

“Amos is raising a conspiracy against you in the very heart of Israel. The land cannot bear all his words. <sup>11</sup>For this is what Amos is saying: “‘Jeroboam will die by the sword, and Israel will surely go into exile, away from their native land.’” <sup>12</sup>Then Amaziah said to Amos, “Get out, you seer! Go back to the land of Judah. Earn your bread there and do your prophesying there. <sup>13</sup>Don’t prophesy anymore at Bethel, because this is the king’s sanctuary and the temple of the kingdom.” <sup>14</sup>Amos answered Amaziah, “I was neither a prophet nor the son of a prophet, but I was a shepherd, and I also took care of sycamore-fig trees. <sup>15</sup>But the Lord took me from tending the flock and said to me, ‘Go, prophesy to my people Israel.’”

P: This is the Word of the Lord,     **C: Thanks be to God.**

**Gospel Acclamation:** *(please stand as you are able)*   **“Hallelujah”**

**Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah**  
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**The Gospel: Mark 6:14-29**

<sup>14</sup>King Herod heard about this, for Jesus’ name had become well known. Some were saying, “John the Baptist has been raised from the dead, and that is why miraculous powers are at work in him.” <sup>15</sup>Others said, “He is Elijah.” And still others claimed, “He is a prophet, like one of the prophets of long ago.” <sup>16</sup>But when Herod heard this, he said, “John, whom I beheaded, has been raised from the dead!” <sup>17</sup>For Herod himself had given orders to have John arrested, and he had him bound and put in prison. He did this because of Herodias, his brother Philip’s wife, whom he had married. <sup>18</sup>For John had been saying to Herod, “It is not lawful for you to have your brother’s wife.” <sup>19</sup>So Herodias nursed a grudge against John and wanted to kill him. But she was not able to, <sup>20</sup>because Herod feared John and protected him, knowing him to be a righteous and holy man. When Herod heard John, he was greatly puzzled; yet he liked to listen to him. <sup>21</sup>Finally the opportune time came. On his birthday Herod gave a banquet for his high officials and military commanders and the leading men of Galilee. <sup>22</sup>When the daughter of Herodias came in and danced, she pleased Herod and his dinner guests. The king said to the girl, “Ask me for anything you want, and I’ll give it to you.” <sup>23</sup>And he promised her with an oath, “Whatever you ask I will give you, up to half my kingdom.” <sup>24</sup>She went out and said to her mother, “What shall I ask for?” “The head of John the Baptist,” she answered. <sup>25</sup>At once the girl hurried in to the king with the request: “I want you to give me right now the head of John the Baptist on a platter.” <sup>26</sup>The king was greatly distressed, but because of his oaths and his dinner guests, he did not want to refuse her. <sup>27</sup>So he immediately sent an executioner with orders to bring John’s head. The man went, beheaded John in the prison, <sup>28</sup>and brought back his head on a platter. He presented it to the girl, and she gave it to her mother. <sup>29</sup>On hearing of this, John’s disciples came and took his body and laid it in a tomb.

P: This is the Word of the Lord,     **C: Thanks be to God.**

**Children’s Message:** *(you may be seated)*   Pastor Eric Hanson

**Sermon:** *Pastor Eric Hanson*

**Hymn of the Day & Offering:**

*Offerings will be collected during the hymn of the day. Thank you also to those who give online. If you’d like to sign up for online giving please visit <http://www.stlukegoodhue.org/online-giving.html>. Children’s coin offering will go toward ELCA Good Gifts serving communities in need around the world.*

**“There Is A Longing In Our Hearts, O God”**

**Refrain: There is a longing in our hearts, O Lord, for you to reveal yourself to us.**  
**There is a longing in our hearts for love we only find in you, our God.**

**Vs 1: For justice, for freedom, for mercy: hear our prayer.**  
**In sorrow, in grief: be near; hear our prayer, O God. [Refrain]**

**Vs 2: For wisdom, for courage, for comfort: hear our prayer.**  
**In weakness, in fear: be near; hear our prayer, O God. [Refrain]**

**Vs 3: For healing, for wholeness, for new life: hear our prayer.**  
**In sickness, in death: be near; hear our prayer, O God. [Refrain]**

**Vs 4: Lord, save us, take pity, light in our deepest night.**  
**We call you; we wait: be near; hear our prayer, O God. [Refrain]**

**Offertory Response:** *“Give Thanks” (ushers bring offerings forward)*

**Give thanks with a grateful heart. Give thanks to the Holy One.**  
**Give thanks because He’s given Jesus Christ, His Son.**  
**And now let the weak say, “I am strong”.**  
**Let the poor say, “I am rich Because of what the Lord has done for us”. Give thanks.**

**Offertory Prayer:**

P: Let us pray together,

**C: God of all creation, all you have made is good, and your love endures forever. You bring forth bread from the earth and fruit from the vine. Nourish us with these gifts, that we might be for the world signs of your gracious presence in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

**Baptisms of Charlotte Beatrice Turini, the daughter of Brandi & Damien Turini, and Mara Mae O’Reilly, the daughter of Afton & John O’Reilly**

**The Prayers:** *(call and response)*

One in the communion of saints and in the power of the Holy Spirit, we join our voices in prayer. *A brief silence.* You gather your people into the body of Christ. Where your church is wounded, heal it. Where it is right, strengthen it. Where it is divided, reunite it. In your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

From before the foundation of the world, you are God. Revive ecosystems destroyed by human greed. Curb our desire to put wealth ahead of the health of all who call this planet home. In your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

You establish equity and make justice. Within every nation, tribe, and land, cause laws to be written and customs to be observed that protect the most vulnerable. In your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

On the cross your beloved Son endured pain and death. Bring healing to those in need, hope to any in despair, and comfort to the dying. We pray especially for Keith Brown, Judy Carpenter, Jan Benidt, Dave (Pud) Gnotke, Shawn Fredrixon, Marc Bode, Julie Marklevits, Harlan Reese, Beth Carlson, Gage Miller, Alex Stehr, Maria Starr Quiggle, Perry Fitzgerald, Phil Tupper, Tanya Bakken, Lorraine Hinsch, and Kay Kurtti. In your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

You send your Spirit into this community of faith. Empower our ministries that serve and build up local communities. Nurture our partnerships with other community organizations. In your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

All peoples praise you, O God. We give you thanks and praise for the lives of our loved ones who now rest in you. In the fullness of time gather us with all your saints in light. In your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Holy God, holy and merciful: into your outstretched arms we commend ourselves and all for whom we pray, trusting in the one who is the way, the truth, and the life, Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

**Sharing the Peace:**   P: The peace of Christ be with you always,  
  **C: And also with you.**

**The Great Thanksgiving:**

P: The Lord be with you

**C: And also with you**

P: Lift up your hearts.

**C: We lift them to the Lord.**

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

**C: It is right to give Him thanks & praise.**

**The Words of Institution**

**Lord’s Prayer: 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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.**

**Meal and Hymns:** *(you may be seated)*

*All are welcome at this meal. We believe in the saving power of Jesus Christ through the gift of his life, death, and resurrection experienced in bread and wine.*

*Please move forward via the center aisle. Bread is received in the hands. Wine is received by dipping the bread into the wine chalice and consuming both together. All ages are welcome to commune. Those not communing may receive a blessing by simply keeping your hands folded or extending your arms over your chest in the sign of a cross inviting blessing. For those unable to consume either wine or bread, communion is received fully in either element alone, for Christ is fully present in the meal. You may return to your seats via the side aisles after communing. Gluten-free is available, simply make the server aware of your need. Also, if you cannot come forward, but wish for communion or blessing, let the usher know it will come to you at the end.*

*"Here Is Bread" #483*

**Vs 1:** Here is bread, here is wine, Christ is with us, He is with us.  
Break the bread, taste the wine, Christ is with us here.

**Refrain:** In this bread there is healing, in this cup is life forever.  
In this moment, by the Spirit, Christ is with us here.

**Vs 2:** Here is grace, here is peace, Christ is with us, he is with us.  
Know his grace, find his peace, feast on Jesus here. [Refrain]

**Vs 3:** Here we are, joined in one, Christ is with us, he is with us.  
We'll proclaim till he comes Jesus crucified. [Refrain]

*"The Savior Is Waiting"*

**Vs 1:** The Savior is waiting to enter your heart, Why don't you let Him come in?  
There's nothing in this world to keep you apart, What is your answer to Him?

**Refrain:** Time after time He has waited before, And now He is waiting again,  
To see if you're willing to open the door, Oh, how he wants to come in.

**Vs 2:** If you'll take one step toward the Savior, my friend, You'll find His arms open wide,  
Receive Him and all of your darkness will end, Within your heart He'll abide. [Refrain]

**Communion Prayer:** *(please stand as you are able)*

P: Let us pray together,

**C:** God of abundance, with this bread of life and cup of salvation you have united us with Christ, making us one with all your people. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue forever in the risen life of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

**The Blessing:**

P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace. **C: Amen.**

**Sending Hymn:** *"Let All Things Now Living" #881*

Let all things now living a song of thanksgiving; To God the creator triumphantly raise.  
Who fashioned and made us, protected and stayed us, Who still guides us on to the end of our days.  
God's banners are o'er us, God's light goes before us, A pillar of fire shining forth in the night.  
Till shadows have vanished and darkness is banished; As forward we travel from light into light.

God rules all the forces, the stars in their courses; And sun in its orbit obediently shine;  
The hills and the mountains, the rivers and fountains, The deeps of the ocean proclaim him divine.  
We too should be voicing our love and rejoicing; With glad adoration a Song let us raise  
Till all things now living unite in thanksgiving: "To God in the highest, Hosanna and praise!"

**Dismissal:** P: Go in peace to love the Lord and serve your neighbor.

**C:** Thanks be to God!

**Postlude**

# Welcome

We're Glad You're Here

**St. Luke Lutheran Church • Pastor Eric Hanson**  
**Eighth Sunday after Pentecost • 9:30AM • July 14, 2024**

**Prelude**

**Welcome & Announcements**

**Greeting:** *(stand as you are able)*

P: The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God **C: Come Holy Spirit, Come!**

**Confession and Forgiveness:**

P: We confess our sins together, in the name of the Father, and of the Son +, and of the Holy Spirit.

**C:** God of all Mercy, come to our aid. When we hide brokenness and only show you wholeness, forgive us. When we cover shame and guilt with pride and pretense, forgive us. When we point out the speck in our neighbor's eye but ignore the log in our own eye, forgive us. When we choose old, harmful ways of living over new, life-giving ways, forgive us. Transform us by the power of your Spirit, Lord God, and make us New.

P: Children of God, God loved us even when we were dead in sin, and makes us new through Jesus Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of + Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Live as people set free. **C: Amen**

**Gathering Hymn:** *"Borning Cry" #732*

**Vs 1:** I was there to hear your borning cry, I'll be there when you are old.  
I rejoiced the day you were baptized, to see your life unfold.  
I was there when you were but a child, with a faith to suit you well;  
In a blaze of light you wandered off to find where demons dwell.

**Vs 2:** When you heard the wonder of the Word I was there to cheer you on;  
You were raised to praise the living Lord, to whom you now belong.  
If you find someone to share your time and you join your hearts as one,  
I'll be there to make your verses rhyme from dusk 'till rising sun.

**Vs 3:** In the middle ages of your life, not too old, no longer young,  
I'll be there to guide you through the night, complete what I've begun.  
When the evening gently closes in, and you shut your weary eyes,  
I'll be there as I have always been with just one more surprise.

**Vs 4:** I was there to hear your borning cry, I'll be there when you are old.  
I rejoiced the day you were baptized, to see your life unfold.

**Prayer of the Day:** *(you may be seated)*

P: Let us pray together

**C:** O God, from you come all holy desires, all good counsels, & all just works. Give to us, your servants, that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey your commandments; and also that we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may live in peace and quietness, through Jesus Christ, our Savior & Lord. Amen.

**The First Reading:** Amos 7:7-15

<sup>7</sup>This is what he showed me: The Lord was standing by a wall that had been built true to plumb, with a plumb line in his hand. <sup>8</sup>And the Lord asked me, "What do you see, Amos?" "A plumb line," I replied. Then the Lord said, "Look, I am setting a plumb line among my people Israel; I will spare them no longer. <sup>9</sup>"The high places of Isaac will be destroyed and the sanctuaries of Israel will be ruined; with my sword I will rise against the house of Jeroboam." <sup>10</sup>Then Amaziah the priest of Bethel sent a message to Jeroboam king of Israel:

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