5th Sunday of Easter

April 29, 2018

10:00 am

God calls us to be a welcoming people! Welcome to people new to faith, to Christians of every flavor, and to long time Lutherans. Welcome to all with no church home, who need strength, want to follow, have doubts, or do not believe. Welcome to new guests and old friends. Welcome to people of every age and size, color and culture, ability and gift, to gay and straight, to old and young, to believers and questioners, and questioning believers. This is a place where we live past the labels, where we are welcome to celebrate and grieve, rejoice and recover. This is a place where our lives are made new. Welcome to worship God on this day!
WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

This Sunday's image of how the risen Christ shares his life with us is the image of the vine. Christ the vine and we the branches are alive in each other, in the mystery of mutual abiding that we read of in the gospel and the first letter of John. Baptism makes us a part of Christ's living and life-giving self and makes us alive with Christ's life. As the vine brings food to the branches, Christ feeds us at his table. We are sent out to bear fruit for the life of the world.

SOUNDING OF THE PŪ

Please gather as the sounding of the conch shell calls us to worship.

GATHERING, Ina

“Alleluia! Sing to Jesus”

A TIME TO BE STILL (RINGING OF THE BELL)

During the Stillness and 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 standing

KAHU: Alleluia. Christ is risen!
ALL: Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!
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THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM, Tom

KAHU: Just as God's work of creation never ends,
so the gifts received in baptism are renewed every day.
Let us give thanks together for the life given in baptism.

KAHU: We give you thanks, O God, for the waters of life:
ALL: for water to bathe in, water to drink,
for water to play in and water that creates havoc,
for water that inspires fear and wonder, for water
that brings us together and gives life to our planet.

KAHU: We give you thanks, O God, for the waters of this place:
ALL: for rain, for our aquifer, for water from our tap,
for the waters flowing from the mountains to the
bays, and for the vast ocean surrounding us.

KAHU: We give you thanks for your salvation through water:
ALL: for delivering Noah and his family through the
flood, for leading your people Israel through the
sea into freedom, for preserving your prophet
Elijah through the time of drought, for guiding
your people across the Jordan into a new land, for
quenching the Samaritan woman's thirst with
living water, for guiding the sailing vessels that
first came to these islands by the stars.

KAHU: We give you thanks for the life of all the baptized, and for all who gather here:

ALL: for godparents and baptismal sponsors, for children and grandchildren, for those newly baptized, for our brothers and sisters in Christ whom we have never seen but to whom we are bound.

KAHU: We give you thanks for life in Christ through your Holy Spirit:

ALL: for our entry into Jesus' death through these waters, for our new birth into a life of freedom and service, for our calling to be your people, sent out for the life of the world. We give you thanks, blessed and holy Trinity, now and forever. Amen.

KAHU: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

ALL: And also with you.

GATHERING SONG standing

“Pili Paʻa”

“Pili Paʻa,” printed on page 5, was composed by Joe Camacho as the theme song for the 2008 Big Island Liturgy and Arts Conference. Joe, who is a friend of Calvary by the Sea, grew up in the Kapahulu area of Oʻahu, and currently lives in Volcano, on Hawaiʻi.

Joe Camacho also composed today’s Gospel Acclamation “Faithful, Faithful Is Our God” (Ka Manaʻo 'iʻo) as the theme song for the 1999 Big Island Liturgy and Arts Conference. It is found on page 8.

Refrain

Pi-li pa-‘a no kā-u-a, me ke-a-lo-ha a mau lo-a.

Verses

1. And in our one-ness we are called to be the chil-dren of the Lord:

One in our hopes, one in our faith, one in our love.

2. And in our walk we are called to be the serv-ants of the Lord:

To vis-it the sick, to clothe the poor, to feed the lost.

3. We share this prayer, prayer of thanks to bless this bread and cup of wine

fruit of the vine, grain of the fields, work of our hands.

4. And as we go forth from this place we go as signs of the liv-ing God:

Signs of new hope, signs of new life, of a new day!
PRAYER OF THE DAY *standing*

**ALL:** O God, you give us your Son as the vine apart from whom we cannot live. Nourish our life in his resurrection, that we may bear the fruit of love and know the fullness of your joy, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

KEIKI SERMON, *Kelly Holden*

Following the *Keiki Sermon* the children are dismissed to attend Sunday School.

GREETING OF GUESTS AND SHARING OF ALOHA *standing*

**KAHU:** May God’s aloha be with you.

**ALL:** And also with you.

WE HEAR THE WORD

FIRST READING, *Chaplain David*  
Isaiah 44: 6–20

**ONE:** 6Thus says the LORD, the King of Israel, and his Redeemer, the LORD of hosts: I am the first and I am the last; beside me there is no god.

7Who is like me? Let them proclaim it, let them declare and set it forth before me. Who has announced from of old the things to come?
Let them tell us what is yet to be.

Do not fear, or be afraid;
have I not told you from of old and declared it?
You are my witnesses!
Is there any god besides me?
There is no other rock; I know not one.

All who make idols are nothing, and the things they delight in do not profit; their witnesses neither see nor know. And so they will be put to shame.

Who would fashion a god or cast an image that can do no good? Look, all its devotees shall be put to shame; the artisans too are merely human. Let them all assemble, let them stand up; they shall be terrified, they shall all be put to shame.

The ironsmith fashions it and works it over the coals, shaping it with hammers, and forging it with his strong arm; he becomes hungry and his strength fails, he drinks no water and is faint.

The carpenter stretches a line, marks it out with a stylus, fashions it with planes, and marks it with a compass; he makes it in human form, with human beauty, to be set up in a shrine.

He cuts down cedars or chooses a holm tree or an oak and lets it grow strong among the trees of the forest. He plants a cedar and the rain nourishes it. Then it can be used as fuel. Part of it he takes and warms himself; he kindles a fire and bakes bread. Then he makes a god and worships it, makes it a carved image and bows down before it.

Half of it he burns in the fires; over this half he roasts meat, eats it and is satisfied. He also warms himself and says, “Ah, I am warm, I can feel the fire!” The rest of it he makes into a god, his idol, bows down to it and worships it; he prays to it and says, “Save me, for you are my god!”

They do not know, nor do they comprehend; for their eyes are shut, so that they cannot see, and their minds as well, so that they cannot understand.

No one considers, nor is there knowledge or discernment to say, “Half of it I burned in the fires; I also baked bread on its coals, I roasted meat and have eaten. Now shall I make the rest of it an abomination? Shall I fall down before a block of wood?”

He feeds on ashes; a deluded mind has led him astray, and he cannot save himself or say, “Is not this thing in my right hand a fraud?”
GOSPEL ACCLAMATION standing

“Ka Mana’o ʽIʻo”

Ka ma-na-ʻo-ʻi-ʻo, o ko kā-kou A-ku-a, Faith-ful, faith-ful is our God.

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GOSPEL standing

John 15: 1–8

On the night of his arrest, Jesus taught his disciples about the relationship they would have with him. Those who abide in his word and love would bear fruit, for apart from him, they could do nothing.

KAHU: [Jesus said:] ¹“I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinegrower. ²He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit. ³You have already been cleansed by the word that I have spoken to you. ⁴Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. ⁵I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing. ⁶Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. ⁷If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. ⁸My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples.”

ALL: Praise to you, O Christ.

“One of the most beloved hymns among protestants in America, “How Great Thou Art,” was composed in 1885 by Carl G. Boberg in Swedish (“O store Gud). It was translated into German in 1907, and two decades later translated from German into Russian. Baptists in Poland published it in 1927 in Polish. Stuart K. Hine, a Methodist missionary in the Ukraine, learned the Russian setting and made an English version. In 1954 George Beverly Shea saw this hymn during a Billy Graham Crusade in London, and used it in the 1955 Billy Graham Crusade in Toronto, after which it became identified with Shea, Barrows, and Billy Graham.

“The Apostles’ Creed”

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God’s only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

“Rejoicing in the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ, we pray for the witness of the church, the wholeness of all creation, and all who are in need.”

A brief silence.
For ministries that nurture faith formation.

**ALL:** For missionaries and Bible study leaders. For those who are seeking, questioning, or curious. For seminarians, campus ministers, and the newly baptized, let us pray, *Aloha ke Akua* (God is love; love is God).

**KAHU:** For the beauty and health of the earth.

**ALL:** For vineyards and orchards, groves and plains. For rain forests and arctic tundra. For volcanoes and mountains, hills and valleys. For oceans deep and rivers wide, let us pray, *Aloha ke Akua*.

**KAHU:** For spears to be beat into pruning hooks.

**ALL:** For harsh words to be reformed into loving speech. For bombs and sniper attacks to cease. For justice and peace in every land, let us pray. *Aloha ke Akua*.

**KAHU:** For homeless youth and rejected children.

**ALL:** For isolated grandparents and lonely nursing home residents. For the shamed, the slighted, and the disregarded members of our communities. For all the sick, let us pray, *Aloha ke Akua*.

**KAHU:** For all who live with post-traumatic stress disorder and postpartum depression.

**ALL:** For all who struggle with eating disorders and anorexia. For all who suffer in silence and all who suffer alone, let us pray. *Aloha ke Akua*.

*W.H.A.L.E.*, a time of thanks for answered prayer and prayer requests.

**KAHU:** In thanksgiving for all the mystics and theologians who live eternally with you.

**ALL:** For those we mourn and those we would rather forget. For the kingdom on earth to be as it is in heaven, let us pray. *Aloha ke Akua*. 
KAHU:  We entrust all our prayers to you, gracious God. Receive them by the power of the Holy Spirit and the love of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

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, Calvary Choir “Abide, O Spirit of Life”

DOXOLOGY standing  “Ho‘onani i ka Makua Mau”


OFFERING PRAYER standing

KAHU:  Be known to us, O Lord, in the breaking of the bread, as you were made known to the disciples. Receive these gifts, and the offering of our lives, that we may be your risen body in the world. Amen.

WE ARE FED

GREAT THANKSGIVING standing

The Lord be with you. And also with you.
The Sanctus is sung following, “...we praise your name and join their unending hymn.”

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory, Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.
KAHU: In the night in which he was betrayed our Lord Jesus Christ took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples saying: “Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.”

In a similar manner, after supper, Jesus took the cup, gave thanks and gave it for all to drink, saying: “This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.”

THE LORD'S PRAYER (Contemporary setting)

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 standing

KAHU: Life-giving God, in the mystery of Christ’s death and resurrection you send light to conquer darkness, water to give new life, and the bread of heaven to nourish your people. Send us forth as witnesses to Jesus’ resurrection that we may show your glory to all the world; through the same Jesus Christ, our risen Lord. Amen.
WE ARE SENT

SENDING HYMN 390 standing

“The Risen Christ”

Nigel Weaver, the writer of this hymn text, was born in London in 1952 and emigrated with his parents to Canada in 1966. He wrote this hymn “during the gathering of the Hymn Society in Toronto in 1993.” Nigel says he wrote the text overnight inspired by a benediction given by Diane Strickland on the Saturday afternoon of that Hymn Society meeting. The benediction is a paraphrase of the traditional Celtic prayer. It is used below.

BENEDICTION AND SENDING, Tom and Chaplain David

KAHU: May the Christ who walks on wounded feet
walk with you on the road.

May the Christ who serves with wounded hands
stretch out your hands to serve.

May the Christ who loves with a wounded heart
open your hearts to love.

May you see the face of Christ in everyone you meet,
and may everyone you meet see the face of Christ in you.

ALL: Amen.

KAHU: Almighty God,
Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit,
bless you now and forever.

Go in peace. Share the good news.

ALL: Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

GOING FORTH, Ina

“Song of Peace”
INTERCESSIONS FOR HEALING

Individual and private Intercessions for Healing will be offered today following the morning worship by members of the Stephen Ministry. Please go to the back of the sanctuary following the Benediction for anointing and intercessory prayers for healing. Calvary by the Sea, in its ministry of healing, does not replace the gifts of God that come through the scientific community nor does it promise a cure. Rather Calvary by the Sea offers and celebrates gifts such as these: God’s presence with strength and comfort in time of suffering, God’s promise of wholeness and peace, and God’s love embodied in this community of faith.

Calvary by the Sea welcomes to the pulpit today the Rev. David G. Kegler, Chaplain with Pacific Health Ministry serving at Queen’s Medical Center. Chaplain David, a native of Philadelphia, is a graduate of Boston University (B.Mus.) and Andover Newton Theological Seminary (M.Div.). He completed a year’s residency in Clinical Pastoral Education at the University of Pennsylvania Health System in Philadelphia. Currently, he is continuing his Clinical Pastoral Education with the Pacific Health Ministry, at Queen’s Hospital.
Today, April 29, 2018

MINISTERS: All Members of Calvary by the Sea
KAHU: Tim Mason
GUEST SPEAKER: Rev. David Kegler, Chaplain with Pacific Health Ministry serving at Queen’s Medical Center
WORSHIP AND THE ARTS: Tom Poole
ORGANIST AND PIANIST: Ina Young
MUSIC: David Kegler; Calvary Choir
INSTRUMENTALISTS: Edwin Ahlers, Charlie Holdaway, Chris Jansen, Bruce Kau, Amie Lawyer, Jon Osorio, Tim Sprowls
READER, USHERS, COMMUNION ASSISTANTS AND ALTAR CARE: Tribe One

Saturday, May 5—Twilight Worship
Calvary Sanctuary, 6:30 pm

Holden Evening Prayer and Holy Communion

Sunday, May 6—Easter 6
Confirmation Sunday

Preaching, Kahu Tim
Music, Calvary Choir, “Prayer of Richard of Chichester”

Sunday, May 6—4 pm
Prayer Vigil and Concert for Korean Peninsula

Featuring Nackil Sung