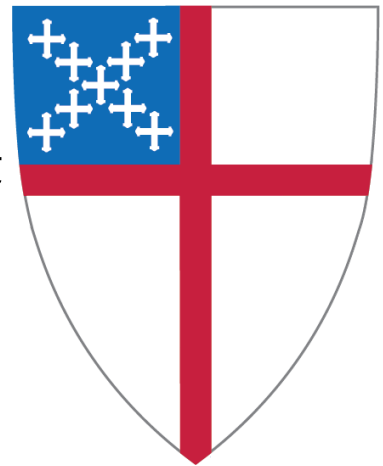


The Lessons Appointed for Use on the
The 6th Sunday after Pentecost

Year C, RCL

July 20, 2025



A Reading from the Prophet Amos

This is what the Lord GOD showed me-- a basket of summer fruit. He said, "Amos, what do you see?" And I said, "A basket of summer fruit." Then the LORD said to me,

"The end has come upon my people Israel;

I will never again pass them by.

The songs of the temple shall become wailings in that day,"

says the Lord GOD;

"the dead bodies shall be many,

cast out in every place. Be silent!"

**Hear this, you that trample on the needy,
and bring to ruin the poor of the land,
saying, "When will the new moon be over
so that we may sell grain;
and the sabbath,
so that we may offer wheat for sale?
We will make the ephah small and the shekel
great,
and practice deceit with false balances,
buying the poor for silver and the needy for a pair
of sandals,
and selling the sweepings of the wheat."
The LORD has sworn by the pride of Jacob:
Surely I will never forget any of their deeds.
Shall not the land tremble on this account,
and everyone mourn who lives in it,**

More



and all of it rise like the Nile,

**and be tossed about and sink again, like the
Nile of Egypt?**

**On that day, says the Lord God, I will make the
sun go down at noon,
and darken the earth in broad daylight.**

**I will turn your feasts into mourning,
and all your songs into lamentation;**

**I will bring sackcloth on all loins,
and baldness on every head;**

**I will make it like the mourning for an only son,
and the end of it like a bitter day.**

**The time is surely coming, says the Lord God,
when I will send a famine on the land;
not a famine of bread, or a thirst for water,
but of hearing the words of the LORD.**

**They shall wander from sea to sea,
and from north to east;
they shall run to and fro, seeking the word of the
LORD,
but they shall not find it.**

***Leader:* The Word of the Lord.**

(People: Thanks be to God.)



(Psalm)

Psalm 52

Let's say it responsively by half verse.

You tyrant, why do you boast of wickedness *

against the godly all day long?

You plot ruin; your tongue is like a sharpened razor, *

O worker of deception.

You love evil more than good *

and lying more than speaking the truth.

You love all words that hurt, *

O you deceitful tongue.

Oh, that God would demolish you utterly, *

*topple you, and snatch you from your dwelling,
and root you out of the land of the living!*

The righteous shall see and tremble, *

and they shall laugh at him, saying,

"This is the one who did not take God for a refuge, *

but trusted in great wealth and relied upon wickedness."

But I am like a green olive tree in the house of God; *

I trust in the mercy of God for ever and ever.

I will give you thanks for what you have done *

*and declare the goodness of your Name in the presence of the
godly.*



(The Epistle Reading)

A Reading from the letter to the Colossians

Christ Jesus is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers-- all things have been created through him and for him. He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. For in him all the fullness of God

was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

And you who were once estranged and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds, he has now reconciled in his fleshly body through death, so as to present you holy and blameless and irreproachable before him-- provided that you continue securely established and steadfast in the faith, without shifting from the hope promised by the gospel that you heard, which has been proclaimed to every creature under heaven. I, Paul, became a servant of this gospel.

I am now rejoicing in my sufferings for your sake,

More



and in my flesh I am completing what is lacking in Christ's afflictions for the sake of his body, that is, the church. I became its servant according to God's commission that was given to me for you, to make the word of God fully known, the mystery that has been hidden throughout the ages and generations but has now been revealed to his saints. To them God chose to make known how great among the Gentiles are the riches of the glory of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory. It is he whom we proclaim, warning everyone and teaching everyone in all wisdom, so that we may present everyone mature in Christ.

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

(People: Thanks be to God.)



Healing Litany

You may stand, sit or kneel for the prayers

Celebrant: Let us name before God those for whom we offer our prayers.

The People audibly name those for whom they are interceding.

Intercessor: **God the Father, your will for your people
is healing and salvation;**

All: We praise you and thank you, O Lord.

Intercessor: **God the Son, you came that we might
have life, and might have it more abundantly;**

All: We praise you and thank you, O Lord.

Intercessor: **God the Holy Spirit, you make our bodies the
temple of your presence;**

All: We praise you and thank you, O Lord.

Intercessor: **Holy Trinity, one God, in you we live and
move and have our being;**

All: We praise you and thank you, O Lord.

Intercessor: **Lord, grant your healing grace to all who
are sick, injured, or disabled, that they may
be made whole;**

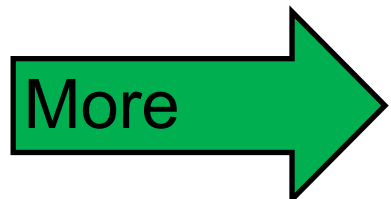
All: Hear us, O Lord of life.

Intercessor: **Grant to all who are lonely, anxious, or
despondent, a knowledge of your will and an
awareness of your presence;**

All: Hear us, O Lord of life.

Intercessor: **Bless physicians, nurses, and all others
who minister to the suffering, granting them
wisdom and skill, sympathy and patience;**

All: Hear us, O Lord of life.



Intercessor: **Mend broken relationships, and restore
those in emotional distress to soundness of
mind and serenity of spirit;**

All: Hear us, O Lord of life.

Intercessor: **Sustain and support those who seek
your guidance and lift up all who are brought
low by the trials of this life.**

All: Hear us, O Lord of life.

Intercessor: **Grant to the dying peace and a holy
death, and uphold by the grace and
consolation of your Holy Spirit those who are
bereaved;**

All: Hear us, O Lord of life.

Intercessor: **Give eternal rest to all who have died in
the hope of the resurrection, especially for**

**Frederick Belleshiem in whose memory the
altar flowers are given, and for all the
departed,**

All: Hear us, O Lord of life.

**Intercessor: Restore to wholeness whatever is
broken by human sin, in our lives, in our
nation, and in the world;**

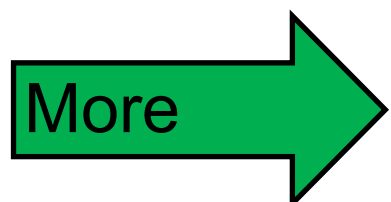
All: Hear us, O Lord of life.

**Intercessor: You are the Lord who does mighty
wonders:**

All: You have declared your power among the peoples.

Intercessor: With you, O Lord, is the well of life:

All: And in your light we see light.



Intercessor: **Hear us, O Lord of life:**

All: Heal us, and make us whole.

Intercessor: **We pray for all who have asked for our
prayers and those we now lift up to you.**

*(Please add your own intercessions or thanksgivings out loud or in the
silence of your heart.)*

The celebrant concludes the prayers.

