



Calvary by the Sea Lutheran Church

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

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12th Sunday after Pentecost

August 31, 2014

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

The prophet Jeremiah speaks of the incurable wound of his suffering, yet finds in God's words the delight of his heart. When Peter doesn't grasp Jesus' words about suffering, Jesus tells the disciples they will find their lives in losing them. Such sacrificial love is described by Paul when he urges us to associate with the lowly and not repay evil with evil. In worship we gather as a community that we might offer ourselves for the sake of our suffering world.

SOUNDING OF THE PŪ

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

GATHERING, *organ*

“We Gather Together”

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: Beloved children of God:
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 HYMN

“All Is Ready”



1. Come, all you wea - ry ones, who walk the jour - ney;
2. Come, all who strug - gle hard, all who are hope - ful;
3. Come, all you rich and poor, all who are chal - langed;
4. Come all you sin - gle ones, all who are mar - ried;
5. Come, all you young and old, all male and fe - male,
6. Come, all you anx - ious ones, who fear the fu - ture;



1-6 Know you are wel - come at the ta - ble of the Lord.



Come, bring your bur - dens here, find love and mer - cy.
Come with your tired hearts, come find new pas - sion.
Come all who live in shame, we are your fam - 'ly.
Come, you who've lost your spouse, all who are lone - ly.
Come love of ev - 'ry kind, it does not mat - ter.
Come, all from east and west, we stand to - geth - er.



With Christ be - fore us, we gath - er as his friends!
With Christ with - in us, we find new life a - gain!
With Christ be - side us, we no long - er are a - lone!
With Christ our broth - er, we are loved and made whole!
With Christ, all peo - ple are one in God's name!
With Christ we rise now, to sing the reign of God!



1-6 All is read - y, here and now; all are wel - come here!

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CONFESSION OF SIN, *Kahu Tim*

KAHU: Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God,
who forgives all our sin,

whose mercy endures forever.

ALL: Amen.

KAHU: In the presence of God, who sees our hearts and our minds,
let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

God of strength,

ALL: we confess that we are captive to the power of sin that dwells within us.

We say otherwise, but we really do put ourselves first.

We chase after what we think will make us happy.

We are never satisfied.

We yearn to do good, but we find ourselves doing the opposite.

O God, we make ourselves the center of the universe.

Save us from ourselves.

Make us alive to you in Christ Jesus.

Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

KAHU: Sisters and brothers:

All have fallen short of the glory of God. It is through the cross that we are justified by God's grace. This is a gift. Be assured that nothing can separate us from the love of God in + Christ Jesus, in whom we have forgiveness of sin, life, and salvation.

ALL: Amen.

PRAYER OF THE DAY *standing*

ALL: O God, we thank you for your Son, who chose the

path of suffering for the sake of the world. Humble us by his example, point us to the path of obedience, and give us strength to follow your commands, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

GREETING OF GUESTS *seated*

SHARING OF ALOHA *standing*

KAHU: The Lord be with you.

ALL: And also with you.

WE HEAR THE WORD

CALL TO SCRIPTURE, *Connie Kissinger*

“Carefully Taught”

You’ve got to be taught to hate and fear,
You’ve got to be taught from year to year,
It’s got to be drummed in your dear little ear,
You’ve got to be carefully taught.

You’ve got to be taught to be afraid of people
Whose eyes are oddly made, and people whose skin is a different shade.
You’ve got to be carefully taught.

You’ve got to be taught before it’s too late,
Before you are six or seven or eight,
To hate all the people your relatives hate,
You’ve got to be carefull taught!
You’ve got to be carefully taught!

–Oscar Hammerstein

FIRST READING

Jeremiah 15: 15–21

Jeremiah's delight in the word of the Lord is contradicted by the heaviness of God's hand upon him and God's seeming unfaithfulness. God's tough love to Jeremiah says that if he repents, he will be allowed to continue in his strenuous ministry. Jeremiah is strengthened by the simple words: "I am with you."

ONE: ¹⁵O LORD, you know; remember me and visit me, and bring down retribution for me on my persecutors. In your forbearance do not take me away; know that on your account I suffer insult. ¹⁶Your words were found, and I ate them, and your words became to me a joy and the delight of my heart; for I am called by your name, O LORD, God of hosts. ¹⁷I did not sit in the company of merrymakers, nor did I rejoice; under the weight of your hand I sat alone, for you had filled me with indignation. ¹⁸Why is my pain unceasing, my wound incurable, refusing to be healed? Truly, you are to me like a deceitful brook, like waters that fail. ¹⁹Therefore thus says the LORD: If you turn back, I will take you back, and you shall stand before me. If you utter what is precious, and not what is worthless, you shall serve as my mouth. It is they who will turn to you, not you who will turn to them. ²⁰And I will make you to this people a fortified wall of bronze; they will fight against you, but they shall not prevail over you, for I am with you to save you and deliver you, says the LORD. ²¹I will deliver you out of the hand of the wicked, and redeem you from the grasp of the ruthless.

PSALM *sung responsively*

Psalm 26: 1–8

¹Give judgment for me, O LORD, for I have lived [|] with integrity;
I have trusted in the LORD and [|] have not faltered.

²Test me, O [|] LORD, and try me;
examine my heart [|] and my mind.

³For your steadfast love is be- [|] fore my eyes;
I have walked faithful- [|] ly with you.

⁴I have not sat [|] with the worthless,

nor do I consort with | the deceitful.

⁵I have hated the company of | evildoers;

I will not sit down | with the wicked.

⁶I will wash my hands in inno- | cence, O LORD,

that I may go in procession | round your altar,

⁷singing aloud a song | of thanksgiving

and recounting all your won- | derful deeds.

⁸LORD, I love the house in | which you dwell

and the place where your glo- | ry abides.

SECOND READING

Romans 12: 9–21

Paul presents benchmarks for faithful relationships with Christians and non-Christians. Love is the unflagging standard of our behavior. When we encounter evil, we do not resort to its tactics but seek to overcome it with good. While Christians cannot control the actions and attitudes of others, we seek to live at peace with all people.

ONE: ⁹Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; ¹⁰love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honor. ¹¹Do not lag in zeal, be ardent in spirit, serve the Lord. ¹²Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer. ¹³Contribute to the needs of the saints; extend hospitality to strangers. ¹⁴Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. ¹⁵Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. ¹⁶Live in harmony with one another; do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly; do not claim to be wiser than you are. ¹⁷Do not repay anyone evil for evil, but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all. ¹⁸If it is possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. ¹⁹Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave room for the wrath of God; for it is written, "Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord." ²⁰No, "if your enemies are hungry, feed them; if they are thirsty, give them something to drink; for by doing this you will heap burning coals on their heads." ²¹Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION *standing*

“Ka Mana‘o ‘I‘o”



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



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GOSPEL *standing, read responsively*

Matthew 16: 21–28

After Peter confesses that Jesus is "the Messiah, the Son of the living God" (16:16), Jesus reveals the ultimate purpose of his ministry. These words prove hard to accept, even for a disciple whom Jesus has called a "rock."

KAHU: ²¹From that time on [after Peter confessed that Jesus was the Messiah,] Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and undergo great suffering at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised. ²²And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying,

ALL: "God forbid it, Lord! This must never happen to you."

KAHU: ²³But he turned and said to Peter, "Get behind me, Satan! You are a stumbling block to me; for you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things." ²⁴Then Jesus told his disciples, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. ²⁵For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it. ²⁶For what will it profit them if they gain the whole world but forfeit their life? Or what will they give in return for their life? ²⁷For the Son of Man is to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay everyone for what has been done. ²⁸Truly I tell you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom."

KAHU: The Gospel of the Lord.

ALL: Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON, *Kahu Tim*

“From DEATH *springs* LIFE!”

SERMON HYMN 808 *standing*

“Lord Jesus, You Shall Be My Song”

WELCOME OF NEW MEMBERS: *William Bekemeier, Bonnie Bennett, Jeff Bennett, Isabel Burton, Mamiya Kapu, Kahu Tim*

The litany for welcoming new members is the *Affirmation of Baptism*.

The Affirmation begins on page 234 in the front of the hymnal.

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

BLESSING OF ALL STUDENTS, *Kahu Tim*

KAHU: Almighty God, creator of all that is seen and unseen, you are the source of all wisdom and knowledge.

ALL: Grant teachers the gift of joy and insight, and students the gift of diligence and openness.

KAHU: Teach everyone—teachers, students, the support staff, all parents and guardians, your ways. Guide us in your path that together we all may continue to learn of you and your creation.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

KAHU: Filled by the Spirit, let us join the whole people of God in Christ Jesus in praying for the church, those in need, and all of God’s creation.

A brief silence.

O Lord, you know and see all that your baptized accomplish across the church universal. Prove us and try us; test our hearts and minds

as we walk in faithfulness with you. Lord, in your mercy,

ALL: hear our prayer.

KAHU: As the summer storms continue, and our sisters and brothers in Puna restore their lives and properties, make us ever mindful of your blessings. Renew our zeal to care for your creation, and each other. Lord, in your mercy,

ALL: hear our prayer.

KAHU: Teach us to live peaceably with all nations, our enemies, and those who seek to do us harm. Bring light into the dark corners of the world and give courage to organizations that seek to overcome evil with good. Lord, in your mercy,

ALL: hear our prayer.

KAHU: When our pain is unceasing, give us patience in suffering. When our wounds refuse to be healed, remember us with your mercy. When hope seems lost, remind us that you are with us always. Lord, in your mercy,

ALL: hear our prayer.

KAHU: As we rally our congregation's time, talents, and resources, remove the stumbling blocks that hinder our desire to put you first. Give us the courage to deny ourselves, take up our cross, and follow you. Lord, in your mercy,

ALL: hear our prayer.

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

KAHU: We remember with gratitude those who have recently died. Through the lives of your saints, show us how to hold fast to what is good. Lord, in your mercy,

ALL: hear our prayer.

KAHU: Into your loving hands, gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your abundant mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

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, *Connie Kissinger*

“Teach Me, Lord”

Teach me to love, and teach me to live,
And teach me to see and yield and forgive.
Father, we need you at work and play;
So, teach me to follow you day by day.

Teach me to know your voice and your will,
And help me to climb my own special hill.
You have the plan, so help me to see
The plan you have for me, Lord;
Teach me today I pray.

–Loonis McGlohon

DOXOLOGY *standing*

“Ho‘onani i ka Makua Mau”

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

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.

SANCTUS *standing*

“Song of the Body of Christ”

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

We come to share our sto - ry, we come to break the bread,
We come to know our ris - ing from the_ dead.
We are called to heal the bro - ken, to be hope_ for the poor,
You will lead and we shall fol - low, you will be the breath of life;
We will live and sing "A - lo - ha." "Al - le - lu - ia" is our song.
we are called to feed the hun - gry at_ our door.
liv - ing wa - ter, we are thirst - ing for_ your light.
May we live in love and peace our whole life_ long.

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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 *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.

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: We thank you, Lord of heaven and earth, that you have fed us in a way our hearts can understand, with the saving body and blood of Jesus Christ. Enliven us by your presence in this meal, that we may be your presence in the world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

ALL: Amen.

WE ARE SENT

SENDING HYMN 660 *standing*

“Lift High the Cross”

BENEDICTION AND SENDING, *Kahu Tim*

KAHU: May God the sower
make you good and fertile soil.
May Christ the seed
bloom and grow in your words and actions.
May the fruitful Spirit
bring forth a bountiful yield in your lives.
God the Father,
+ Son,
and Holy Spirit
bless you now and forever.

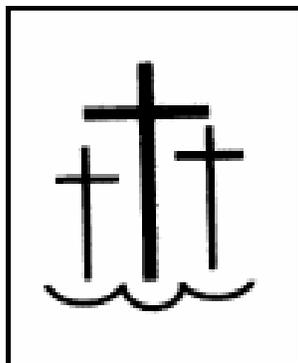
ALL: Amen.

KAHU: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

GOING FORTH, *organ*

“Postludium”



Calvary welcomes to worship a return visit by Connie Kissinger. Connie, our guest musician, is a local girl who grew-up in 'Aina Haina. She is a singer, songwriter, recording artist, and actress. She is perhaps best remembered as the vocalist of Kit Samson's Sound Advice, and from performing at a number of venues in Hawai'i including the Kahala Hilton, the Halekulani, and at Princeville, on Kauai. Connie is also an actress having appeared in Hawaii Five-O, Magnum P.I., Jake and the Fatman, and Honeymoon in Vegas.

Today, Connie divides her time between Houston and O'ahu, between caring for her mother and enjoying her married life.

Today, August 31, 2014

MINISTERS: All Members of Calvary by the Sea

KAHU: Tim Mason

WORSHIP AND THE ARTS: Tom Poole

ORGANIST AND PIANIST: Ina Young

MUSIC: Connie Kissinger

INSTRUMENTALISTS: Marc Adelberger, Charlie Holdaway, Bruce Kau, Amie Lawyer, Jon Osorio, Tim Sprowls

READER, USHERS, COMMUNION ASSISTANTS AND ALTAR CARE: Tribe Five—Sheila Sanders, leader; Martha Staff, Frank Gruetzmacher, Susan Gruetzmacher, Jeanie Evans, Kai Lucas

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WORSHIP SERVICES AHEAD

Sunday, September 7—Pentecost 13

Remembering Queen Lili'uokalani

Holy Baptism (10 am)

Preaching, Kahu Tim

Hula, Nā Wahine O Ke Kai Ola, "Nohea I Mu'olaulani"

Music, Calvary Choir, "Hawai'i Aloha"

Sunday, September 14—Pentecost 14

Preaching, Kahu Tim

Music, Calvary Choir, "There Is a Balm in Gilead"

Nackil Sung, tenor soloist

4th Annual Peace Day Interfaith Service

Friday, September 19, 7 pm

Honpa Hongwanji Hawaii Betsuin

Including music by the Calvary Choir

Sunday, September 21—Pentecost 15

International Day of Peace

Preaching, Kahu Tim

Music, Calvary Choir, "The Prayer of St. Francis"

Evensong Prayer Service for Peace, 6 pm

Calvary by the Sea Sanctuary