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SUNDAY 2024



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"Responding to our changing world with God's unchanging love and grace."

inclusive - intentional - involved

Honolulu, Hawai'i

ALOHA & WELCOME

Calvary by the Sea is responding to our changing world with God's unchanging love and grace. We strive to be an inclusive, intentional and involved congregation with our island and world. We truly welcome all people and celebrate God's diversity of humanity in the world. We are so glad you are joining us! Please take a deep breath and know you are loved by God.

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Jan. 7th: \$5,950.71

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Jan. 21st: \$7,058.46

ENGAGE THIS WEEK

THURSDAYS @ 1:00PM

[ANC Food Bank] (1st & 3rd Thursdays)

FRIDAYS @ 10:00AM

[ANC Food Bank] (Every Friday)

SUNDAYS @ 9:30AM

[Prayer Meeting] (In Bride's Room)

SUNDAYS @ 10:00AM

[On-Campus and On-Line Worship]

KIDS SUNDAY SCHOOL

We love kids in worship! Children are invited to participate in Sunday School, dismissed about **15 minutes into worship.** Preschool through Elementary School. We want our kids to love being at church!

TODAY'S WORSHIP SERVICE AND LEADERSHIP

Today is January 28, 2024
Epiphany 4, Year B
Reconciling in Christ Sunday

Worship Band: (Leader/Vocals) Alana Freitas, (Bass) Alike Lyman, (Piano) Keith Montross, (Saxophone) Jason Gay, (Guitar) Peter Gorham, and (Drums) Scott Shafer. **Audio/Online:** Fletch Young. **Worship Assistant:** Beth Littledell. **Welcome Center:** Mieke Takada. **Ministry Team:** (Associate Minister of Family Ministries) Grace Lee, (Associate Minister of Student Ministries) Eric Hasha, (Parish Administrator) Mieke Takada, (Worship Director) Alana Freitas, (Senior Pastor) Moses Barrios. **General Credits:** General and streaming permissions for this service obtained from One License A-714410 and Christian Copyright Licensing, LLC. CCLI License 21055592. All rights reserved. Specific Credits: Prayers, images and readings from Sundays and Seasons © 2023 Augsburg Fortress.

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ORDER OF SERVICE

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

PRELUDE (*acolyte proceed.*)

ELW 715 Christ, Be Our Light (Instrumental)

CBTS Worship Band

SOUNDING OF THE PŪ & WELCOME

(*Please prepare your soul as the conch shell sound draws us to worship the Creator, Redeemer, and Sustainer.*)

ANTHEM

ELW 723 "CANTICLE OF THE TURNING"

CBTS Bell Choir

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT (*Please stand as you are able.*)

One: We acknowledge Hawai'i as an indigenous space whose original people are today identified as Native Hawaiians. The 'āina on which we gather was yielded under duress and protest to the United States to avoid the bloodshed. We further recognize that generations of indigenous Hawaiians and their knowledge systems shaped Hawai'i in a sustainable way that allows us to enjoy her gifts today.

All: For this we are truly grateful and yet we lament this history and injustice. We will continue to work and pray for authentic reconciliation and healing. Amen.

CALL TO WORSHIP (*Please remain standing as you are able.*)

One: We give thanks for the breath that hovered over resounding waters and spoke life into being.

All: For the great flood that proclaimed God's promise through rainbow-colored brilliance.

One: For the sea that split open our thirst for power, control, and dominance.

All: We give thanks for the One who transformed water into wine and then yearned to share it with those that society said disenfranchised.

One: We give thanks for the gift of baptism that proclaims that *you, me, WE ALL* are beloved children of God.

All: And nothing can separate us from the love of God made known through Jesus. Amen!

GATHERING HYMN (*Please remain standing as you are able.*)

ELW 822 "CANTAD AL SEÑOR"

Chorus: Oh, sing to the Lord, oh, sing God a new song. [REPEAT 3 TIMES]
Oh, sing to our God, oh, sing to our God.

Verse 1: Cantad al Señor un cántico nuevo. [REPETIR 3 VECES]
Cantad al Señor, cantad al Señor. *CHORUS*

Verse 2: Pues nuestro Señor ha hecho prodigios. Pues nuestro Señor ha hecho prodigios.
Pues nuestro Señor ha hecho prodigios. Cantad al Señor, cantad al Señor. *CHORUS*

Verse 3: Cantad al Señor, alabadle con arpa. Cantad al Señor, alabadle con arpa. Cantad al Señor, alabadle con arpa. Cantad al Señor, cantad al Señor. *CHORUS*

Text: Brazilian folk song; English and Spanish tr. Gerhard Cartford, b. 1923. Music: CANTAD AL SEÑOR, Brazilian folk tune. Tr. © Gerhard Cartford, admin. Augsburg Fortress

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS *(Please remain standing as you are able.)*

God of boundless compassion, help us to admit that we have been wrong. Give us the word the world cannot. Tell us again that you believe in us so we can love ourselves as you do.

Amen.

We proclaim publicly for the ways we have rejected God's love and God's image of us.

(Silence is kept for reflection and self-examination.)

For historical acts of injustice and oppression perpetuated against Native Hawaiian communities, against Black, Brown, Indigenous, Japanese, and Chinese communities in this abundant land of the First Nations. **Forgive us, merciful God.**

For the times we have failed to recognize racism and bigotry in ourselves, in our church, and in our society, and the times we have failed to take action. **Forgive us, long-suffering God.**

For complicity in systems of privilege and power over those whose skin color, culture, sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, or creed differ in some way, even today.

Forgive us, compassionate God.

Grant us courage never to let a racist joke or bigoted comment pass in our hearing, but to dare to insist on equitable treatment of all persons and groups, including ourselves, if oppressed, even at the risk of being unpopular or misunderstood. **We beseech you, God of justice.**

Siblings in Christ, the truth is that God loves you deeply and without end. This forgiveness is a gift; we don't do this on our own. We are bound to the Holy Spirit, who accompanies us on this journey of reconciliation in Christ. Know and believe you are forgiven. Know and trust that God is with you as you adjust and make amends, as you now know what you did not know before and that you have been made whole in the name of the Creator, and of the Redeemer, + and the Sanctifier,

Amen.

STORY & TESTIMONY *(You may be seated.)*

PEACE AND SHARING TIME *(Please stand as you are able.)*

What does it mean today, to let justice roll down like waters in a mighty stream?

The peace and the aloha of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

CHILDREN DISMISSED TO SUNDAY SCHOOL

WE HEAR THE WORD

FIRST READING: AMOS 5:21-24 [Read Responsively]

I despise and reject your feasts! I am not appeased by your solemn assemblies!.

**When you offer me burnt offerings, I reject your oblations,
and refuse to look at your sacrifices of fattened cattle!**

Spare me the racket of your chanting! Relieve me of the strumming of your harps!

Instead, let justice flow like a river, and righteousness flow like an unfailing stream.

Word of God. Word of Life.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION ELW Setting 8 (S 188)

Refrain: Alleluia, alleluia. Alleluia, alleluia.

Alleluia, alleluia. Alleluia, alleluia.

Verse: Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?

You have the words of eternal life. **REFRAIN**

BEFORE THE GOSPEL READING

Today's Gospel reading is from the book of Luke beginning in the 10th chapter.

Glory to you, O God.

GOSPEL READING: LUKE 10:25-37 [The First Nations Version]

A scroll keeper, one who was skilled in his knowledge of tribal law, came to Creator Sets Free (Jesus) to test him and trap him in his words. "Wisdomkeeper," he said. "What path must I walk to have the life of the world to come that never fades away, full of beauty and harmony?" He answered him, "What is written in our tribal law about this? Tell me, how do you see it?" The scroll keeper spoke from the words of the law, "You must love the Great Spirit from deep within, with the strength of your arms, the thoughts of your mind, and the courage of your heart, and you must love your fellow human beings in the same way you love yourselves." "You have answered well," Creator Sets Free (Jesus) said back to him. "If you walk this path, you will live." But the scroll keeper, wanting to look good to others, asked him, "Who are my fellow human beings?"

Creator Sets Free (Jesus) answered him with a story. "There was a man walking the road from Village of Peace (Jerusalem) to Moon Village (Jericho). On the way, he was attacked by thieves, who beat him, stripped him of his clothes, and left him bleeding to death. "Now it happened that a holy man was on the same road, not far behind. When he saw the man, he went around him on the other side of the road. Not far behind him was another man, also from the tribe holy men are chosen from. When he saw the wounded man, he did the same thing as the holy man. "Then a man from High Place (Samaria), who was also walking the road, saw the wounded man. Even though he was not a Tribal Member but a mixed blood despised by the tribal people, he felt pity for the man. He helped him by pouring good medicine on his wounds and wrapping them in a cloth. He put the man on his own animal and took him to a lodging house to care for him. "The next day, when the man of High Place (Samaria) was leaving, he gave from his own money pouch to the keeper of the lodging house. 'Use this to care for him,' he said, 'and when I return, I will give you anything more that is needed.'" Creator Sets Free (Jesus) then looked at the scroll keeper and said, "Which one of these three acted as a fellow human being to the man who was attacked by the thieves?" The scrollkeeper answered, "The one who had pity on him." "Go," Creator Sets Free (Jesus) said, "and walk in the same way."

The holy gospel according to Luke.

Praise to You O Christ.

SERMON

Associate Minister, Grace Lee (she/her)

HYMN OF THE DAY

"SALAAM ALEIKUM (MAY PEACE BE IN YOUR HEARTS)" ELCA GLOBAL

<i>Chorus:</i>	Salaam Aleikum. Salaam Aleikum. Salaam Aleikum!	Ho-yah! Ho-yah! Ho-yah, ho-yah, ho-yah, ho-yah, ho-yah!
<i>Verse:</i>	Salaam aleikum le, Salaam aleikum le, Salaam aleikum le, Salaam aleikum le.	May peace be in your hearts, May peace be in your homes, May peace be in your land, May peace be in your world.

Text and music: Ghanaian traditional Ghanaian, arr. Marc Anderson and Marty Haugen
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PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION *(Please stand as you are able.)*

We give thanks for Reconciling in Christ Sunday! A beautiful opportunity to celebrate inclusion in our congregation. We pray for pastors, deacons, bishops, and church leaders who do their best to live out the loving and welcoming community in Jesus Christ. May they be bold in their call to radical hospitality, inclusion, and the work of justice of all God's diversity, and may we do our diligence in calling them to deeper and more meaningful justice they might not see. God of inclusion, **Hear our prayer.**

We give thanks for our lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, intersex, non-binary, pansexual, queer/questioning, asexual, Black, Brown, Indigenous, People of Color in Christ, and the gifts they are to our church and society. May our churches be bold and prophetic in the ways we live out our welcome, inclusion, celebration, and advocacy with and for our siblings. May all know that in their truest, fullest most authentic selves, they are perfectly formed and perfectly loved as God created them to be. God of inclusion, **Hear our prayer.**

We remember and pray for those suffering discrimination, fear, and violence at the hands of oppressive regimes; may systems of such oppression be dismantled and new systems be built where all of God's Beloved are treated with dignity and respect. We remember and pray for those whose lives have been lost to violence and hate; may we be peacemakers through our words, actions, and advocacy.

We remember and pray for those suffering economic hardship and insecurity in basic needs due to unjust systems of oppression; may abundance be shared. God of justice, **Hear our prayer.**

We lift these and all our prayers to you, O God, confident that you will turn to us and be gracious to us as you always do to those who love your name. **Amen.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS *(You may be seated.)*

INVITATION TO GENEROSITY

Let us pray together.

Generous God, make us generous in your image. Make us compassionate in your image. Make us faithful in your image. We give because we are grateful and because we want to be a part of that which is healing the world. Bless the financial gifts we offer, that your kingdom may come on earth as it is in heaven, through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

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OFFERING HYMN

ELW 715 "CHRIST, BE OUR LIGHT" (INSTRUMENTAL)
CBTS Worship Band

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BLESSING OF GIFTS

WE PARTAKE OF THE MEAL

COMMUNION

We believe that Jesus Christ is truly present in this holy meal. The holy mystery draws us to weekly nourishment that sustains us through joy, grief, hope, repentance, thanksgiving, anxiety and other aspects of life. We are met with the grace of God in Jesus Christ made present in bread and wine.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**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.**

COMMUNION SONG

ELW 496 "UN PAN, UN CUERPO"

Refrain: Un pan, un cuerpo, un solo Señor, una copa de la bendición.
En nuestra propia diversidad, un cuerpo somos en el Señor.
Verse 1: Siervo y Señor, hombre y mujer, uno en Dios serán. *Refrain.*
Verse 2: Dones sin par, obras sin fin, mas uno en el Señor. *Refrain.*
Verse 3: Granos de trigo se cosecharán para formar un pan. *Refrain.*

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POST COMMUNION BLESSING *(Spoken to everyone after last person communes.)*

NEW MEMBERS PRAYER & BLESSING *(You may be seated.)*

WE ARE SENT

BLESSING *(Congregation may stretch out arms towards others blessing them with these words.)*

**God bless you and keep you.
God smile on you. Shine God's light upon you.
The Creator lift you, turn God's face towards you.
Give you God's peace, give you God's peace.
Amen.**

DISMISSAL

Go now in wholeness to love. May the dancing flicker of the rainbow Spirit,
help us risk ourselves for love and to work for the justice of God.

Thanks be to God!

RING THE BELL

POSTLUDE *(acolyte proceed.)*

Come Together

CBTS Worship Band

JOIN US NEXT WEEK @ 10:00AM

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ANNUAL REPORT 2024 68TH ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING



CALVARY BY THE SEA
Lutheran Church



68TH ANNUAL MEETING NEXT SUNDAY!

Next Sunday, February 4th after worship. Liturgy will be shorten intentionally so to include our annual meeting as part of our worship. We invite and encourage all supporters and members to participate, observe, and for members to vote.

We will end with lunch provided by the church for all in attendance. Let us come together as a spiritual family with love and respect to celebrate that we get to be church for another year, something not all churches can say in 2024. We are truly blessed!

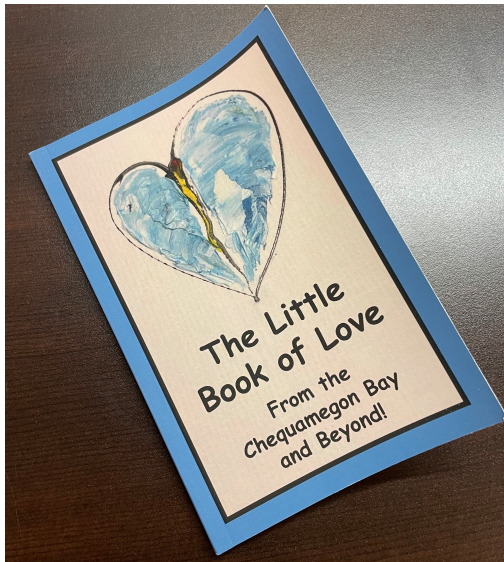
Members are encouraged to stay and vote, and supporters and visitors are invited to stay and observe. All are welcome!

TRANS SUNDAY

PASTOR AND AUTHOR NANCY HANSEN PRIDE CONNECTION @ 9AM [HALE ALOHA]

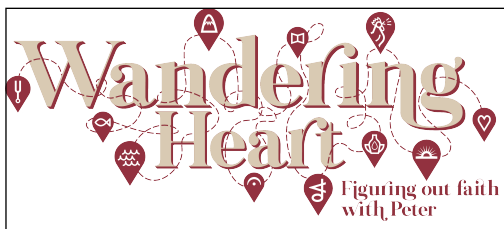
On Sunday, February 11th, we will celebrate the Transfiguration of Jesus, yet another revelation of God and Pride Connection will be hosting dialogue with Pastor Nancy and her book *The Little Book of Love*, a book for transgender or non-binary people, a book of messages from parents or grandparents of transgender individuals. All are invited to participate, listen, and engage in the conversation. About 15 books are available for FREE at the Welcome Center after worship if you would like to read her book before the event. Please connect with Minister Eric or Rhonda and Beth Littledell if you have any questions.

Pastor Nancy has been an ELCA Clergy member for 19 years and former member of Calvary by the Sea.



ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE @ 6:30PM by the oceanside

On Wednesday, February 14th we will gather to receive ashes on Valentine's Day. Our foreheads will reflect the love and ashes of the lenten season. We will gather outdoors by the oceanside. As we begin the season of Lent, let us turn inward and tune our hearts.



LENTEN SOUP SUPPERS WEDNESDAYS @ 5:30PM

On Wednesday, February 21st. This Lent, we are focusing on the life and faith of Peter. In him we see a person who is both steadfast and unsteady, a dear friend and a betrayer, a follower and a wanderer. In Peter, we often see ourselves. Join us for 5 Wednesdays!

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