



# **Calvary by the Sea Lutheran Church**

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

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## **6<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**

July 16, 2017

10:00 am

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

God's word is like the rain that waters the earth and brings forth vegetation. It is also like the sower who scatters seed indiscriminately. Our lives are like seeds sown in the earth. Even from what appears to be little, dormant, or dead, God promises a harvest. At the Lord's table we are fed with the bread of life, that we may bear fruit in the world.

## SOUNDING OF THE PŪ

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

**GATHERING,** *Tom*

“I’ve Got Peace Like a River”

## A TIME TO BE STILL (*RINGING OF THE BELL*)

During the *Stillness* and 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** *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, + one God,  
full of compassion and mercy,  
abounding in steadfast love.

**ALL: Amen.**

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.**

**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.**

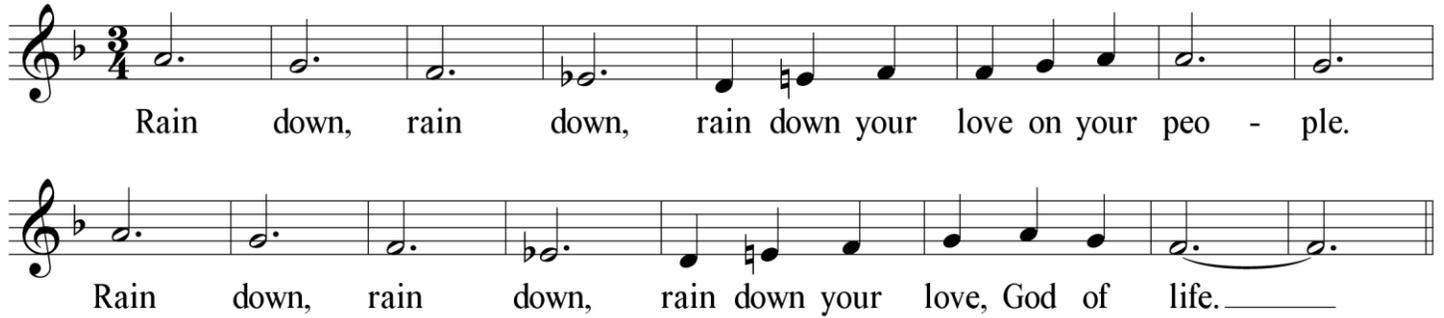
KAHU: Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit given to us. In the mercy of almighty God, Christ died for us while we still were sinners; and for his sake, God + forgives you all your sins.

**ALL: Amen.**

# GATHERING, *standing*

## “Rain Down”

### REFRAIN



Rain down, rain down, rain down your love on your peo - ple.  
Rain down, rain down, rain down your love, God of life. \_\_\_\_\_

### VERSES



1. Faith - ful and true is the word of our - God. All of God's  
2. We who re - vere and find hope in our - God live in the  
3. God of cre - a - tion, we long for your truth; you are the  
works are so wor - thy of trust. God's mer - cy falls on the  
kind - ness and joy of God's wing. God will pro - tect us from  
wa - ter of life that we thirst. Grant that your love and your  
just and the - right; full of God's love is the earth.  
dark - ness and death; God will not leave us to starve.  
peace touch our hearts; all of our hope lies in you.

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## PRAYER OF THE DAY *standing*

**ALL:** Almighty God, we thank you for planting in us the seed of your word. By your Holy Spirit help us to receive it with joy, live according to it, and grow in faith and hope and love, 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.**

# WE HEAR THE WORD

## FIRST READING

Isaiah 55: 10–13

*God's word to Israel's exiles is as sure and effective as never-failing precipitation. Their return to the Holy Land in a new exodus is cheered on by singing mountains and by trees that clap their hands.*

ONE: <sup>10</sup>For as the rain and the snow come down from heaven, and do not return there until they have watered the earth, making it bring forth and sprout, giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater, <sup>11</sup>so shall my word be that goes out from my mouth; it shall not return to me empty, but it shall accomplish that which I purpose, and succeed in the thing for which I sent it. <sup>12</sup>For you shall go out in joy, and be led back in peace; the mountains and the hills before you shall burst into song, and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands. <sup>13</sup>Instead of the thorn shall come up the cypress; instead of the brier shall come up the myrtle; and it shall be to the LORD for a memorial, for an everlasting sign that shall not be cut off.

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION *standing*

### REFRAIN



*In Matthew's gospel, both Jesus and his disciples "sow the seed" of God's word by proclaiming the good news that "the kingdom of heaven is near." Now, in a memorable parable, Jesus explains why this good news produces different results in those who hear.*

KAHU: <sup>1</sup>That same day Jesus went out of the house and sat beside the sea. <sup>2</sup>Such great crowds gathered around him that he got into a boat and sat there, while the whole crowd stood on the beach. <sup>3</sup>And he told them many things in parables, saying:

**ALL: "Listen! A sower went out to sow. <sup>4</sup>And as he sowed, some seeds fell on the path, and the birds came and ate them up. <sup>5</sup>Other seeds fell on rocky ground, where they did not have much soil, and they sprang up quickly, since they had no depth of soil. <sup>6</sup>But when the sun rose, they were scorched; and since they had no root, they withered away. <sup>7</sup>Other seeds fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. <sup>8</sup>Other seeds fell on good soil and brought forth grain, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. <sup>9</sup>Let anyone with ears listen!"**

KAHU: <sup>18</sup>"Hear then the parable of the sower. <sup>19</sup>When anyone hears the word of the kingdom and does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what is sown in the heart; this is what was sown on the path. <sup>20</sup>As for what was sown on rocky ground, this is the one who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy; <sup>21</sup>yet such a person has no root, but endures only for a while, and when trouble or persecution arises on account of the word, that person immediately falls away. <sup>22</sup>As for what was sown among thorns, this is the one who hears the word, but the cares of the world and the lure of wealth choke the word, and it yields nothing. <sup>23</sup>But as for what was sown on good soil, this is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields, in one case a hundredfold, in another sixty, and

in another thirty."

**KAHU:** The Gospel of the Lord.

**ALL:** **Praise to you, O Christ.**

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL IN WORD AND ACTION,** *Alex Egertson,  
Kali Hill, Alex King, Chris Reynolds-Baldwin*

**Rock Sword Shield**

*(Camp songs from Lutheran Retreats and Conferences)*

He's my rock, my sword, my shield.  
He's my hub in the middle of the wheel.  
He's my Lilly of the valley.  
My bright and shining star.  
Makes no difference what you say.  
I'll get on my knees and pray.  
I'll be singin' till the day Jesus comes.  
YeeHaw!

**Alleluia**

A la la la la la le luia  
A la la la la la le lu  
A la la la la la le luia  
A la la la la laa ahhh ah le luia

*(Follow the VBS Staff for further directions)*

**Waves of Mercy**

Every move I make I make in you  
You make me move Jesus  
Every breathe I take I breathe in you  
(WooHoo)  
Every step I take I take in you  
You are my way Jesus

Every breath I take I breath in you  
(WooHoo)

Singing

Waves of Mercy, Waves of Grace  
Every where I look, I see your face!  
Your love has captured me  
Oh my God: this love, how can it be?  
(How can it be, how can it be?) JUMP!

A la la la la la  
A la la la la la

**SERMON HYMN** *standing*

“Weave One Heart”

**Refrain** **Marty Haugen**

Weave one heart from the man-y strands; E Ha-ku i ka pu-‘u - wai;

God be praised through our work ing hands; O ka Ha-ku o ka pu-‘u - wai;

**Verse Response**

O ka Ha-ku o ka pu-‘u - wai;

The musical notation consists of three staves in 4/4 time with a key signature of one flat. The first staff is the Refrain, the second is the continuation of the Refrain, and the third is the Verse Response. The lyrics are written below the notes.

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## **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.

## **“Be a Hero!” BLOOD DRIVE ENCOURAGEMENT**, *Amy Bender*

## **PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH** *seated*

**KAHU:** Called together in the Spirit’s embrace, let us pray for the mending of God’s world.

*A brief silence.*

*Gracious God,*

**ALL:** we give thanks for your living word that goes out and does not return empty. Make your church a partner in accomplishing what you desire. Unite us in faith, witness, and mission. Hear us, O God, *Aloha ke Akua* (*God is love; love is God*).

**KAHU:** *Merciful God,*

**ALL:** For land, creatures, and people suffering from drought and fires, that gentle rain bring life and hope. For mountains, hills, reefs, oceans, and the trees of the

**field, that all creation clap for joy. Hear us, O God,  
*Aloha ke Akua.***

**KAHU:** *Peace-loving God,*

**ALL:** **For nations suffering the violence and hunger from war. For exiles and refugees. Lead them home in peace and bless them with your fullness. Hear us, O God,  
*Aloha ke Akua.***

**KAHU:** *Compassionate and just God,*

**ALL:** **For victims and perpetrators of race-based crime. For all who suffer sorrow, illness, or injury. Bring them justice, healing, and new life by the power of your Spirit. Hear us, O God,  
*Aloha ke Akua.***

**KAHU:** *Redeeming God,*

**ALL:** **For this congregation and its leaders; through our shared work, let your word prosper among us and bring life to the community beyond our doors. Hear us, O God,  
*Aloha ke Akua.***

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

**KAHU:** In thanksgiving for all who have died recently, for strangers and dear ones who have blessed our lives and sparked our hope. Give comfort and confidence to all who mourn. Hear us, O God,

**ALL:** ***Aloha ke Akua.***

**KAHU:** All these things, and whatever else you see that we need, we entrust to your care through 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, *Tom*

“What a Friend We Have  
In Jesus”

## 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: 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.

**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.**

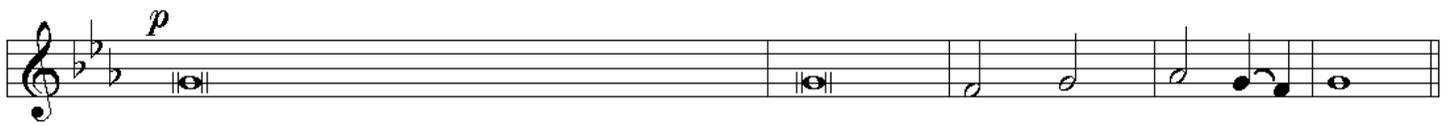
KAHU: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

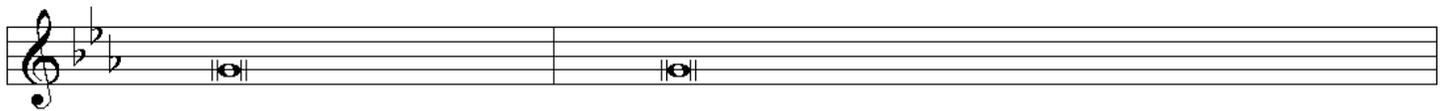
KAHU: In the night in which he was betrayed our Lord Jesus Christ took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples saying: “Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.”

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 *singing*



E ko mākou Makua i loko o ka lani; E hoa nō i - ā kou I - noa.



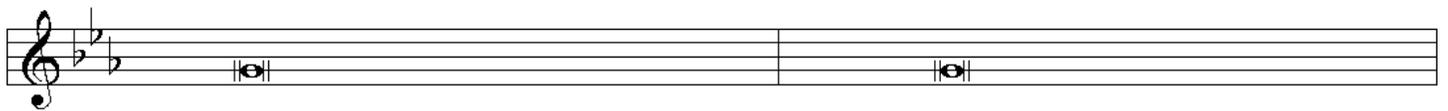
E hiki mai kou aupuni; E mālama ‘ia kou makemake ma ka honua nei.



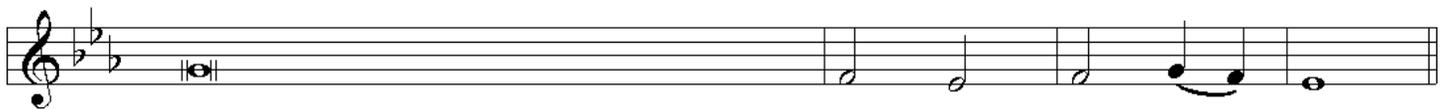
E like me ‘ia i mālama ‘ia ma ka la - ni — la.



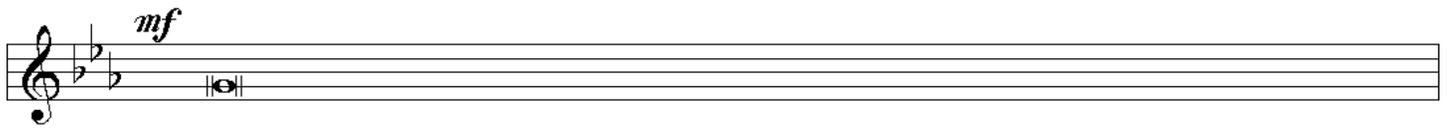
E hā‘awi mai iā mākou i kēia lā, i ‘aina mā - kou no nē - i - a lā.



E kala mai ho‘i iā mākou, i kā mākou lawe hala ‘ana



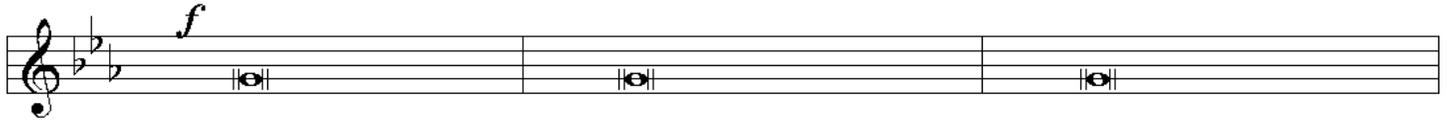
Me mākou e kala nei i ka po‘e i lawe ha - la i kā mā - kou.



Mai ho'oku'u 'oe iā mākou i ka ho'owalewale 'ia mai.



E ho'opakele nō na'e 'ia mā - kou i ka 'i - no.



No ka mea                      Nou ke aupuni                      A me ka mana



A me ka ho'onani 'ia a mau loa a-ku. 'Ā - me-ne. 'Ā - me-ne.

*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*

**KAHU:** Jesus Christ, host of this meal, you have given us not only this bread and cup, but your very self, that we may feast on your great love. Filled again by these signs of your grace, may we hunger for your reign of justice, may we thirst for your way of peace, for you are Lord forevermore. **Amen.**

# **WE ARE SENT**

**SENDING HYMN 680** *standing*

“We Plow the Fields and Scatter”

## **BENEDICTION AND SENDING,** *Kahu Tim*

KAHU: Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God.

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

**ALL: Amen.**

KAHU: Go forth to serve.

And the peace of God,  
which surpasses all understanding,  
will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

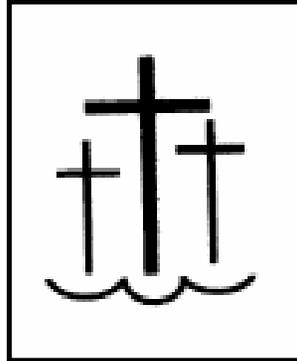
**ALL: Thanks be to God.**

## **GOING FORTH,** *Tom*

“Improvisation on *We Plow the Fields  
and Scatter*”

## **INTERCESSIONS FOR HEALING**

Individual and private *Intercessions for Healing* will be offered today following the morning worship by members of the Stephen Ministry. Please go to the back of the sanctuary following the *Benediction* for anointing and intercessory prayers for healing. Calvary by the Sea, in its ministry of healing, does not replace the gifts of God that come through the scientific community nor does it promise a cure. Rather Calvary by the Sea offers and celebrates gifts such as these: God’s presence with strength and comfort in time of suffering, God’s promise of wholeness and peace, and God’s love embodied in this community of faith.



## Today, July 16, 2017

**MINISTERS:** All Members of Calvary by the Sea

**KAHU:** Tim Mason

**VBS MISSION TEAM:** Alex Egertson, Kali Hill, Alex King, Chris Reynolds-Baldwin

**BLOOD BANK OF HAWAI'I:** Amy Bender

**WORSHIP AND THE ARTS:** Tom Poole

**ORGANIST AND PIANIST:** Ina Young

**INSTRUMENTALISTS:** Marc Adelberger, Edwin Ahlers, Charlie Holdaway, Chris Jansen, Bruce Kau, Amie Lawyer, Jon Osorio, Tim Sprowls

**FLUTE:** Jennifer Welch

**READER, USHERS, COMMUNION ASSISTANTS AND ALTAR CARE:** Tribe Two—Renee Ako

**WORSHIP PRODUCTION SUPPORT:** Fletcher Young, Erin Day, Kanoa Pick

**SERVICE MUSIC:** “I’ve Got Peace Like a River,” traditional American spiritual, arr. Mark Hayes, © 2011 Lorenz Publishing; “Rain Down,” text by Jaime Cortez, keyboard accompaniment by Craig Kingsbury, © 1991, 1992 Jaime Cortez; “Thy Will Be Done,” by Joyce Elaine Eilers, © 1975 Heritage Music Press; “Weave One Heart,” by Marty Haugen, © 1999 GIA Publications; “What a Friend We Have in Jesus,” by Charles C. Converse, arr. Mark Hayes, © 2011 Lorenz Publishing; “E Ko Makou,” tr. Laiana (Lorenzo Lyons), © 1972 Hawaii Conference United Church of Christ; “Improvisation on *We Plow the Fields and Scatter*,” music by Louis Oliviera, improvised by Tom Poole. All music used by permission (One.License.net A-714410).

# **WORSHIP *and* EVENTS AHEAD**

## ***Sunday, July 23—Pentecost 7***

*Preaching, Kahu Tim*  
*Duet, Martha Staff and Charlie Holdaway*

## ***Calvary by the Sea Blood Drive***

**Sunday, July 23**

**7 am to 1 pm**

**'Ohana Lani**

## ***Sunday, July 30—Pentecost 8***

*Preaching, Kahu Tim*  
*Music, Calvary Choir, "Where Your Treasure Is"*

## ***Sunday, August 6—Pentecost 9***

*Preaching, Kahu Tim*  
*Music, Erin Day*

## ***Sunday, August 13—Pentecost 10***

*Preaching, Kahu Tim*  
*Music, Vanessa and Chris Jansen*