

A classical painting depicting a scene with several figures. In the center, a man wearing a turban and a woman in a red dress are engaged in conversation. To the left, a man in a blue robe is looking towards them. In the background, other figures are visible, including a man in a grey robe and a woman in a white dress. The scene is set in an interior space with a stone wall and a doorway in the background.

# Eight Sunday after Pentecost

*Year B*

2 Samuel 6:1-5, 12b-19 and Psalm 24 • Amos 7:7-15  
and Psalm 85:8-13 • Ephesians 1:3-14 • Mark 6:14-29

David and all the house of Israel were dancing before the LORD with all their might, with songs and lyres and harps and tambourines and castanets and cymbals.

2 Samuel 6:5



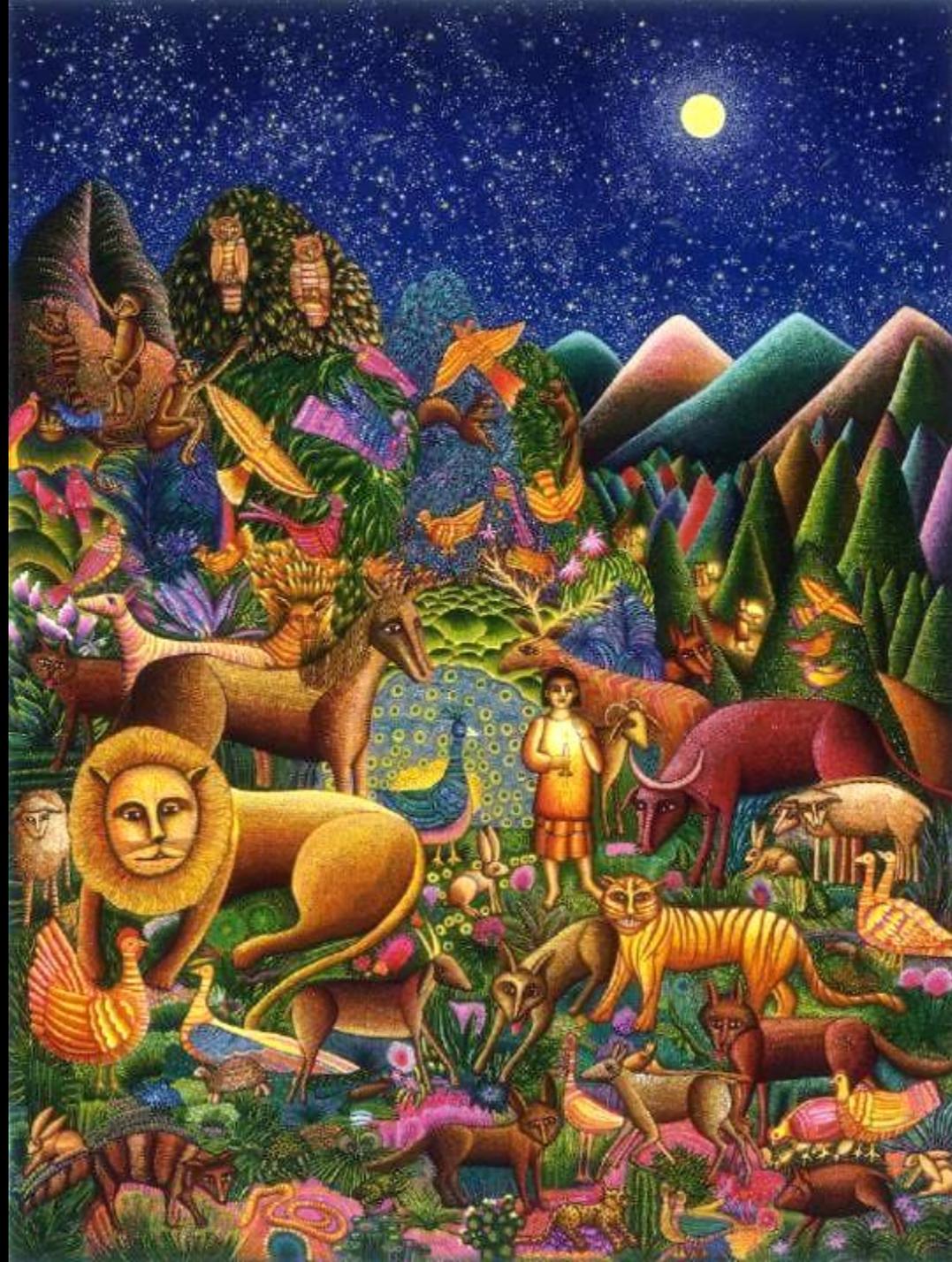
Celebration of Timket -- Addis Ababa, Ethiopia

The earth is the Lord's  
and all that is in it,  
the world, and those who live in it;

Psalm 24:1

Peaceable Kingdom

John August Swanson  
Seriograph, 1994



... Amos answered ... "the Lord took me from following the flock ... and said ... 'Go, prophesy to my people Israel.' "

Amos 7:14b, 15ac



The Prophet Amos, about 1250 - 1260, J. Paul Getty Museum, Los Angeles, CA

Faithfulness will spring up from  
the ground, and righteousness  
will look down from the sky.

Psalm 85:11

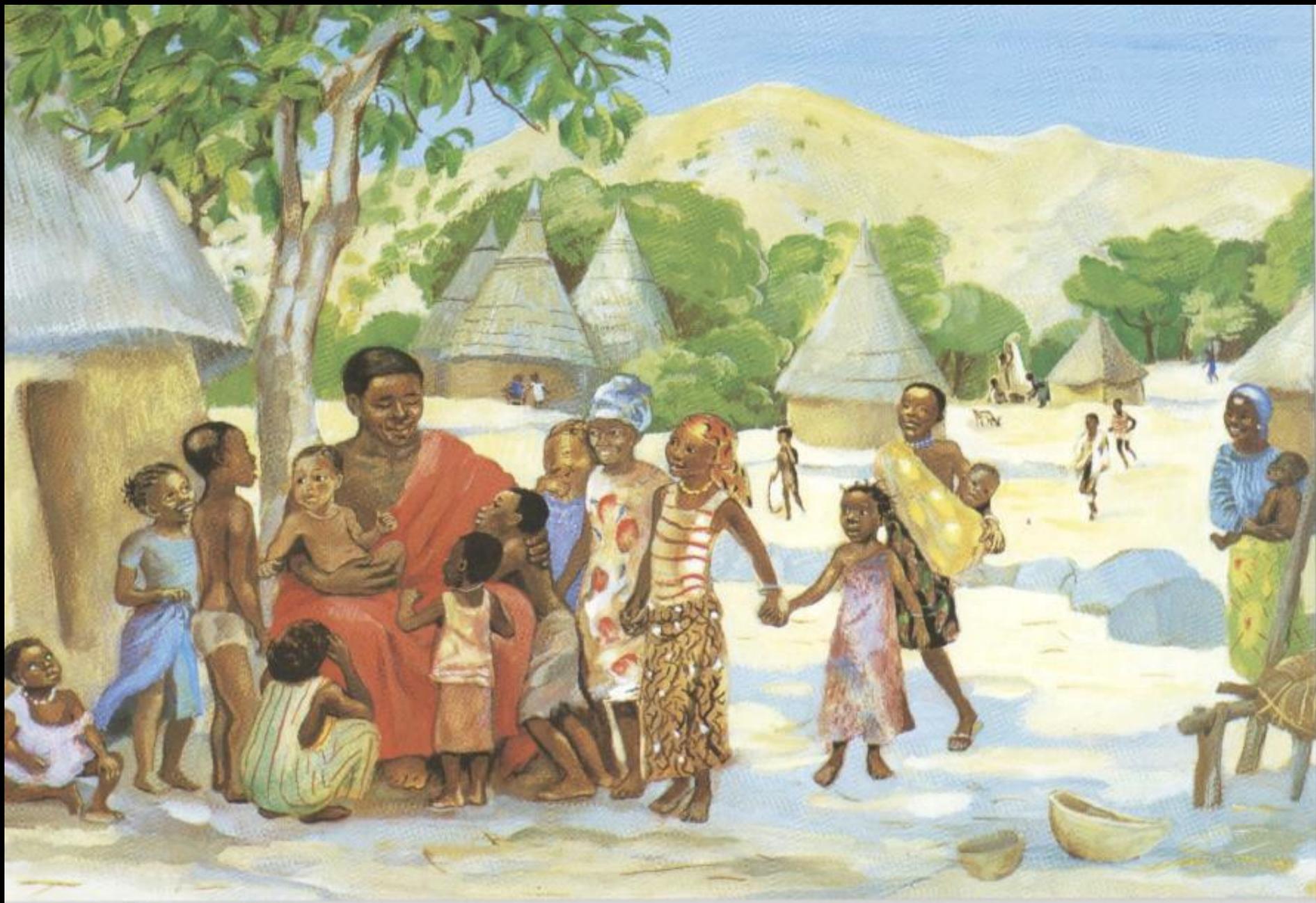
Landscape with  
Birches

Asher Durand  
Museum of Fine  
Arts  
Boston, MA



He destined us for adoption as his  
children through Jesus Christ ...

Ephesians 1:5a



Jesus Welcomes the Children -- JESUS MAFA

Herod ... sent men who arrested John ... For John had been telling Herod, "It is not lawful for you to have your brother's wife."

Mark 6:17a, 18



Jean the Baptist Preaching before Herod -- Pieter de Grebber, Palais des Beaux-Art, Lille, France

When his daughter Herodias ...  
danced ... the king said to the girl,  
"Ask me for whatever you wish,  
and I will give it."

Mark 6:22ac

Martyrdom and Death of  
John the Baptist

Amiens Cathedral  
Amiens, France





Salome Dances at the Feast of Herod -- Father Georges Saget, Keur Moussa Abbey, Senegal

She went out and said to her mother,  
"What should I ask for?" She replied,  
"The head of John the baptizer."

Mark 6:24



Herod's Banquet, detail

Museu Nacional d'Art de Catalunya  
Barcelona, Spain

... she rushed back to the king and requested, "I want you to give me at once the head of John the Baptist on a platter."

Mark 6:25



The Feast of Herod -- Lucas Cranach the Elder, Stadel, Frankfurt, Germany

When his disciples heard about it,  
they came and took his body, and  
laid it in a tomb.

Mark 6:29



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