

LET JUSTICE ROLL DOWN: DARING TO LISTEN TO THE PROPHET AMOS



SATURDAY, AUGUST 5, 2023





At Church of the Savior, our vision is to grow in "Loving God, Loving Others, Loving Life." We hope you sense God's presence and our warm welcome. We'd love to meet you in the foyer after the service. --Fr. Kevin and Mtr. Karen

About Our Worship: We use an Anglican liturgy. Liturgy simply means that everyone gets to participate, so please join in as you feel comfortable.

Children's Worship: Nursery is available for children 6 months through 4 years. Children's Worship classes are on hiatus over the summer months. There are coloring pages available in the foyer. Want more space? Try the Fireside Room.

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Today is the Tenth week after Pentecost, and during this season of Ordinary Time we are looking at key people and practices of the Anglican Church. Today we ask: What does it mean to "lift up your hearts," as we say at the beginning of the Eucharistic liturgy? Early-church bishop Cyril of Jerusalem explains that "in that most awful [awe-filled] hour [we are] to have our heart on high with God, and not below, thinking of earth and earthly things. In effect, therefore, the Priest bids all in that hour to dismiss all cares of this life, or household anxieties, and to have their heart in heaven with the merciful God."

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PRELUDE & WELCOME

Please enjoy a few moments of silence during the prelude as we quiet our minds and prepare our hearts for worship.

THE WORD OF GOD

PROCESSIONAL

You may stand.

Praise My Soul the King Of Heaven

Praise, my soul, the King of heaven; To His feet thy tribute bring. Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven, Who like thee His praise should sing? Praise Him! Praise Him! Praise Him! Praise Him! Praise the everlasting King.

Father-like, He tends and spares us; Well our feeble frame He knows. In His hands He gently bears us, Rescues us from all our foes. Praise Him! Praise Him! Praise Him! Praise Him! Widely as His mercy flows.

Angels in the height, adore Him; Ye behold Him face to face. Sun and moon, bow down before Him, Dwellers all in time and space. Praise Him! Praise Him! Praise Him! Praise Him! Praise with us the God of grace.

- Celebrant: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. All: And blessed be his Kingdom, now and forever. Amen.
 - All: Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

I Lift My Eyes Up

I lift my eyes up to the mountains. Where does my help come from? My help comes from You, maker of heaven, Creator of the earth.

Oh, how I need You, Lord. You are my only hope. You're my only pray'r. So I will wait for You To come and rescue me. Come and give me life.

GLORIA



Celebrant: The Lord be with you. All: And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Let your continual mercy, O Lord, cleanse and defend your Church; and, because it cannot continue in safety without your help, protect and govern it always by your goodness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Please be seated.

THE FIRST READING

AMOS 7:10-17; 8:4-7, 11-12

¹⁰ Then Amaziah, the priest of Bethel, sent a message to Jeroboam, king of Israel: "Amos is hatching a plot against you right here on your very doorstep! What he is saying is intolerable. ¹¹ He is saying, 'Jeroboam will soon be killed, and the people of Israel will be sent away into exile.'"

¹² Then Amaziah sent orders to Amos: "Get out of here, you prophet! Go on back to the land of Judah, and earn your living by prophesying there! ¹³ Don't bother us with your prophecies here in Bethel. This is the king's sanctuary and the national place of worship!"

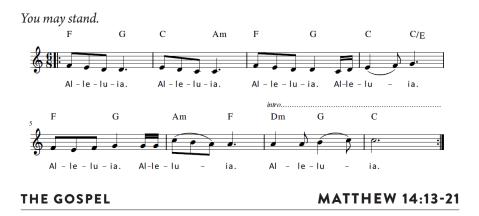
¹⁴ But Amos replied, "I'm not a professional prophet, and I was never trained to be one. I'm just a shepherd, and I take care of sycamore-fig trees. ¹⁵ But the Lord called me away from my flock and told me, 'Go and prophesy to my people in Israel.' ¹⁶ Now then, listen to this message from the Lord:

"You say,
'Don't prophesy against Israel. Stop preaching against my people.'
¹⁷ But this is what the Lord says:
'Your wife will become a prostitute in this city, and your sons and daughters will be killed.
Your land will be divided up, and you yourself will die in a foreign land.
And the people of Israel will certainly become captives in exile, far from their homeland."

⁴ Listen to this, you who rob the poor and trample down the needy! ⁵ You can't wait for the Sabbath day to be over and the religious festivals to end so you can get back to cheating the helpless. You measure out grain with dishonest measures and cheat the buyer with dishonest scales. ⁶ And you mix the grain you sell with chaff swept from the floor. Then you enslave poor people for one piece of silver or a pair of sandals. ⁷ Now the Lord has sworn this oath by his own name, the Pride of Israel: "I will never forget the wicked things you have done! ¹¹ "The time is surely coming," says the Sovereign Lord, "when I will send a famine on the land not a famine of bread or water but of hearing the words of the Lord. ¹² People will stagger from sea to sea and wander from border to border searching for the word of the Lord, but they will not find it.

Reader: The Word of the Lord. All: Thanks be to God

- ¹ Hear my plea of innocence, O LORD; give heed to my cry; * listen to my prayer, which does not come from lying lips.
- ² Let my vindication come forth from your presence; * let your eyes be fixed on justice.
- ³ Weigh my heart, summon me by night, * melt me down; you will find no impurity in me.
- ⁴ I give no offense with my mouth as others do; * I have heeded the words of your lips.
- ⁵ My footsteps hold fast to the ways of your law; * in your paths my feet shall not stumble.
- ⁶ I call upon you, O God, for you will answer me; * incline your ear to me and hear my words.
- ⁷ Show me your marvelous loving-kindness, * O Savior of those who take refuge at your right hand from those who rise up against them.
- ¹⁵ Whose bellies you fill with your treasure, * who are well supplied with children and leave their wealth to their little ones.



Deacon: The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew. All: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

¹³ When Jesus heard what had happened, he withdrew by boat privately to a solitary place. Hearing of this, the crowds followed him on foot from the towns. ¹⁴ When Jesus landed and saw a large crowd, he had compassion on them and healed their sick.

¹⁵ As evening approached, the disciples came to him and said, "This is a remote place, and it's already getting late. Send the crowds away, so they can go to the villages and buy themselves some food."

¹⁶ Jesus replied, "They do not need to go away. You give them something to eat."

¹⁷ "We have here only five loaves of bread and two fish," they answered.

¹⁸ "Bring them here to me," he said. ¹⁹ And he directed the people to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish and looking up to heaven, he gave thanks and broke the loaves. Then he gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the people. ²⁰ They all ate and were satisfied, and the disciples picked up twelve basketfuls of broken pieces that were left over. ²¹ The number of those who ate was about five thousand men, besides women and children.

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord. All: Praise to you, Lord Christ. Please be seated.

THE SERMON

Name the Problem, Become the Problem

Rochelle Scheuermann Savior Member

We take a few minutes of silence to reflect, pray, and listen for what God may be saying.

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THE APOSTLES CREED

Celebrant: Let us confess our faith in the words of the Apostles Creed:

All: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Intercessor: Lord, in your mercy, All: Hear our prayer.

The celebrant concludes the Prayers of the People.

Deacon: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Please sit or kneel for a time of silence.

- All: Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your name. Amen.
- Celebrant: Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. Amen.

THE PEACE

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you. All: And also with you.

At this time, parents should pick up their children from the nursery.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Celebrant: Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

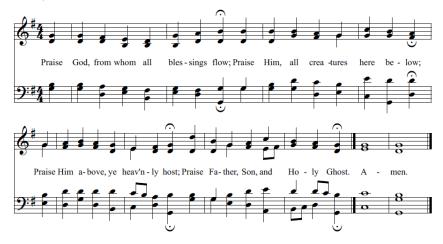
THE OFFERTORY

Take My Life And Let It Be

Take my life and let it be Consecrated, Lord, to Thee; Take my moments and my days – Let them flow in ceaseless praise, Let them flow in ceaseless praise.

Take my voice and let me sing Always, only for my King; Take my lips and let them be Filled with messages from Thee, Filled with messages from Thee.

Take my love – my Lord, I pour At Thy feet its treasure store; Take myself, and I will be Ever, only all for Thee, Ever, only, all for Thee. You may stand.



THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Celebrant:	The Lord be with you.
All:	And also with you.
Celebrant:	Lift up your hearts.
All:	We lift them to the Lord.
Celebrant:	Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
All:	It is right to give him thanks and praise.
Celebrant:	It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. For you are the source of light and life, you made us in
	your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord.
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Celebrant: Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus



Celebrant: Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me." Celebrant: Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:



Celebrant: We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life.

Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

- Celebrant: All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ:
 - All: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. Amen.
- Celebrant: And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say:
 - All: 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 sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

- Celebrant: Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us; All: Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!
- Celebrant: The gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

Please join us for Communion: all who are baptized and seeking to follow Jesus are welcome. If that doesn't describe you, simply say "Blessing," or cross your arms, and the minister distributing bread will pray a short prayer for God's favor on your life. The first tray contains wine; the second contains grape juice. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request. If you would like to receive prayer, a prayer minister is available.

COMMUNION SONGS



With You, O Lord

Before the Throne of God Above

Before the throne of God above I have a strong and perfect plea, A great High Priest whose name is Love, Who ever lives and pleads for me. My name is graven on His hands, My name is written on His heart; I know that while in heav'n He stands, No tongue can bid me thence depart, No tongue can bid me thence depart.

Hallelujah, My life is found in Jesus Christ. Hallelujah, For I am His and He is mine.

When Satan tempts me to despair, And tells me of the guilt within, Upward I look and see Him there, Who made an end to all my sin. Because the sinless Savior died My sinful soul is counted free, For God the Just is satisfied To look on Him and pardon me, To look on Him and pardon me,

I bow before the cross of Christ, And marvel at this love divine, God's perfect Son was sacrificed To make me righteous in God's eyes. This river's depths I cannot know, But I can glory in its flood; The Lord Most High has bowed down low, And poured on me His glorious love, And poured on me His glorious love.

Every Praise

Ev'ry praise is to our God; Ev'ry word of worship with one accord. Ev'ry praise, ev'ry praise is to our God. Sing hallelujah to our God. Glory hallelujah is due our God. Ev'ry praise, ev'ry praise is to our God.

God, my Savior. God, my Healer. God, my Deliverer. Yes, He is! Yes, He is!

Celebrant: Let us pray.

All: Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE BLESSING

Celebrant: The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. Amen.

You may be seated for announcements.

Celtic Benediction

May the peace of the Lord Christ go with you, Wherever he may send you. May he guide you through the wilderness, Protect you through the storm. May he bring you home rejoicing at the wonders he has shown you, May he bring you home rejoicing once again into our doors.

THE DISMISSAL

- Deacon: Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit. Alleluia. Alleluia.
 - All: Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Children's Summer Events: We have one remaining children's gathering for the summer. It will take place at PHCC from 3-5pm on August 13th. We will be learning to turn our concerns and worries into prayer; to enter into God's heart for the world. Our time together will include a snack. If you have any questions or concerns or if your child has a food allergy, please contact Sydney@friendsofthesavior.org. You can sign your child up for the August 13th gathering under events on the Savior website.

End of the Summer Picnic: Join with church family and friends for our End of the Summer Picnic. It will take place after the service, outside at PHCC, on Saturday, August 26th. More details to follow.

CHILDREN AND YOUTH

Nursery: We provide Nursery for children 6 months through 4 years. If you are interested in future volunteering, please contact Pastor Mary at mary@ friendsofthesavior.org. Children's worship will resume August 26th.

Youth Group Summer Schedule: There is one remaining youth gathering for the summer on August 19th after the service. Hope to see you there!

Let Justice Roll Down: daring to listen to the prophet Amos

July 15, Kevin Miller, Amos 1:3-4, 6-7, 9-14a; 2:1-2a, 4-8, 11-14, "Take a Look in the Mirror" July 22, Kevin Miller, Amos 5:4-15, "The Robbing 'Hood" July 29, Kevin Miller, Amos 5:21–6:7, "A Worship Service that God Hates?" August 5, Rochelle Scheuermann, Amos 7:10-17; 8:4-7, 11-12, "Name the Problem, Become the Problem" August 12, Kevin Miller, Amos 9:11-15, "A Rebuild in the Ruins"

FINANCIAL UPDATE

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