6th Sunday of Easter

May 25, 2014
7:30 and 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

Jesus does not leave his followers orphaned. Through the Holy Spirit Jesus comes to abide with his disciples of every generation. As Pentecost draws near, we are reminded that the risen Christ dwells in us as the Spirit of truth. We receive this Spirit in baptism and pray that in our gathering around the Lord's table the Spirit will transform us to be the body of the risen Christ in the world.

SOUNDING OF THE PŪ

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

GATHERING organ

“Christ is Alive!”

RINGING OF THE BELL

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

GREETING, Tom

KAHU: Alleluia! Christ is risen!
ALL: Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!
KAHU: May the love of God, the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
ALL: And also with you.
CONFESSION OF SIN, Tom

KAHU: Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God,
    the life beyond all death,
    the joy beyond all sorrow,
    our everlasting home.

ALL: Amen.

KAHU: Rejoicing in Christ’s victory over sin and death, let us come before God who calls us to repentance.

Silence is kept for reflection.

God of life,

ALL: by the resurrection of your Son you make everything new.

Newness scares us.

We shut our doors.
We choose to live in fear.
We continue old behaviors.
We discredit voices that challenge us.
We resist the Holy Spirit moving us in new ways.
We are slow to believe your promises.

Forgive us, O God, and renew us to embrace without fear the new life you have given us in Jesus Christ.
Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

KAHU: People of God:

Christ is alive, and death has lost its power. Through the waters of baptism you have been born anew by the living word of God. Know that your sins are forgiven in + Jesus' name and that the Spirit of the risen Christ is alive in you both now and forever.

ALL: Amen.
Verses

1. In love there is no one more faithful than our God,
2. In quiet moments God whispers tenderly
3. The mercy of our God is ours to share each day,

who brings the light into our darkness,
the mystery of unending love;

the God who shares the breath of life in you and me,
for God is good and holds us as we sleep

to be God’s hands and heart, God’s tenderness and care,

all living things upon the earth.
then wakes us with the morning light.

God’s faithful people in the world.
PRAYER OF THE DAY *standing*

**ALL:** Almighty and ever-living God, you hold together all things in heaven and on earth. In your great mercy receive the prayers of all your children, and give to all the world the Spirit of your truth and peace, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

GREETING OF GUESTS *seated*

SHARING OF ALOHA *standing*

**KAHU:** The Lord be with you.

**ALL:** And also with you.

WE HEAR THE WORD

FIRST READING  
Acts 17: 22–31

In Athens, Paul faces the challenge of proclaiming the gospel to Greeks who know nothing of either Jewish or Christian tradition. He proclaims that the "unknown god" whom they worship is the true Lord of heaven and earth who will judge the world with justice through Jesus, whom God has raised from the dead.

**ONE:**  

Then Paul stood in front of the Areopagus and said, "Athenians, I see how extremely religious you are in every way.  

For as I went through the city and looked carefully at the objects of your worship, I found among them an altar with the inscription, 'To an unknown god.' What therefore you worship as unknown, this I
proclaim to you. 24 The God who made the world and everything in it, he who is Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in shrines made by human hands, 25 nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mortals life and breath and all things. 26 From one ancestor he made all nations to inhabit the whole earth, and he allotted the times of their existence and the boundaries of the places where they would live, 27 so that they would search for God and perhaps grope for him and find him—though indeed he is not far from each one of us. 28 For 'In him we live and move and have our being'; as even some of your own poets have said, 'For we too are his offspring.' 29 Since we are God's offspring, we ought not to think that the deity is like gold, or silver, or stone, an image formed by the art and imagination of mortals. 30 While God has overlooked the times of human ignorance, now he commands all people everywhere to repent, 31 because he has fixed a day on which he will have the world judged in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed, and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead."

SECOND READING

1 Peter 3: 13–22

*Christians have a zeal for doing what is right in God’s eyes no matter what the circumstances because in baptism we are saved and made alive. Thus our Christian beliefs and behavior are to be a matter of public record just as our baptism is.*

**ONE:** 13 Now who will harm you if you are eager to do what is good? 14 But even if you do suffer for doing what is right, you are blessed. Do not fear what they fear, and do not be intimidated, 15 but in your hearts sanctify Christ as Lord. Always be ready to make your defense to anyone who demands from you an accounting for the hope that is in you; 16 yet do it with gentleness and reverence. Keep your conscience clear, so that, when you are maligned, those who abuse you for your good conduct in Christ may be put to shame. 17 For it is better to suffer for doing good, if suffering should be God's will, than to suffer for doing evil. 18 For Christ also suffered
for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit, in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were saved through water. And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you — not as a removal of dirt from the body, but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION standing

“Ka Mana’o ʻIʻo”

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

GOSPEL standing

John 14: 15–21

In final words to his disciples on the night of his arrest, Jesus encourages obedience to his commandments and speaks of the Spirit, who will be with them forever.

KAHU: [Jesus said to the disciples:] 15 If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you. I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you. In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me; because I live, you also will live. On that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. They
who have my commandments and keep them are those who love me; and those who love me will be loved by my Father, and I will love them and reveal myself to them."

ALL: Praise to you, O Christ.

KEIKI SERMON (10:00 am), Tom

SERMON, Tim Sprowls

SERMON HYMN 756 standing “Eternal Father, Strong to Save”

APOSTLES’ CREED standing

ALL: 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.

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH standing

KAHU: Made alive in Christ and filled with his Spirit, let us pray for the church, the world, and all of God’s creation.
A brief silence.

You abide with your church, O God. Empower us with your Spirit, so that your people speak and live the love revealed in Jesus. Hear us, O God.

**ALL:** Aloha ke Akua. (*God is love; love is God.*)

**Kahu:** You abide with your creation, O God. Breathe on fields and forests, lakes and oceans, and all living things so that they thrive as you intend. Hear us, O God.

**ALL:** Aloha ke Akua.

**Kahu:** You abide with the nations, O God. Reveal your truth, so that nations and peoples govern in peace and advocate for justice. Hear us, O God.

**ALL:** Aloha ke Akua.

**Kahu:** You abide with the needy, O God. Cheer the sorrowful, protect the orphan, support the grieving, and heal the sick. Hear us, O God.

**ALL:** Aloha ke Akua.

**Kahu:** You abide with the fearful, O God. Transform fear into freedom for the life Christ has promised. Hear us, O God.

**ALL:** Aloha ke Akua.

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

**Kahu:** We remember, O God, those who have died in the faith. Assure us of your life-giving Spirit until that day when we will abide with you forever. Hear us, O God.

**ALL:** Aloha ke Akua.

**KAHU:** Receive our prayers, merciful God, and dwell in us richly, through Jesus Christ, our life and our redeemer.

**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, organ (7:30)

Calvary Choir (10:00)

“What a Friend We Have in Jesus”

“Hoʻola Nani”

Fairest Lord Jesus, ruler of all nature, O thou of God and man the Son,
Thee will I cherish, thee will I honor, thou, my soul’s glory, joy, and crown.

Fair are the meadows, fairer still the woodlands, robed in the blooming garb of spring:
Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer, who makes the woeful heart to sing.

Beautiful Savior! Lord of the nations! Son of God and Son of man!
Glory and honor, praise, adoration, now and forevermore be thine!

DOXOLOGY standing

“Hoʻonani i ka Makua Mau”

Hoʻonani 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: Blessed are you, O God, ruler of heaven and earth. Day by day you shower us with blessings. As you have raised us to new life in Christ, give us glad and generous hearts, ready to praise you and to respond to those in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

WE ARE FED

GREAT THANKSGIVING standing

KAHU: The Lord be with you.
ALL: And also with you.

KAHU: Lift up your hearts.

ALL: We lift them to the Lord.

KAHU: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

ALL: It is right to give God thanks and praise.

**SANCTUS standing**

“Song of the Body of Christ”

The Sanctus is sung following, “...we praise your name and join their unending hymn.”

We come to share our story, we come to break the bread,

We come to know our rising from the dead.

We are called to heal the broken, to be hope for the poor,

You will lead and we shall follow, you will be the breath of life;

We will live and sing “Aloha.” “Alleluia” is our song.

we are called to feed the hungry at our door.

living water, we are thirsting for your light.

May we live in love and peace our whole life long.

“Song of the Body of Christ,” text by David Haas; music, traditional Hawaiian, “No Ke Ano ’Ahi’ahi.”

Music used by permission (One.License.net A-714410).

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 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:** Loving God, by your Spirit we are born anew, and you nourish us like newborns with this holy food, by which we grow into salvation. Give us grace to live as your risen daughters and sons, shining in the world with your marvelous light, until you gather all creation to the heavenly table where Christ reigns in glory forever.

**ALL:** Amen.

---

**WE ARE SENT**

**SENDING HYMN standing**

“The Lives”

The *Sending Hymn* is printed on pages 14-15.
GOING FORTH,  *Calvary Choir* (10:00)  “Military Service Medley”

All veterans and families are invited to stand when the song from their branch of service is sung.

BENEDICTION AND SENDING,  *Tom*

KAHU: The God of all grace, who has called you to eternal glory in Christ, restore, support, strengthen, and + bless you by the power of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

ALL: Amen.

KAHU: Go in peace. Share the good news.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

Today, May 25, 2014

MINISTERS: All Members of Calvary by the Sea

KAHU: Tim Mason

GUEST PREACHER: Tim Sprowls

WORSHIP AND THE ARTS: Tom Poole

ORGANIST AND PIANIST: Ina Young

MUSIC: Calvary Choir

READER, USHERS, COMMUNION ASSISTANTS AND ALTAR CARE: Tribe Two: Renee Ako

WORSHIP PRODUCTION SUPPORT: Fletch Young, John Holdaway

SENDING HYMN standing

“He Lives”

I serve a risen Savior, he’s in the world today;
In all the world around me I see his loving care;
Rejoice, rejoice, O Christian, lift up your voice and sing

I know that he is living, whatever some may say;
and though my heart grows weary, I never will despair;
Eternal hallelujahs to Jesus Christ the King!

I see his hand of mercy, I hear his voice of cheer;
The hope of all who seek him, the help of all who find,

and just the time I need him—he’s always near;
the day of his appearing will come at last;
one other is so loving, so good and kind.
Refrain

He lives, he lives, Christ Jesus lives today!

He walks with me and talks with me along life's narrow way.

He lives, he lives, salvation to impart!

You ask me how I know he lives? He lives within my heart.


The BENEDICTION AND SENDING continues on page 13.
WORSHIP SERVICES AHEAD

**Sunday, June 1 — 7th Sunday of Easter**
Recognition of Graduates

*Preaching*, Lea and Del del Castillo

**Sunday, June 8 — Pentecost Sunday**

*Preaching*, Kahu Tim
*Music*, Calvary Choir, “Ev’ry Time I Feel the Spirit”

**Friday, June 13 — Beyond These Doors!**

“A Fundraising Concert for the College Bound”

6:30 pm, Calvary Sanctuary

Performers Include:

Jon Osorio, Bruce Kau, Tim Sprowls, Charlie Holdaway and Martha Staff, Nackil Sung, Erin and Monika Day, Amie Lawyer, Adam Sylvester, and Members of the Calvary Choir and the Calvary Seaside Band!

**Sunday, June 15 — Trinity Sunday**

*Preaching*, Kahu Tim
*Music*, Calvary Choir