



Calvary by the Sea Lutheran Church

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

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5th Sunday of Easter

May 14, 2017

7:30 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

As we continue to celebrate the fifty days of Easter, today's gospel includes Jesus' promise that he goes to prepare a place for his followers in his Father's house. Our baptism commissions us to share Jesus' mission in the world. As First Peter reminds us, we are a holy people, called to proclaim the one who called us out of darkness into light. In words and deeds we bear witness to the risen Christ—our way, our truth, our life.

SOUNDING OF THE PŪ

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

GATHERING, *Ina*

“Go Down, Moses”

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, *Pastor Don Asman; standing*

DON: Alleluia. Christ is risen!

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THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM, *Pastor Don*

DON: Just as God's work of creation never ends, so the gifts received in baptism are renewed every day. Let us give thanks together for the life given in baptism.

DON: We give you thanks, O God, for the *waters of life*:

ALL: for water to bathe in, water to drink, for waters to play in and waters that inspire wonder, for water that gives life to our planet.

DON: We give you thanks, O God, for the *waters of this place*:

ALL: for rain, for our aquifer, for water from our tap, for the pristine waters flowing from the mountains to the bays, and for the vast ocean surrounding us.

DON: We give you thanks for your *salvation through water*:

ALL: for delivering Noah and his family through the flood, for leading your people Israel through the sea into freedom, for preserving your prophet Elijah through the time of drought, for guiding your people across the Jordan into a new land, for quenching the Samaritan woman's thirst with living water, for guiding by the stars the sailing vessels that first came to these islands.

DON: We give you thanks for the life of *all the baptized*, and for *all who gather here*:

ALL: for godparents and baptismal sponsors, for children and grandchildren, for those newly baptized, for our brothers and sisters in Christ whom we have never seen

For your Spirit to guide; that you center our lives in the water and the Word;
that you nourish our soul with your body and blood,
let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord. *Refrain*

GLORY TO GOD *standing, singing*

Refrain



Glo-ry to God in the high - est, and peace



to God's peo-ple on earth. Glo-ry to God in the



high - est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.



1. Lord God, heav-en - ly King, al - might - y God and Fa-ther,



we wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.

Refrain



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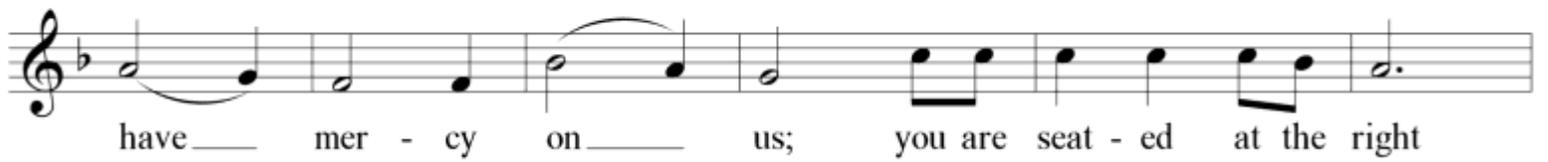
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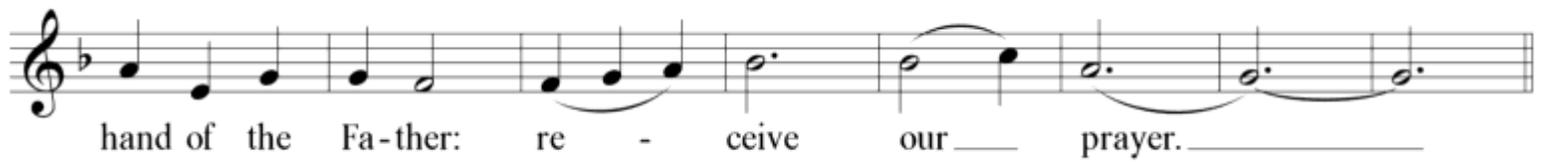
2. Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God,



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world:



have mer - cy on us; you are seat - ed at the right



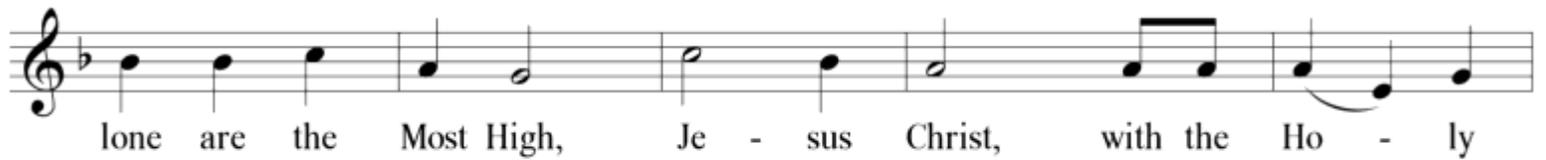
hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.



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PRAYER OF THE DAY *standing*

ALL: O God our shepherd, you know your sheep by name and lead us to safety through the valleys of death. Guide us by your voice, that we may walk in certainty and security to the joyous feast prepared in your house, through 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*

DON: May God's aloha be with you.

ALL: **And also with you.**

WE HEAR THE WORD

FIRST READING

Acts 7: 55–60

Stephen was one of the seven men chosen by the apostles to serve tables so that the apostles could be free to serve the word (Acts 6:1-6). Stephen does more than distribute food, however. For his preaching of God's word, he becomes the first martyr of the faith.

ONE: ⁵⁵Filled with the Holy Spirit, [Stephen] gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God and Jesus standing at the right hand of God. ⁵⁶"Look," he said, "I see the heavens opened and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God!" ⁵⁷But they covered their ears, and with a loud shout all rushed together against him. ⁵⁸Then they dragged him out of the city and began to stone him; and the witnesses laid their coats at the feet of a young man named Saul. ⁵⁹While they were stoning Stephen, he prayed, "Lord Jesus, receive my spirit." ⁶⁰Then he knelt down and cried out in a loud voice, "Lord, do not hold this sin against them." When he had said this, he died.

PSALM *sung responsively*

Psalm 31: 1–5, 15–6

¹In you, O LORD, have I taken refuge; let me never be [|] put to shame;
deliver me [|] in your righteousness.

²Incline your [|] ear to me;

make haste to de- | liver me.

³Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe,
for you are my crag | and my stronghold;

for the sake of your name, lead | me and guide me.

⁴Take me out of the net that they have secretly | set for me,

for you are my tow- | er of strength.

⁵Into your hands I com- | mend my spirit,

for you have redeemed me, O LORD, | God of truth.

¹⁵My times are | in your hand;

**rescue me from the hand of my enemies,
and from those who | persecute me.**

¹⁶Let your face shine up- | on your servant;

save me in your | steadfast love.

SECOND READING

1 Peter 2: 2–10

Christ is the cornerstone of God's saving work and the foundation of our lives. We are God's chosen, holy people who continuously celebrate and declare the mercy of God we experience through Jesus Christ.

ONE: ²Like newborn infants, long for the pure, spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow into salvation — ³if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good. ⁴Come to him, a living stone, though rejected by mortals yet chosen and precious in God's sight, and ⁵like living stones, let yourselves be built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. ⁶For it stands in scripture: "See, I am laying in Zion a stone, a cornerstone chosen and precious; and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame." ⁷To you then who believe, he is precious; but for those who do not believe, "The stone that the builders rejected has become the very head of the corner," ⁸and "A stone that makes them stumble, and a rock that makes them fall." They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do. ⁹But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a

holy nation, God's own people, in order that you may proclaim the mighty acts of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. ¹⁰Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION *standing*

Al-le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al-le-
 lu - ia. ___ Al-le - lu - ia, ___ a - le - lu - ia. _____

GOSPEL *standing*

John 14: 1–14

On the night that he is to be arrested, Jesus shares final words with his disciples. As the one through whom God is known, he promises to go before them and act on their behalf.

DON: [Jesus said to the disciples:] ¹"Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. ²In my Father's house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? ³And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. ⁴And you know the way to the place where I am going." ⁵Thomas said to him,

ALL: "Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?"

DON: ⁶Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. ⁷If you know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him." ⁸Philip said to him,

ALL: "Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied."

DON: ⁹Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? ¹⁰Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. ¹¹Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. ¹²Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. ¹³I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. ¹⁴If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it."

DON: The Gospel of the Lord.

ALL: Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON, *Pastor Don*

"God's Own People!!"

SERMON HYMN 634 *standing* "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name"

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*

DON: Rejoicing in the risen life of Christ, let us pray for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

A brief silence.

We pray for the church.

ALL: Show us your ways. Teach us your truth. Enliven us in mission. Keep us from discord. Lead us to unity for the sake of the gospel. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

DON: We pray for the earth.

ALL: Turn us away from impulses to pollute this world. Protect fragile habitats. Nurture our planet to be a life-sustaining home for generations yet to be born. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

DON: We pray for the nations.

ALL: Fill all leaders with a spirit of compassion for the poor and oppressed. Give courage to those who work for justice and equality. Bring an end to conflict and violence. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

DON: We pray for those in need.

ALL: Draw near to those who struggle with depression. Comfort those for whom this day evokes heartache or sorrow. Console those who grieve, and heal those who are ill. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

DON: We pray for this assembly.

ALL: Bless mothers and all who offer motherly care. Strengthen child care workers, nursery attendants, and those who

teach our youth. Uphold our elders and those who care for aging parents. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

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

DON: With thanksgiving, we remember those who have died in faith and those who have borne witness to your love. Bring us with them to dwell with you forever. Lord, in your mercy,

ALL: hear our prayer.

DON: Joining our voices with your faithful ones in every time and place, we offer our prayers in the name of the Risen One, 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, *Ina* “Nobody Knows the Trouble I’ve Seen”

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.*

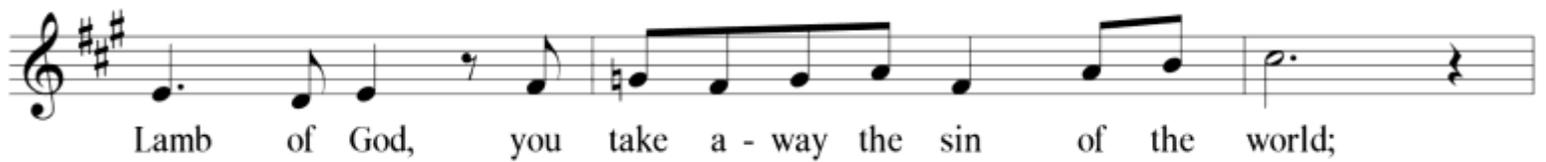
OFFERING PRAYER *standing*

KAHU: Be known to us, O Lord, in the breaking of the bread, as you were made known to the disciples. Receive these gifts, and the offering of our lives, that we may be your risen body in the world. **Amen.**

WE ARE FED

HOLY COMMUNION HYMN *standing*

“Lamb of God”



GREAT THANKSGIVING *standing*

DON: The Lord be with you.

ALL: And also with you.

DON: Lift up your hearts.

ALL: We lift them to the Lord.

DON: 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.”

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,
heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry. full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high -
est. Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

DON: 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) *in unison*

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*

DON: 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.

ALL: **Amen.**

WE ARE SENT

SENDING HYMN 389 *standing* “Christ Is Alive! Let Christians Sing”

BENEDICTION AND SENDING, *Pastor Don*

DON: May God who has brought us from death to life
fill you with great joy.

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

ALL: Amen.

DON: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

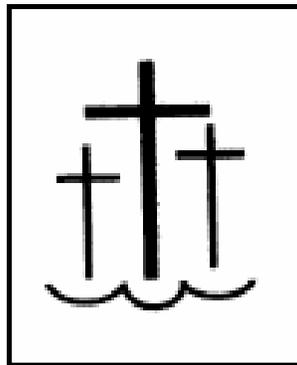
ALL: Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

DON: You are the body of Christ raised up for the world.
Go in peace. Share the good news.

ALL: Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

GOING FORTH, *Ina*

“Sei gegruesset, Jesu guetig”



Calvary by the Sea welcomes Don Asman to the pulpit today. Don, born and raised on the East Coast, was ordained to ministry in the United Church of Christ in 1960. He served churches in South Dakota and Minnesota, and in 1979 was called to Manoa Valley Church, where he ministered until his retirement in 2000. Since then he has helped in a variety of interim settings: chaplain at the *VA Center for Aging*, Associate at *Makiki Christian Church*, and most recently at *United Church of Christ Judd Street*, where he and his wife, Judy, a retired nurse, have their membership. His hobby is “gospel magic.”

Today, May 14, 2017

MINISTERS: All Members of Calvary by the Sea

KAHU: Tim Mason

GUEST PREACHER: Don Asman

WORSHIP AND THE ARTS: Tom Poole

ORGANIST AND PIANIST: Ina Young

READER, USHERS, COMMUNION ASSISTANTS AND ALTAR CARE: Tribe One—Pulelehua Quirk

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WORSHIP AHEAD

Please Note! *The Saturday Night Bible Study and Worship* are on Spring—Summer Break until September 9.

Sunday, May 21—Easter 6

PAC SUNDAY!

Presiding, Kahu Tim

Music, Performing Arts @ Calvary

Sunday, May 28—Easter 7

Preaching, Kahu Tim

Music, Calvary Choir, “Hard Times, Come Again No More”

Sunday, June 4—Pentecost

PENTECOST SUNDAY!

(WEAR RED!!)

Preaching, Kahu Tim

Music, Calvary Choir, “Sing Them Over Again to Me”

Sunday, June 11—Trinity Sunday

Preaching, Kahu Tim

Music, Calvary Choir, “How Lovely Are the Messengers ...”