



Calvary by the Sea Lutheran Church

“Sharing the Blessing of God’s Grace with Aloha”

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Saturday Sunset Worship

7th Sunday of Easter

May 12, 2018

6:30 pm

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

The gospel for Easter's seventh Sunday is always taken from the long prayer Jesus prays for his followers in John's gospel on the night before his death, and always includes Jesus' desire that his followers will be one as he and the Father are one. This oneness is not mere doctrinal agreement or institutional unity, but mutual abiding, interpenetrating life, mutual love and joy. This oneness is the work of the Spirit whom we have received but also await. Come, Holy Spirit!

SOUNDING OF THE PŪ

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

GATHERING—A TIME TO BE STILL, *Tom*

“Prelude in C Major”

During the *Stillness* 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, *Kahu Tim*

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 your planet.**

KAHU: We give you thanks, O God, for the *waters of this place*:

**ALL: for rain, for your 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 by the stars the sailing**

vessels that first came to these islands.

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*

“Ka Mana‘o ‘I‘o”
(Faithful, Faithful Is Our God)

REFRAIN



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



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

VERSES



1. In love there is no one more faith - ful than our God,
2. In qui - et mo - ments — God whis - pers ten - der - ly
3. The mer - cy of our God is ours to share each day,



who brings the light in - to our dark - ness,
the mys - t'ry of un - end - ing love; —
to help each oth - er on our way, —



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 ten - der - ness and care,



all liv - - - ing things u - pon the earth.
then wakes us with the morn - ing light.
God's faith - - - ful peo - ple in the world.

“*Ka Mana’o ‘I’o* (Faithful, Faithful Is Our God)” was composed as the theme song for the 1999 **Big Island Liturgy and Arts Conference**. The composer Joe Camacho, who is a friend of Calvary by the Sea, grew up in the Kapahulu area of O’ahu, and currently lives in Volcano, on Hawai’i. The refrain of this song is also used as today’s “Gospel Acclamation.”

PRAYER OF THE DAY *standing*

ALL: Gracious and glorious God, you have chosen us as your own, and by the powerful name of Christ you protect us from evil. By your Spirit transform us and your beloved world, that we may find our joy in your Son, 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: May God's aloha be with you.

ALL: **And also with you.**

WE HEAR THE WORD

FIRST READING

Acts 1: 15–17, 21–26

In the days between Jesus' ascension and Pentecost, Peter oversees the process whereby one of the members of the community of believers is chosen to be the twelfth apostle, in order to fill the vacancy created by Judas's treachery and death.

ONE: ¹⁵In those days Peter stood up among the believers (together the crowd numbered about one hundred twenty persons) and said, ¹⁶"Friends, the scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit through David foretold concerning Judas, who became a guide for those who arrested Jesus—¹⁷for he was numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry." ²¹So one of the men who have accompanied us during all the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, ²²beginning from the baptism of John until the day when he was taken up from us—one of these must become a witness with us to his resurrection." ²³So they proposed two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also known as Justus, and Matthias. ²⁴Then they prayed and said, "Lord, you know everyone's heart. Show us which one of these two you have chosen ²⁵to take the place in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside to go to his own place." ²⁶And they cast lots for them, and the lot fell on Matthias; and he was added to the eleven apostles.

¹Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel | of the wicked,
**nor lingered in the way of sinners,
nor sat in the seats | of the scornful!**

²Their delight is in the law | of the LORD,
and they meditate on God's teaching | day and night.

³They are like trees planted by streams of water,
bearing fruit in due season,
with leaves that | do not wither;
everything they | do shall prosper.

⁴It is not so | with the wicked;
they are like chaff which the wind | blows away.

⁵Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when | judgment comes,
nor the sinner in the council | of the righteous.

⁶For the LORD knows the way | of the righteous,
but the way of the wicked shall | be destroyed.

SECOND READING

1 John 5: 9–13

God has borne witness to the gift of eternal life in Jesus Christ. Whoever believes in the Son of God believes in the witness of God and has the promise of eternal life.

ONE: ⁹If we receive human testimony, the testimony of God is greater; for this is the testimony of God that he has testified to his Son. ¹⁰Those who believe in the Son of God have the testimony in their hearts. Those who do not believe in God have made him a liar by not believing in the testimony that God has given concerning his Son. ¹¹And this is the testimony: God gave us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. ¹²Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son of God

does not have life.

¹³I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, so that you may know that you have eternal life.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION *standing*

“Ka Mana‘o ‘I‘o”



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GOSPEL *standing*

John 15: 9–17

On the night of his arrest, Jesus delivers a final testimony to his disciples to help them in the days ahead. Here, he repeats the most important of all his commands, that they love one another.

KAHU: [Jesus said:] ⁹“As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. ¹⁰If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. ¹¹I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete.

¹²“This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. ¹³No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. ¹⁴You are my friends if you do what I command you. ¹⁵I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I

have heard from my Father. ¹⁶You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. ¹⁷I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another."

KAHU: The Gospel of the Lord.

ALL: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON, *Kahu Tim*

“GRACE IS TRUTH”

SERMON HYMN 596 *standing*

“My Hope Is Built...”

Edward Mote (1797-1874), born in England, wrote this hymn in 1834 on his way to work. He was a cabinet maker. At the age of fifty-five Mote became the minister of the Baptist Church in Sussex where he served for the next twenty-one years of his life. The tune was composed in 1864 by William Bradbury, a native of Maine who studied music at the Boston Academy of Music.

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *standing*

“The Apostles’ Creed”

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: *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.

End divisions within your church, O God.

ALL: Open us to receive your testimony and to follow your guidance. Make us one as you are one. Make our joy complete. Hear us, O God, Aloha ke Akua (God is love; love is God).

KAHU: *Nourish the soil and waters of your earth, holy God.*

ALL: Bless the trees and plants growing by the water, and bless the seeds planted by birds and by our hands. Bring forth fruit in due season. Hear us, O God, Aloha ke Akua.

KAHU: *We pray for warring nations, political refugees, and peacekeepers.*

ALL: Wash away the fear and hatred that tear us apart. Let justice roll down like a mighty stream. Quench our thirst for peace in every land. Hear us, O God, Aloha ke Akua.

KAHU: *We pray for those in our midst who are homeless, naked, hungry, imprisoned, abandoned, or sick.*

ALL: Equip and send us to shelter, clothe, feed, and visit those in need. Make us your healing and compassionate presence in the world. Hear us, O God, Aloha ke Akua.

KAHU: *We pray for mothers we love and mothers we struggle to love.*

ALL: For adoptive mothers, stepmothers, and foster mothers. For those who long to be mothers. For everyone who has mothered us in the faith. Give rest, healing, wisdom, and strength, mothering God. Hear us, O God, *Aloha ke Akua*.

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

KAHU: *You give us eternal life in your Son.*

ALL: When doubts and fears arise, give us peace in the resurrection promise. Sanctify us in your truth and unite us with all the saints. Hear us, O God, *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, *Tom* “Healer of Broken Hearts”

DOXOLOGY *standing* “Ho‘onani i ka Makua Mau”

Ho‘onani i ka Makua mau. Ke keiki me ka ‘Uthane nō.
Ke Akua mau ho‘omaika‘i pū. Kō kēia ao kō kēlā ao. Amene.

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise God, all creatures here below.
Praise God above, ye heav'nly host. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

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*

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 our 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 (contemporary) *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.

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.

ALL: 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 found below.

BENEDICTION AND SENDING, *Kahu Tim*

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.

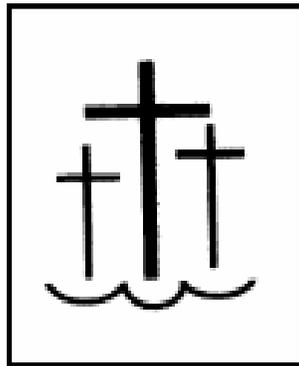
May you see the face of Christ in everyone you meet,
and may everyone you meet see the face of Christ in you.

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!



WORSHIP

Sunday, May 13—Easter 7

Preaching, Kahu Tim

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING @ 10:45 am

Saturday, May 19—Pentecost Eve

Congregation Hymn Sing

Sunday, May 20—Pentecost

PAC Sunday (both services)

Officiating, Rev. Dave Hendrickson

Music, Drama, Dance, Performing Arts @ Calvary

Saturday, May 26—Trinity Sunday Eve

Preaching, Kahu Tim

Music, Tom

Sunday, May 27—Trinity Sunday

Preaching, Kahu Tim

Music, Calvary Choir, “God So Loved the World”