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 grumbling of the Pharisees and the scribes in today's gospel is actually our holy hope: This Jesus welcomes sinners and eats with them. That our God wills to seek and to save the lost is not only a holy hope, it is our only hope. As Paul's first letter to Timothy reminds us, "The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners." Thanks be to God.

SOUNDING OF THE PŪ

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

GREETING, Kahu Tim

KAHU: Sisters and brothers in Christ:

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.

CONFESSION OF SIN, Kahu Tim

KAHU: Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God:

the only Sovereign, who dwells in light;
Christ Jesus, who came to save sinners;
the Holy Spirit, who lives within us.

ALL: Amen.
Silence is kept for reflection.

God of overflowing grace,

**ALL:** we come to you with repentant hearts.
  
  Forgive us for shallow thankfulness.
  Forgive us for passing by the ones in need.
  Forgive us for setting our hopes on fleeting treasures.
  Forgive us for thinking only of ourselves.

Bring us home from the wilderness of sin, and strengthen us to serve you in all that we do and say; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

**KAHU:** There is joy in heaven over every sinner who repents.
  
  By the grace of God in + Christ Jesus,
  who gave himself up for us all,
  your sins are forgiven and you are made free.

  Rejoice with the angels and with one another!
  We are home in God's mercy, now and forever.

**ALL:** Amen.

**GATHERING HYMN 774 standing**

“What a Fellowship …”

What a fellowship, what a joy divine, leaning on the everlasting arms;
What a blessedness, what a peace is mine, leaning on the everlasting arms.

Leaning, leaning, safe and secure from all alarms;
Leaning, leaning, leaning on the everlasting arms.

Oh, how sweet to walk in this pilgrim way, leaning on the everlasting arms;
Oh, how bright the path grows from day to day, leaning on the everlasting arms.

What have I to dread, what have I to fear, leaning on the everlasting arms?
I have blessed peace with my Lord so near, leaning on the everlasting arms.
PRAYER OF THE DAY \textit{standing}

\textbf{ALL:} O God, overflowing with mercy and compassion, you lead back to yourself all those who go astray. Preserve your people in your loving care, that we may reject whatever is contrary to you and may follow all things that sustain our life in your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

GREETING OF GUESTS \textit{and SHARING OF ALOHA} \textit{standing}

\textbf{KAHU:} May God’s aloha be with you.
\textbf{ALL:} And also with you.

WE HEAR THE WORD

FIRST READING \textit{Exodus 32: 7‒14}

\textit{While Moses is on Mount Sinai, the people grow restless and make a golden calf to worship. Today’s reading shows Moses as the mediator between an angry God and a sinful people. Moses reminds God that the Israelites are God’s own people and boldly asks mercy for them.}

\textbf{ONE:} \textit{The LORD said to Moses, "Go down at once! Your people, whom you brought up out of the land of Egypt, have acted perversely; they have been quick to turn aside from the way that I commanded them; they have cast for themselves an image of a calf, and have worshiped it and sacrificed to it, and said, 'These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!'" The LORD said to Moses, "I have seen this people, how stiff-necked they are. Now let me alone, so that my wrath may burn hot against them and I may consume them; and of you I will not take even a single one of you in this "}
make a great nation."

"But Moses implored the LORD his God, and said, "O LORD, why does your wrath burn hot against your people, whom you brought out of the land of Egypt with great power and with a mighty hand? Why should the Egyptians say, 'It was with evil intent that he brought them out to kill them in the mountains, and to consume them from the face of the earth'? Turn from your fierce wrath; change your mind and do not bring disaster on your people. Remember Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, your servants, how you swore to them by your own self, saying to them, 'I will multiply your descendants like the stars of heaven, and all this land that I have promised I will give to your descendants, and they shall inherit it forever.'" And the LORD changed his mind about the disaster that he planned to bring on his people.

**PSALM** read responsively

Psalm 51: 1–10

1 Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love; in your great compassion blot out my offenses.

2 Wash me through and through from my wickedness, and cleanse me from my sin.

3 For I know my offenses, and my sin is ever before me.

4 Against you only have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight; so you are justified when you speak and right in your judgment.

5 Indeed, I was born steeped in wickedness, a sinner from my mother's womb.

6 Indeed, you delight in truth deep within me, and would have me know wisdom deep within.

7 Remove my sins with hyssop, and I shall be clean; wash me, and I shall be purer than snow.

8 Let me hear joy and gladness;
that the body you have broken may rejoice.

9 Hide your face from my sins,
and blot out all my wickedness.

10 Create in me a clean heart, O God,
and renew a right spirit within me.

SECOND READING

1 Timothy 1: 12‒17

The letters to Timothy are called the Pastoral Epistles because they contain advice especially intended for leaders in the church. Here the mercy shown to Paul, who once persecuted the church, is cited as evidence that even the most unworthy may become witnesses to the grace of God.

ONE: 12 I am grateful to Christ Jesus our Lord, who has strengthened me, because he judged me faithful and appointed me to his service,
13 even though I was formerly a blasphemer, a persecutor, and a man of violence. But I received mercy because I had acted ignorantly in unbelief, 14 and the grace of our Lord overflowed for me with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. 15 The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners—of whom I am the foremost. 16 But for that very reason I received mercy, so that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display the utmost patience, making me an example to those who would come to believe in him for eternal life. 17 To the King of the ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION standing

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life.
Jesus tells two stories that suggest a curious connection between the lost being found and sinners repenting. God takes the initiative to find sinners, each of whom is so precious to God that his or her recovery brings joy in heaven.

Kahu: Now all the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to [Jesus]. And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying,

All: "This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them."

Kahu: So he told them this parable: Which one of you, having a hundred sheep and losing one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the one that is lost until he rejoices. And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and neighbors, saying to them,

All: 'Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost.'

Kahu: Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance.

Or what woman having ten silver coins, if she loses one of them, does not light a lamp, sweep the house, and search carefully until she finds it? When she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbors, saying,

All: 'Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost.'

Kahu: Just so, I tell you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents.


All: Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon, Kahu Tim

"99% is NOT good enough!!"
SERMON HYMN standing

“Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Me”

1. Jesus no ke Kahuhi_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Ka-hu-hi\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ mai-ka’i e
2. Ka’i mai li e ia ma’kou la_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Ma na ka ha wai mai-ka’i
1. Savior like a shepherd lead us_, much we need your tender care.
2. We are yours; in love be friend us_, be the guardian of our way;

E ia ma’kou ka ‘o ha na_\_\_ Ke ho’o lo he a ha hai
Ma na ku la u li u li_\_\_ Ka hi malu e ma lu ai
In your pleasant pastures feed us_, for our use your fold prepare.
keep your flock from sin defend us_, seek us when we go astray.

E aloha, e aloha A la ka’i a hana mai
E aloha, e aloha Kia’i a ho’o ma lu mai
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, you have bought us; we are yours;
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, hear us children when we pray;

E aloha, e aloha A la ka’i a hana mai
E aloha, e aloha Kia’i a ho’o ma lu mai
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, you have bought us; we are yours.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, hear us children when we pray.
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.

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH *standing*

**KAHU:** Rejoicing in the Spirit’s work among us, let us pray for the church, the world, and all those in need.

_A brief silence._

Gracious God, we thank you for your word that strengthens the weak and the faint in heart.

**ALL:** We thank you for your word that encourages the believer and saves sinners. Hear us, O God, _Aloha ke Akua_ (God is love; love is God).

**KAHU:** We pray for those places in our world ravaged by fires or floods.

**ALL:** Restore the land and oceans, and bless the efforts of those who work to save and protect your creation. Hear us, O God, _Aloha ke Akua._

**KAHU:** We pray for the leaders of nations and all those in positions of authority.

**ALL:** Guide them as they make decisions for the good of all.
Lead them in the ways that make for peace. Hear us, O God, Aloha ke Akua.

KAHU: We pray for those who suffer as the result of war, violence, terrorism, or natural disaster.

ALL: And we pray for those who willingly serve others in dangerous situations: first responders, firefighters, emergency medical personnel, members of the military, law enforcement. Hear us, O God, Aloha ke Akua.

KAHU: We pray for our congregation and our Montessori School. Prepare us to welcome newcomers and children.

ALL: Make this a place of hope for the least of these in our community. Be with those who are sick, injured, or in any need. Hear us, O God, Aloha ke Akua.

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

KAHU: Let us remember with thanksgiving the blessed dead who rest from their labors.

ALL: Gladden us by their lives of faith, and at the last day unite us in the joy of heaven. Hear us, O God, Aloha ke Akua.

KAHU: Into your hands, O God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through your Son, our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

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

“In Times Like These”
DOXOLOGY standing

“Hoʻonani i ka Makua Mau”


OFFERING PRAYER standing

KAHU: Merciful God, as grains of wheat scattered upon the hills were gathered together to become one bread, so let your church be gathered together from the ends of the earth into your kingdom, for yours is the glory through Jesus Christ, now and forever.

ALL: Amen.

WE ARE FED

HOLY COMMUNION HYMN 481 standing “Come to the Table”

Come to the table of mercy, prepared with the wine and the bread. All who are hungry and thirsty, come, and your souls will be fed. Come at the Lord’s invitation; receive from his nail-scarred hand. Eat of the bread of salvation; drink of the blood of the Lamb.

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

ALL: We come again to you, O God, giving you thanks that in this feast of mercy you have embraced us and healed us, making us one in the body of Christ. Go with us on our way. Equip us for every good work, that we may continue to give you thanks by embracing others with mercy and healing; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.
WE ARE SENT

SENDING HYMN 779 standing

“Amazing Grace”

Amazing grace! How sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost, but now am found; was blind, but now I see.

‘Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and grace my fears relieved;
How precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed!

Through many dangers, toils, and snares I have already come;
‘tis grace has brought me safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.

The Lord has promised good to me; his word my hope secures;
He will my shield and portion be as long as life endures.

When we’ve been there ten thousand years, bright shining as the sun,
We’ve no less days to sing God’s praise than when we’d first begun.

BENEDICTION AND SENDING, Kahu Tim

KAHU:  God Almighty send you light and truth to keep you
        all the days of your life.

        The hand of God protect you;
        the holy angels accompany you;
        and the blessing of almighty God,
        the Father, the + Son, and the Holy Spirit,
        be with you now and forever.

ALL:  Amen.

KAHU:  Go in peace. Remember the poor.

ALL:  Thanks be to God.
Tonight, September 10, 2016

MINISTERS: All Members of Calvary by the Sea
KAHU: Tim Mason
WORSHIP AND THE ARTS: Tom Poole
WORSHIP AHEAD

Saturday, September 17—18th Sunday after Pentecost
6:30—7:30 pm, Sunset Worship in ʽOhana Hale

  Preaching, Kahu Tim
  Music, Tom

Sunday, September 18—18th Sunday after Pentecost

  Preaching, Kahu Tim
  Music, Calvary Choir

Sunday, September 18—Calvary Peace Vigil
6 pm, Calvary Sanctuary

  Presiding, Kahu Tim
  Music, Holden Evening Prayer

Saturday, September 24—19th Sunday after Pentecost
6:30—7:30 pm, Sunset Worship in ʽOhana Hale

  Preaching, Kahu Tim
  Music, Tom

Sunday, September 25—19th Sunday after Pentecost

  Preaching, Kahu Tim
  Music, Becky Yoza, Solo Handbell Ringer