Saturday Sunset Worship

2nd Sunday after Pentecost

June 2, 2018
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!
Deuteronomy makes clear that sabbath-keeping is meant for the welfare of all. God delivered the Israelites out of slavery, so they should not ever work anyone else seven days a week. Even slaves should be able to rest; even resident aliens. Yet human beings can turn even the most liberating religious practice into a life-destroying rule. Jesus does not reject sabbath-keeping, but defends its original life-enhancing meaning. Our worship and our religious way of life are to lead to the hungry being fed and the sick being healed.

SOUNDING OF THE PŪ

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

GATHERING (A TIME TO BE STILL), Tom

“Water”

During the Gathering please center your hearts and thoughts on Makua–God the Creator, Keiki Kane–Jesus Christ our Redeemer, and ‘Uhane Hemolele–the Holy Spirit our Comforter.

GREETING standing

KAHU: Welcome to Calvary by the Sea Lutheran Church!
Welcome to hear the promises of God,
   to pray for healing and for one another,
   to be fed at the table,
   and to be sent into the world as
   wounded healers and bearers of Christ’s love.

ALL:    Amen! Thanks be to God!
KAHU:   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.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS OF SIN, Kahu Tim

KAHU:   Trusting God's promise of forgiveness,
        let us confess our sin against God and one another.

        Silence for reflection and self-examination.

Eternal God our creator,

ALL:    in you we live and move and have our being.
        Look upon us, your children,
        the work of your hands.
        Forgive us all our offenses, and cleanse us
        from proud thoughts and empty desires.
        By your grace draw us near to you,
        our refuge and our strength;
        through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

KAHU:   Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God
        through our Lord Jesus Christ. God's love has been poured
        into our hearts through the Holy Spirit given to us. In the
        mercy of almighty God, Christ died for us while we still were
        sinners; and for his sake, God + forgives you all your sins.

ALL:    Amen.
PRAYER OF THE DAY standing

ALL: Almighty and ever-living God, throughout time you free the oppressed, heal the sick, and make whole all that you have made. Look with compassion on the world wounded by sin, and by your power restore us to wholeness of life, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

GREETING OF GUESTS AND SHARING OF ALOHA standing

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

Holden Evening Prayer

Service of Light

Procession
Evening Hymn
Evening Thanksgiving

Psalmody, Readings and Canticles

Psalm 141
(Let My Prayer Rise Up)
**FIRST READING**

Deuteronomy 5: 12–15

Part of the Ten Commandments, these verses instruct the Israelites to keep the Sabbath. The Israelites are to rest and they are to allow their slaves, their livestock, and the foreigners living among them to do the same. They were once slaves, and so they are to treat their own slaves justly.

ONE:  

12 Observe the sabbath day and keep it holy, as the Lord your God commanded you. 13 Six days you shall labor and do all your work. 14 But the seventh day is a sabbath to the Lord your God; you shall not do any work—you, or your son or your daughter, or your male or female slave, or your ox or your donkey, or any of your livestock, or the resident alien in your towns, so that your male and female slave may rest as well as you. 15 Remember that you were a slave in the land of Egypt, and the Lord your God brought you out from there with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm; therefore the Lord your God commanded you to keep the sabbath day.

The *Holden Evening Prayer* continues with

The Annunciation

The Magnificat

**GOSPEL standing, read responsively**

Mark 2: 23—3: 6

Jesus challenges the prevailing interpretation of what is lawful on the sabbath and tells his critics that the sabbath was made for humankind, not the other way around. Healing the man with the withered hand is work that cannot wait until the next day.

KAHU:  

23 One sabbath [Jesus] was going through the grainfields; and as they made their way his disciples began to pluck heads of grain. 24 The Pharisees said to him,

ALL:  "Look, why are they doing what is not lawful on the sabbath?"

KAHU:  

25 And he said to them, "Have you never read what David did
when he and his companions were hungry and in need of food?  
26 He entered the house of God, when Abiathar was high priest, and ate the bread of the Presence, which it is not lawful for any but the priests to eat, and he gave some to his companions."

27 Then he said to them, "The sabbath was made for humankind, and not humankind for the sabbath; 28 so the Son of Man is lord even of the sabbath."

3:1 Again he entered the synagogue, and a man was there who had a withered hand. 2 They watched him to see whether he would cure him on the sabbath, so that they might accuse him. 3 And he said to the man who had the withered hand, "Come forward." 4 Then he said to them, "Is it lawful to do good or to do harm on the sabbath, to save life or to kill?" But they were silent. 5 He looked around at them with anger; he was grieved at their hardness of heart and said to the man, "Stretch out your hand." He stretched it out, and his hand was restored. 6 The Pharisees went out and immediately conspired with the Herodians against him, how to destroy him.

ALL: Praise to you, O Christ.

DEVOTION, Kahu Tim  
“Sabbath as RESISTANCE!”

Following Kahu Tim’s Devotional  
The Holden Evening Prayer continues with

Litany and Prayers

PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS, Tom
OFFERING PRAYER *standing*

KAHU: Merciful God, you open wide your hand and satisfy the need of every living thing. You have set this feast before us.
   - Open our hands to receive it.
   - Open our hearts to embrace it.
   - Open our lives to live it.

We pray this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Holy Communion

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 (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.

The service concludes with the Closing Prayer and everyone singing the

**Final Blessing**