



Calvary by the Sea Lutheran Church

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

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20th Saturday after Pentecost

October 21, 2017

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

In tonight's first reading God uses the Gentile ruler Cyrus to accomplish divine purposes. When the Pharisees try to trap Jesus, he tells them to give the emperor what belongs to him and to God what belongs to God. To gather for worship reminds us that our ultimate allegiance is to God rather than to any earthly authority. Created in the image of God, we offer our entire selves in the service of God and for the sake of the world.

SOUNDING OF THE PŪ

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

A TIME TO BE STILL

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

GREETING *standing*

KAHU: Jesus says, “*Come to me, all you that are weary and carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest.*”

ALL: Amen.

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, *Kahu Tim*

KAHU: Blessed be the + holy Trinity,
the one who fashions us,
the one who heals us,
the one who reforms us again and again.

ALL: Amen.

KAHU: Let us confess our sin, calling for God's transforming power.

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

Source of all life,
**ALL: we cling to our guilt instead of letting your grace free us.
We continue in our sin rather than letting your love
change our lives.**

**We turn your church inward. We keep it comfortable for
us. We treat it as our own personal property.**

Forgive us. Stir us. Reform us.

**Make us into your church powered by love,
speaking for what is right,
acting for what is just,
and seeking the healing of your whole creation.**

KAHU: *God hears our cry and sends the Spirit to change us and to
empower our lives in the world. Our sins are forgiven, + God's
love is unconditional, and we are raised up as God's people who
will always be made new, in the name of Jesus Christ.*

ALL: Amen.

PRAYER OF THE DAY *standing*

**ALL: Sovereign God, raise your throne in our hearts.
Created by you, let us live in your image; created for
you, let us act for your glory; redeemed by you, let us**

give you what is yours, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

GREETING OF GUESTS *AND* SHARING OF ALOHA *seated*

KAHU: May God’s aloha be with you.

ALL: **And also with you.**

GREETING HYMN 267 *standing*

“Joy to the World!”

(sing stanzas 1, 2, and 4)

WE HEAR THE WORD

FIRST READING

Isaiah 45: 1–7

The prophet announces that Cyrus the Persian emperor is the one the Lord has anointed to end Israel's exile. The Lord makes this choice so that the whole world will recognize this Lord as the only God. Persia had a god of light and a god of darkness; the Lord claims sovereignty over both light and darkness.

ONE: ¹Thus says the LORD to his anointed, to Cyrus, whose right hand I have grasped to subdue nations before him and strip kings of their robes, to open doors before him—and the gates shall not be closed: ²I will go before you and level the mountains, I will break in pieces the doors of bronze and cut through the bars of iron, ³I will give you the treasures of darkness and riches hidden in secret places, so that you may know that it is I, the LORD, the God of Israel, who call you by your name. ⁴For the sake of my servant Jacob, and Israel my chosen, I call you by your name, I surname you, though you do not know me. ⁵I am the LORD, and there is no other; besides me there is no god. I arm you, though you do not know me, ⁶so that they may know, from the rising of the sun

and from the west, that there is no one besides me; I am the LORD, and there is no other. ⁷I form light and create darkness, I make weal and create woe; I the LORD do all these things.

SECOND READING

1 Thessalonians 1: 1–10

Most likely this letter is the first written by Paul. Paul is giving pastoral encouragement and reassurances to new Christians living in an antagonistic pagan environment. Their commitment of faith, love, and hope makes them a model for other new Christian communities.

ONE: ¹Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy, To the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ: Grace to you and peace. ²We always give thanks to God for all of you and mention you in our prayers, constantly ³remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and labor of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁴For we know, brothers and sisters beloved by God, that he has chosen you, ⁵because our message of the gospel came to you not in word only, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction; just as you know what kind of persons we proved to be among you for your sake. ⁶And you became imitators of us and of the Lord, for in spite of persecution you received the word with joy inspired by the Holy Spirit, ⁷so that you became an example to all the believers in Macedonia and in Achaia. ⁸For the word of the Lord has sounded forth from you not only in Macedonia and Achaia, but in every place your faith in God has become known, so that we have no need to speak about it. ⁹For the people of those regions report about us what kind of welcome we had among you, and how you turned to God from idols, to serve a living and true God, ¹⁰and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead— Jesus, who rescues us from the wrath that is coming.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION *standing*

“Kanakanai Waiwai”

Originally known as Iesū Me Ke Kanaka Waiwai, this song is believed to have been composed by Johnny Almeida. It is a

setting of the biblical story of Jesus' encounter with the rich, young ruler. Almeida originally composed this song for use in the Mormon Church, but was told that it was not acceptable because it sounded too much like a hulu.

Translation of verse and chorus:

It was on the path that Jesus chanced to meet with a young man of position, renowned for his wealth.

The youth spoke, saying, "O my good Lord, what, indeed, must I do to gain eternal life?"

Chorus:

"Give away, give away completely all of your many riches. Turn and follow me to gain eternal life."

Ma ke a - la - he - le 'o Ie - sū i hā - lā - wai a-ku ai

5 Me ke ka-na-ka 'ō - pi - o ha-no-ha-no Kau - la-na i ka wa-i - wai

9 Pa-ne ma - i e ka 'ō - pi - o 'E ku-'u Ha-ku mai - ka'i He

13 a - ha ho - 'i ka-'u e ha-na a-ku ai i lo - a - 'a e ke o - la mau?

17 'E hā-'a-wi, e hā-'a-wi li - lo i ko-u mau wai-wai Hu - li a ha

22 1. hai mai ia-'u i lo-a-'a e ke o-la mau ia 'o - e mau i lo-a-'a e ke o-la mau 2.

GOSPEL *standing, read responsively*

Matthew 22: 15–22

After Jesus begins teaching in the temple, religious leaders try to trap him with questions. First they ask if God's people should pay taxes to an earthly tyrant like Caesar.

KAHU: ¹⁵The Pharisees went and plotted to entrap [Jesus] in what he said. ¹⁶So they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying,

ALL: "Teacher, we know that you are sincere, and teach the way of God in accordance with truth, and show deference to no one; for you do not regard people with partiality. ¹⁷Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to the emperor, or not?"

KAHU: ¹⁸But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, "Why are you putting me to the test, you hypocrites? ¹⁹Show me the coin used for the tax." And they brought him a denarius. ²⁰Then he said to them, "Whose head is this, and whose title?" ²¹They answered,

ALL: "The emperor's."

KAHU: Then he said to them, "Give therefore to the emperor the things that are the emperor's, and to God the things that are God's." ²²When they heard this, they were amazed; and they left him and went away.

KAHU: The Gospel of the Lord.

ALL: Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON, *Kahu Tim*

“And God’s Portion Is?”

SERMON HYMN 709 *standing*

“When Our Song Says Peace”

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *standing*

“The Apostles’ Creed”

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: *Open to the gifts of the Holy Spirit, we pray for the church, the world, and all of God's creation.*

A brief silence.

Trusting in God, we pray for the church.

ALL: **Fill all worshipers with your Holy Spirit. Grant them generous hearts to share God's splendor revealed to them in Jesus Christ. Hear us, O God, Aloha ke Akua** (God is love; love is God).

KAHU: *We pray for creation:*

ALL: **for the power of sun, wind, and water, for the magnificence of life in forms too many to number. Hear us, O God, Aloha ke Akua.**

KAHU: *We pray for the nations:*

ALL: **for leaders of governments, for fair commerce between nations, for treasurers, boards of directors, and all who justly distribute monetary resources. Hear us, O God, Aloha ke Akua.**

KAHU: *We pray for the poor and outcast,*

ALL: **for those who cannot afford food, medicine, clothing, and shelter, for the communities and agencies who**

serve the needy and advocate on their behalf. Hear us, O God, Aloha ke Akua.

KAHU: *Trusting in God's healing power, we pray for this congregation:*

ALL: **for the unemployed and overworked, for all who are burdened by debt, for the sick and those in particular need. Hear us, O God, Aloha ke Akua.**

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

KAHU: *We give thanks for the saints of every time and place.*

ALL: **By your Spirit, grant us sure confidence in the everlasting glory you promise. Hear us, O God, Aloha ke Akua.**

KAHU: *Into your hands, gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting the power of Christ and the gifts of the Spirit.*

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*

KAHU: God of life, you give us these gifts of the earth, these resources

of our life and our labor. Take them, offered in great thanksgiving,
and use them to set a table that will heal the whole creation;
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Light.

ALL: Amen.

WE ARE FED

GREAT THANKSGIVING *standing*

KAHU: The Lord be with you.

ALL: And also with you.

KAHU: Lift up your hearts.

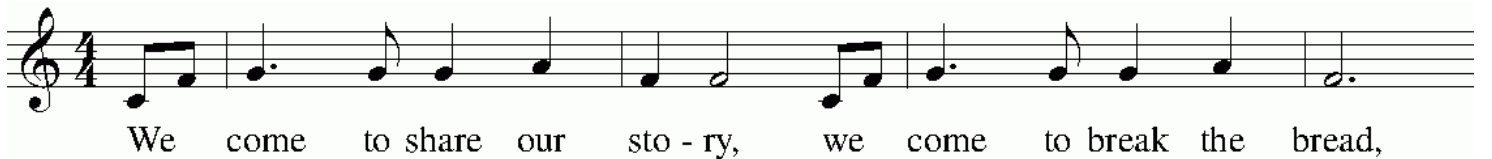
ALL: We lift them to the Lord.

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

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

SANCTUS *standing*

The *Sanctus* is sung following, "...we praise your name and
join their unending hymn."



we are called to feed the hun - gry at our door.
 liv - ing wa - ter, we are thirst - ing for your light.
 May we live in love and peace our whole life long.

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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)*

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.**

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION *seated*

KAHU: Holy and compassionate God, in bread and wine you give us gifts that form us to be humble and courageous. May your words come to life in our serving and in our witness, that we might speak a living voice of healing and justice to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our rock and our redeemer.

ALL: **Amen.**

WE ARE SENT

SENDING HYMN 744 *standing*

“Lord, Be Glorified”

BENEDICTION AND SENDING, *Kahu Tim*

KAHU: God, *creator of all things*, speaking reformation into being;
Jesus, Christ, *savior of the world*, raising the dead;
Holy Spirit, *living voice*, calling and enlightening the church:

Almighty God,
Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit,
bless you now and forever.

ALL: Amen.

KAHU: *Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.*

Go in peace. Sound the good news.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

Tonight, October 21, 2017

MINISTERS: All Members of Calvary by the Sea

KAHU: Tim Mason

WORSHIP AND THE ARTS; PIANIST: Tom Poole

MUSIC: Amie Lawyer

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