



Calvary by the Sea Lutheran Church

“Sharing the Blessing of God’s Grace with Aloha”

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Saturday Sunset Worship

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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

Today's texts offer instruction and encouragement for all who are occasionally overwhelmed by the "unhappy business" of life. Jesus urges us to take care and be on guard against all kinds of greed. We who have died with Christ in holy baptism have also been raised with him and are encouraged to elevate our thinking, seeking the "things that are above." To that end we seek the sustenance of the Lord's supper and the encouragement of God's word.

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, *Pastor JP*

JP: God, our *Creator*,
Jesus Christ, our *Redeemer*,
and the Holy Spirit, our *Comforter*,
be with you all.

ALL: And also with you.

JP: 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!

GATHERING SONG

“The God of Second Chances”



1. Come now, O God ___ of sec - ond chanc - es, o - pen our lives to heal. ___
2. Come now, O God, ___ re - lease our de - mons; o - pen our eyes to see ___
3. Come now, O God, ___ and still our an - ger; o - pen our minds to peace. ___
4. Come now O God, ___ shake our re - sent ment; o - pen our way to choose
5. Come now, O God, ___ and grant com - pas - sion; o - pen our hearts to love. ___
6. Come now, O God ___ of sec - ond chanc - es; may we for - give our - selves,



Re - move our hate, and melt our rage. Save us from our - selves.
the shame with - in, our guilt and pain. Mend us; make us whole.
Em - brace our fear, and hold us close. Calm the storm with - in. ___
the way of love o - ver re - venge. Show us a new way. ___
May we let go of all our hurt. Help us to move on. ___
may we be - come your liv - ing sign: Chil - dren of God's love. ___

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CONFESSION OF SIN, *Pastor JP*

JP: Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God,
abounding in steadfast love toward us,
healing the sick and raising the dead,
showering us with every good gift.

ALL: Amen.

JP: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Just and gracious God,

ALL: we come to you asking for help, for healing, and to confess our sin.

There are holes in our hearts we cannot mend.

There are problems in our lives we cannot solve.

We have hurt others and ourselves with our actions.

Forgive us, O God. Show us your mercy.

Bind up our wounds, and free us to love ourselves

and others, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Savior.

Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

JP: The apostle Paul assures us:

"When we were dead in our trespasses,

God made us alive together with Christ,

nailing the record of our sins to the cross."

Jesus says to you, + "Your sins are forgiven."

Be at peace, and tell everyone

how much God has done for you.

ALL: Amen.

PRAYER OF THE DAY *standing*

ALL: Benevolent God, you are the source, the guide, and the goal of our lives. Teach us to love what is worth loving, to reject what is offensive to you, and to treasure what is precious in your sight, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

GREETING OF GUESTS *and* SHARING OF ALOHA *standing*

JP: May God's aloha be with you.

ALL: **And also with you.**

WE HEAR THE WORD

FIRST READING

Ecclesiastes 1: 2, 12–14; 2: 18–23

The teacher of wisdom who wrote Ecclesiastes sees that working for mere accumulation of wealth turns life into an empty game, a “vanity of vanities.” Nevertheless, he asserts in the next verse, it is good to find enjoyment in one's work because such enjoyment is a gift from God.

ONE: ²Vanity of vanities, says the Teacher, vanity of vanities! All is vanity. ¹²I, the Teacher, when king over Israel in Jerusalem, ¹³applied my mind to seek and to search out by wisdom all that is done under heaven; it is an unhappy business that God has given to human beings to be busy with. ¹⁴I saw all the deeds that are done under the sun; and see, all is vanity and a chasing after wind. ^{2:18}I hated all my toil in which I had toiled under the sun, seeing that I must leave it to those who come after me ¹⁹—and who knows whether they will be wise or foolish? Yet they will be master of all for which I toiled and used my wisdom under the sun. This also is vanity. ²⁰So I turned and gave my heart up to despair concerning all the toil of my labors under the sun, ²¹because sometimes one who has toiled with wisdom and knowledge and skill must leave all to be enjoyed by another who did not toil for it. This also is vanity and a great evil. ²²What do mortals get from all the toil and strain with which they toil under the sun? ²³For all their days are full of pain, and their work is a vexation; even at night their minds do not rest. This also is vanity.

SECOND READING

Colossians 3: 1–11

Life in Christ includes a radical reorientation of our values. Just as the newly baptized shed their old clothes in order to put on new garments, so Christians are called to let go of greed and take hold of a life shaped by God's love in Christ.

ONE: ¹So if you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. ²Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth, ³for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. ⁴When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory. ⁵Put to death, therefore, whatever in you is earthly: fornication, impurity, passion, evil desire, and greed (which is idolatry). ⁶On account of these the wrath of God is coming on those who are disobedient. ⁷These are the ways you also once followed, when you were living that life. ⁸But now you must get rid of all such things—anger, wrath, malice, slander, and abusive language from your mouth. ⁹Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have stripped off the old self with its practices ¹⁰and have clothed yourselves with the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge according to the image of its creator. ¹¹In that renewal there is no longer Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave and free; but Christ is all and in all!

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION *standing* “Lord, Let My Heart Be Good Soil”
(512)

Lord, let my heart be good soil, open to the seed of your word.

Lord, let my heart be good soil, where love can grow and peace is understood.

When my heart is hard, break the stone away.

When my heart is cold, warm it with the day.

When my heart is lost, lead me on your way.

Lord, let my heart; Lord, let my heart; Lord, let my heart be good soil.

GOSPEL *standing; read responsively*

Luke 12: 13–21

In God's reign, the "rich will be sent away empty." Jesus uses a parable to warn against identifying the worth of one's life with the value of one's possessions rather than one's relationship with God.

JP: ¹³Someone in the crowd said to [Jesus,]

ALL: "Teacher, tell my brother to divide the family inheritance with me."

JP: ¹⁴But he said to him, "Friend, who set me to be a judge or arbitrator over you?" ¹⁵And he said to them, "Take care! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; for one's life does not consist in the abundance of possessions." ¹⁶Then he told them a parable: "The land of a rich man produced abundantly. ¹⁷And he thought to himself, 'What should I do, for I have no place to store my crops?' ¹⁸Then he said, 'I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. ¹⁹And I will say to my soul, Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry.' ²⁰But God said to him, 'You fool! This very night your life is being demanded of you. And the things you have prepared, whose will they be?' ²¹So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich toward God."

JP: The Gospel of the Lord.

ALL: Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON, *Pastor JP*

SERMON HYMN 697 *standing*

"Just a Closer Walk with Thee"

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*

JP: Rooted in Christ and rising to serve, let us pray for the church, the world, and all those in need.

A brief silence.

O God, enliven the body of Christ with energy and creativity. Work through partnerships across towns, denominations, and ministries, that Christ be shared with all. Hear us, O God.

ALL: Your mercy is great.

JP: Guard your creation against greed and over-consumption. Restore polluted air and waters, protect animal and fish habitats, and send new growth where it is needed. Hear us, O God.

ALL: Your mercy is great.

JP: Break down barriers between neighborhoods, peoples, faith traditions, political parties and candidates, and nations. Sustain community leaders, legislators, volunteers, peacemakers, and all who seek the good of their communities. Hear us, O God.

ALL: Your mercy is great.

JP: Calm the anxious ones among us. Soothe furrowed and fevered brows. Give energy and compassion to caregivers, those who sit at bedsides or wait by the phone. Comfort all in need of healing. Hear us, O God.

ALL: Your mercy is great.

JP: Inspire this congregation to live in the present moment, O God, and to trust in you. In committee meetings, worship services, class rooms, and all ministries and social hours, give us flexibility and courage to follow where you lead. Hear us, O God.

ALL: Your mercy is great.

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

JP: We give thanks for those who have died recently and across the ages. We rejoice in the hope of the resurrection. Hear us, O God.

ALL: Your mercy is great.

JP: We lift our prayers to you, O God, trusting your promise to hear us; through Jesus 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.

PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS, Ms. Amie

DOXOLOGY *standing*

“Ho‘onani i ka Makua Mau”

Ho‘onani i ka Makua mau. Ke keiki me ka ‘Uhane nō.
Ke Akua mau ho‘omaika‘i pū. Kō kēia ao kō kēlā ao. Amene.

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise God, all creatures here below.
Praise God above, ye heav'nly host. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

OFFERING PRAYER *standing*

JP: God of mercy and grace, the eyes of all wait upon you, and you open your hand in blessing. Fill us with good things at your table, that we may come to the help of all in need, through Jesus Christ, our redeemer and Lord. **Amen.**

WE ARE FED

HOLY COMMUNION HYMN *standing*

“Bread for the World”

REFRAIN



Bread for the world: a world of hun-ger. Wine for all peo-ples: peo-ple who thirst.



May we who eat be bread for oth - ers. May we who drink pour out our love. —

VERSES



1. Lord Je - sus Christ, you are the bread of life, _____
2. Lord Je - sus Christ, you are the wine of peace, _____
3. Lord Je - sus Christ, you call us to your feast, _____



bro - ken to reach and heal the wounds of hu - man pain. _____
poured in - to hearts once bro - ken and where dry - ness sleeps. _____
at which the rich and pow'r - ful have be - come the least. _____



Where we di - vide your peo - ple you are wait - ing there _____
Where we are tired and wea - ry you are wait - ing there _____
Where we sur - vive on oth - ers in our hu - man greed _____



on bend - ed knee to wash our feet with end - less care.
to be the way which beck - ons us be - yond de - spair.
you walk a - mong us beg - ging for your ev - 'ry need.

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GREAT THANKSGIVING *standing*

JP: The Lord be with you.

ALL: And also with you.

JP: Lift up your hearts.

ALL: We lift them to the Lord.

JP: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

ALL: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

JP: 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.

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*

JP: O God, as a mother comforts her child, so you comfort your people, carrying us in your arms and satisfying us with this food and drink, the body and blood of Christ. Send us now as your disciples, announcing peace and proclaiming that the reign of God has come near; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

ALL: Amen.

WE ARE SENT

SENDING HYMN 768 *standing*

“Lead Me, Guide Me”

BENEDICTION AND SENDING, *Pastor JP*

JP: The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord's face shine upon you with grace and mercy.
The Lord look upon you with favor
and + give you peace.

ALL: Amen.

JP: Go in peace. Proclaim the good news.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

