Saturday Sunset Worship

October 22, 2016

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

Genuine repentance and pretentious piety stand in stark contrast in the gospel and all around us. All creation stands in need of God's forgiveness. Keep the faith. God's people—"all who have longed for his appearing"—shall be accounted righteous for Jesus' sake. Our God is merciful to sinners. For all this the assembly glorifies God forever.

SOUNDING OF THE PŪ

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

GREETING, Tom

TOM: 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”
Refrain

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, Tom

TOM: 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

TOM: 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.

PRAYER OF THE DAY standing

ALL: Holy God, our righteous judge, daily your mercy
surprises us with everlasting forgiveness. Strengthen
our hope in you, and grant that all the peoples of the earth may find their glory in you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

GREETING OF GUESTS and SHARING OF ALOHA standing

TOM: May God’s aloha be with you.
ALL: And also with you.

WE HEAR THE WORD

FIRST READING Jeremiah 14: 7–10, 19–22

In a time of drought, the people pray for mercy, repenting of their sins and the sins of their ancestors. They appeal to God to remember the covenant, to show forth God’s power, and to heal their land by sending life-giving rain.

ONE: 7 Although our iniquities testify against us, act, O LORD, for your name’s sake; our apostasies indeed are many, and we have sinned against you.

8 O hope of Israel, its savior in time of trouble, why should you be like a stranger in the land, like a traveler turning aside for the night?

9 Why should you be like someone confused, like a mighty warrior who cannot give help?

Yet you, O LORD, are in the midst of us, and we are called by your name; do not forsake us!

10 Thus says the LORD concerning this people: Truly they have loved to wander, they have not restrained their feet;
therefore the LORD does not accept them,
now he will remember their iniquity
and punish their sins.

19 Have you completely rejected Judah?
Does your heart loathe Zion?
Why have you struck us down
so that there is no healing for us?
We look for peace, but find no good;
for a time of healing, but there is terror instead.

20 We acknowledge our wickedness, O LORD,
the iniquity of our ancestors,
for we have sinned against you.

21 Do not spurn us, for your name's sake;
do not dishonor your glorious throne;
remember and do not break your covenant with us.

22 Can any idols of the nations bring rain?
Or can the heavens give showers?
Is it not you, O LORD our God?
We set our hope on you,
for it is you who do all this.

**PSALM** sung responsively

Psalm 84: 1–7

1 How dear to me is your dwelling,
   **O LORD of hosts!**

2 My soul has a desire and longing for the courts of the LORD;
   **my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God.**

3 Even the sparrow has found a home,
   and the swallow a nest where she may lay her young,
   **by the side of your altars, O LORD of hosts,**
   **my king and my God.**

4 Happy are they who dwell in your house!
   **They will always be praising you.**

5 Happy are the people whose strength is in you,
whose hearts are set on the pilgrims' way.

6 Those who go through the balsam valley
will find it a place of springs,

for the early rains have covered it with pools of water.

7 They will climb from height to height,
and the God of gods will be seen in Zion.

SECOND READING 2 Timothy 4: 6–8, 16–18

The conclusion of this letter to a young minister offers a final perspective on life from one who is now facing death. Though others have let him down, Paul is sure of his faith in the Lord, who has stood by him and lent him strength.

ONE: 6 As for me, I am already being poured out as a libation, and the time of my departure has come. 7 I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. 8 From now on there is reserved for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give me on that day, and not only to me but also to all who have longed for his appearing.

16 At my first defense no one came to my support, but all deserted me. May it not be counted against them! 17 But the Lord stood by me and gave me strength, so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed and all the Gentiles might hear it. So I was rescued from the lion's mouth. 18 The Lord will rescue me from every evil attack and save me for his heavenly kingdom. To him be the glory forever and ever. Amen.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION standing


Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life.
The coming reign of God will involve unexpected reversals of fortune with judgment rooted in mercy. Jesus tells a parable in which the one who humbles himself is exalted and the one who exalts his own righteousness is humbled.

Tom:  
9 [Jesus] also told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous and regarded others with contempt: 10 "Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. 11 The Pharisee, standing by himself, was praying thus,

All:  
'God, I thank you that I am not like other people: thieves, rogues, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. 12 I fast twice a week; I give a tenth of all my income.'

Tom:  
13 But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even look up to heaven, but was beating his breast and saying,

All:  
'God, be merciful to me, a sinner!'

Tom:  
14 I tell you, this man went down to his home justified rather than the other; for all who exalt themselves will be humbled, but all who humble themselves will be exalted.'

Tom:  
The Gospel of the Lord.

All:  
Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon, Tom  
"Just as I am?"

Sermon HYMN 592  
standing  
"Just As I Am, without One Plea"

Just as I am, without one plea, but that thy blood was shed for me,  
And that thou bidd’st me come to thee, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

Just as I am, though tossed about with many a conflict, many a doubt,  
Fightings and fears within, without, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

Just as I am; thy love unknown has broken ev’ry barrier down;  
Now to be thine, yea, thine alone, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.
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

TOM: Set free by the truth of God’s gracious love, we pray for the church, the world, and all of God’s good creation.

A brief silence.

Only you are righteous, O God.

ALL: Lead your church to true repentance so that we reflect your light and truth to the world. Hear us, O God, Aloha ke Akua (God is love; love is God).

TOM: Only you can bring rain, O God.

ALL: Be with those who lack clean water or must walk miles to quench their thirst. Hear us, O God, Aloha ke Akua.

TOM: Only you can judge the nations, O God.

ALL: Raise up leaders with humble hearts so that your peace spreads across the earth. Hear us, O God, Aloha ke Akua.

TOM: Only you can bring healing, O God.
ALL: Be with all whose hearts ache, who hold out empty hands, who long for forgiveness. Comfort the grieving and heal the sick. Hear us, O God, Aloha ke Akua.

TOM: Only you know the depths of our hearts, O God.

ALL: Call this congregation to loving action in your name and open our eyes to what you are doing among us. Hear us, O God, Aloha ke Akua.

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

TOM: Those who live in your house are happy, O God.

ALL: Keep us by your grace until we join the saints around your throne. Hear us, O God, Aloha ke Akua.

TOM: Into your hands, faithful God, we place ourselves and our prayers, spoken and unspoken, trusting in your 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, Ina

DOXOLOGY standing

“Hoʻonani i ka Makua Mau”


OFFERING PRAYER standing
TOM: 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

TOM: The Lord be with you.
ALL: And also with you.
TOM: Lift up your hearts.
ALL: We lift them to the Lord.
TOM: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
ALL: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

TOM: 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** (contemporary), *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*

**TOM:** 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.

**ALL:** Amen.

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**WE ARE SENT**
Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father;
There is no shadow of turning with thee;
Thou changest not, thy compassions they fail not;
As thou has been, thou forever wilt be.

*Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness!*
*Morning by morning new mercies I see;*
*All I have needed thy hand hath provided;*
*Great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me.*

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide;
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,
Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!

**BENEDICTION AND SENDING, Tom**

TOM: 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.

TOM: Go in peace. Remember the poor.

ALL: Thanks be to God.
Tonight, October 22, 2016

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

Saturday, October 29—24th Sunday after Pentecost
6:30—7:30 pm, Sunset Worship in ‘Ohana Hale

Preaching, Kahu Tim
Music, Tom

Sunday, October 30—24th Sunday after Pentecost
Reformation Sunday

Preaching, Kahu Tim
Music, Calvary Choir, “God, So Loved the World”

Saturday, November 5—Advent 1 (Advent Project)
All Saints

6:30—7:30 pm, Sunset Worship in ‘Ohana Hale

Preaching, Kahu Tim
Music, Ms. Amie

Sunday, November 6—Advent 1 (Advent Project)
All Saints Sunday

Preaching, Kahu Tim
Music, Calvary Choir, “Shine Like the Sun”