our families. May we teach better stewardship to our children. May we model better stewardship to our spouse. In this way, our Father who blessed us with family and made us a part of his family will be praised.

Mission Prayer



Military Services – Almighty God, we give you thanks for those who protect our country in the armed forces. Continue to watch over them as they serve our nation. Bless the work of WELS Military Services as they work to meet the spiritual needs of those who serve or have served in the military. Be with them as they provide spiritual encouragement to those in active service and comfort to those who may be struggling after leaving active service. We commend them to your care, loving Savior. Amen.

Service to Our Lord

	<i>October 21</i>	<i>October 28</i>
<i>Pianists</i>	<i>Becky Miller</i>	<i>Rachel John</i>
<i>Ushers—8:00</i>	<i>Jim Stumpner</i>	<i>Mark Kreklow</i>
<i>Ushers—10:30</i>	<i>Doug Salzwedel Glenn Miller</i>	<i>Rich Long David Long</i>
<i>Refreshments</i>	<i>Stroh Baird</i>	<i>Glenn Miller Salzwedel</i>

Give Thanks to the Lord!

Worship Attendance ~

October 7:	82
October 14:	84