

# Worship Lifeline

## In Scripture Today

### Pentecost - Ordinary Time

#### Introduction to the day

As we are invited today to consider what it means to be managers (rather than owners) of all that we have, it is crucial to recall that we are bought with a price. "Christ Jesus, himself human, . . . gave himself a ransom for all." Apart from the generosity of God we have nothing—we are nothing. By God's gracious favor we have everything we need.

#### Amos 8:4-7, PBp. 949

Amos was called by God to prophesy in the Northern Kingdom of Israel. Peace and prosperity in Israel led to corrupt business practices and oppression of the poor. The prophet declares that God will not tolerate such a situation.

#### 1 Timothy 2:1-7, PBp. 963

The Pastoral Epistles offer insight into how early Christians understood many practical matters, such as church administration and worship. The church's focused prayer for others is an expression of the single-minded passion God has toward us in Jesus.

#### Luke 16:1-13, PBp. 851

Jesus tells the curious story of a dishonest man who cheats his employer and then is commended by him for having acted so shrewdly. Jesus wonders why his own followers are less creative and diligent in their stewardship given that they are managers of a far more valuable household.

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#### Next Week's Texts

##### Amos 6:1a, 4-7

*Warnings to those who are comfortable or wealthy*

##### Psalm 146

*The LORD gives justice to those who are oppressed. (Ps. 146:7)*

##### 1 Timothy 6:6-19

*Eager to be rich or eager to pursue richness of God's justice?*

**Luke 16:19-31** *Story of poor Lazarus*

## In Worship Today

Welcome to Worship. You are welcome to commune at "Jesus' Table" for the forgiveness of sins and the embrace of God's love, the knowledge of Christ's grace, and the nurture of faith.

In our Gospel text today, Jesus says that a slave cannot serve two masters (16:13). In daily life, who are the "masters" we serve that create for us divided loyalty and disdain?

Overall, the Gospel text is a bit confusing, and, again, awareness of context might help us.

To teach you the context of this ancient text, I'll ask you to consider how everyone seems to know how to pose for a photo! We live our lives "camera ready" and don't want the photo taken if we don't look good—according to our own (vain) standards. Are you with me? Then the text is already taking meaning!

Paul's writing in 1 Timothy offers some guidance on Christian life in conflicted circumstances.

The choir's anthem, "What does the Lord Require?", is based on a reading from Amos. The answer is not faith in Christ Jesus, but to do justice and act with mercy. One would not expect faith in Jesus to appear here, after all, Amos writes prior to the time of Christ. However, he is writing to people of faith, who have not been faithful to the will of God reflected in justice seeking and mercy. It is a beautiful piece!

## In Ministry This Week

You can see all scheduled activities at: [www.allsaintsilburn.org](http://www.allsaintsilburn.org)

### Sunday, September 22

9:00 AM-LL Word of Faith  
 10:15 AM-S ASLC Worship  
 11:30 AM-F Fellowship Meal  
 1:30 PM-All Housekeeping  
 8:00 PM-F AA

### Monday, September 23

7:30 PM-Gray Room OA  
 7:30 PM-Outer Office Council

### Tuesday, September 24

9:30 AM-F Conversations  
 12:00 PM-F Sandwich MeetUp  
 5:30 PM-F Girl Scouts #20001  
 8:00 PM-F NA

### Wednesday, September 25

5:00 PM-LL WOF Church  
 8:00 PM-F AA

### Thursday, September 26

9:00 AM-LGLC Quilting  
 6:00 PM-F Cub Scouts  
 8:00 PM-F NA

### Friday, September 27

9:00 AM— Cleaning  
 6:00 PM-F Girl Scout Robotics

### Saturday, September 28

9:00 AM-G OA  
 10:00 AM-F Knitters

### Sunday, September 29

#### Family Promise Comes to Stay

9:00 AM-LL Word of Faith  
 10:15 AM-S ASLC Worship  
 11:30 AM-F Fellowship Meal  
 1:30 PM-All Housekeeping  
 8:00 PM-F AA

F=Fellowship; OC=Out of Church; OO=Outer Office GR=Gray Room; LL=Lower Level; CL1=Lower Level Open Room 1; CL2=Lower Level Open Room 2; N+Narthex; S=Sanctuary; UR=Upper Room; A=Away from All Saints.

### Worship Helpers September 22

Altar Guild:	Joann R
Lector:	Sheila W
Worship Assistant:	Joanne S
Worship Assistant:	Russ S.
Com. Assistants:	Joanne S & Julie
B Ushers:	Miriam & Mac M
Greeter:	Pat B.
Projectionist:	N/A
Children's Sermon:	Lisa M.
Counters:	Tom W & Barb L

## Annual Meeting

October 20, 2019

Budget Plans/Needs for 2020

Election of Officers

Election of Nominations

Committee

Other Business

## Family Promise @ All Saints Lutheran Church September 29, 2019 - October 6, 2019

### Did you miss the MeetUp SignUp?

If you were not here last Sunday, you still have time to sign up for any of the MeetUps that interest you. You may contact either the MeetUp Organizer or Sue Stover ([ssstover1212@gmail.com](mailto:ssstover1212@gmail.com)) to express your interest.

Here's the list:

- § Food Crew for Daffodil Day, 11/2 (Pr. Kim)
- § Chair Yoga (contact Sue Stover)
- § Photography (Roger Boyer)
- § Stitches (Cherie Mason)
- § Saints Day Trippers (Barb Litke)
- § Book Discussion (Joann Rosselle)
- § Peanut Brittle & Lunch (Lystads)
- § Lunch Bunch (Lorraine Herring)
- § Mexican Train Dominoes (Lorraine Herring)
- § ART Station (Bob Johnson)
- § Sandwich Making (John Jones/Sue Martinson)
- § Paint Pals (Sue Stover)

### Russ' Reminders—

All known ASLC birthdays and anniversaries are listed in your Church Directory. We can print you a copy or you can view the directory on your PC or Smartphone. It's all pretty easy once you move through the learning curve, which is more like a speed bump. **Contact Rica Kelly** with changes and updates to all directory information. It's easy: go to [www.allsaintslilburn.org](http://www.allsaintslilburn.org) and find the link, "Member Directory Link." Click on that link and log in. You'll see it all!

#### September ANNIVERSARIES

- 16 John & Joyce Holdrich
- 25 Thomas & Cindy Murphy

#### September BIRTHDAYS

- 18 Kelly Kraus  
Martha Wooden
- 23 Thomas Murphy
- 24 Emilie Bush Lancaster  
Joanne Swanson
- 27 Mark Sanderlin
- 30 Helen Zupan

### Coming Up!

**Family Promise Week** begins next Sunday, September 29 here at All Saints.

**Installation of Bishop Strickland**, October 5, The Cathedral of St Philip, 2744 Peachtree Rd NE, Atlanta, GA 30305, 2 pm - 5 pm.

**SES Leadership Conference**, October 15-17, Lutheridge Camp.

**Congregational Meeting**, October 20 following worship. Elect officers and adopt a 2020 Budget!

**Reformation Sunday**, October 27.

**All Saints Daffodil Day**, November 2, 9:00 - 1:00 PM. This is the day Scout groups will assist us in planting lots and lots of Daffodils along Rockbridge Road. Watch for how you can help! A good cause to which to donate in memory of loved ones. Scout organization and parents are supportive!

**All Saints Sunday**, November 3.

**Thanksgiving**, November 28.



### AllSaints Lutheran Church Worship Assistants Calendar

#### September 29 C

Altar Guild:	Julie B
Lector:	Tom W
Worship Assistant:	Julie B
Com. Assistants:	Sheila & Tom W
Ushers:	Bruce K & Lisa M
Greeter:	Martha W
Projectionist:	Al K
Children's Sermon:	Kevin S
Counters:	Tom W & Lorraine H

#### October 6 T

Altar Guild:	Lennie C
Lector:	Sandra R
Worship Assistant:	Barb L
Communion Assistants:	John & Joyce H
Ushers:	Doug S & Larry M
Greeter:	Pat B
Projectionist:	N/A
Children's Sermon:	Mac M
Counters:	Tom W & Angie S

**Advent** begins December 1.

**Progressive Dinner**, December 7.

*And NOW...*

**Has this ever happened before?**

Has a member of the Lilburn community ever offered an appreciation dinner to All Saints for building use? Well, it might be a first as Maggie is inviting the congregational members to an appreciation dinner December 14. Add this to your December calendar now, please.

**Christmas Day** falls on a Wednesday, so **Christmas Eve Service** will be on Tuesday, December 24.