



# **Calvary by the Sea Lutheran Church**

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

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## **The Transfiguration**

February 15, 2015

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

The Sundays after Epiphany began with Jesus' baptism and end with three disciples' vision of his transfiguration. In Mark's story of Jesus' baptism, apparently only Jesus sees the Spirit descending and hears the words from heaven. But now Jesus' three closest friends hear the same words naming him God's beloved son. As believers, Paul writes, we are enabled to see the God-light in Jesus' face, because the same God who created light in the first place has shone in our hearts to give us that vision. The light of God's glory in Jesus has enlightened us through baptism and shines in us also for others to see.

## SOUNDING OF THE PŪ

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

**GATHERING,** *organ*

“Prelude on *For the Beauty of the Earth*”

## 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.

## **GREETING**, *Kahu Tim*

**KAHU:** Rejoice, for we no longer walk in darkness!

**ALL:** **Thanks be to God!**

**KAHU:** May the light of Christ,  
the radiance of God,  
and the fire of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**ALL:** **And also with you.**

## **CONFESSION OF SIN**, *Kahu Tim*

The *Confession and Forgiveness* begins on page 116 in the front of the hymnal.

## **KYRIE** *standing*

The liturgy continues with the *Kyrie* on page 120 in the front of the hymnal.

## **GLORIA** *standing*

The *Gloria* begins on page 121 in the front of the hymnal.

## **PRAYER OF THE DAY** *standing*

**ALL:** **Almighty God, the resplendent light of your truth shines from the mountaintop into our hearts. Transfigure us by your beloved Son, and illumine the world with your image, 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:** The Lord be with you.

**ALL:** **And also with you.**

# WE HEAR THE WORD

## FIRST READING

2 Kings 2: 1–12

*Today's reading centers on the transfer of power and authority from the prophet Elijah to Elisha. Their travels, which retrace the path of Joshua back to Moab (the place where Moses died) and the parting of the waters, demonstrate that Elisha and Elijah are legitimate successors of the great prophet Moses.*

ONE: <sup>1</sup>Now when the LORD was about to take Elijah up to heaven by a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal. <sup>2</sup>Elijah said to Elisha, "Stay here; for the LORD has sent me as far as Bethel." But Elisha said, "As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So they went down to Bethel. <sup>3</sup>The company of prophets who were in Bethel came out to Elisha, and said to him, "Do you know that today the LORD will take your master away from you?" And he said, "Yes, I know; keep silent."

<sup>4</sup>Elijah said to him, "Elisha, stay here; for the LORD has sent me to Jericho." But he said, "As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So they came to Jericho. <sup>5</sup>The company of prophets who were at Jericho drew near to Elisha, and said to him, "Do you know that today the LORD will take your master away from you?" And he answered, "Yes, I know; be silent."

<sup>6</sup>Then Elijah said to him, "Stay here; for the LORD has sent me to the Jordan." But he said, "As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So the two of them went on. <sup>7</sup>Fifty men of the company of prophets also went, and stood at some distance from them, as they both were standing by the Jordan. <sup>8</sup>Then Elijah took his mantle and rolled it up, and struck the water; the water was parted to the one side and to the other, until the two of them crossed on dry ground.

<sup>9</sup>When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, "Tell me what I may do for you, before I am taken from you." Elisha said, "Please let me

inherit a double share of your spirit." <sup>10</sup>He responded, "You have asked a hard thing; yet, if you see me as I am being taken from you, it will be granted you; if not, it will not." <sup>11</sup>As they continued walking and talking, a chariot of fire and horses of fire separated the two of them, and Elijah ascended in a whirlwind into heaven. <sup>12</sup>Elisha kept watching and crying out, "Father, father! The chariots of Israel and its horsemen!" But when he could no longer see him, he grasped his own clothes and tore them in two pieces.

## PSALM *sung responsively*

Psalm 50: 1–6

<sup>1</sup>The mighty one, God the <sup>|</sup> LORD, has spoken;  
**calling the earth from the rising of the sun <sup>|</sup> to its setting.**

<sup>2</sup>Out of Zion, perfect <sup>|</sup> in its beauty,  
**God shines <sup>|</sup> forth in glory.**

<sup>3</sup>Our God will come and will <sup>|</sup> not keep silence;  
**with a consuming flame before,  
and round about a <sup>|</sup> raging storm.**

<sup>4</sup>God calls the heavens and the earth <sup>|</sup> from above  
**to witness the judgment <sup>|</sup> of the people.**

<sup>5</sup>"Gather before me my <sup>|</sup> loyal followers,  
**those who have made a covenant with me  
and sealed <sup>|</sup> it with sacrifice."**

<sup>6</sup>The heavens declare the rightness <sup>|</sup> of God's cause,  
**for it is God <sup>|</sup> who is judge.**

## SECOND READING

2 Corinthians 4: 3–6

*The spotlight of Christian ministry is not on the people who carry out ministry but on the Lord Jesus Christ. Just as God made light shine out of darkness at creation, God makes the light of Jesus Christ shine in our lives through Christian ministry.*

ONE: <sup>3</sup>Even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing.  
<sup>4</sup>In their case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the

unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. <sup>5</sup>For we do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and ourselves as your slaves for Jesus' sake. <sup>6</sup>For it is the God who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION *standing*



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e - ter - nal life.

## GOSPEL *standing, read responsively*

Mark 9: 2–9

*Mark's gospel presents the transfiguration as a preview of what would become apparent to Jesus' followers after he rose from the dead. Confused disciples are given a vision of God's glory manifest in the beloved Son.*

KAHU: <sup>2</sup>Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and John, and led them up a high mountain apart, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, <sup>3</sup>and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no one on earth could bleach them. <sup>4</sup>And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, who were talking with Jesus. <sup>5</sup>Then Peter said to Jesus,

**ALL: "Rabbi, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah."**

KAHU: <sup>6</sup>He did not know what to say, for they were terrified. <sup>7</sup>Then a cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud there came a voice, "This is my Son, the Beloved listen to him!" <sup>8</sup>Suddenly when they looked around, they saw no one with them anymore, but only Jesus.

<sup>9</sup>As they were coming down the mountain, he ordered them to tell

no one about what they had seen, until after the Son of Man had risen from the dead.

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

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

**SERMON,** *Kahu Tim*

**“It’s Good to Be HERE!!”**

**SERMON HYMN 838** *standing*

**“Beautiful Savior”**

**APOSTLES’ CREED** *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:** Called to know, love, and follow you, O God, we pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

*A brief silence.*

Blessed are you, Holy One. It is your pleasure to shine the light of

your presence on all you love. Enlighten your church and help it listen to and follow your Son. Lord, in your mercy,

**ALL: hear our prayer.**

KAHU: Blessed are you, Holy One. Your creative love shines in every growing thing that stretches toward the sun. Restore your creation to vibrancy and beauty, and open our eyes to see your splendor. Lord, in your mercy,

**ALL: hear our prayer.**

KAHU: Blessed are you, Holy One. You reveal true glory in the suffering of your Son. By his example, humble the hearts of leaders and quiet the pride of nations. Teach us the way of peace. Lord, in your mercy,

**ALL: hear our prayer.**

KAHU: Blessed are you, Holy One. You are the strength of the sick and suffering, the lonely and forgotten, the fearful and despairing. Shine the healing light of your presence on them. Lord, in your mercy,

**ALL: hear our prayer.**

KAHU: Blessed are you, Holy One. You pour your Spirit into young and old alike. Shine your light in the hearts of this congregation, and send us to carry your light to others. Lord, in your mercy,

**ALL: hear our prayer.**

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

KAHU: Blessed are you, Holy One. Your saints shine with the glory that fills the face of your beloved Son. At the last, gather us with them on your holy mountain. Lord, in your mercy.

**ALL: hear our prayer.**

KAHU: Trusting your love and healing, O God, we commend to you all for whom we pray, knowing you will hear and answer, 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, *organ*

“A Quiet Interlude”

## 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, as grains of wheat scattered upon the hills were gathered together to become one bread, so let your church be gathered together from the ends of the earth into your kingdom, for yours is the glory through Jesus Christ, now and forever. **Amen.**

# WE ARE FED

## GREAT THANKSGIVING *standing*

The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

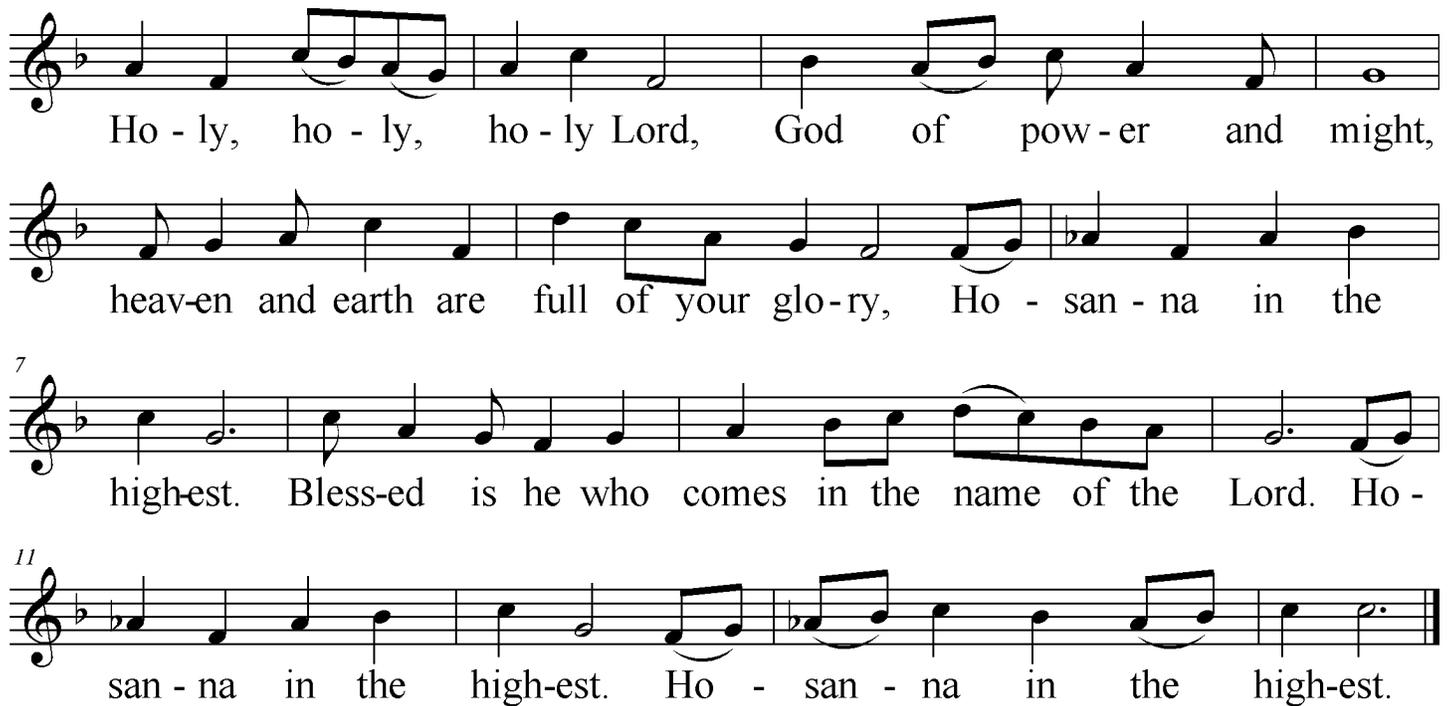
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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 - er and might,  
heav-en and earth are full of your glo-ry, Ho - san - na in the  
7 highest. Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -  
11 san - na in the high-est. Ho - san - na in the high-est.

**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*

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.  
Thy kingdom come,  
thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread,  
and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.  
And lead us not into temptation  
but deliver us from evil:**

**For thine is the kingdom, and the power,  
and the glory, 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: Everlasting God, we bless you that you have brought us to the mountaintop and fed us with the life and light of your Son. Send us in his name from this place, to bring light into dark corners, healing where lives are torn, and nourishment to every hungry heart, in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

# **WE ARE SENT**

## **SENDING HYMN 314** *standing*

“Arise, Your Light Has Come!”

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

KAHU: God the Father, *light-creator*;  
God the Son, *Light from Light*;  
and God the Holy Spirit, *light-revealer*,  
bless you and + give you peace.

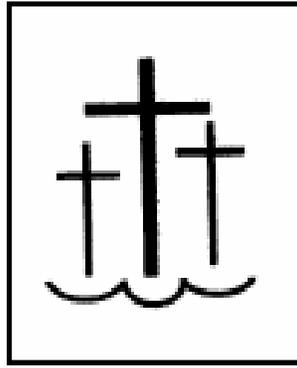
**ALL: Amen.**

KAHU: Go in peace. Share the good news.

**ALL: Thanks be to God.**

## **GOING FORTH,** *organ*

“’Tis a Gift to Be Simple”



## **Today, February 15, 2015**

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

**KAHU:** Tim Mason

**WORSHIP AND THE ARTS:** Tom Poole

**ORGANIST AND PIANIST:** Ina Young

**PSALMIST:** Manning Richards

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## ***Wednesday, February 18, 7 pm—Ash Wednesday***

***Service of Holy Communion and Imposition of Ashes***

*Preaching, Kahu Tim*

*Music, Voices of Aloha*

## ***Sunday, February 22—Lent 1***

**One Service Only! 8:30 AM**

***8:30 am, Holy Communion***

***9:00 am, Annual Congregational Meeting***