Resurrection of Our Lord

April 5, 2015
6:00 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 year many congregations may choose to read John's resurrection account over Mark's, because Mark's gospel ends so abruptly, with astonishment and fear rather than joyful proclamation. Yet Mark may speak to our experience more directly than the other gospels. Corinthians and Acts fill out the story by telling of appearances of the risen Christ. Peter says we "ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead." And so do we, in a foretaste of the mountaintop feast where death will be no more.

SOUNDING OF THE PŪ

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

GREETING, Kahu Tim

KAHU: Alleluia. Christ is risen!
ALL: Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!
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Verses

1. In love there is no one more faithful than our God, who brings the light into our darkness, the God who shares the breath of life in you and me, all living things upon the earth.

2. In quiet moments God whispers tenderly, to help each other on our way, for God is good and holds us as we sleep, then wakes us with the morning light.

3. The mercy of our God is ours to share each day, the mystery of unending love; to be God's hands and heart, God's tenderness and care, God's faithful people in the world.

CONFESSION OF SIN, *Kahu Tim*

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

**ALL:** Amen.

**KAHU:** Let us confess our sins, trusting that God will forgive us and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

Faithful and just God,

**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:

In this is love, not that we loved God but that God loved us and sent the Son to atone for our sins. In the name of + Jesus Christ, I announce to you that your sins are forgiven. Let the perfect love of God cast out fear, fill you with joy, and inspire you to live for others.

**ALL:** Amen.
PRAYER OF THE DAY standing

ALL: God of mercy, we no longer look for Jesus among the dead, for he is alive and has become the Lord of life. Increase in our minds and hearts the risen life we share with Christ, and help us to grow as your people toward the fullness of eternal life with you, 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 and SHARING OF ALOHA standing

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

WE HEAR THE WORD

FIRST READING Acts 10: 34–43

Peter crosses the immense religious and social boundary that separates Jews from Gentiles in order to proclaim the good news of Jesus’ life, death, and resurrection, so that God’s forgiveness in Jesus’ name would reach out to the Gentiles just as it had to Jews.

ONE: Then Peter began to speak to them: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil,
for God was with him. 39 We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; 40 but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. 42 He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. 43 All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

**PSALM read responsively**

**ONE:** Give thanks to the L ORD, for the L ORD is good; God's mercy endures forever.

**ALL:** 2 Let Israel now declare, "God's mercy endures forever."

**ONE:** 14 The L ORD is my strength and my song, and has become my salvation.

**ALL:** 15 Shouts of rejoicing and salvation echo in the tents of the righteous: "The right hand of the L ORD acts valiantly!"

**ONE:** 16 The right hand of the L ORD is exalted! The right hand of the L ORD acts valiantly!"

**ALL:** 17 I shall not die, but live, and declare the works of the L ORD.

**ONE:** 18 The L ORD indeed punished me sorely, but did not hand me over to death.

**ALL:** 19 Open for me the gates of righteousness; I will enter them and give thanks to the L ORD.

**ONE:** 20 "This is the gate of the L ORD; here the righteous may enter."

**ALL:** 21 I give thanks to you, for you have answered me and you have become my salvation.

**ONE:** 22 The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone.

**ALL:** 23 By the L ORD has this been done; it is marvelous in our eyes.

**ONE:** 24 This is the day that the L ORD has made;

**ALL:** let us rejoice and be glad in it.
SECOND READING

The core of the Christian faith and Paul’s preaching is the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. As the crucified and risen Christ appeared to the earliest of his followers, so we experience the presence of the risen Lord in the preaching of this faith.

ONE: Now I would remind you, brothers and sisters, of the good news that I proclaimed to you, which you in turn received, in which also you stand, through which also you are being saved, if you hold firmly to the message that I proclaimed to you—unless you have come to believe in vain. For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me has not been in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them—though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. Whether then it was I or they, so we proclaim and so you have come to believe.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION standing

“Ka Mana‘o ‘I‘o”

The resurrection of Jesus is announced, and the response is one of terror and amazement.

KAHU: When the sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint him. 2 And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. 3 They had been saying to one another,

ALL: "Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?"

KAHU: 4 When they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had already been rolled back. 5 As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man, dressed in a white robe, sitting on the right side; and they were alarmed. 6 But he said to them,

ALL: "Do not be alarmed; you are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has been raised; he is not here. Look, there is the place they laid him. 7 But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him, just as he told you."

KAHU: 8 So they went out and fled from the tomb, for terror and amazement had seized them; and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

ALL: Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON, Kahu Tim

“The STONE Has Been REMOVED!!”

SERMON HYMN standing

“Jesus Christ Is Risen Today”

Jesus Christ is ris’n today, Al-le-lu-ia!
Our triumphant holy day, Al-le-lu-ia!
Who did once upon the cross, Al-le-lu-ia!
Suffer to redeem our loss. Al-le-lu-ia!

Hymns of praise then let us sing, Al-le-lu-ia!
Unto Christ, our heav’nly king, Al-le-lu-ia!
Who endured the cross and grave, Al-le-lu-ia!
Sinners to redeem and save. Al-le-lu-ia!

Sing we to our God above, Al-le-lu-ia!
Praise eternal as his love; Al-le-lu-ia!
Praise him, all you heav’nly host, Al-le-lu-ia!
Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Al-le-lu-ia!

**AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** *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:** Confident that the resurrection of Christ has defeated sin and death, we offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all people in need.

*A brief silence.*

Holy God, raise up leaders in your church who preach salvation
through the death and resurrection of Christ. Inspire us to go and tell this good news throughout the world. Lord, hear our prayer.

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

**KAHU:** Holy God, you make yourself known in your creation: in oceans and lakes, in mountains and valleys, in deserts and reefs, in fish, plants and animals, and in those who care for what you have made. Lead us and all your creatures to proclaim that this is the day that the Lord has made. Lord, hear our prayer.

**ALL:** Aloha ke Akua.

**KAHU:** Holy God, you desire that all people live in peace. Guide all in authority at the local, state, national, and international levels, that they show no partiality in their care and concern. Lord, hear our prayer.

**ALL:** Aloha ke Akua.

**KAHU:** Holy God, you wipe away the tears of all who cry to you in distress. Console those who are afraid, protect those who are persecuted, bring healing to all who suffer in mind, body, or spirit, and comfort those who mourn. Lord, hear our prayer.

**ALL:** Aloha ke Akua.

**KAHU:** Holy God, you choose us to be witnesses to your love. Bless visitors among us today, those celebrating Easter with family and friends, and those who travel during this holiday time. Lord, hear our prayer.

**ALL:** Aloha ke Akua.

**KAHU:** Holy God, you have swallowed up death forever through the resurrection of your Son. Make us confident that we will feast at your heavenly banquet with those who have died and are now at rest. Lord, hear our prayer.

**ALL:** Aloha ke Akua.

**KAHU:** Holy God, by the death and resurrection of your Son, you have granted new life, abundant renewal, and salvation. Hear our prayers for the sake of the one who has set us free, Jesus Christ our Lord.

**ALL:** Amen.
PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS, piano

“O Mighty God”

DOXOLOGY standing

“Ho‘onani i ka Makua Mau”

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


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.

All: 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.

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 standing

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 the altar area. 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, we give you thanks for nourishing us with the bread of heaven and the wine of love, Jesus our risen Savior. As you send us into the world, guard us from the power of evil, keep us in unity with all your people, and by your Spirit move us to testify to your grace in our words and actions; through Christ our Lord.

ALL: Amen.
WE ARE SENT

SENDING HYMN standing “Joy to the World”

Joy to the world, the Lord is come! Let earth receive her king;
Let ev’ry heart prepare him room and heav’n and nature sing,
And heav’n and nature sing,
And heav’n and heav’n and nature sing.

Joy to the earth, the Savior reigns! Let all their songs employ,
While fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains,
Repeat the sounding joy, repeat the sounding joy,
Repeat, repeat the sounding joy.

No more let sin and sorrow grow nor thorns infest the ground;
He comes to make his blessings flow
Far as the curse is found, far as the curse is found,
For as, far as the curse is found.

He rules the world with truth and grace
And makes the nations prove the glories of his righteousness
And wonders of his love, and wonders of his love,
And wonders, wonders of his love.

BENEDICTION AND SENDING, Kahu Tim

KAHU: Alleluia! Christ is risen!
ALL: Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!
KAHU: Almighty God, who raised our Lord Jesus from death,
      lift you up and
      restore you to wholeness.
All: Amen.
Kahu: Jesus Christ, the Word of life,
      bless you and
send you to be his witnesses.

All: Amen.
Kahu: God the Holy Spirit, who renews the whole earth, refresh you in the gift of baptism this day and always.

ALL: Amen.
KAHU: Go in peace. Share the good news. Alleluia!
ALL: Thanks be to God. Alleluia!
Today, April 5, 2015

MINISTERS: All Members of Calvary by the Sea
KAHU: Tim Mason
WORSHIP AND THE ARTS: Tom Poole
ORGANIST AND PIANIST: Ina Young
READER, USHERS, COMMUNION ASSISTANTS AND ALTAR CARE: Calvary Congregation
WORSHIP PRODUCTION SUPPORT: Fletcher Young, Erin Day

WORSHIP and EVENTS AHEAD

Sunday, April 12—Easter 2

Preaching, Kahu Tim  
Music, Nā Leo Kamaliʻi (Calvary Montessori School)

Sunday, April 19—Easter 3

Preaching, Kahu Tim  
Music, Samoan Gospel Heralds (10 am service)

Saturday, April 25—ANC FUNDRAISER

“ANC Homeless Companion”

Calvary Sanctuary  
Food and beverage can be purchased.

Sunday, April 26—Easter 4

In Honor of Earth Day  
Preaching, Kahu Tim  
Music, Calvary Choir, “Everything Beautiful”

Sunday, May 3—Easter 5  

Preaching, Kahu Tim  
Music, Calvary Choir, “Lamb of God”