



Calvary by the Sea Lutheran Church

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

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12th Sunday after Pentecost

August 7, 2016

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

Jesus says, "It is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom." It is God's promise from the beginning—to Abraham, to the early church, and to the "little flock" of which we are a part today in assembly. Faith, God's baptismal gift, trusts the promises of God. Have no fear.

SOUNDING OF THE PŪ

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

GATHERING, *organ*

“Fantasy on *Morning Has Broken*”

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: God, our *Creator*,
Jesus Christ, our *Redeemer*,
and the Holy Spirit, our *Comforter*,
be with you all.

ALL: **And also with you.**

KAHU: Welcome to Calvary by the Sea Lutheran Church!

Welcome

to hear the promises of God,
to pray for healing and for one another,
to be fed at the table,
and to be sent into the world as
wounded healers and bearers of Christ's love.

ALL: Amen! Thanks be to God!

CONFESSION OF SIN, *Kahu Tim*

The *Confession and Forgiveness of Sin* 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, you sent your Holy Spirit to be the life and light of your church. Open our hearts to the riches of your grace, that we may be ready to receive you wherever you appear, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. 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

Genesis 15: 1–6

God promises childless and aging Abram that a child of his own will be his heir and that his descendants will number as many as the stars. Abram trusts God's promise, and through this faith he is considered righteous.

ONE: ¹After these things the word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision, "Do not be afraid, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great." ²But Abram said, "O Lord GOD, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?" ³And Abram said, "You have given me no offspring, and so a slave born in my house is to be my heir." ⁴But the word of the LORD came to him, "This man shall not be your heir; no one but your very own issue shall be your heir." ⁵He brought him outside and said, "Look toward heaven and count the stars, if you are able to count them." Then he said to him, "So shall your descendants be." ⁶And he believed the LORD; and the LORD reckoned it to him as righteousness.

PSALM *sung responsively*

Psalm 33: 12–22

¹²Happy is the nation whose God [|] is the LORD!

Happy the people chosen to [|] be God's heritage!

¹³The LORD looks [|] down from heaven,
and sees all [|] humankind.

¹⁴God sits firmly en- [|] throned and watches
all who dwell [|] on the earth.

¹⁵God fashions [|] all their hearts

and observes | all their deeds.

¹⁶A king is not saved by the size | of the army,
nor are warriors rescued by | their great strength.

¹⁷The horse gives vain | hope for victory;
despite its great strength it | cannot save.

¹⁸Truly, your eye is upon those who fear | you, O LORD,
upon those who wait for your | steadfast love,

¹⁹to deliver their | lives from death,
and to keep them alive in | time of famine.

²⁰Our innermost being waits for | you, O LORD,
our helper | and our shield.

²¹Surely, our heart rejoic- | es in you,
for in your holy name we | put our trust.

²²Let your lovingkindness, O LORD, | be upon us,
even as we place our | hope in you.

SECOND READING

Hebrews 11: 1–3, 8–16

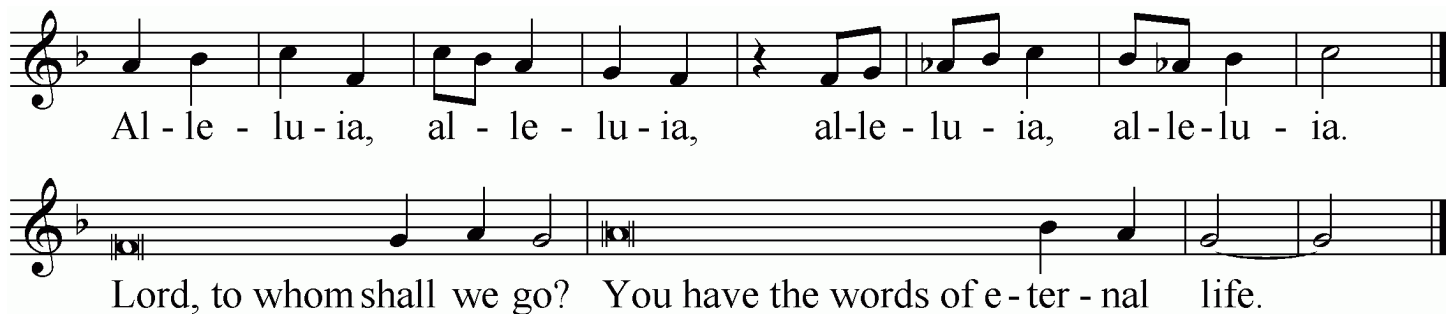
Abraham and Sarah exemplify the vision of faith that people of God enact in every age. Their hope and trust in God's promise allowed them to face an unknown future and to receive the promise of God.

ONE: ¹Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. ²Indeed, by faith our ancestors received approval. ³By faith we understand that the worlds were prepared by the word of God, so that what is seen was made from things that are not visible.
⁸By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to set out for a place that he was to receive as an inheritance; and he set out, not knowing where he was going. ⁹By faith he stayed for a time in the land he had been promised, as in a foreign land, living in tents, as did Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. ¹⁰For he looked forward to the city that has

foundations, whose architect and builder is God. ¹¹By faith he received power of procreation, even though he was too old—and Sarah herself was barren—because he considered him faithful who had promised. ¹²Therefore from one person, and this one as good as dead, descendants were born, "as many as the stars of heaven and as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore."

¹³All of these died in faith without having received the promises, but from a distance they saw and greeted them. They confessed that they were strangers and foreigners on the earth, ¹⁴for people who speak in this way make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. ¹⁵If they had been thinking of the land that they had left behind, they would have had opportunity to return. ¹⁶But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God; indeed, he has prepared a city for them.

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*

Luke 12: 32–40

Jesus encourages disciples to invest their hearts and live fully into God's reign. Instead of facing life with fear, those who know God's generosity are always ready to receive from God and to give to others.

KAHU: [Jesus said:] ³²"Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. ³³Sell your possessions, and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. ³⁴For where your treasure is, there your heart will

be also.

³⁵Be dressed for action and have your lamps lit; ³⁶be like those who are waiting for their master to return from the wedding banquet, so that they may open the door for him as soon as he comes and knocks. ³⁷Blessed are those slaves whom the master finds alert when he comes; truly I tell you, he will fasten his belt and have them sit down to eat, and he will come and serve them. ³⁸If he comes during the middle of the night, or near dawn, and finds them so, blessed are those slaves.

³⁹But know this: if the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. ⁴⁰You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour."

KAHU: The Gospel of the Lord.

ALL: Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON, *Kahu Tim*

“Have NO Fear, Little Flock!!”

SERMON HYMN *standing*

“Where Your Treasure Is”



Where your treasure is, there your heart shall be. All that you pos-sess will never set you free.



Seek the things that last; come and learn from me. Where your treasure is, your heart shall be.

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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 Christ and rising to serve, let us pray for the church, the world, and all those in need.

A brief silence.

Faithful God, encourage your church in new ventures of faith: new congregations, ministries, conversations, and partnerships. In your mercy,

ALL: **hear our prayer, *Aloha ke Akua*** (God is love; love is God).

KAHU: *Creating God*, the abundance of your creation fills us with awe and delight. Call us daily to be vigilant and responsible stewards of all you have made. In your mercy,

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

KAHU: *Merciful God*, calm the fears that produce wars, prejudice, and injustice. Equip governments, leaders, and peacemakers to be models of cooperation and reconciliation among the nations. In your mercy,

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

KAHU: *Restoring God*, comfort all who long for relief from circumstances of grief or sickness. Bless hospitals, mental health facilities, and all places of healing. In your mercy,

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

KAHU: *Steadfast God*, we pray for those in life transitions that bring anxiety. Heal those hurt by broken promises, and sustain them with your never-ending love. In your mercy,

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

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

KAHU: *Heavenly Father*, we give you thanks for all the saints who now enjoy unfailing treasure in heaven, and we rejoice that we are united with them in your love. In your mercy,

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

KAHU: We lift our prayers to you, O God, trusting your promise to hear us; through 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, *organ*

“A Fancy”

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 of mercy and grace, the eyes of all wait upon you, and you open your hand in blessing. Fill us with good things at your table, that we may come to the help of all in need, through Jesus Christ,

our redeemer and Lord.

ALL: 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.



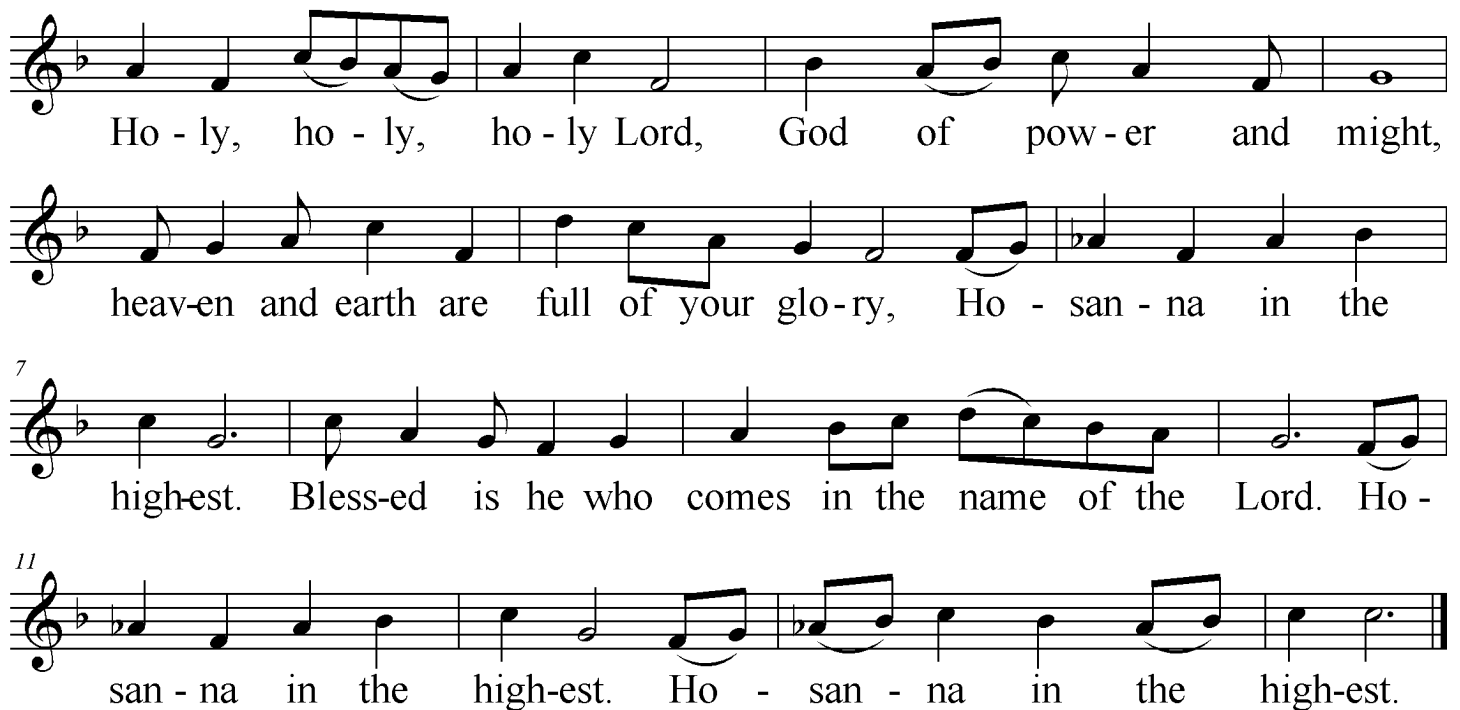
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



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 *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: O God, as a mother comforts her child, so you comfort your people, carrying us in your arms and satisfying us with this food and drink, the body and blood of Christ. Send us now as your disciples, announcing peace and proclaiming that the reign of God has come near; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

ALL: **Amen.**

WE ARE SENT

SENDING HYMN 764 *standing*

“Have No Fear, Little Flock”

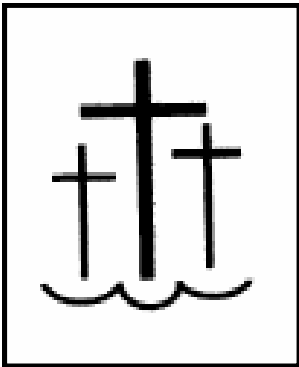
BENEDICTION AND SENDING, *Kahu Tim*

KAHU: The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord's face shine upon you with grace and mercy.
The Lord look upon you with favor
and + give you peace.

ALL: **Amen.**

KAHU: Go in peace. Proclaim the good news.

ALL: **Thanks be to God.**



Today, August 7, 2016

MINISTERS: All Members of Calvary by the Sea

KAHU: Tim Mason

WORSHIP AND THE ARTS: Tom Poole

ORGANIST AND PIANIST: Ina Young

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WORSHIP AHEAD

Saturday, August 13—13th Sunday after Pentecost

6:30—7:30 pm, Sunset Worship in the Sanctuary

Preaching, Kahu Tim

Music, Tom and Amie

Sunday, August 14—13th Sunday after Pentecost

Preaching, Kahu Tim

Music, Calvary Choir, "LightShine"

Saturday, August 20—14th Sunday after Pentecost

6:30—7:30 pm, Sunset Worship in the Sanctuary

Preaching, Kahu Tim

Music, Tom and Amie

Sunday, August 21—14th Sunday after Pentecost

Preaching, Kahu Tim

Music, Calvary Choir, "The Sabbath Law"

Saturday, August 27—15th Sunday after Pentecost

6:30—7:30 pm, Sunset Worship in the Sanctuary

Preaching, Kahu Tim

Music, Tom and Amie

Sunday, August 28—15th Sunday after Pentecost

Preaching, Kahu Tim

Music, Lea del Castillo, "His Eye Is On the Sparrow"