19th Sunday after Pentecost

October 19, 2014

7:30 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 first reading God uses the Gentile ruler Cyrus to accomplish divine purposes. When the Pharisees try to trap Jesus, he tells them to give the emperor what belongs to him and to God what belongs to God. To gather for worship reminds us that our ultimate allegiance is to God rather than to any earthly authority. Created in the image of God, we offer our entire selves in the service of God and for the sake of the world.

SOUNDING OF THE PŪ

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

GATHERING, organ

“Etwas bewegt, festlich”

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 that is Christ’s gift to us,
    the love of God,
    and the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace
    be with you all!

ALL: And also with you.
CONFESSION OF SIN, Kahu Tim
The Confession and Forgiveness begins on page 116 in the front of the hymnal.

KYRIE standing
The liturgy continues with the Kyrie on page 120 in the front of the hymnal.

GLORIA standing
The Gloria begins on page 121 in the front of the hymnal.

PRAYER OF THE DAY standing
ALL: Sovereign God, raise your throne in our hearts.
     Created by you, let us live in your image.
     Created for you, let us act for your glory.
     Redeemed by you, let us give you what is yours.
     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
First Reading

The prophet announces that Cyrus the Persian emperor is the one the Lord has anointed to end Israel's exile. The Lord makes this choice so that the whole world will recognize this Lord as the only God. Persia had a god of light and a god of darkness; the Lord claims sovereignty over both light and darkness.

One: Thus says the LORD to his anointed, to Cyrus, whose right hand I have grasped to subdue nations before him and strip kings of their robes, to open doors before him—and the gates shall not be closed:

1 I will go before you and level the mountains, I will break in pieces the doors of bronze and cut through the bars of iron, 2 I will give you the treasures of darkness and riches hidden in secret places, so that you may know that it is I, the LORD, the God of Israel, who call you by your name. 3 For the sake of my servant Jacob, and Israel my chosen, I call you by your name, I surname you, though you do not know me. 4 I am the LORD, and there is no other; besides me there is no god. I arm you, though you do not know me, 5 so that they may know, from the rising of the sun and from the west, that there is no one besides me; I am the LORD, and there is no other. 6 I form light and create darkness, I make weal and create woe; I the LORD do all these things.

Psalm sung responsively

1 Sing to the LORD | a new song:
   sing to the LORD, | all the earth.

2 Sing to the LORD, bless the name | of the LORD;
   proclaim God's salvation from | day to day.

3 Declare God's glory a- | mong the nations
   and God's wonders a- | mong all peoples.

4 For great is the LORD and greatly | to be praised,
   more to be feared | than all gods.

5 As for all the gods of the nations, they | are but idols;
   but you, O LORD, have | made the heavens.
Majesty and magnificence are in your presence; power and splendor are in your sanctuary.

Ascribe to the LORD, you families of the peoples, ascribe to the LORD honor and power.

Ascribe to the LORD the honor due the holy name; bring offerings and enter the courts of the LORD.

Worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness; tremble before the LORD, all the earth.

Tell it out among the nations: "The LORD is king! The one who made the world so firm that it cannot be moved will judge the peoples with equity."

Let the heavens rejoice, and let the earth be glad; let the sea thunder and all that is in it; let the field be joyful and all that is therein.

Then shall all the trees of the wood shout for joy at your coming, O LORD, for you come to judge the earth.

You will judge the world with righteousness and the peoples with your truth.

SECOND READING

1 Thessalonians 1: 1–10

Most likely this letter is the first written by Paul. Paul is giving pastoral encouragement and reassurances to new Christians living in an antagonistic pagan environment. Their commitment of faith, love, and hope makes them a model for other new Christian communities.

ONE: Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy, To the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ: Grace to you and peace. We always give thanks to God for all of you and mention you in our prayers, constantly remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and labor of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ. For we know, brothers and sisters beloved by God, that he has chosen you, because our message of
the gospel came to you not in word only, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction; just as you know what kind of persons we proved to be among you for your sake. 6 And you became imitators of us and of the Lord, for in spite of persecution you received the word with joy inspired by the Holy Spirit, 7 so that you became an example to all the believers in Macedonia and in Achaia. 8 For the word of the Lord has sounded forth from you not only in Macedonia and Achaia, but in every place your faith in God has become known, so that we have no need to speak about it. 9 For the people of those regions report about us what kind of welcome we had among you, and how you turned to God from idols, to serve a living and true God, 10 and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead—Jesus, who rescues us from the wrath that is coming.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION standing


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

GOSPEL standing, read responsively

Matthew 22: 15–22

After Jesus begins teaching in the temple, religious leaders try to trap him with questions. First they ask if God's people should pay taxes to an earthly tyrant like Caesar.

KAHU: 15 Then the Pharisees went and plotted to entrap [Jesus] in what he said. 16 So they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying,

ALL: "Teacher, we know that you are sincere, and teach the way of God in accordance with truth, and show deference to no one; for you do not regard people with
partiality. 17 Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to the emperor, or not?"

KAHU: 18 But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, "Why are you putting me to the test, you hypocrites? 19 Show me the coin used for the tax." And they brought him a denarius. 20 Then he said to them, "Whose head is this, and whose title?" 21 They answered, "The emperor's."

ALL: "The emperor's."

KAHU: Then he said to them, "Give therefore to the emperor the things that are the emperor's, and to God the things that are God's."

22 When they heard this, they were amazed; and they left him and went away.


ALL: Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON, Kahu Tim  “WE OWE WHAT TO GOD!!?”

SERMON HYMN 779 standing  “Amazing Grace”

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH standing  “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:  With the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, let us pray for the church, those in need, and all of God’s creation.


A brief silence.

Lord of the church, help us to give to you what is yours. Make us faithful stewards of our time, talents, and treasures. Hear us, O God.

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

KAHU:  Lord of creation, help us to share our bounties. Plant in us a willing and able desire to utilize the world's resources wisely and without bias. Hear us, O God.

ALL:  Aloha ke Akua.

KAHU:  Lord of the nations, help us to put aside malice. Teach us to fight for justice, to liberate the oppressed, and to advocate for those who have no voice. Hear us, O God.

ALL:  Aloha ke Akua.

KAHU:  Lord of life, help us in our need. Restore the minds, bodies, and spirits of those who are sick and soothe those who despair. Hear us, O God.

ALL:  Aloha ke Akua.

KAHU:  Lord of all, help us to support one another. Bless our communities, sustain local businesses, and remove enmity between neighbors. Hear us, O God.

ALL:  Aloha ke Akua.

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

KAHU:  Lord of the resurrection, help us to rejoice in your promises. Gladden the hearts of those who grieve. Greet those who die with your reviving grace. Hear us, O God.

ALL:  Aloha ke Akua.

KAHU:  Trusting in your mercy and goodness, we bring before you these prayers and whatever else you see that we need, in the name of the
one who sets us free, 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, organ “Fuga”

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

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.”

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory, Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.
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.

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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.

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**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION seated**

**KAHU:** O God, the host at every meal, at this table you spread out a feast for all peoples, the bread of life and the cup of salvation. Send us from this banquet to invite others into these good things, to let justice roll down like waters, and to care for the least of our sisters and brothers through Jesus Christ, our Sovereign and our Savior.

**ALL:** Amen.
WE ARE SENT

SENDING HYMN 705 standing “God of Grace, and God of Glory”

BENEDICTION AND SENDING, Kahu Tim

KAHU: The blessing of almighty God, the Father of glory, + Jesus Christ our peace, and the Spirit of truth, be upon you and remain with you always.

ALL: Amen.

KAHU: Go in peace. Christ is with you.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

GOING FORTH, organ “Moderato”
Today, October 19, 2014

MINISTERS: All Members of Calvary by the Sea
KAHU: Tim Mason
WORSHIP AND THE ARTS: Tom Poole
ORGANIST AND PIANIST: Ina Young
READER, USHERS, COMMUNION ASSISTANTS AND ALTAR CARE: Tribe Seven—Pulelehua Quirk, leader; Pat Wong, Jim Wong, Sara Wong, Sally Drake, Yuriko Mason
WORSHIP PRODUCTION SUPPORT: Fletch Young, Erin Day

WORSHIP SERVICES AHEAD

Sunday, October 26—Pentecost 20
Reformation Sunday
Preaching, Kahu Tim
Music, Calvary Choir, “Te Ensalzaré Señor”
Special Presentation, Teresa Berg, “Wendy’s Children”

Sunday, November 2—All Saints Sunday
Lei of Remembrance strung at both services.
Preaching, Kahu Tim
Music, Calvary Choir, “Ain-a That Good News!”

Sunday, November 9—Pentecost 22
Preaching, Kahu Tim
Music, Calvary Choir, “Keep Your Lamps Trimmed and Burning”

Sunday, November 16—Pentecost 23
Preaching and Music, Chaplain Tammy Turcios and Women from Total Life Recovery Program

Sunday, November 23—Reign of Christ
Preaching, Kahu Tim
Music, Calvary Choir, “Jesus, My Joy Forever,”
“Psalm 121”