Ash Wednesday

February 10, 2016
7:00 pm

Lent begins with a solemn call to fasting and repentance as we begin our journey to the baptismal waters of Easter. As we hear in today's readings, now is the acceptable time to return to the Lord. During Lent the people of God will reflect on the meaning of their baptism into Christ's death and resurrection. The sign of ashes suggests our human mortality and frailty. What seems like an ending is really an invitation to make each day a new beginning, in which we are washed in God's mercy and forgiveness. With the cross on our brow, we long for the spiritual renewal that flows from the springtime Easter feast to come.
WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

SOUNDING OF THE PŪ
Please gather as the sounding of the conch shell calls us to worship.

GATHERING, Voices of Aloha
“What a Wonderful World”

I see trees of green, red roses too. I see them bloom for me and you
And I think to myself what a wonderful world.
I see skies of blue and clouds of white, the bright blessed day,
the dark sacred night, and I think to myself what a wonderful world.
The colors of the rainbow so pretty in the sky,
Are also on the faces of the people passing by.
I see friends shaking hands, saying “How do you do?”
They’re really saying, “I love you.”
I hear babies cry and I watch them grow.
They’ll learn much more than I’ll ever know.
And I say to myself what a wonderful world.

RINGING OF THE BELL
During the Ringing of the Bell please center your thoughts on Makua—
God the Creator, Keiki Kane—Jesus Christ our Redeemer, and ‘Uhane
Hemolele—the Holy Spirit our Comforter.

GREETING, Kahu Tim
Kahu: The Lord be with you.
All: And also with you.
Your love is in heaven and your truth so perfect. I live in sorrow imprisoned; you are my light, your glory my support. Behold not with malevolence the sins of humankind, but forgive and cleanse. And so, O Lord, beneath your wings be our peace forever more.

In June 1895, after having been deposed from her throne in Hawai‘i, the imprisoned Queen Lili‘uokalani wrote a hymn to tell of her love of God, so great that she asked that even the sins of those who imprisoned her be forgiven.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

ALL: Almighty and ever-living God, you hate nothing you have made, and you forgive the sins of all who are penitent. Create in us new and honest hearts, so that, truly repenting of our sins, we may receive from you, the God of all mercy, full pardon and forgiveness
through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

WE HEAR THE WORD

CALL TO SCRIPTURE, Voices of Aloha

“Everything Beautiful”

God hath made ev’rything beautiful in its time.
Also God hath set a veil in their heart, so that no one can know all the work that God maketh from the beginning to the end.
God hath made ev’rything beautiful in its time.

FIRST READING

Isaiah 58: 1–12

Shortly after the return of Israel from exile in Babylon, the people were troubled by the ineffectiveness of their fasts. God reminds them that outward observance is no substitute for genuine fasting that results in acts of justice, such as feeding the hungry, sheltering the homeless, and clothing the naked. Sincere repentance will lead to a dramatic improvement of their condition.

ONE:

1 Shout out, do not hold back!
   Lift up your voice like a trumpet!
   Announce to my people their rebellion,
   to the house of Jacob their sins.
2 Yet day after day they seek me and delight to know my ways,
   as if they were a nation that practiced righteousness and did not forsake the ordinance of their God;
   they ask of me righteous judgments,
   they delight to draw near to God.
3 "Why do we fast, but you do not see?
   Why humble ourselves, but you do not notice?"
Look, you serve your own interest on your fast day, and oppress all your workers.

4 Look, you fast only to quarrel and to fight and to strike with a wicked fist. Such fasting as you do today will not make your voice heard on high.

5 Is such the fast that I choose, a day to humble oneself? Is it to bow down the head like a bulrush, and to lie in sackcloth and ashes? Will you call this a fast, a day acceptable to the LORD?

6 Is not this the fast that I choose: to loose the bonds of injustice, to undo the thongs of the yoke, to let the oppressed go free, and to break every yoke?

7 Is it not to share your bread with the hungry, and bring the homeless poor into your house; when you see the naked, to cover them, and not to hide yourself from your own kin?

8 Then your light shall break forth like the dawn, and your healing shall spring up quickly; your vindicator shall go before you, the glory of the LORD shall be your rear guard.

9 Then you shall call, and the LORD will answer; you shall cry for help, and he will say, Here I am.

If you remove the yoke from among you, the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil,

10 if you offer your food to the hungry and satisfy the needs of the afflicted, then your light shall rise in the darkness and your gloom be like the noonday.

11 The LORD will guide you continually, and satisfy your needs in parched places, and make your bones strong;
and you shall be like a watered garden,
like a spring of water,
whose waters never fail.

Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt;
you shall raise up the foundations of many generations;
you shall be called the repairer of the breach,
the restorer of streets to live in.

**PSALM sung responsively**

Psalm 51: 1–17

1 Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love;
in your great compassion blot out my offenses.

2 Wash me through and through from my wickedness,
and cleanse me from my sin.

3 For I know my offenses,
and my sin is ever before me.

4 Against you only have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight;
so you are justified when you speak and right in your judgment.

5 Indeed, I was born steeped in wickedness,
a sinner from my mother's womb.

6 Indeed, you delight in truth deep within me,
and would have me know wisdom deep within.

7 Remove my sins with hyssop, and I shall be clean;
wash me, and I shall be purer than snow.

8 Let me hear joy and gladness,
that the body you have broken may rejoice.

9 Hide your face from my sins,
and blot out all my wickedness.

10 Create in me a clean heart, O God,
and renew a right spirit within me.

11 Cast me not away from your presence,
and take not your Holy Spirit from me.

12 Restore to me the joy of your salvation
and sustain me with your bountiful Spirit.

13 Let me teach your ways to offenders,
and sinners shall be restored to you.

14 Rescue me from bloodshed, O God of my salvation,
and my tongue shall sing of your righteousness.

15 O LORD, open my lips,
and my mouth shall proclaim your praise.

16 For you take no delight in sacrifice, or I would give it.
You are not pleased with burnt offering.

17 The sacrifice of God is a troubled spirit;
a troubled and broken heart, O God,
you will not despise.

SECOND READING 2 Corinthians 5: 20b–6: 10

The ministry of the gospel endures many challenges and hardships. Through this ministry, God's reconciling activity in the death of Christ reaches into the depths of our lives to bring us into a right relationship with God. In this way, God accepts us into the reality of divine salvation.

One: We entreat you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. 21 For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God. 6:1 As we work together with him, we urge you also not to accept the grace of God in vain. 2 For he says, "At an acceptable time I have listened to you, and on a day of salvation I have helped you." See, now is the acceptable time; see, now is the day of salvation! 3 We are putting no obstacle in anyone's way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry, 4 but as servants of God we have commended ourselves in every way: through great endurance, in afflictions, hardships, calamities, beatings, imprisonments, riots, labors, sleepless nights, hunger; 6 by purity, knowledge, patience, kindness, holiness of spirit, genuine love, 7 truthful speech, and
the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for the left; in honor and dishonor, in ill repute and good repute. We are treated as impostors, and yet are true; as unknown, and yet are well known; as dying, and see—we are alive; as punished, and yet not killed; as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing everything.

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION standing**

“Turn My Heart, O God”

[Music notation]

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**GOSPEL standing**

Mathew 6: 1–6, 16–21

In the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus commends almsgiving, prayer, and fasting, but emphasizes that spiritual devotion must not be done for show.

KAHU: [Jesus said to the disciples:] "Beware of practicing your piety before others in order to be seen by them; for then you have no reward from your Father in heaven. So whenever you give alms, do not sound a trumpet before you, as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and in the streets, so that they may be praised by others. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward. But when you give alms, do not let your left hand know what your
right hand is doing, ⁴ so that your alms may be done in secret; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you. ⁵" And whenever you pray, do not be like the hypocrites; for they love to stand and pray in the synagogues and at the street corners, so that they may be seen by others. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward. ⁶ But whenever you pray, go into your room and shut the door and pray to your Father who is in secret; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you. ¹⁶" And whenever you fast, do not look dismal, like the hypocrites, for they disfigure their faces so as to show others that they are fasting. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward. ¹⁷ But when you fast, put oil on your head and wash your face, ¹⁸ so that your fasting may be seen not by others but by your Father who is in secret; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you. ¹⁹ "Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust consume and where thieves break in and steal; ²⁰ but store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust consumes and where thieves do not break in and steal. ²¹ For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also."

ALL: Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON, Kahu Tim

“Just Worship”

ANTHEM, Voices of Aloha

“Ekolu Mea Nui”

Faith is to believe in the Almighty Supreme,
God gave hope to all mankind to share a heaven’ly dream.
Aloha, love for all people that comes from loving things above.
Three great virtues are faith, hope and love.

INVITATION TO LENT, Kahu Tim
CONFESSION OF SIN, Kahu Tim

KAHU: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection and self-examination.

Most holy and merciful God,

ALL: we confess to you and to one another, and before the whole company of heaven, that we have sinned by our fault, by our own fault, by our own most grievous fault, in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone.

KAHU: We have not loved you with our whole heart, and mind, and strength.

ALL: We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We have not forgiven others as we have been forgiven.

KAHU: We have shut our ears to your call to serve as Christ served us.

ALL: We have not been true to the mind of Christ. We have grieved your Holy Spirit.

KAHU: Our past unfaithfulness, the pride, envy, hypocrisy, and apathy that have infected our lives, we confess to you.

ALL: Our self-indulgent appetites and ways, and our exploitation of other people, we confess to you.

KAHU: Our negligence in prayer and worship, and our failure to share the faith that is in us, we confess to you.

ALL: Our neglect of human need and suffering, and our indifference to injustice and cruelty, we confess to you.

KAHU: Our false judgments, our uncharitable thoughts toward our neighbors, and our prejudice and contempt toward those who differ from us, we confess to you.

ALL: Our waste and pollution of your creation, and our lack of concern for those who come after us, we confess to you.

Have mercy on us, O God. Restore us, O God, and let your
anger depart from us, for your mercy is great.

IMPOSITION OF ASHES, Kahu Tim

People may come forward and kneel or stand to receive the ashes. The presiding minister marks the forehead of each person with a cross of ashes, saying:

KAHU: Remember that you are dust, and to dust you shall return.

*After those who desire ashes have received them, all may sit, and the minister continues.*

KAHU: Accomplish in us, O God, the work of your salvation,
ALL: that we may show forth your glory in the world.
KAHU: By the cross and passion of your Son, of Savior,
ALL: bring us with all your saints to the joy of his resurrection.
KAHU: Almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us all our sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life.
ALL: Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH standing

KAHU: Hearing the call to return to the Lord, let us join the whole people of God in prayer for all who cry out in pain and in hope.

A brief silence.

Merciful Lord, where people ask, "Where is their God?" send your church.

ALL: Equip us with compassion and boldness to listen to our neighbors. Make our speech and actions witness to your eternal presence. Hear us, Aloha ke Akua (God is love; love is God).
KAHU: Merciful Lord, where the soil cries for rain, send relief.
ALL: *Restore depleted water tables and cleanse waterways around the world. Teach us to treasure all creation as you do. Hear us, Aloha ke Akua.*

KAHU: Merciful Lord, where terror shouts, send peace.
ALL: *Deliver all from the threat of bloodshed and the trauma of violence. Reconcile nation with nation and neighbor with neighbor. Wash us in your peace. Hear us, Aloha ke Akua.*

KAHU: Merciful Lord, where bellies rumble, send food.
ALL: *Bless Lutheran World Relief, Angel Network Charities, and all who work to ensure no one goes to bed hungry. Provide for all who suffer in body, mind, or spirit. Hear us, Aloha ke Akua.*

KAHU: Merciful Lord, when hearts and minds call for you, send faithful disciples.
ALL: *Walk with all who prepare for baptism. Uphold them with a community rooted in your word and nourished by bread and wine. Hear us, Aloha ke Akua.*

KAHU: Merciful Lord, where death stings, send comfort.
ALL: *Be with all who mourn. In the midst of their sorrow and pain, sustain their trust in the eternal life you give. Hear us, Aloha ke Akua.*

KAHU: To you, gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your boundless mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.
ALL: Amen.

Anyone desiring individual prayer and intercessions please contact Kahu Tim or members of the Stephen Ministry team at the conclusion of the worship service.

**PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS,**  “Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah”

-Men of the Voices of Aloha-
Guide me, O thou great Jehovah, pilgrim through this barren land; 
I am weak, but thou art mighty—hold me with thy powerful hand: 
Bread of heaven, Bread of heaven, feed me till I want no more.

Open now the crystal fountain, whence the healing stream doth flow; 
Let the fire and cloudy pillar lead me all my journey through; 
Strong Deliverer, strong Deliverer, be thou still my strength and shield.

When I tread the verge of Jordan, bid my anxious fears subside; 
Bear me through the swelling current, land me safe on Canaan’s side: 
Songs of praises, songs of praises I will ever give to thee.

DOXOLOGY standing

“Ho‘onani i ka Makua Mau”

Ho‘onani i ka Makua mau. Ke keiki me ka ‘Uhane nō. 

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise God, all creatures here below. 

OFFERING PRAYER standing

KAHU: God our provider, you have not fed us with bread alone, but 
with words of grace and life. Bless us and these your gifts, 
which we receive from your bounty, through Jesus Christ 
our Lord. Amen.

WE ARE FED

GREAT THANKSGIVING standing

The Lord be with you. And also with you.
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

SANCTUS standing

The Sanctus and Words of Institution are sung following, “...we praise your name and join their unending hymn.”

Let all mortal flesh keep silence And with fear and trembling stand;
In the night his friends betrayed him Jesus took the bread of life.
King of kings yet born of Mary, as of old on earth he stood.
Then he took the cup of blessing, thanked the Lord for this sweet wine.
At his feet the six-winged seraph, cherubim with sleepless eye,

Ponder nothing earthly minded, For with blessing in his hand
Blessed and broke it for all people given to end human strife.
Lord of lords in human vesture, in the body and the blood.
Gave it to bewildered followers; Sacrament of peace divine.
Veil their faces to the presence As with ceaseless voice they cry:

Christ our God to earth descending Comes our homage to demand.
Take and eat this is my body. Do this to remember me.
He will give to all the faithful his own self for heavy food.
Take and drink this cup, my love out-poured. Do this to remember me.
“Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia, Lord Most High!”
THE LORD'S PRAYER in unison

ALL:  Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

At Calvary by the Sea all those who have a relationship with Jesus Christ and those who are seeking such a relationship are invited to experience the real presence of Christ in the sacrament of Holy Communion. You are invited to follow the direction of the Kahu and come forward to encircle the altar area. There are kneelers for those who prefer to kneel. Dip the bread in either the red wine or the white grape juice and then eat the element.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION seated

KAHU:  O God, we thank you for gathering and feeding us as a mother hen embraces her young. Release us now to go on our way in these forty days,

ready to see our work as prayer,
ready to fast from complacency,
and ready to share with those in need;

through Jesus Christ our Lord.

ALL:  Amen.

WE ARE SENT

SENDING HYMN 328 standing  “Restore In Us, O God”
BENEDICTION AND SENDING, Kahu Tim

Kahu: The blessing of God Almighty,
    the wisdom and power of + Christ Jesus,
    and the light of the Holy Spirit
    be among you and remain with you always.

All: Amen.

Kahu: Go forth into the world to serve God with gladness;
    be of good courage;
    hold fast to that which is good;
    render to no one evil for evil;
    strengthen the fainthearted;
    support the weak;
    help the afflicted;
    honor all people;
    love and serve God, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.

All: Thanks be to God.

GO FORTH IN SILENCE
Today, February 10, 2016

MINISTERS: All Members of Calvary by the Sea
KAHU: Tim Mason
WORSHIP AND THE ARTS: Tom Poole
ORGANIST AND PIANIST: Ina Young
MUSIC: Voices of Aloha, Mark Yasuhara, director
INSTRUMENTALISTS: Marc Adelberger, Charlie Holdaway, Bruce Kau, Amie Lawyer, Jon Osorio, Tim Sprowls
READER, USHERS AND COMMUNION ASSISTANTS, ALTAR CARE: Tribe Two
WORSHIP PRODUCTION SUPPORT: Fletcher Young, Erin Day


LENTEN SERVICES

Every Wednesday in Lent—Midweek Lenten Service
(February 17, 24; March 2, 9, 16)

6 pm, Holden Evening Prayer in Sanctuary
6:30 pm, Soup Supper in Hale Aloha
Sunday, February 14—Lent 1

Preaching, Kahu Tim
Music, Calvary Choir, “Shut de Dō”

Sunday, February 21—Lent 2

Worship 8:30 am
Annual Meeting 9:00 am
Holy Communion Following

Saturday, February 27—Lent 2

6:30—7:30 pm, Sanctuary
Preaching, Kahu Tim
Music, Tom and Friends

Sunday, February 28—Lent 3

Installation of Council of Deacons
Preaching, Kahu Tim
Music, Samoan Gospel Heralds (10 am)

Sunday, February 28—Organ Dedication Recital

6 pm, Sanctuary
Organist, Ina Young, “Suite Maritime”
Chili and Rice afterwards

Saturday, March 5—Lent 3

Preaching, Kahu Tim
Music, Tom and Friends
**Sunday, March 6—Lent 4**
*Preaching, Kahu Tim
Music, Calvary Choir, “This Little Light of Mine”*

**Saturday, March 12—Lent 4**
*Preaching, Kahu Tim
Music, Tom and Friends*

**Sunday, March 13—Lent 5**
*Preaching, Kahu Tim
Music, Marty Haugen*

**Saturday, March 19—Lent 5**
*Preaching, Kahu Tim
Music, Ina Young*

**HOLY WEEK**

**Sunday, March 20—Passion Sunday**
*Ti leaf Processional and Braiding
Preaching, Kahu Tim
Music, Mark Hayes and Calvary Choir*

**Thursday, March 24, 7 pm—Maundy Thursday**
*Foot-washing, Holy Communion, Stripping of Altar
Preaching, Kahu Tim
Music, Calvary Choir, “What Have We Done?”*
**Friday, March 25, 7 pm—Good Friday**

“Words of Grace,” a Cantata by Bruce Kau
*The Calvary Choir*

**Saturday, March 26—Holy Saturday**

*Preaching, Kahu Tim*

*Music, Tom and Friends*

**Sunday, March 27—Easter Morn**

**6 am—Ocean-side Sunrise Service and Holy Communion**

*Preaching, Kahu Tim*

**7:30 am—Easter Worship**

*Sung Liturgy and Holy Communion*

*Preaching, Kahu Tim*

**10:00 am—Calvary Worship**

*Preaching, Kahu Tim*

*Music, Calvary Choir, “My Eternal King,”
  “Sing Them Over Again to Me,”
  “Hallelujah Amen”*