

November 9, 2025

"Amos: Justice Rolls Down" Amos 1:1-2, 5:14-15, 5:21-24

WE GATHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE A TIME FOR GATHERING AND QUIET MEDITATION

Welcome. We are so glad you have joined us for worship today.

We would love to connect with you and support

how God is moving in your life.

Please visit <u>www.saintjamespres.org/contact</u> to share how we can be of support!

*Please stand in body or in spirit

ORDER FOR WORSHIP

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Dr. Seth Thomas

CHORAL ANTHEM

"This Little Light of Mine" *Traditional*St. James Children's Choir

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Jean Seater

The Lord is just and kind, near to all who call.

Take courage, all you people, for I am with you, says the Lord.

The Lord has made known his victory; do not to be quickly shaken or alarmed.

Take courage, all you people, for I am with you, says the Lord.

Stand firm and hold fast to the traditions that you were taught.

Take courage, all you people, for I am with you, says the Lord.

And may our Lord Jesus Christ and God our Father,

who loved us and, through grace, gave us eternal comfort and good hope, comfort your hearts and strengthen them in every good work and word.

Take courage, all you people, for I am with you, says the Lord.

*HYMN OF PRAISE

"I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say" - GTG 182

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION
God, you call us to faithful living,
giving ourselves to you and to one another
after the example of Jesus.
Yet sin prevents us
from following your directions.
We pursue our own goals,
worship our own gods,
and place our hope in things
that cannot last.
Wash us anew.
Forgive us again.
Give us ears to hear your call

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S GRACE

and faith to follow where Christ leads.

*THE PEACE

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. **And also with you.**

WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

John 7:37-38 pg. 100

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON READING

Amos 1:1-2, 5:14-15, 5:21-24 pgs. 849, 854

*HYMN OF RESPONSE

"Ho, All Who Thirst" - GTG 479

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

JOYS & CONCERNS

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

THE 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY

"Arabesques"
Paul JeanJean
Jim Gresham, clarinet
Leah Bruno, piano

*DOXOLOGY "For the Life That You Have Given" - GTG 717 For the life that you have given, for the love in Christ made known, With these fruits of time and labor, with these gifts that are your own; Here we offer, Lord, our praises; heart and mind and strength we bring; Give us grace to love and serve you, living what we pray and sing.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*SINGING WELCOME AS CHILDREN RETURN TO SANCTUARY

Welcome, children, welcome, we are glad you're here. Welcome. children. welcome. *Now to God draw near.*

*HYMN OF COMMITMENT

"Glorious Things of Thee are Spoken" - GTG 81

WE GO INTO THE WORLD AS GOD'S AMBASSADORS

*BLESSING & CHARGE

POSTLUDE

As our worship concludes, our service begins.
We invite you to join us for fellowship following worship. Please introduce yourself to those new to you and extend a welcome of peace and friendship to everyone.

Next Week, November 16, 2025 "Isaiah: A Child is Born" Isaiah 9:1-7

PRAYERS, PRAISES, AND UPDATES

If you have a prayer request or update you would like to share, please email office@saintjamespres.org.

GODLY PLAY: The Prophets

This lesson is an introduction to the many prophets and what their work is. We hope you will join us at 10:15am for songs and memory verse time in the lounge. At 10:30 children will go downstairs to Godly Play, and adults will stay upstairs to worship. Children will be brought upstairs for the final hymn.

PUB THEOLOGY - TOMORROW

Join us on the 2nd and 4th Mondays from 6:30-7:30pm at Stemma West. 508 Carolina St., Bellingham. Childcare is available at Stemma. Jimmy and Jessica Parks will facilitate a discussion with questions related to last week's sermon as well as current events. This is not a lecture or Bible study, but an opportunity to have an open discussion in a relaxed, welcoming setting. Please reach out to jimmyjamesjimbo@gmail.com if you have any questions.

CHILDREN'S CHOIR - REHEARSAL AFTER SERVICE

Leah is hosting a brand new Children's Choir at St. James. Rehearsals will be held after church this month in the sanctuary. All children are welcome, even if you haven't attended a prior rehearsal.

YOUTH GROUP

Attention all middle and high school students, join us immediately after service until 2:00pm on Sunday November 16th for lunch and Angel Tree preparation.

COFFEE AND CONVERSATION

Want to be a part of an open conversation about life, theology, current events, and the Church? Grab coffee with Seth, Jessica, and Jimmy on Thursdays from 8:30-9:30 am at St. James in the Lounge.

LECTIONARY TEXTS

For anyone wishing to study the lectionary or worship texts for this week, November 9th:

John 7:37-38 (worship) Amos 1:1-2, 5:14-15, 5:21-24 (sermon) Haggai 1:15b-2:9

Luke 20:27-38

Psalm 145:1-5, 17-21

Psalm 17:1-9 Job 19:23-27

2 Thessalonians 2:1-5, 13-17

THIS WEEK AT ST. JAMES

Monday, 11/10 3:00pm, St. James Fitness

- if interested, speak with Mark Beaty 6:30pm, Pub Theology at Stemma West

Tuesday, 11/11 Office closed in observance of Veterans Day

Wednesday, 11/12 8:30am, Toddler Time

Thursday, 11/13 8:30am, Coffee & Conversation at St. James

4:00pm, St. James Fitness

- if interested, speak with Mark Beaty

6:00pm, Bell Choir rehearsal 7:00pm, Choir rehearsal

Next Sunday, 11/16 9:00am, Mission & Social Action

10:30am, In-person and streamed Sunday

Worship Service http://www.saintjamespres.org/live

11:30am, Children's Choir practice

12:00pm, Youth Group 12:00pm, Deacons

PROGRAMS SHARING OUR ST. JAMES FACILITY

AA Fairhaven Group...... Mondays/ Thursdays

Bayside Co-op Preschool...... Monday-Friday during the school year

Bellingham Community Chorus....... Tuesdays September-April Bellingham Ukulele Group (BUG).......... 1st Saturday of each month

Boy Scouts Troop 7...... Mondays
Happy Hour Al-Anon..... Tuesdays
Linda's Tai Chi..... Mondays

Little Sapling Music...... Wednesdays/ Thursdays quarterly

NOTES

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