



Calvary by the Sea Lutheran Church

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

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Saturday Sunset Worship

(6th Sunday of Easter)

April 30, 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!

GATHERING SONGS

“E Aloha Mai”

*E Aloha mai,
ke Akua
iā mākou*

*A e ho`omaika`i mai ho`i
iā mākou*

*A e ho`omālamalama mai
kona maka iā mākou
kona maka iā mākou*

(The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face to shine on you, and be gracious to you; the Lord lift up his countenance on you and give you peace!)

“Borning Cry” (732)

*“I was there to hear your borning cry, I’ll be there when you are old.
I rejoiced the day you were baptized to see your life unfold.
I was there when you were but a child, with a faith to suit you well;
In a blaze of light you wandered off to find where demons dwell.”*

*“When you heard the wonder of the Word I was there to cheer you on;
You were raised to praise the living Lord, to whom you now belong.
If you find someone to share your time and you join your hearts as one,
I’ll be there to make your verses rhyme from dusk till rising sun.”*

*“In the middle ages of your life, not too old, no longer young,
I’ll be there to guide you through the night, complete what I’ve begun.
When the evening gently closes in and you shut your weary eyes,
I’ll be there as I have always been, with just one more surprise.”*

*I was there to hear your borning cry, I’ll be there when you are old.
I rejoiced the day you were baptized to see your life unfold.”*

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!

ALL: Amen.

PRAYER OF THE DAY *standing*

**ALL: Bountiful God, you gather your people into your realm,
and you promise us food from your tree of life. Nourish
us with your word, that empowered by your Spirit we
may love one another and the world you have made,
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*

KAHU: May God's aloha be with you.

ALL: And also with you.

WE HEAR THE WORD

FIRST READING

Acts 16: 9–15

A vision compels Paul to move his ministry into Greece. There he meets Lydia, an

important person in the business community, whose heart has been opened by God to receive the gospel. Her conversion and baptism provide the impetus for the founding of the church at Philippi.

ONE: ⁹During the night Paul had a vision: there stood a man of Macedonia pleading with him and saying, "Come over to Macedonia and help us." ¹⁰When he had seen the vision, we immediately tried to cross over to Macedonia, being convinced that God had called us to proclaim the good news to them.

¹¹We set sail from Troas and took a straight course to Samothrace, the following day to Neapolis, ¹²and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony. We remained in this city for some days. ¹³On the sabbath day we went outside the gate by the river, where we supposed there was a place of prayer; and we sat down and spoke to the women who had gathered there. ¹⁴A certain woman named Lydia, a worshiper of God, was listening to us; she was from the city of Thyatira and a dealer in purple cloth. The Lord opened her heart to listen eagerly to what was said by Paul. ¹⁵When she and her household were baptized, she urged us, saying, "If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come and stay at my home." And she prevailed upon us.

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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As Jesus talks of returning to the Father, he promises to send the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, who will teach Jesus' followers and remind them of all that Jesus taught. Even more, those in whom God makes a home will experience a peace that overcomes fear.

KAHU: ²³Jesus answered [Judas (not Iscariot),] "Those who love me will keep my word, and my Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them. ²⁴Whoever does not love me does not keep my words; and the word that you hear is not mine, but is from the Father who sent me.

²⁵I have said these things to you while I am still with you.
²⁶But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you. ²⁷Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid. ²⁸You heard me say to you, 'I am going away, and I am coming to you.' If you loved me, you would rejoice that I am going to the Father, because the Father is greater than I. ²⁹And now I have told you this before it occurs, so that when it does occur, you may believe.

KAHU: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

SERMON, *Kahu Tim*

“Where Can You Converse with God??”

SERMON HYMN *standing*

“Be Now My Vision”

*Be now my vision, O God of my heart;
nothing surpasses the love you impart—
You my best thought, by day or by night,
waking or sleeping, your presence my light.*

*Be now my wisdom, and be my true word;
ever within me, my soul is assured;
Mother and Father, you are both to me,
now and forever your child I will be.*

*Riches I need not, nor life's empty praise,
you, my inheritance, now and always;
You and you only are first in my heart,
great God, my treasure, may we never part.*

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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*

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, ruler of the nations, renew your call to all people.

ALL: Raise up leaders who are eager to follow you into justice, love, and truth. Hear us, O God.

KAHU: Nourish all lands through springs, rivers, lakes, pools, and just irrigation systems.

ALL: Produce abundant food by the flowing of your Spirit throughout creation. Hear us, O God.

KAHU: Help us to extend your hospitality and inspire us to share the grace of Christ in places near and far.

ALL: Use even small interactions to usher in peace for all people. Hear us, O God.

KAHU: Send compassionate servants to those who live with health concerns in body, mind, or spirit.

ALL: Deliver your healing and peace to all in need. Hear us, O God.

KAHU: Bear the burdens of people who long to work, yet remain unemployed or underemployed.

ALL: Give them dignity when they seek help, and place them where their gifts may be used. Hear us, O God.

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

KAHU: You have given blessed salvation to all your saints. Thank you for writing our names also in the book of life.

ALL: Make us Christ's presence for others while we await his coming. Hear us, O God.

KAHU: 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.

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, *Amie Lawyer*

“Ua Mau”

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

HOLY COMMUNION HYMN 483 *standing*

“Here Is Bread”

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 *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*

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.

ALL: **Amen.**

WE ARE SENT

SENDING HYMN 774 *standing*

“What a Fellowship,
What a Joy Divine”

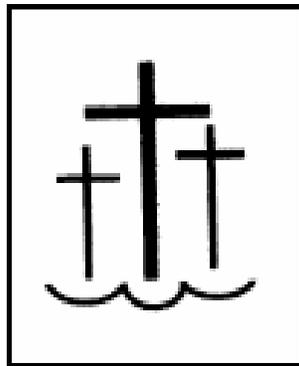
BENEDICTION AND SENDING, *Kahu Tim*

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!



Scripture Lessons for 7 and 8 May, 2016

Acts 16: 16-34

Psalm 97

Revelation 22: 12-14, 16-17, 20-21

John 17: 20-26

Tonight, April 30, 2016

MINISTERS: All Members of Calvary by the Sea

KAHU: Tim Mason

WORSHIP AND THE ARTS: Tom Poole

MUSIC: Amie Lawyer

READER, USHERS AND COMMUNION ASSISTANTS, ALTAR CARE: Congregation

WORSHIP PRODUCTION SUPPORT: Fletcher Young, Erin Day

SERVICE MUSIC: “E Aloha Mai,” traditional Hawaiian song; “Open Our Eyes, Lord,” by Robert Cull, arr. David Allen, © 1976 Maranatha! Music; “Be Now My Vision,” ancient Irish text, c. 8th century; transl. Mary E. Byrne, versified Eleanor H. Hull, adapt. “The New Century Hymnal,” © 1995 The Pilgrim Press; “Ua Mau,” traditional Hawaiian song. All music used by permission (One.License.net A-714410).