MESSAGE NOTES SEPTEMBER 13 2020



God Wants Justice! *Roger Ellis, Lead Pastor* Amos 1 & 2, p.637

This fall we will be addressing the topic of justice from the words of Amos the prophet. As you are well aware, our nation is in an uproar (protests, violence, destruction of property, murder, accusations, blame...) with no agreeable solution in sight. What are we supposed to do? Where do we begin?

Amos' message to the nations:

1. Since God is sovereign, every nation is accountable to Him.

- 2. Since God sees everything, nothing escapes His notice.
- 3. Since God is just, there will be justice.
- 4. Since God has spoken, listening to Him is the place to begin.

THE **ONE THING:** *Listen to the roar!*

NEXT**STEPS**

- O Memorize Amos 5:24.
- O Listen to MLK's "I Have a Dream" speech.
- O Read Amos 1 & 2.
- O Pray for the repentance of the USA. [WARNING: Amos—for mature audiences only.]

DISCOVERY QUESTIONS FOR FAMILY OR GROUP DISCUSSION

Check-In: Since we last met, how did your "I will..." and sharing go?

- 1. What are you thankful for? What challenge or stress are you facing? How can we help? Do you know anyone who needs help at this time?
- 2. Read Luke 1:13-17 & 3:2-11 together (at least twice), and take turns retelling it in your own words as if sharing with a friend who isn't here.
- 3. What stands out to you and why? What do these verses tell us about God? What do these verses tell us about humanity/about us?
- 4. If this is God speaking, how will you apply it to your life? (Aim for a specific: **"I will..."** next step.)
- 5. Who will you share with before we meet again? (Name a specific person you want to **share with**.)

If you'd like to learn more about the discovery group process, connect with *marcus@oakwoodnow.org*

OAKWOOD ONLINE BULLETIN

SEPTEMBER 13

SUNDAY

SUNDAY SERVICE

9:00 AM ONLINE WELCOME

9:30 AM ONLINE & ON-SITE SERVICES BEGIN

- For those worshiping on-site, offering boxes are located at the lower outside entrance. If you're worshiping at home, check out the MANY WAYS TO GIVE TO OAKWOOD including online and text giving.
- Subscribe to the Oakwood <u>YOUTUBE CHANNEL</u>. Find our interactive worship service each Sunday morning.

CONNECTION CARD

- Guests, we're so glad you're participating with us! We'd love to connect with you and answer your questions! Click on the button above to get started.
- We ask all participants to stay connected and submit prayer requests through the **CONNECTION CARD**!
- Scroll to page 2 to follow along with the Message Notes.
- Scroll to page 3-4 for this week's worship music lyrics.

FAMILIES

SUNDAYS IN SEPTEMBER | 9:30 AM GATHERING PLACE AND LIVE STREAM

We're now offering family-focused programming for families with children in preschool and elementary school. CLICK HERE to read more.

CHILDREN

MESSAGE-BASED KIDS BULLETIN

Print this at home or pick one up Sunday morning. Plan to bring your own crayons or markers

STAY CONNECTED DURING THE WEEK

OUTDOOR WORSHIP EXPERIENCE SUNDAYS IN SEPTEMBER | 9:30 AM

Join us Sundays at 9:30 a.m. on the Oakwood lawn for outdoor worship and a message! Click **HERE** for more details. Our Online Worship Experience will continue on **YOUTUBE**. If you're joining us outdoors, bring chairs or a blanket. In the event of inclement weather, the worship experience, including the message, will be live streamed on our Oakwood **YOUTUBE CHANNEL**.

MIDDLE SCHOOL GAME NIGHT | SEPTEMBER 18 | 6:30-8 PM

PENEBAKER HOME, HARTLAND For 6th-8th graders. Click HERE for more information.

YOUTH GROUP WEDNESDAYS | 6:30-8 PM | MIDDLE SCHOOL ROOM

HIGH SCHOOL

WORSHIP & DEVOS WEDNESDAYS | 8-9 PM | HIGH SCHOOL ROOM

GROUPS

Find a group to connect with at Oakwood! With more than 20 options, there's something for everyone. **CLICK HERE** to view the list of groups, most of which start this week!

GROUP OPPORTUNITIES FALL 2020

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ADULTS SUICIDE PREVENTION

September is Suicide prevention month and Oakwood has a great resource to help you not only learn about the signs that someone you know may be thinking about suicide, but also ways that you can get them much needed help. **CLICK HERE** for the training entitled: *Suicide: Understanding It, Preventing It, and Caring for the Person who is Suicidal.*

PROPOSED BY-LAW REVISION

Due to coronavirus, the proposed by-law revisions from the elders was tabled to ensure we offered inperson Q&A opportunities. To read the by-law changes, click **HERE**.

In-Person Q&A opportunities:

September 14 | 6:30 p.m. | Gathering Place September 27 | 10:30 a.m. | Middle School Room

MISSIONS

FAMILY PROMISE | WAUKESHA

Is Family Promise of Waukesha County open? The answer is YES! Please visit

FAMILYPROMISEWAUKESHA.ORG to see how you can provide assistance with funding and volunteering.

SYMPATHY

Our deepest sympathies and prayers for: Joe & Sonja Anderson and family in the loss of Sonja's grandfather. Alan & Carolyn Hulliberger and family in the loss of Alan's dad. Gary & Laurie Weaver and family in the loss of Laurie's mother.