

DISABILITY THEOLOGY CELEBRATING THE DIVERSE BODY OF CHRIST



The Twenty-Fifth Week after Pentecost SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 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, 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 Twenty-Fifth Week after Pentecost, and during this season of Ordinary Time we are looking at key people and practices of the Anglican Church. November 16th is the feast day of St. Hilda, and November 22nd is the unofficial celebration of C.S. Lewis. These two figures, although separated several centuries, both dedicated their considerable intellects to spreading Christianity in England. St. Hilda, the 7th-century abbess of Whitby, was renowned for her energy and her teaching; she was influential in helping Christianity become firmly established in England. 1300 years later, C.S. Lewis also turned his energy to writing and teaching, drawing the minds and imaginations of readers around the world towards Christianity.

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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 The Lord His Glories Show

Praise the Lord his glories show Alleluia In his temple here below Alleluia Angels round his throne arrayed Alleluia Praise him in the heavens he made Alleluia Earth to heaven and heaven to earth Alleluia Tell his wonders sing his worth Alleluia Let the trumpets' fanfare blaze Alleluia Drums and dance declare his praise Alleluia Praise him with the harp and lute Alleluia Praise him with the strings and flute Alleluia Praise him with the cymbals' sound Alleluia

Let their praises echo round Alleluia

- 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.

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 prayer So I will wait for You To come and rescue me Come and give me life Children in Kindergarten through 2nd grade are invited to follow the acolyte to Children's Worship during the Gloria.



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

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Blessed Lord, who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: Grant us so to hear them, read, mark, learn and inwardly digest them, that we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Please be seated.

THE FIRST LESSON

2 CORINTHIANS 1:3-5, 8-11

³⁻⁵ All praise to the God and Father of our Master, Jesus the Messiah! Father of all mercy! God of all healing counsel! He comes alongside us when we go through hard times, and before you know it, he brings us alongside someone else who is going through hard times so that we can be there for that person just as God was there for us. We have plenty of hard times that come from following the Messiah, but no more so than the good times of his healing comfort—we get a full measure of that, too.

⁸⁻¹¹We don't want you in the dark, friends, about how hard it was when all this came down on us in Asia province. It was so bad we didn't think we were going to make it. We felt like we'd been sent to death row, that it was all over for us. As it turned out, it was the best thing that could have happened. Instead of trusting in our own strength or wits to get out of it, we were forced to trust God totally—not a bad idea since he's the God who raises the dead! And he did it, rescued us from certain doom. And he'll do it again, rescuing us as many times as we need rescuing. You and your prayers are part of the rescue operation—I don't want you in the dark about that either. I can see your faces even now, lifted in praise for God's deliverance of us, a rescue in which your prayers played such a crucial part.

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

- ¹I lift up my eyes to the mountains where does my help come from?
- ² My help comes from the Lord, the Maker of heaven and earth.
- ³He will not let your foot slip he who watches over you will not slumber;
- ⁴ indeed, he who watches over Israel will neither slumber nor sleep.
- ⁵ The Lord watches over you the Lord is your shade at your right hand;
- ⁶ the sun will not harm you by day, nor the moon by night.
- ⁷ The Lord will keep you from all harm he will watch over your life;
- ⁸ the Lord will watch over your coming and going both now and forevermore.

You may stand.



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

¹ When Jesus returned to Capernaum several days later, the news spread quickly that he was back home. ² Soon the house where he was staying was so packed with visitors that there was no more room, even outside the door. While he was preaching God's word to them, ³ four men arrived carrying a paralyzed man on a mat. ⁴ They couldn't bring him to Jesus because of the crowd, so they dug a hole through the roof above his head. Then they lowered the man on his mat, right down in front of Jesus. ⁵ Seeing their faith, Jesus said to the paralyzed man, "My child, your sins are forgiven."

⁶But some of the teachers of religious law who were sitting there thought to themselves, ⁷"What is he saying? This is blasphemy! Only God can forgive sins!"

⁸Jesus knew immediately what they were thinking, so he asked them, "Why do you question this in your hearts? ⁹ Is it easier to say to the paralyzed man 'Your sins are forgiven,' or 'Stand up, pick up your mat, and walk'? ¹⁰ So I will prove to you that the Son of Man has the authority on earth to forgive sins." Then Jesus turned to the paralyzed man and said, ¹¹ "Stand up, pick up your mat, and go home!"

¹² And the man jumped up, grabbed his mat, and walked out through the stunned onlookers. They were all amazed and praised God, exclaiming, "We've never seen anything like this before!"

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

ALLELUIA

Please be seated.

THE SERMON

The Comforting Community

Karen Miller Associate Rector

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.

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

The celebrant 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

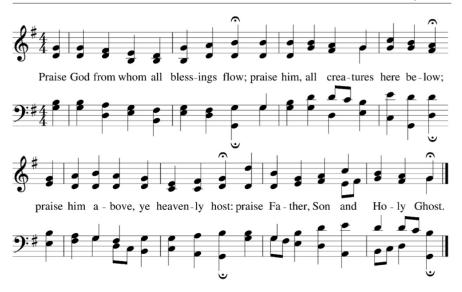
God Leads Us Along

In shady green pastures So rich and so sweet God leads His dear children along Where the water's cool flow Bathes the weary one's feet God leads His dear children along

Some thro' the waters Some thro' the flood Some thro' the fire But all thro' the blood Some thro' great sorrow But God gives a song In the night season And all the day long

Sometimes on the mount Where the sun shines so bright God leads His dear children along Sometimes in the valley In darkest of night God leads His dear children along

Though sorrows befall us And Satan oppose God leads His dear children along Through grace we can conquer Defeat all our foes God leads His dear children along



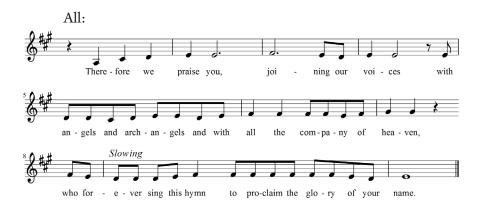
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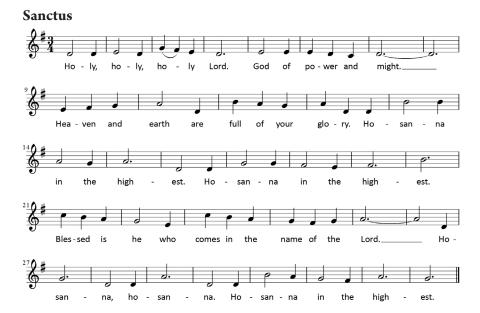
Celebrant:	The Lord be with you.
All:	And also with you.

- 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.





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 "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. 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.

Gluten-free wafers are available upon request.

COMMUNION SONGS

In The Lord I'll Be Ever Thankful

In the Lord I'll be ever thankful, in the Lord I will rejoice! Look to God, do not be afraid; lift up your voices, the Lord is near; Lift up your voices, the Lord is near.

Abide With Me

Abide with me fast falls the eventide The darkness deepens Lord with me abide When other helpers fail and comforts flee Help of the helpless O abide with me

I need Thy presence ev'ry passing hour What but Thy grace can foil the tempter's pow'r Who like Thyself my Guide and Stay can be Through cloud and sunshine O abide with me

Hold Thou Thy cross before my closing eyes Shine through the gloom and point me to the skies Heav'n's morning breaks And earth's vain shadows flee In life in death O Lord abide with me

Speak O Lord

Speak O Lord as we come to You To receive the food of Your holy word Take Your truth plant it deep in us Shape and fashion us in Your likeness That the light of Christ might be seen today In our acts of love and our deeds of faith Speak O Lord and fulfill in us All Your purposes for Your glory

Teach us Lord full obedience Holy reverence true humility Test our thoughts and our attitudes In the radiance of Your purity Cause our faith to rise Cause our eyes to see Your majestic love and authority Words of power that can never fail Let their truth prevail over unbelief

Speak O Lord and renew our minds Help us grasp the heights of Your plans for us Truths unchanged from the dawn of time That will echo down through eternity And by grace we'll stand on Your promises And by faith we'll walk as You walk with us Speak O Lord till Your church is built And the earth is filled with Your glory

Praise The Father Praise The Son

O sov'reign God O matchless King The saints adore the angels sing And fall before the throne of grace To You belongs the highest praise

These sufferings this passing tide Under Your wings I will abide And ev'ry enemy shall flee You are my hope and victory

Praise the Father praise the Son Praise the Spirit Three in One Clothed in power and in grace The name above all other names

To the valley for my soul Thy great descent has made me whole Your word my heart has welcomed home Now peace like water ever flows

Yours is the kingdom Yours is the power Yours is the glory forever Yours is the kingdom Yours is the power Yours is the glory forever

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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.

WELCOME OF NEW MEMBERS

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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Feast of All Nametags - Save the Date: Want to learn the names of some people at Savior? Feel awkward, because you've already asked this person for their name? We've got you covered, with the first-ever Feast of All Nametags. After worship on Saturday, November 20, we'll enjoy cookies, and each make a creative, lasting nametag. Then, during Advent, we'll each wear our nametag.

Gingerbread Nativities - Save the Date: Savior's beloved holiday tradition is back in person! Creativity and copious sugar: what's not to love? Plan to invite friends. Note: this year, we're trying Sunday afternoon, when kids and most adults are fresher. Please set aside Sunday, December 12, from 3pm to (a max of) 5pm.

Youth Pastor: We've hired Steve Dilley, who moved with his family to Wheaton this summer and started worshiping at Savior then. Steve is a great listener, who loves hard questions, and he has a clear, comprehensive and passionate vision for the spiritual formation of young people.

Family Ministries Administrator: We have hired Sydney Kamenjarin as our Family Ministries Administrator! In this role, Sydney will assist Pastor Mary with the children's and youth ministries. Sydney has worshiped at Savior for several years, and she has often served in our nursery.

Improved Online Giving - LIVE: You may now give through Savior's new and improved online system (called Subsplash)! Visit friendsofthesavior. org/giving to get started. Contact jeanann@friendsofthesavior.org, if you have questions. If you're using Savior's current online giving (through C4SO), you'll be able to do so until the end of the year.

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: Simply go to friendsofthesavior. org/giving and where it says, "Choose a Fund," select "Christ Our Peace - Oak Park".

CHILDREN AND YOUTH

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

Youth Events: We invite youth from 6th-12th grade to a time of food and fellowship tonight after the service, on December 4, from 6:30-8:30pm. Face masks will be worn, except when eating our meal. If you have any food allergies or can support in future events - contact Karen Liebold (mail2karenliebold@gmail.com).

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 November 6:

Budgeted Giving Goal = \$290,500 Actual Giving = \$274,878 Over/(Under) = (\$15,622)

Benevolence Giving = \$855 Christ Our Peace = \$35,251

CURRENT SERMON SERIES

Disability Theology: Celebrating the Diversity of Christ's Body November 6: Ellen Hsu, "Don't Be Surprised" November 13: Karen Miller, "The Comforting Community" November 20: Kevin Miller, "Known by the Scars" November 27 - January 1: Advent & Christmas at Savior

December 24, Christmas Eve (7pm, PHCC): Lessons & Carols

December 25, Christmas Day (5pm, PHCC): Evening Prayer

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