20th Sunday after Pentecost

October 11, 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

The rich man who comes to ask Jesus what he should do to inherit eternal life is a good man, sincere in his asking. Mark's gospel is alone in saying that Jesus looked on him and loved him. Out of love, not as judgment, Jesus offers him an open door to life: sell all you own and give it to the poor. Our culture bombards us with the message that we will find life by consuming. Our assemblies counter this message with the invitation to find life by divesting for the sake of the other.

SOUNDING OF THE PŪ

Please gather as the sounding of the conch shell calls us to worship.
GATHERING, *Lea del Castillo*, soprano

“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.*

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: 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.

GATHERING SONG standing

“Pili Pa’a”

“Pili Pa’a” is found on page 4.
Refrain

Gathering Song standing

“Pili Pa‘a”

Verses

1. And in our one-ness we are called to be the children of the Lord:

One in our hopes, one in our faith, one in our love.

2. And in our walk we are called to be the servants of the Lord:

To visit the sick, to clothe the poor, to feed the lost.

3. We share this prayer, prayer of thanks to bless this bread and cup of wine

fruit of the vine, grain of the fields, work of our hands.

4. And as we go forth from this place we go as signs of the living God:

Signs of new hope, signs of new life, of a new day!
CONFESSION OF SIN, *Kahu Tim*

**KAHU:** Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, whose name is majestic in all the earth, who rescues and heals in every time of trouble, who does all things well.

**ALL:** Amen.

**KAHU:** Let us come before God, seeking forgiveness and life.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

Steadfast and saving God,

**ALL:** have mercy on us. We confess to you all the ways we turn from you to serve ourselves.

In your compassion,
- turn us around,
- forgive our sins,
- heal our hurts,
- reconcile our relationships.

Bring forth from us
- harvests of hospitality and righteousness,
- fruits of gentleness and peacemaking, and
- sheaves of wisdom and justice;

through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

**KAHU:** People of God:

In the name of + Jesus, the Son of God,
- Receive mercy and find grace in your time of need.
- Your transgressions are forgiven.
- God’s love is healing balm for your wounds.
- Rejoice, for God raises you up to new life in Christ.

**ALL:** Amen.
PRAYER OF THE DAY standing

ALL: Almighty and ever-living God, increase in us your gift of faith, that, forsaking what lies behind and reaching out to what lies ahead, we may follow the way of your commandments and receive the crown of everlasting joy, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

GREETING OF GUESTS and SHARING OF ALOHA standing

KAHU: The Lord be with you.
ALL: And also with you.

WE HEAR THE WORD

FIRST READING Amos 5: 6–7, 10–15

Amos was a herdsman by profession and a prophet by God's call. During a time of great prosperity in the northern kingdom of Israel, the prophet speaks to the wealthy upper class. He warns his listeners that fulfilling God's demand for justice brings blessing, while corruption and oppression incur God's wrath.

ONE: 6Seek the LORD and live,
or he will break out against the house of Joseph like fire,and it will devour Bethel, with no one to quench it.

7Ah, you that turn justice to wormwood, and bring righteousness to the ground!

10They hate the one who reproves in the gate, and they abhor the one who speaks the truth.

11Therefore because you trample on the poor and take from them levies of grain, you have built houses of hewn stone, but you shall not live in them; you have planted pleasant vineyards,
but you shall not drink their wine.

12 For I know how many are your transgressions, and how great are your sins—
you who afflict the righteous, who take a bribe, and push aside the needy in the gate.

13 Therefore the prudent will keep silent in such a time; for it is an evil time.

14 Seek good and not evil, that you may live; and so the LORD, the God of hosts, will be with you, just as you have said.

15 Hate evil and love good, and establish justice in the gate; it may be that the LORD, the God of hosts, will be gracious to the remnant of Joseph.

PSALM sung responsively

Psalm 90: 12–17

12 So teach us to number our days that we may apply our hearts to wisdom.

13 Return, O LORD; how long will you tarry? Be gracious to your servants.

14 Satisfy us by your steadfast love in the morning; so shall we rejoice and be glad all our days.

15 Make us glad as many days as you afflicted us and as many years as we suffered adversity.

16 Show your servants your works, and your splendor to their children.

17 May the graciousness of the Lord our God be upon us; prosper the work of our hands; prosper our handiwork.

SECOND READING

Hebrews 4: 12–16
We cannot hide our thoughts, desires, and actions from God, to whom we are completely accountable. Nevertheless, Jesus understands our human weakness and temptations, because he also experienced them. Therefore we can approach the throne of grace to receive divine mercy from Christ.

ONE: Indeed, the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing until it divides soul from spirit, joints from marrow; it is able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart. And before him no creature is hidden, but all are naked and laid bare to the eyes of the one to whom we must render an account.

Since, then, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin. Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION standing


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

GOSPEL standing, read responsively

Mark 10: 17–31

Jesus has been teaching his disciples about what is most valued in God's eyes. Now, a conversation with a rich man brings his message home to the disciples in a way that is surprising but unforgettable.

KAHU: As [Jesus] was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him,
"Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?"

Jesus said to him, "Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: 'You shall not murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; You shall not defraud; Honor your father and mother.'" He said to him,

"Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth."

Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, "You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me." When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions.

Then Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, "How hard it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!"

And the disciples were perplexed at these words. But Jesus said to them again, "Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God." They were greatly astounded and said to one another,

"Then who can be saved?"

Jesus looked at them and said, "For mortals it is impossible, but not for God; for God all things are possible."

Peter began to say to him,

"Look, we have left everything and followed you."

Jesus said, "Truly I tell you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields, for my sake and for the sake of the good news, who will not receive a hundredfold now in this age—houses, brothers and sisters, mothers and children, and fields, with persecutions—and in the age to come eternal life. But many who are first will be last, and the last will be first."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.
KEIKI SERMON, Kahu Tim

SERMON, Kahu Tim

“The Word is a SWORD!!”

SERMON HYMN 768 standing

“Lead Me, Guide Me”

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.

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH standing

KAHU: Made alive with God in Christ, we pray for the church, those in need, and all of God’s creation.

A brief silence.

Holy and ever-living God, uphold your people with your word, that we remain steadfast in our life with you.

ALL: Deliver mercy and grace to us through Jesus, our high priest. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.
KAHU: Reclaim lands and waters that have been polluted through human neglect and greed.

ALL: By your creative Spirit introduce again the vibrant and diverse life you have made. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

KAHU: Establish your justice through the work of judges, juries, and officers of the court.

ALL: Bless them, and those whom they serve, so that your goodness will flow through them. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

KAHU: Pour out compassion on your servants in time of need.

ALL: Where people dwell in darkness, let the light of your truth and mercy refresh and renew them. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

KAHU: Knock down the barriers in our lives that keep us from following you.

ALL: Show us how to open doors for others to enter into your saving presence. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

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

KAHU: Your everlasting gift of forgiveness has sustained the saints throughout all generations.

ALL: Continually immerse your people in that same gift until we stand before your throne of grace. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

KAHU: Gather these concerns and all who are in need into your abundant care, O God, remembering your promise of mercy, through Christ our Lord.

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.
DOXOLOGY standing


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. 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.
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.

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 *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:** We give you thanks, O God, that you welcome us to your table and satisfy our deepest hunger and thirst. By your gifts of word and holy meal, strengthen us to take up the cross as we go about our callings in this world, following after Jesus Christ, our servant Lord. **Amen.**

WE ARE SENT
SENDING HYMN 670 standing

“Build Us Up, Lord”

BENEDICTION AND SENDING, Kahu Tim

KAHU: Like children in the arms of Jesus, receive blessing:

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

ALL: Amen.

KAHU: Go in peace. Remember the poor.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

GOING FORTH

“Prelude in C Major”

Today, October 11, 2015

MINISTERS: All Members of Calvary by the Sea
KAHU: Tim Mason
WORSHIP AND THE ARTS: Tom Poole
ORGANIST AND PIANIST: Ina Young
MUSIC: Lea del Castillo, soprano
READER, USHERS, COMMUNION ASSISTANTS AND ALTAR CARE: Tribe Six—Teresa Okamoto, Monika Day
WORSHIP PRODUCTION SUPPORT: Fletch Young, Erin Day
WORSHIP and EVENTS AHEAD

**Sunday, October 18—Pentecost 21**

“Founders Sunday”

*Preaching and Music*, Chaplain Tammy and Women

Church Pot Luck “*Beneath the Arbor*”
following 10 am Service

**Sunday, October 25—Reformation Sunday**

*Preaching*, Kahu Tim

*Music*, Calvary Choir “And Can It Be?” and Calvary Bells

**Sunday, November 1—All Saints Day**

Lei of Remembrance

*Preaching*, Kahu Tim

*Music*, Calvary Choir, “Shine Like the Sun”

**Sunday, November 8—1st Sunday of Advent**

*Preaching*, Kahu Tim

*Music*, Calvary Choir and Friends, “I Sing Because I’m Happy”