The Holy Trinity

May 31, 2015
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

When we say God is the triune God, we are saying something about who God is beyond, before, and after the universe: that there is community within God. Our experience of this is reflected in Paul's words today. When we pray to God as Jesus prayed to his Abba (an everyday, intimate parental address), the Spirit prays within us, creating between us and God the same relationship Jesus has with the one who sent him.

SOUNDING OF THE PŪ

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

GATHERING, Mele Mai Paki Lima

“Fancye”

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: Precious children of God:
    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.
GATHERING HYMN 413  “Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty”

CONFESSION OF SIN, Kahu Tim

KAHU: Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God,
    the Creator of wind and rain, field and ocean,
    the Bread of Life coming down from above,
    the Power at work within us and this world.

ALL: Amen.

KAHU: Before God and in the company of our sisters and brothers, let us confess our sin.

    Silence is kept for reflection.

God and Creator of all,

ALL: we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed.

    We have thought better of ourselves than others.
    We have told lies,
    said hurtful things,
    acted in ways we wish we could take back,
    and looked the other way when action was needed.

In your mercy, O God,
    forgive us, cleanse us, and heal us,
    for the sake of Jesus, our Savior. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

KAHU: People of God:

    If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation:
    everything old has passed away;
    everything has become new!

In Christ, + you are a new creation:
your sins are taken away and you are made new.

Be kind to one another,
tenderhearted,
forgiving one another,
as God in Christ has forgiven you.

ALL: Amen.

PRAYER OF THE DAY standing

ALL: God of heaven and earth, before the foundation of the universe and the beginning of time you are the triune God: Author of creation, eternal Word of salvation, life-giving Spirit of wisdom. Guide us to all truth by your Spirit, that we may proclaim all that Christ has revealed and rejoice in the glory he shares with us. Glory and praise to you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, 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

CALL TO SCRIPTURE, *Mele Mai Paki Lima* and “God, So Loved the World”

*Calvary Choir*

God, so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoso believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life. For God sent not His Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through Him might be saved.
FIRST READING

This reading narrates Isaiah's vision of the Lord surrounded by angels. They sing "Holy, holy, holy," a song the church sings at the beginning of the great thanksgiving. This liturgical text invites the church and all creation to sing in praise of God's glory. That glory is God's mercy toward sinners.

ONE: 1In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the LORD sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. 2Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. 3And one called to another and said:

"Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory."

4The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. 5And I said: "Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!" 6Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. 7The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: "Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out."

8Then I heard the voice of the LORD saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" And I said, "Here am I; send me!"

PSALM sung responsively

Psalm 29

1Ascribe to the LORD, you gods,

ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.

2Ascribe to the LORD the glory due God's name;

worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness.

3The voice of the LORD is upon the waters; the God of glory thunders;

the LORD is upon the mighty waters.

4The voice of the LORD is a powerful voice;

the voice of the LORD is a voice of splendor.
5 The voice of the LORD breaks the cedars of Lebanon;  
the LORD breaks the cedars of Lebanon;  
6 the LORD makes Lebanon skip like a calf,  
and Mount Hermon like a young wild ox.  
7 The voice of the LORD bursts forth in lightning flashes.  
8 The voice of the LORD shakes the wilderness;  
the LORD shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.  
9 The voice of the LORD makes the oak trees writhe and strips the forests bare.  
And in the temple of the LORD all are crying, "Glory!"
10 The LORD sits enthroned above the flood;  
the LORD sits enthroned as king for evermore.  
11 O LORD, give strength to your people;  
give them, O LORD, the blessings of peace.

SECOND READING Romans 8: 12–17

In describing the new life of faith, Paul refers to all three persons of the Trinity: the Spirit leads us to recognize that we are children of God the Father and sisters and brothers with Christ the Son.

ONE: 12 Brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh—13 for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. 14 For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. 15 For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" 16 it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, 17 and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ—if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.
GOSPEL ACCLAMATION standing


Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life.

GOSPEL standing, read responsively

John 3: 1–17

Jesus' miracles prompt Nicodemus to visit him in secrecy. Jesus tells him about being born of the Spirit and about the Son who has been sent by God to save.

KAHU: 1Now there was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. 2He came to Jesus by night and said to him,

ALL: "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God."

KAHU: 3Jesus answered him, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above." 4Nicodemus said to him,

ALL: "How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother's womb and be born?"

KAHU: 5Jesus answered, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. 6What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. 7Do not be astonished that I said to you, 'You must be born from above.' 8The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit. 9Nicodemus said to him,

ALL: "How can these things be?"

KAHU: 10Jesus answered him, "Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things? 11Very truly, I tell you, we speak
of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. “For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him."

ALL: Praise to you, O Christ.

KEIKI SERMON, Pastor Dave Kieffer

SERMON, Pastor Dave “A Johannine Journey”

SERMON HYMN 412 standing “Come, Join the Dance of Trinity”

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.

RECOGNITION OF GRADUATES, Kahu Tim

Travis Borror, Kuapa Preschool
Amara Driftmier, Calvary by the Sea Montessori Preschool
Kalia Sylvester, Wesley Children’s Center—Preschool
Kanoa Pick, Holy Nativity School, 6th Grade
Erin Day, University of Hawai‘i, Bachelor of Science
Sara Rodeghero, University of Hawai‘i, Bachelor of Science
Dr. Kim Driftmier, University of Hawai‘i, Orthopedic Residency Program
Thomas Wong, University of Hawai‘i

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH standing

KAHU: Trusting the Spirit’s power, we pray for the church, the world, and all of God’s creation.

A brief silence.

Holy God, you dwell in the church by your life-giving Spirit. Inspire the newly baptized, empower church leaders, and renew all of us for service in Christ's name. Hear us, O God.

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

KAHU: Creating God, you fill the universe with your splendor. Restore right relationships among all living things, both seen and unseen. Hear us, O God.

ALL: Aloha ke Akua.

KAHU: Saving One, you so love this world. Bring justice to the oppressed, mercy to those who are angry, nourishment to the hungry, and peace to the violent and their victims. Hear us, O God.

ALL: Aloha ke Akua.
Merciful God, you visit the hurting, giving healing and strength. We pray for your children in any need: the orphaned, the neglected, the grieving, the injured, and those we name this day. Hear us, O God.

ALL:  Aloha ke Akua.

Loving Spirit, in you we live and move and have our being. As Mary visited Elizabeth in her waiting, visit those awaiting birth or preparing for adoption, all who struggle to conceive or cannot have children, and those mourning pregnancy loss. Hear us, O God.

ALL:  Aloha ke Akua.

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

God of life, we remember your saints. With them, may we bear the life of Christ to those around us. Hear us, O God.

ALL:  Aloha ke Akua.

Receive these prayers, gracious God, and those prayers known only to you. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ by the power of the Holy Spirit.

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,  Choirs

“Peace”

Peace I leave with you, my friends, peace the world cannot give. Peace I leave with you, my friends, so that your joy be ever full.

DOXOLOGY  standing

“Ho‘onani i ka Makua Mau”


Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise God, all creatures here below.

OFFERING PRAYER standing

KAHU:  God of mercy and grace, the eyes of all wait upon you, and you open your hand in blessing. Fill us with good things at your table, that we may come to the help of all in need, through Jesus Christ, our redeemer and Lord.

ALL:  Amen.

WE ARE FED

GREAT THANKSGIVING standing

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

SANCTUS standing

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

* singing*

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation
but deliver us from evil:
For thine is the kingdom, and the power,
and the glory, 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: Wise and generous God, we thank you that at this holy table you have fed us again with the food of everlasting life. Send us with your blessing to seek the good of our neighbor and call others to your feast; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

WE ARE SENT

SENDING HYMN 732 standing “Borning Cry”

BENEDICTION AND SENDING, Kahu Tim

KAHU: Almighty and merciful God,
Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit,
bless,
preserve,
and keep you this day and forevermore.

ALL: Amen.
KAHU: God in peace. Live in love, as Christ loved us.
ALL: Thanks be to God.

GOING FORTH, Mele Mai Paki Lima “Selvaggio” “Dorian Dance”
Calvary by the Sea welcomes to worship this Holy Trinity Sunday the Mele Mai Paki Lima Handbell Choir. Mele Mai Paki Lima, “music from plenty hands,” was founded in 2007 after Dan and Karen Carlisle purchased their own set of handbells. The intent of the group was to give handbell ringers an opportunity to ring advanced music. Most of the ringers have played in church handbell choirs or are accomplished musicians looking for a new experience. Mele Mai Paki Lima believes in Community and sharing their music with the community. They are playing on a 5 octave plus set of Malmark handbells and 6 octaves of Malmark handchimes. As of today they have had 41 ringers as the islands are so transient. Mele Mai Paki Lima is very thankful for the talent and commitment of its ringers.
Today, May 31, 2015

MINISTERS: All Members of Calvary by the Sea
KAHU: Tim Mason
GUEST PREACHER: Rev. David Kieffer
WORSHIP AND THE ARTS: Tom Poole
ORGANIST AND PIANIST: Ina Young
MUSIC: Mele Mai Paki Lima, Karen Carlisle, Co-director; Dan Carlisle, Co-director; Becca Staggs, guest director/ringer; Alberta Shimabukuro-Juan, Angie Chock, Becky Kanetani, Becky Yoya, Cheryl Yamamoto, Diane Embrey, Jennifer Welch, Kystle Hara, Laura Wahl, Lee Skoda; Calvary Bells, Ina Young, director; Calvary Choir
READER, USHERS, COMMUNION ASSISTANTS AND ALTAR CARE: Tribe Seven—Pulelehua Quirk, Lisa Kimsey, Lisa May Montano, James Rosenberry, Arild Christiansen, Annie Christiansen, Sally Drake
WORSHIP PRODUCTION SUPPORT: Fletch Young, Erin Day
WORSHIP and EVENTS AHEAD

Sunday, June 7—PAC Sunday
Message in Music, Drama, and Dance, Performing Arts @ Calvary
“L.O.S.T.—But Now Am Found”

Sunday, June 14—Pentecost 3
Preaching, Kahu Tim
Music, Calvary Choir, “Everything Beautiful”

Sunday, June 21—Pentecost 4
Preaching, Kahu Tim
Music, Summer Bell Choir, and Calvary Choir,
“When You Walk Through a Storm/Climb Every Mountain”

Sunday, June 28—Pentecost 5
Preaching, Kahu Tim
Music, Calvary Choir, “I Sing Because I’m Happy”

Sunday, July 5—Pentecost 6
Preaching, Kahu Tim
Music, Calvary Choir, “Jesus Calls Us”