

# JOSHUA HOW GOD LEADS HIS PEOPLE TO A BETTER PLACE



The Fifteenth Week after Pentecost
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, 2021



# Welcome to Church of the Savior

**If You are Visiting:** We'd love to meet you! Please connect with our clergy after the service, outside the back entrance, to introduce yourself and learn more about Church of the Savior. We use an Anglican liturgy. Liturgy simply means that everyone gets to participate, so please join in as you feel comfortable. You can't make a mistake.

**Current Covid Protocol:** Following CDC and state guidelines - we ask that all attenders wear masks during the service. Please pass the Peace with a smile and wave from your seat. After the service, before you move to shake someone's hand or give them a hug, ask first: "May I give you a hug?". We encourage you to greet others outdoors as well.

**Children's Worship:** Nursery is available for children 6 months through 4 years, and Children's Worship is for children Kindergarten through 2nd grade. You may choose to keep children with your family, and coloring pages will be available to all. The Fireside Room will be open for anyone who needs a little extra space, but please sit where you like.

Today is the fifteenth 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: why do the ministers wear special clothing? Although the details have changed over the centuries and vary between churches today, by about the sixth century priest and deacons were wearing distinctive clothing, called vestments. At Savior, the priests, deacons and communion ministers all wear white albs. Over the alb, priests and deacons wear stoles, the scarf-like fabric that priests wear around their neck and deacons over their shoulder. Vestments help communicate reverence for God's Word and Sacrament, even across generations.

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### PRELUDE & WELCOME

Please enjoy a few moments of silence during the prelude as you quiet your mind and prepare your heart 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 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.

Celebrant: 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.

# Here I Am To Worship

Light of the world You stepped down into darkness Opened my eyes let me see Beauty that made This heart adore You Hope of a life spent with You

So here I am to worship
Here I am to bow down
Here I am to say that You're my God
And You're altogether lovely
Altogether worthy
Altogether wonderful to me

King of all days
Oh so highly exalted
Glorious in heaven above
Humbly You came
To the earth You created
All for love's sake became poor

And I'll never know how much it cost To see my sin upon that cross And I'll never know how much it cost To see my sin upon that cross Children in Kindergarten through 2nd grade are invited to follow the acolyte to Children's Worship during the Gloria.



### THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Grant us, O Lord, to trust in you with all our hearts; for, as you always resist the proud who confide in their own strength, so you never forsake those who make their boast of your mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Please be seated.

### THE FIRST LESSON

JOSHUA 10:38-42; 15:13-15

<sup>38</sup> Then Joshua and the Israelites turned back and attacked Debir. <sup>39</sup> He captured the town, its king, and all of its surrounding villages. He completely destroyed everyone in it, leaving no survivors. He did to Debir and its king just what he had done to Hebron and to Libnah and its king.

<sup>40</sup> So Joshua conquered the whole region—the kings and people of the hill country, the Negev, the western foothills, and the mountain slopes. He completely destroyed everyone in the land, leaving no survivors, just as the Lord, the God of Israel, had commanded. <sup>41</sup> Joshua slaughtered them from Kadesh-barnea to Gaza and from the region around the town of Goshen up to Gibeon. <sup>42</sup> Joshua conquered all these kings and their land in a single campaign, for the Lord, the God of Israel, was fighting for his people.

<sup>13</sup> The Lord commanded Joshua to assign some of Judah's territory to Caleb son of Jephunneh. So Caleb was given the town of Kiriath-arba (that is, Hebron), which had been named after Anak's ancestor. <sup>14</sup> Caleb drove out the three groups of Anakites—the descendants of Sheshai, Ahiman, and Talmai, the sons of Anak.

<sup>15</sup>From there he went to fight against the people living in the town of Debir (formerly called Kiriath-sepher).

Reader: The Word of the Lord. All: Thanks be to God. THE PSALM PSALM 125

<sup>1</sup> Those who trust in the Lord are like Mount Zion, which cannot be moved, but stands fast for ever.

- <sup>2</sup> The hills stand about Jerusalem; so does the Lord stand round about his people, from this time forth for evermore.
- <sup>3</sup> The scepter of the wicked shall not hold sway over the land allotted to the just, so that the just shall not put their hands to evil.
- <sup>4</sup> Show your goodness, O Lord, to those who are good and to those who are true of heart.
- <sup>5</sup> As for those who turn aside to crooked ways, the Lord will lead them away with the evildoers; but peace be upon Israel.

### **ALLELUIA**

You may stand.



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

<sup>24</sup> Jesus left that place and went to the vicinity of Tyre. He entered a house and did not want anyone to know it; yet he could not keep his presence secret. <sup>25</sup> In fact, as soon as she heard about him, a woman whose little daughter was possessed by an impure spirit came and fell at his feet. <sup>26</sup> The woman was a Greek, born in Syrian Phoenicia. She begged Jesus to drive the demon out of her daughter.

<sup>27</sup> "First let the children eat all they want," he told her, "for it is not right to take the children's bread and toss it to the dogs."

<sup>28</sup> "Lord," she replied, "even the dogs under the table eat the children's crumbs."

<sup>29</sup> Then he told her, "For such a reply, you may go; the demon has left your daughter."

<sup>30</sup> She went home and found her child lying on the bed, and the demon gone.

<sup>31</sup> Then Jesus left the vicinity of Tyre and went through Sidon, down to the Sea of Galilee and into the region of the Decapolis. <sup>32</sup> There some people brought to him a man who was deaf and could hardly talk, and they begged Jesus to place his hand on him.

<sup>33</sup> After he took him aside, away from the crowd, Jesus put his fingers into the man's ears. Then he spit and touched the man's tongue. <sup>34</sup>He looked up to heaven and with a deep sigh said to him, "Ephphatha!" (which means "Be opened!"). <sup>35</sup> At this, the man's ears were opened, his tongue was loosened and he began to speak plainly.

<sup>36</sup> Jesus commanded them not to tell anyone. But the more he did so, the more they kept talking about it. <sup>37</sup> People were overwhelmed with amazement. "He has done everything well," they said. "He even makes the deaf hear and the mute speak."

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

### ALLELUIA

Please be seated.

### THE SERMON

"Did God Command Genocide?"

Kevin Miller Rector

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You may stand.

All: We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son.

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

### THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Intercessor: Lord, in your mercy,

All: Hear our prayer.

The officiant concludes the Prayers of the People.

### THE CONFESSION OF SIN

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.

Please "bloom where you're planted": stand, smile, and wave.

Parents should pick up children from the nursery and children's worship during the peace so that they can participate in Communion with their families.

# THE HOLY COMMUNION

Please be seated.

### THE OFFERTORY

"Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow" and "Fairest Lord Jesus", led by Hanna Park on piano.

# Praise God from whom all bless-ings flow; praise him, all crea-tures here be-low; praise him a - bove, ye heaven-ly host: praise Fa - ther, Son and Ho - ly Ghost.

### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

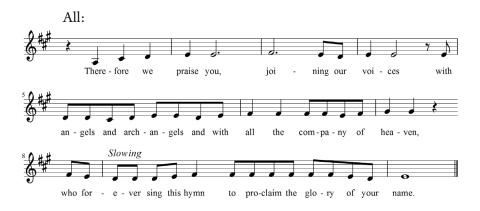
Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them to the Lord.

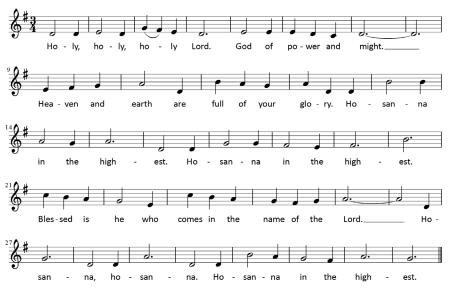
Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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, through Jesus Christ our Lord; who on the first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.



### 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.

Celebrant: 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."

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 in him. 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.

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 pray:



### THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

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 "Blessings," 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. Ushers will release you row by row, finishing with the Fireside Room. Please place your empty cup in the basket at the end of the line.

### **COMMUNION SONGS**

### Pass Me Not

Pass me not O gentle Savior Hear my humble cry While on others Thou art calling Do not pass me by

Savior Savior hear my humble cry While on others Thou art calling Do not pass me by

Let me at Thy throne of mercy Find a sweet relief Kneeling there in deep contrition Help my unbelief

Trusting only in Thy merit Would I seek Thy face Heal my wounded broken spirit Save me by Thy grace

Thou the Spring of all my comfort More than life to me Whom have I on earth beside Thee Whom in heaven but Thee

# All Who Are Thirsty

All who are thirsty
All who are weak
Come to the fountain
Dip your heart in the stream of life
Let the pain and the sorrow
Be washed away
In the waves of His mercy
As deep cries out to deep
We sing

Come Lord Jesus come Come Lord Jesus come

Holy Spirit come Holy Spirit come

As deep cries out to deep As deep cries out to deep As deep cries out to deep we sing

### Give Us Clean Hands

We bow our hearts we bend our knees Oh Spirit come make us humble We turn our eyes from evil things Oh Lord we cast down our idols

Give us clean hands give us pure hearts
Let us not lift our souls to another
Give us clean hands give us pure hearts
Let us not lift our souls to another
And oh God let us be a generation that seeks
That seeks Your face oh God of Jacob
And oh God let us be a generation that seeks
That seeks Your face oh God of Jacob

### You Alone Can Rescue

Who O Lord could save themselves Their own soul could heal Our shame was deeper than the sea Your grace is deeper still

And You alone can rescue
You alone can save
You alone can lift us from the grave
You came down to find us led us out of death
To You alone belongs the highest praise

You O Lord have made a way The great divide You healed For when our hearts were far away Your love went further still Yes Your love goes further still

And You alone can rescue
You alone can save
You alone can lift us from the grave
You came down to find us led us out of death
To You alone belongs the highest praise
To You alone belongs the highest praise
You alone

We lift up our eyes
Lift up our eyes
You're the giver of life
We lift up our eyes
Lift up our eyes
You're the giver of life

To You alone belongs the highest praise To You alone belongs the highest praise

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: May God the Holy Trinity drive all darkness from you and pour upon you blessing and light. And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit be among you and remain with you always.

All: Amen.

You may be seated for announcements.

### **RECESSIONAL**

### **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: Go forth in the name of the risen Christ. Alleluia. Alleluia.

All: Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.

We encourage you to greet others outdoors. That's also where you'll find our clergy serving this evening.

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Musician Meet & Greet:** Join Pastor John Rakes on September 11 after the service, from 6:30-7:00pm, to connect with other musicians at Savior and learn how you can serve the church by volunteering your musical talents.

**Acolyte Dinner & Training:** There will be a dinner and training for current and new acolytes after church on Saturday, September 18. More details will be provided soon. Questions, feel free to contact Deacon Sandy Oyler (deacon@friendsofthesavior.org).

**College Student Dinner:** If you're a college or graduate student, you're invited to dinner, a bonfire and evening prayer on Sunday, September 19 from 6:00-8:00pm at PHCC. Contact Sarah Lindsay (sarah@friendsofthesavior.org) for information or if you need help arranging a ride.

**All Church Prayer Gathering - Save the Date:** You're invited to attend Savior's Prayer Gathering on Wednesday, October 6 from 6:45-8:00pm.

**Labor Day- Office Closed:** Savior's office will be closed Monday, September 6 for Labor Day. Staff will not be checking email, but will get back to you within the week.

**Should I Fist-bump? Shake Your Hand? Hug?:** Welcome to the awkward world of post-Covid socializing. At Savior we are going to practice, "Ask 1st." Before you move to shake someone's hand or give them a hug, Ask 1st: "May I give you a hug?"

**Current Job Openings:** Savior is looking to fill two part-time positions, a Youth Director and Family Ministries Coordinator. Learn more by visiting friendsofthesavior.org/jobs! If you are interested, please contact Pastor Mary at mary@friendsofthesavior.org. Please pray for God to send us the right people for these positions.

**Donations to Church of the Savior:** There are two ways to give to Church of the Savior in this season: MAIL: Church of the Savior, PO Box 507, Wheaton, IL 60187 and ONLINE: Visit friendsofthesavior.org/giving.

**Give to Our Oak Park Church Plant:** Send your check to PO Box 507, Wheaton, IL 60817. Please make out checks to Church of the Savior and mark "Christ Our Peace" or "Oak Park" in the memo line. Our bank will not accept checks made out to "Christ Our Peace."

Nursery & Children's Worship: Nursery is available for children 6 months through 4 years. We have one room open for children K-2nd grade. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Pastor Mary at mary@ friendsofthesavior.org.

Youth: In September, we will offer youth events approximately 2x month, after Saturday's worship service. We are looking for volunteers to help with these events. If you are interested in serving, contact Karen Leibold (mail2karenliebold@gmail.com). In addition, we will offer small groups and welcome any youth interested in serving in any of our ministries. Please contact Sarah Lindsay (sarah@friendsofthesavior.org) for details and more information.

### FINANCIAL UPDATE

Have a question about your donation? Or about something in the budget? Email our bookkeeper, Jean Ann Parker: jeanann@friendsofthesavior.org

This Year's Giving Goal: \$340,567

As of August 28:

Budgeted Giving Goal = \$225,295 Actual Giving = \$209,617 Over/(Under) = (\$15,678)

Benevolence Giving = \$600 Christ Our Peace = \$23,100

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September 11 - Linda Richardson, Joshua 2:1-24; 6:1-2, 20-23 "Rahab: lifted by grace"

September 18 - Sandy Richter, Joshua 7:1-26 "How much is your sin going to cost us?"

September 25 - Kevin Miller, Joshua 24:1-3a,14-25 "The choice we can't avoid"

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