



Calvary by the Sea Lutheran Church

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

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12th Sunday after Pentecost

August 27, 2017

7:30 *and* 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

In Isaiah the people are bid to look to their spiritual ancestors as the rock from which they were hewn. Jesus declares that the church will be built on the rock of Peter's bold confession of faith. God's word of reconciliation and mercy are keys to the church's mission. Paul urges us not to be conformed to this world, but to offer our bodies as a living sacrifice, using our individual gifts to build up the body of Christ. And our guest preacher, Rev. Lauren Buck-Medeiros, leads us in giving thanks for the life and witness of Henry 'Ōpūkaha'ia. Then, from the table we go forth to offer our spiritual worship through word and deed.

SOUNDING OF THE PŪ

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

GATHERING,

(7:30 am) *Ina*

“Sakura” (Japanese folksong)

(10 am) *Amie, Charlie, Tom*

“Come, Now Is the Time to Worship”

Come, now is the time to worship. Come, now is the time to give your heart.

Come, just as you are, to worship. Come, just as you are, before your God.

One day ev'ry tongue will confess you are God. One day ev'ry knee will bow.

Still the greatest treasure remains for those who gladly choose you now.

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*

TOM: Jesus says, “Come to me, all you that are weary and carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest.”

ALL: Amen.

TOM: 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, *Pastor Lauren*

LAUREN: Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God,
full of compassion and mercy,
abounding in steadfast love.

ALL: Amen.

LAUREN: 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.

LAUREN: 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*

“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 is written on a single treble clef staff in 4/4 time with a key signature of one flat (Bb). The Refrain consists of two lines of music. The first line contains the lyrics 'Weave one heart from the man-y strands; E Ha-ku i ka pu-'u - wai;' and the second line contains 'God be praised through our work ing hands; O ka Ha-ku o ka pu-'u - wai;'. The Verse Response consists of a single line of music with the lyrics 'O ka Ha-ku o ka pu-'u - wai;'. The music features a mix of quarter, eighth, and dotted notes.

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PRAYER OF THE DAY *standing*

ALL: O God, with all your faithful followers of every age, we praise you, the rock of our life. Be our strong foundation and form us into the body of your Son, that we may gladly minister to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

GREETING OF GUESTS *AND* SHARING OF ALOHA *seated*

TOM: May God's aloha be with you.

ALL: And also with you.

WE HEAR THE WORD

FIRST READING

Isaiah 51: 1–6

Just as God had called Abraham and Sarah and given them many descendants, so now God offers comfort to Zion. God's deliverance will come soon and will never end.

ONE: ¹Listen to me, you that pursue righteousness, you that seek the LORD. Look to the rock from which you were hewn, and to the quarry from which you were dug. ²Look to Abraham your father and to Sarah who bore you; for he was but one when I called him, but I blessed him and made him many. ³For the LORD will comfort Zion; he will comfort all her waste places, and will make her wilderness like Eden, her desert like the garden of the LORD; joy and gladness will be found in her, thanksgiving and the voice of song. ⁴Listen to me, my people, and give heed to me, my nation; for a teaching will go out from me, and my justice for a light to the peoples. ⁵I will bring near my deliverance swiftly, my salvation has gone out and my arms will rule the peoples; the coastlands wait for me, and for my arm they hope. ⁶Lift up your eyes to the heavens, and look at the earth beneath; for the heavens will vanish like smoke, the earth will wear out like a garment, and those who live on it will die like gnats; but my salvation will be forever, and my deliverance will never be ended.

PSALM, *sung responsively*

Psalm 138

¹I will give thanks to you, O LORD, with ¹ my whole heart;
before the gods I will ¹ sing your praise.

²I will bow down toward your holy temple and praise your name,
because of your steadfast ¹ love and faithfulness;
**for you have glorified your name and
your word a- ¹bove all things.**

³When I called, you ¹ answered me;
you increased my ¹ strength within me.

⁴All the rulers of the earth will praise ¹ you, O LORD,
when they have heard the words ¹ of your mouth.

⁵They will sing of the ways [|] of the LORD,
that great is the glory [|] of the LORD.

⁶The LORD is high, yet cares [|] for the lowly,
perceiving the haughty [|] from afar.

⁷Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you [|] keep me safe;
**you stretch forth your hand against the fury of my
enemies; your right [|] hand shall save me.**

⁸You will make good your pur- [|] pose for me;
**O LORD, your steadfast love endures forever;
do not abandon the works [|] of your hands.**

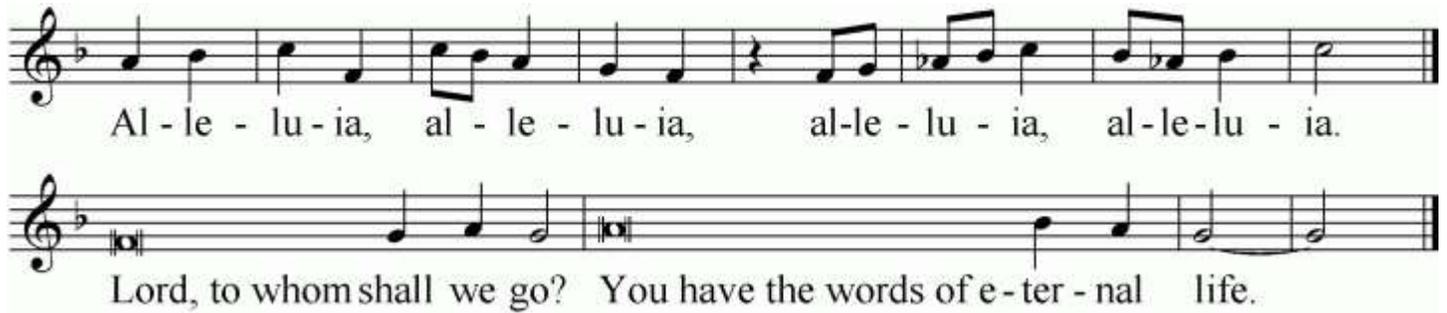
SECOND READING

Romans 12: 1–8

In response to God's merciful activity, we are to worship by living holistic, God-pleasing lives. Our values and viewpoints are not molded by this age, but are transformed by the Spirit's renewing work. God's grace empowers different forms of service among Christians, but all forms of ministry function to build up the body of Christ.

ONE: ¹I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. ²Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God—what is good and acceptable and perfect. ³For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of yourself more highly than you ought to think, but to think with sober judgment, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned. ⁴For as in one body we have many members, and not all the members have the same function, ⁵so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another. ⁶We have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us: prophecy, in proportion to faith; ⁷ministry, in ministering; the teacher, in teaching; ⁸the exhorter, in exhortation; the giver, in generosity; the leader, in diligence; the compassionate, in cheerfulness.

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*

Matthew 16: 13–20

At a climactic point in Jesus' ministry, God reveals to Peter that Jesus is "the Messiah, the Son of the living God," and Jesus responds with the promise of a church that will overcome the very gates of Hades.

LAUREN: ¹³Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that the Son of Man is?"
¹⁴And they said,

ALL: "Some say John the Baptist, but others Elijah, and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets."

LAUREN: ¹⁵He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?" ¹⁶Simon Peter answered,

ALL: "You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God."

LAUREN: ¹⁷And Jesus answered him, "Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father in heaven. ¹⁸And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it. ¹⁹I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven." ²⁰Then he sternly ordered the disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah.

LAUREN: The Gospel of the Lord.

ALL: Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON, *Lauren*

SERMON HYMN 574 *standing*

“Here I Am, Lord”

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 *seated*

TOM: Generous, compassionate God, we gather before you to pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

A brief silence.

God our rock,

ALL: provide a strong foundation for your church on earth. Unite it in joyful praise, service, and mission. Hear our prayer, *Aloha ke Akua* (God is love; love is God).

TOM: *God our gardener,*

ALL: You make deserts into gardens and the wilderness into Eden. Restore the clean and pleasant beauty of your

creation. Hear our prayer, *Aloha ke Akua.*

TOM: *God our brightness,*

ALL: You shine the light of justice on the nations. Deliver us quickly from evil, protect the defenseless, and bring peace to anxious and warring lands. Hear our prayer, *Aloha ke Akua.*

TOM: *God our healer,*

ALL: You renew our minds and transform our bodies. Wait with all who seek a cure or long for relief from chronic pain. Bring comfort and healing to all who suffer illness in spirit, mind, or body. Hear our prayer, *Aloha ke Akua.*

TOM: *God our holy gift-giver,*

ALL: You surprise us all. Build up this assembly. Increase our generosity, compassion, and cheerfulness. Lift up from among us prophets, ministers, teachers, and diligent leaders. Hear our prayer, *Aloha ke Akua.*

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

TOM: *Your salvation lasts forever. Console us here on earth until we join all who praise you without end.*

ALL: Hear our prayer, *Aloha ke Akua.*

TOM: *Into your hands we place all our prayers, spoken and unspoken, trusting in the mercy of Christ Jesus.*

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*

“Forest Meditation”
(Chinese folksong—Dai Minority)

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*

TOM: 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*

LAUREN: The Lord be with you.

ALL: **And also with you.**

LAUREN: Lift up your hearts.

ALL: **We lift them to the Lord.**

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

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

LAUREN: 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)*

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*

LAUREN: 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.

ALL: Amen.

WE ARE SENT

SENDING HYMN 798 *standing*

“Will You Come and Follow Me”

BENEDICTION AND SENDING, *Lauren*

LAUREN: 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.

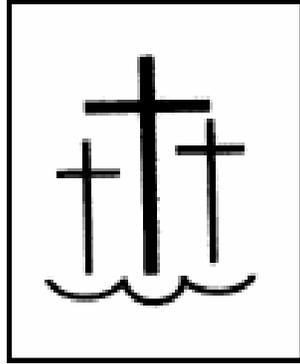
LAUREN: Go forth to serve.

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, *Ina*

“Pastoral”
(Folkmusic from Mongolian Minority)



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, August 27, 2017

MINISTERS: All Members of Calvary by the Sea

KAHU: Tim Mason

GUEST MINISTER: Rev. Lauren Buck-Medeiros

WORSHIP AND THE ARTS: Tom Poole

ORGANIST AND PIANIST: Ina Young

MUSIC: Amie Lawyer, Charlie Holdaway

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

READER, USHERS, COMMUNION ASSISTANTS AND ALTAR CARE: Tribe Four—Garret Pick

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

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WORSHIP *and* EVENTS AHEAD

Sunday, August 27—Pentecost 12

Preaching, Rev. Lauren Buck-Medeiros
Music, Amie Lawyer, Charlie Holdaway, Tom Poole

Sunday, September 3—Pentecost 13

**Honoring the Queen's Birthday
Blessing of Students**

Preaching, Kahu Tim
Music, Lea del Castillo, "Teach Me, O Lord"

Sunday, September 10—Pentecost 14

Preaching, Kahu Tim
Music, Calvary Choir, "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"

Sunday, September 17—Pentecost 15

Preaching, Kahu Tim
Music, Calvary Choir, "Offertory"

Sunday, September 24—Pentecost 16

Preaching, Kahu Tim
Music, Calvary Choir, "Jesu, Joy of Our Desiring"