



Calvary by the Sea Lutheran Church

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

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Saturday Evening in Easter

(2nd Sunday in Easter)

April 2, 2016

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 spite of all we have heard and all that we have seen, *it is often hard to believe*. **Because it is hard to believe**, we will invest ourselves in the Easter mystery for fifty days (a week of weeks). **Because it is hard to believe**, John the evangelist will provide sign after sign celebrating Jesus' victory over death. **Because it is hard to believe**, the Lord Jesus will return to us again and again in the mystery of the holy communion, inviting us to touch and taste his presence, and offering us his peace.

GATHERING, *Monika Day, alto*

“Everything’s Alright”

Try not to get worried, try not to turn on to problems that upset you,
Oh, don’t you know everything’s alright, yes, everything’s fine.
And we want you to sleep well tonight. Let the world turn without you tonight.

Sleep and I shall soothe you, calm you and anoint you, myrrh for your hot forehead,
Oh, then you’ll feel everything’s alright, yes everything’s fine.
And it’s cool and the ointment’s sweet for the fire in your head and feet.
Close your eyes, close your eyes and relax. Think of nothing tonight.

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.

CONFESSION OF SIN, *Kahu Tim*

KAHU: Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God,
the fountain of living water,
the rock who gave us birth,
our light and our salvation.

ALL: **Amen.**

KAHU: Let us come into the light,
the revealing and healing light of God.

Silence is kept for reflection.

God of grace and glory,

ALL: You have made all things new. Yet we are afraid.

We cling to the past.

We hold grudges.

We harbor anger and fear.

We refuse to love ourselves or to forgive others.

Make us alive in Christ.

Renew us in grace.

Rescue us from evil.

**Restore us to living in your holiness without fearing the
new life you have given us in Jesus Christ. Amen.**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

KAHU: Jesus Christ loves you and + frees you from your sins by his blood.

The light of the risen Christ

puts to flight all evil deeds,

washes away sin,

restores innocence to the fallen,

casts out hate,

brings peace,

and humbles earthly pride.

Rejoice with all creation around God's throne! To him be glory and
dominion forever and ever! **Amen.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY *standing*

**ALL: O God of life, you reach out to us amid our fears with
the wounded hands of your risen Son. By your Spirit's**

breath revive our faith in your mercy, and strengthen us to be the body of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. 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

CALL TO SCRIPTURE

“Pilate's Dream”

I dreamed I met a Galilean, a most amazing man.
He had that look you very rarely find, the haunting hunted kind.
I asked him to say what had happened, how it all began.
I asked again he never said a word, as if he hadn't heard.
And next the room was full of wild and angry men.
They seemed to hate this man.
They fell on him and then they disappeared again.
Then I saw thousands of millions crying for this man.
And then I heard them mentioning my name and leaving me the blame.

FIRST READING

Acts 5: 27–32

Peter has been arrested for proclaiming the good news of Jesus' death and resurrection. His response to the charges of the high priest summarizes the early church's proclamation of forgiveness of sin through repentance.

ONE: ²⁷When they had brought [the apostles], they had them stand before the council. The high priest questioned them, ²⁸saying, "We gave you strict orders not to teach in this name, yet here you have filled Jerusalem with your teaching and you are determined to bring this man's blood on us." ²⁹But Peter and the

apostles answered, "We must obey God rather than any human authority." ³⁰The God of our ancestors raised up Jesus, whom you had killed by hanging him on a tree. ³¹God exalted him at his right hand as Leader and Savior that he might give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins. ³²And we are witnesses to these things, and so is the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey him."

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION *standing*

"Open Our Eyes, Lord"



O - pen our eyes, Lord; we want to see Je - sus, to
 O - pen our ears, Lord, and help us to lis - ten.
 reach out and touch him, and say that we love him.
 O - pen our eyes, Lord, we want to see Je - sus.

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GOSPEL *standing, read responsively*

John 20: 19–31

The unprecedented events of the day of resurrection continue as the risen Jesus appears to his fearful disciples. A week later, after Thomas worships Jesus, Jesus pronounces that the blessings of the resurrection are also for those who "have not seen and yet believe."

KAHU: ¹⁹When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." ²⁰After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. ²¹Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." ²²When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. ²³If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the

sins of any, they are retained."

²⁴But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. ²⁵So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them,

ALL: "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe."

KAHU: ²⁶A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." ²⁷Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." ²⁸Thomas answered him,

ALL: "My Lord and my God!"

KAHU: ²⁹Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe."

³⁰Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. ³¹But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

KAHU: The Gospel of the Lord.

ALL: Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON, *Kahu Tim*

"HONEST THOMAS"

SERMON SONG *standing*

"This Little Light of Mine"

This little light of mine, I'm goin'-a let it shine;

This little light of mine, I'm goin'-a let it shine;

This little light of mine, I'm goin'-a let it shine,

Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

Ev'rywhere I go...

Jesus gave it to me...

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH *standing*

KAHU: Rooted in the abundant life and love of Christ Jesus, we pray for the life of the church, the lives of people in need, and the life of all creation.

A brief silence.

Holy God of resurrection,

ALL: breathe new life into all of creation. Send sun to warm and water to saturate forests, fields, and mountains. Set all things in order, that abundance may come forth. Hear us, O God, *Aloha ke Akua*. (*God is love; love is God.*)

KAHU: Holy God of resurrection,

ALL: fill us with your Holy Spirit to announce the new life you give through Christ Jesus. Lead us to people who need to hear good news. Hear us, O God, *Aloha ke Akua*.

KAHU: Holy God of resurrection,

ALL: open paths for cooperation between nations to care for refugees, survivors of natural disaster, and people living through war. Bless the efforts of peacemakers, diplomats, and relief organizations to foster peace in the world. Hear us, O God, *Aloha ke Akua*.

KAHU: Holy God of resurrection,

ALL: pour out your enduring mercy to strengthen those who persevere in difficult times. Guide them to places where they may find shelter in your presence. Hear us, O God *Aloha ke Akua*.

KAHU: Holy God of resurrection,

ALL: gather together the various gifts of this community and unite us in praise. Harmonize the sound and movement of instruments, voices, hands, feet, and bodies. Hear us, O God, *Aloha ke Akua*.

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

KAHU: Holy God of resurrection,

ALL: you have united yourself with the saints at rest through Jesus Christ, the firstborn of the dead. Join us all together in his resurrection on the last day. Hear us, O God *Aloha ke Akua*.

KAHU: Holy God of resurrection,

ALL: we deliver all this into your care, O God, trusting in the work of your Holy Spirit to bring all things into the risen life of Christ our Lord. 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, *Monika Day*

“I Don’t Know How
to Love Him”

I don’t know how to love him, what to do, how to move him.

I’ve been changed, yes, really changed.

In these past few days when I’ve seen myself I seem like someone else.

I don’t know how to take this. I don’t see why he moves me. He’s a man, he’s just a man,
And I’ve had so many men before, in very many ways, he’s just one more.

Should I bring him down, should I scream and shout,
should I speak of love, let my feelings out?

I never thought I’d come to this, what’s it all about?

Don’t you think it’s rather funny I should be in this position?
I’m the one who’s always been so calm, so cool, no lover’s fool,
Running every show. He scares me so.

Yet, if he said he loved me I’d be lost, I’d be frightened.

I couldn’t cope, just couldn’t cope.

I’d turn my head, I’d back away, I wouldn’t want to know.

He scares me so. I want him so. I love him so.

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 our provider, you have not fed us with bread alone, but with words of grace and life. Bless us and these your gifts, which we receive from your bounty, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **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 spoken following, "...we praise your name and join their unending hymn."

**ALL: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full of your glory,
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.**

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 *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 *standing*

KAHU: We give you thanks, O God, that you make your home with us, bringing heaven to earth in this holy meal. Fill us with your Spirit as we go from here, that we may wipe away tears, tend to those in mourning and pain, seek the healing of the nations, and bring to earth the presence of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

WE ARE SENT

SENDING SONG *standing*

“Pili Pa‘a”

Refrain

G G+ C/G

Pi - li pa - 'a no kā - u - a, me ke a - lo - ha a mau

8 Cm/G G D G

lo - a. We come to geth - er in love and hope, to stand as one.

Verses

15 G C D G B7

1. And in our one-ness we are called to be the chil-dren of the Lord:

19 E min A A min D

One in our hopes, one in our faith, one in our love.

23 G C D G B7

2. And in our walk we are called to be the ser-vants of the Lord:

27 E min A A min D

To vis - it the sick, to clothe the poor, to feed the lost.

31 G C D G B7

3. We share this prayer, prayer of thanks to bless this bread and cup of wine

35 E min A A min D

fruit of the vine, grain of the fields, work of our hands.

39 G C D G B7

4. And as we go forth from this place we go as signs of the liv-ing God:

43 E min A A min D

Signs of new hope, signs of new life, of a new day!

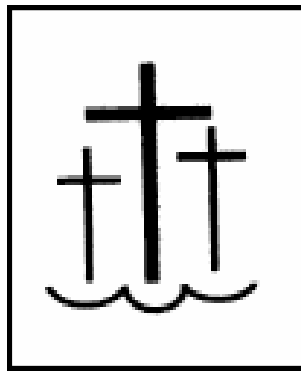
BENEDICTION AND SENDING, *Kahu Tim*

KAHU: The blessing of the Lord God Almighty,
the blessing of + Christ, the Lamb who was slain,
and the blessing of the Holy Spirit of truth
be among you and remain with you always.

All: Amen.

KAHU: Go in peace. Share the good news.

ALL: Thanks be to God. Alleluia!



Tonight, April 2, 2016

MINISTERS: All Members of Calvary by the Sea

KAHU: Tim Mason

WORSHIP AND THE ARTS: Tom Poole

SOLOIST: Monika Day, *alto*

INSTRUMENTALIST: Amie Lawyer

READER, USHERS AND COMMUNION ASSISTANTS, ALTAR CARE: Tribe Four

WORSHIP PRODUCTION SUPPORT: Fletcher Young, Erin Day

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