6th Sunday after Epiphany

February 12, 2017
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

In today's reading from Deuteronomy we are called to choose life by loving and obeying God. Much of today's gospel reading echoes portions of the Ten Commandments. Jesus' instructions to the crowd reveal a pattern of behavior that honors both God and the neighbor, resulting in life and health for the whole community. We, too, are invited to embrace these commandments, not out of fear of retribution, but because God has promised that to do so means life for us.

SOUNDING OF THE PŪ

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

GATHERING, Ina

“A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing”

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:** Rejoice, for we no longer walk in darkness!

**ALL:** Thanks be to God!

**KAHU:** May the light of Christ,
the radiance of God,
and the fire of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**ALL:** And also with you.

**CONFESSION OF SIN, Kahu Tim**

**KAHU:** Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God,
who stretches out the heavens,
who sends light to the nations,
who gives breath to us all.

**ALL:** Amen.

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

Silence is kept for reflection.

Loving God,

**ALL:** we confess that we have turned from your way to follow our own desires.

Forgive us for the times we have spoken or acted too quickly, and for the times we have not spoken or acted at all.

We have hurt those closest to us; we have hurt those we have yet to know;

We have both thought more about ourselves than others; and less of ourselves than we ought.

Turn us around. Give us a fresh start,
so that we can live again as your children. Amen.
ASSURANCE OF PARDON, Kahu Tim

KAHU: Even when we have done wrong, God makes us right.
Even when we have messed up, God puts us together.

*God’s love never runs out.*
*God never tires of calling us beloved children.*

Hear God say to you now:

*Your sins are forgiven,*
*for the sake of + Jesus Christ our Savior.*

ALL: Amen.

PRAYER OF THE DAY standing

ALL: O God, the strength of all who hope in you, because we are weak mortals we accomplish nothing good without you. Help us to see and understand the things we ought to do, and give us grace and power to do them, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

KEIKI SERMON, Kahu Tim

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.
1. Come, all you weary ones, who walk the journey;
2. Come, all who struggle hard, all who are hopeful;
3. Come, all you rich and poor, all who are challenged;
4. Come all you single ones, all who are married;
5. Come, all you young and old, all male and female;
6. Come, all you anxious ones, who fear the future;

1-6 Know you are welcome at the table of the Lord.

Come, bring your burdens here, find love and mercy.
Come with your tired hearts, come find new passion.
Come all who live in shame, we are your family.
Come, you who've lost your spouse, all who are lonely.
Come, love of every kind, it does not matter.
Come, all from east and west, we stand together.

With Christ before us, we gather as his friends!
With Christ within us, we find new life again!
With Christ beside us, we no longer are alone!
With Christ our brother, we are loved and made whole!
With Christ, all people are one in God's name!
With Christ we rise now, to sing the reign of God!

1-6 All is ready, here and now; all are welcome here!

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WE HEAR THE WORD

FIRST READING

Deuteronomy 30: 15–20

The Lord sets before the people of God a clear choice. Life and prosperity will come to the faithful; loss of the land will be the consequence of disobedience. Choosing life entails loving and holding fast to the Lord. Life in God’s presence presupposes the promise made to the ancestors.

ONE: [Moses said to the people] 15 See, I have set before you today life and prosperity, death and adversity. 16 If you obey the commandments of the LORD your God that I am commanding you today, by loving the LORD your God, walking in his ways, and observing his commandments, decrees, and ordinances, then you shall live and become numerous, and the LORD your God will bless you in the land that you are entering to possess. 17 But if your heart turns away and you do not hear, but are led astray to bow down to other gods and serve them, 18 I declare to you today that you shall perish; you shall not live long in the land that you are crossing the Jordan to enter and possess. 19 I call heaven and earth to witness against you today that I have set before you life and death, blessings and curses. Choose life so that you and your descendants may live, 20 loving the LORD your God, obeying him, and holding fast to him; for that means life to you and length of days, so that you may live in the land that the LORD swore to give to your ancestors, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob.

PSALM sung responsively

Psalm 119: 1–8

1 Happy are they whose way is blameless, who follow the teaching of the LORD!

2 Happy are they who observe your decrees and seek you with all their hearts,

3 who never do any wrong,
but always walk in your ways.

4 You laid down your commandments, that we should fully keep them.

5 Oh, that my ways were made so direct that I might keep your statutes!

6 Then I should not be put to shame, when I regard all your commandments.

7 I will thank you with a true heart, when I have learned your righteous judgments.

8 I will keep your statutes; do not utterly forsake me.

SECOND READING 1 Corinthians 3: 1–9

Human leaders in the church are not the ones who control ministry. Rather they are fellow workers who belong to God, the one who truly controls and continuously empowers the ministry of the church.

ONE: 1 Brothers and sisters, I could not speak to you as spiritual people, but rather as people of the flesh, as infants in Christ. 2 I fed you with milk, not solid food, for you were not ready for solid food. Even now you are still not ready, 3 for you are still of the flesh. For as long as there is jealousy and quarreling among you, are you not of the flesh, and behaving according to human inclinations? 4 For when one says, "I belong to Paul," and another, "I belong to Apollos," are you not merely human? 5 What then is Apollos? What is Paul? Servants through whom you came to believe, as the Lord assigned to each. 6 I planted, Apollos watered, but God gave the growth. 7 So neither the one who plants nor the one who waters is anything, but only God who gives the growth. 8 The one who plants and the one who waters have a common purpose, and each will receive wages according to the labor of each. 9 For we are God's servants, working together; you are God's field, God's building.
GOSPEL ACCLAMATION 677 standing “This Little Light of Mine”

This little light of mine, I’m goin’ a let it shine (3x)
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine!

GOSPEL standing  

Matthew 28: 16–20

After his resurrection, Jesus summons his remaining disciples and commissions them to baptize and teach all nations in the name of Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

KAHU: 16 Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. 17 When they saw him, they worshiped him; but some doubted. 18 And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. 19 Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, 20 and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age."


ALL: Praise to you, O Christ.

MESSAGE, Katie Kam

SERMON HYMN 650 standing “In Christ There Is No East or West”

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: Called to be a light to the nations, let us pray for God’s justice, peace, and healing.

A brief silence.

_Holy Lord-God, you alone are God._

ALL: Remove jealousy and quarreling between Christian denominations. Hold us in the unity of our baptism as we work together to serve you. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

KAHU: _Creator God, you called into being the first fruits of the earth._

ALL: Guide gardeners and farmers who till the soil and tend the fields. Bless their work and in due season bring forth the bounty of the land. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

KAHU: _All-loving God, your love knows no bounds._

ALL: Break down barriers caused by nationalism. Challenge our stereotypes. Give us courage to engage in difficult conversations with those whose experiences are different from our own. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

KAHU: _Compassionate God, pour out your Holy Spirit on all who struggle._

ALL: Ease the pain of families affected by divorce. Grant life-giving work to all who seek employment. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

KAHU: _All-knowing God, you know every hair on our heads._
ALL: Yet we do not even know each of our neighbors. Equip our outreach ministry and this assembly to get to know the people in our community. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

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

KAHU: Eternal God, you are the God of our ancestors in faith.

ALL: You are our God. Keep us faithful until we join all the saints at your heavenly banquet. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

KAHU: Receive these prayers in the name of Christ, the light of the world, who is one with you and the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

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 “Just a Closer Walk With Thee”

I am weak but thou art strong. Jesus keep me from all wrong.
I’ll be satisfied as long as I walk, let me walk, close to thee.

Through this world of toil and snares, if I falter, Lord, who cares?
Who with me my burden share? None but thee, dear Lord, none but thee.

Just a closer walk with thee, Jesus, grant my humble plea!
Daily walking close to thee, let it be, dear Lord, let it be.

When the journey here is o’er, time for me will be no more.
Guide me to thy distant shore, to thy shore, oh dear Lord, to thy shore.

Just a closer walk with thee....

DOXOLOGY standing “Ho‘onani i ka Makua Mau”


OFFERING PRAYER standing

KAHU: Merciful God, receive the gifts we bring,
our selves,
our time,
and our possessions.
Through this meal unite us as your body,
shining with the light of your justice and mercy;
for the sake of him who gave himself for us,
Jesus Christ our 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 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 (traditional)

ALL: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. 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 Morning Star, fair and bright, you have refreshed us again with heavenly food. You are our dearest treasure.

Go with us now—
today, tomorrow, every day—
that we tell the story of your never-ending love and sing your praise both now and forever.

ALL: Amen.
WE ARE SENT

SENDING HYMN 668 *standing*  
“O Zion, Haste”

BENEDICTION AND SENDING, *Kahu Tim*

Kahu: The God of glory dwell in you richly,  
name you beloved,  
and shine brightly on your path;  
And the blessing of almighty God,  
the Father,  
the + Son,  
and the Holy Spirit  
be upon you and remain with you always.

All: *Amen.*

Kahu: Go in peace. Be the light of Christ.

All: *Thanks be to God.*

GOING FORTH, *Ina*  
“Christ Is Alive!”
Today, February 12, 2017

MINISTERS: All Members of Calvary by the Sea
KAHU: Tim Mason
GUEST SPEAKER: Katie Kam
WORSHIP AND THE ARTS: Tom Poole
ORGANIST AND PIANIST: Ina Young
MUSIC: Calvary Choir
INSTRUMENTALISTS: Marc Adelberger, Edwin Ahlers, Charlie Holdaway, Chris Jansen, Bruce Kau, Amie Lawyer, Jon Osorio, Tim Sprowls

ALTAR CARE, READERS, USHERS, COMMUNION ASSISTANTS: Tribe Three—Leslie Dorman and Mary Osorio; Hannelore Hermann, Rosemary Hollatz, Thea Johanos–Kam, Karen Sisler, Cheryl Tuitele, Jewell Tuitele

WORSHIP PRODUCTION SUPPORT: Fletcher Young, Erin Day

Services Ahead

Saturday, February 18—Epiphany 7
6:30—7:30 pm, Sunset Worship in ‘Ohana Hale

Preaching, Kahu Tim
Music, Tom

ANNUAL MEETING

Sunday, February 19—Epiphany 7

One Morning Worship Service, 8:30 am
Annual Meeting, 9:00 am
Holy Communion and Baptism at Conclusion of Meeting

Saturday, February 25—Transfiguration
6:30—7:30 pm, Sunset Worship in ‘Ohana Hale

Preaching, Kahu Tim
Music, Ms. Amie, Tom

Sunday, February 26—Transfiguration

Preaching, Kahu Tim
Music, The Emelio’s (10 am)