Saturday Sunset Worship

5th Sunday in Lent

April 1, 2017
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

In today's gospel Jesus reveals his power over death by raising Lazarus from the dead. The prophet Ezekiel prophesies God breathing new life into dry bones. To those in exile or living in the shadows of death, these stories proclaim God's promise of resurrection. In baptism we die with Christ that we might also be raised with him to new life. At the Easter Vigil we will welcome new sisters and brothers at the baptismal font, as we renew our baptismal promises.

SOUNDING OF THE PŪ

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

A TIME TO BE STILL

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.

KYRİE standing, singing
For peace in the world, for the health of the church, for the unity of all; for this holy house, for all who worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.  

Refrain

That we may live out your impassioned response to the hungry and the poor; that we may live out truth and justice and grace, let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.  

Refrain

For peace in our hearts, for peace in our homes, for friends and family; for life and for love, for our work and our play, let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.  

Refrain

For your Spirit to guide; that you center our lives in the water and the Word; that you nourish our soul with your body and blood, let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.  

Refrain

GREETING, Kahu Tim

KAHU: In the name of the Father, and the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

ALL: Amen.

KAHU: The Lord be with you!

ALL: And also with you.

CONFESSION OF SIN, Kahu Tim

KAHU: God of heaven and earth, you come in close and make us yours. Equip us by your Spirit to confess our sin, embrace your forgiveness, and seek the way you set before us in your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

ALL: Amen.

With honesty of heart, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Merciful God,

ALL: forgive us.
Our will is handcuffed to sin, and we cannot break free. 

Silence.

We have spoken when we should have kept quiet. 

Silence.

We were silent when we should have said something. 

Silence.

We acted when we knew better. 

Silence.

We were still when we know we should have moved. 

Silence.

For the wrong we have done, 
for the good we have failed to do, 
have mercy on us, 
through Jesus Christ, 
our Savior and Lord. 
Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON standing

KAHU: People of God, look to the + Son, given to heal you and set you free because God loved the world so much. Take hold of life—eternal life! Amen.

PRAYER OF THE DAY standing

ALL: Almighty God, your Son came into the world to free us all from sin and death. Breathe upon us the power of your Spirit, that we may be raised to new life in Christ and
serve you in righteousness all our days, 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: May God’s aloha be with you.
ALL: And also with you.

WE HEAR THE WORD

FIRST READING

Ezekiel 37: 1–14

Ezekiel's vision of the valley of dry bones is a promise that Israel as a nation, though dead in exile, will live again in their land through God's life-giving spirit. Three times Israel is assured that through this vision they will know that "I am the Lord."

ONE: 1The hand of the LORD came upon me, and he brought me out by the spirit of the LORD and set me down in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones. 2He led me all around them; there were very many lying in the valley, and they were very dry. 3He said to me, "Mortal, can these bones live?" I answered, "O Lord GOD, you know." 4Then he said to me, "Prophesy to these bones, and say to them: O dry bones, hear the word of the LORD. 5Thus says the Lord GOD to these bones: I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. 6I will lay sinews on you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live; and you shall know that I am the LORD." 7So I prophesied as I had been commanded; and as I prophesied, suddenly there was a noise, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. 8I looked, and there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them; but there was no breath in them. 9Then he said to me, "Prophesy to the breath, prophesy, mortal, and say to the breath: Thus says
the Lord GOD: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live." Then he said to me, "Mortal, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They say, 'Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are cut off completely.' Therefore prophesy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord GOD: I am going to open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people; and I will bring you back to the land of Israel. And you shall know that I am the LORD, when I open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people. I will put my spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you on your own soil; then you shall know that I, the LORD, have spoken and will act, says the LORD."

**PSALM** sung responsively

Psalm 130

1 Out of the depths I cry to you, O LORD;  
2 O LORD, hear my voice! Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my supplication.  
3 If you were to keep watch over sins, O LORD, who could stand?  
4 Yet with you is forgiveness, in order that you may be feared.  
5 I wait for you, O LORD; my soul waits; in your word is my hope.  
6 My soul waits for the Lord more than those who keep watch for the morning, more than those who keep watch for the morning.  
7 O Israel, wait for the LORD, for with the LORD there is steadfast love; with the LORD there is plentiful redemption.
SECOND READING

For Paul, Christian spirituality entails living in the reality of the Holy Spirit. The driving force behind our actions and values is not our sinful desire for self-satisfaction but the very Spirit by which God raised Jesus from the dead and will also raise us from the dead.

ONE:

6 To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. 7 For this reason the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law—indeed it cannot, 8 and those who are in the flesh cannot please God. 9 But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. 10 But if Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. 11 If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION standing “Let Your Steadfast Love Come”

Let your steadfast love come to us, O Lord.

Let your steadfast love come to us, O Lord.

Save us as you promised; we will trust your word.

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GOSPEL standing, read responsively

John 11: 1–45

Jesus is moved to sorrow when his friend Lazarus falls ill and dies. Then, in a dramatic scene, he calls his friend out of the tomb and restores him to life.

KAHU: 1 Now a certain man was ill, Lazarus of Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister Martha. 2 Mary was the one who anointed the Lord with perfume and wiped his feet with her hair; her brother Lazarus was ill. 3 So the sisters sent a message to Jesus, "Lord, he whom you love is ill." 4 But when Jesus heard it, he said,

ALL: "This illness does not lead to death; rather it is for God's glory, so that the Son of God may be glorified through it."

KAHU: 5 Accordingly, though Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus, 6 after having heard that Lazarus was ill, he stayed two days longer in the place where he was. 7 Then after this he said to the disciples,

ALL: "Let us go to Judea again."

KAHU: 8 The disciples said to him, "Rabbi, the Jews were just now trying to stone you, and are you going there again?" 9 Jesus answered,

ALL: "Are there not twelve hours of daylight? Those who walk during the day do not stumble, because they see the light of this world. 10 But those who walk at night stumble, because the light is not in them."

KAHU: 11 After saying this, he told them,

ALL: "Our friend Lazarus has fallen asleep, but I am going there to awaken him."

KAHU: 12 The disciples said to him, "Lord, if he has fallen asleep, he will be all right." 13 Jesus, however, had been speaking about his death, but they thought that he was referring merely to sleep. 14 Then Jesus told them plainly,
"Lazarus is dead. For your sake I am glad I was not there, so that you may believe. But let us go to him."

Thomas, who was called the Twin, said to his fellow disciples, "Let us also go, that we may die with him." When Jesus arrived, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb four days. Now Bethany was near Jerusalem, some two miles away, and many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to console them about their brother. When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met him, while Mary stayed at home. Martha said to Jesus, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. But even now I know that God will give you whatever you ask of him." Jesus said to her,

"Your brother will rise again."

Martha said to him, "I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day." Jesus said to her,

"I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?"

She said to him, "Yes, Lord, I believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, the one coming into the world." When she had said this, she went back and called her sister Mary, and told her privately, "The Teacher is here and is calling for you." And when she heard it, she got up quickly and went to him. Now Jesus had not yet come to the village, but was still at the place where Martha had met him. The Jews who were with her in the house, consoling her, saw Mary get up quickly and go out. They followed her because they thought that she was going to the tomb to weep there. When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died." When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. He said,

"Where have you laid him?"

They said to him, "Lord, come and see." Jesus began to weep. So the Jews said, "See how he loved him!" But some of them
said, "Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?"  

Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. 

Jesus said,

ALL: "Take away the stone."
KAHU: Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, "Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days." 

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Jesus said to her,
delivers us from sin and death and raises us to new life in Jesus Christ. We are united with all the baptized in the one body of Christ, anointed with the gift of the Holy Spirit, and joined in God’s mission for the life of the world.

_Daniel_, called by the Holy Spirit, trusting in the grace and love of God, do you desire to be baptized into Christ? (I do.)

_Sponsor_, do you promise to nurture Daniel in the Christian faith as you are empowered by God’s Spirit, and to help him live in the covenant of baptism and in communion with the church? (I do.)

_People of God_, do you promise to support and pray for Daniel in his new lives in Christ? (We do.)

**PROFESSION OF FAITH**

**Kahu:** I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church.

Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God? (I renounce them.)

Do you renounce the powers of this world that rebel against God? (I renounce them.)

Do you renounce the ways of sin that draw you from God? (I renounce them.)

With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

**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.

BAPTISM


ANNOINTING

Daniel Lee Bice, child of God, you have been sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked with the cross of Christ forever. Amen.

WELCOME

KAHU: Jesus said, I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will have the light of life.

Let us welcome the newly baptized.

ALL: We welcome you into the body of Christ and into the mission we share: join us in giving thanks and praise to God and bearing God’s creative and redeeming word to all the world.

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH standing

KAHU: Lifting our voices and turning toward God, let us pray for the church, the earth, and all who are in need.

A brief silence.

God, our sure strength, set the mind of your church on the Spirit of love and kinship. Bring healing where there is division and
hope where there is worry. Hear us, O God.

ALL:  

\textit{Aloha ke Akua} (God is love; love is God).

KAHU:  We give you thanks for our new members: Daniel, Beth, Kevin, Rhonda, Jacob, Holly, Kurt, Tammy, Alyssa, and Alek, whom you have drawn to yourself by the love of Jesus Christ, and whom we will welcome into this household of faith, during the 10 am worship, tomorrow. Keep us close together in your Spirit, in the breaking of bread and the prayers, and in service to others. Hear us, O God.

ALL:  \textit{Aloha ke Akua}.

KAHU:  You bring life where there was despair and death. Bring new hope and new growth to barren lands and water to parched earth. Hear us, O God.

ALL:  \textit{Aloha ke Akua}.

KAHU:  Listen to the voices of the weak and oppressed. Guard people in all lands from danger and injustice. Hear us, O God.

ALL:  \textit{Aloha ke Akua}.

KAHU:  Martha and Mary pleaded for healing. Hear the cries of your people who call out in need and pain. Grant healing and comfort to those who are ill. Hear us, O God.

ALL:  \textit{Aloha ke Akua}.

KAHU:  Bring life to dry bones in our community. Breathe your life-giving Spirit into the corners of our ministry that need renewal. Hear us, O God.

ALL:  \textit{Aloha ke Akua}.

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

KAHU:  We give thanks for the faithful departed and for the assurance that we will join with them in the heavenly banquet. Hear us, O God.

ALL:  \textit{Aloha ke Akua}.

KAHU:  Into your hands, merciful God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your steadfast love; through Christ our Lord. \textbf{Amen.}
PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS, Tom “Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee”

DOXOLOGY standing “Ho‘onani i ka Makua Mau”


OFFERING PRAYER standing

KAHU: Merciful God, receive the sacrifice of our praise and thanksgiving and the offering of our lives, that following in the way of the cross, we may know the joy of the resurrection; through Christ our 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 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: Compassionate God, you have fed us with the bread of heaven. Sustain us in our Lenten pilgrimage:

- may our fasting be hunger for justice,
- our alms, a making of peace,
- and our prayer, the song of grateful hearts;

through Christ our Lord. Amen.

WE ARE SENT

SENDING HYMN 666 *standing* “What Wondrous Love is This”
BENEDICTION AND SENDING, Kahu Tim

KAHU: May God who has called us forth from the dust of the earth, and claimed us as children of the light, strengthen you on your journey into life renewed.

The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord's face shine upon you with grace and mercy.
The Lord look upon you with favor and give you + peace.

ALL: Amen.

KAHU: Marked with the cross of Christ, go forth to love and serve the Lord.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

Today, April 1, 2017

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KAHU: Tim Mason
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