



Calvary by the Sea Lutheran Church

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

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14th Sunday after Pentecost

September 14, 2014

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 today's second reading Paul questions why we judge one another, since we all stand before the judgment of God. Yet we do sin against one another, and Jesus' challenge that we forgive seventy-seven times reveals God's boundless mercy. When we hear the words of forgiveness in worship and sign ourselves with the cross, we are renewed in baptism to be signs of reconciliation in the world.

SOUNDING OF THE PŪ

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

GATHERING, *organ*

“Siciliano”

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: Beloved children of God:

the grace that is Christ's gift to us,
the love of God,
and the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace
be with you all!

ALL: **And also with you.**

GATHERING HYMN

“All Is Ready”



1. Come, all you wea - ry ones, who walk the jour - ney;
2. Come, all who strug - gle hard, all who are hope - ful;
3. Come, all you rich and poor, all who are chal - lenced;
4. Come all you sin - gle ones, all who are mar - ried;
5. Come, all you young and old, all male and fe - male,
6. Come, all you anx - ious ones, who fear the fu - ture;



1-6 Know you are wel - come at the ta - ble of the Lord.



Come, bring your bur - dens here, find love and mer - cy.
Come with your tired hearts, come find new pas - sion.
Come all who live in shame, we are your fam - 'ly.
Come, you who've lost your spouse, all who are lone - ly.
Come love of ev - 'ry kind, it does not mat - ter.
Come, all from east and west, we stand to - geth - er.



With Christ be - fore us, we gath - er as his friends!
With Christ with - in us, we find new life a - gain!
With Christ be - side us, we no long - er are a - lone!
With Christ our broth - er, we are loved and made whole!
With Christ, all peo - ple are one in God's name!
With Christ we rise now, to sing the reign of God!



1-6 All is read - y, here and now; all are wel - come here!

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CONFESSION OF SIN, *Kahu Tim*

KAHU: Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God,
the Sovereign over all the earth,

the Wisdom from on high,
our merciful Judge and Savior.

ALL: Amen.

KAHU: Let us boldly approach the throne of grace, trusting in God's
mercy and love.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Generous and faithful God,
**All: we confess to you all the ways, known and unknown,
that we reject and undermine your steadfast love.**

**Though you made us your people,
we treat strangers with suspicion.**

**Though you forgave our debts,
we collect without mercy.**

**Though you do not judge us,
we are quick to pass judgment on others.**

**Have mercy on us, O God. Remember not our small hearts
and weak spirits. Make us alive in Christ Jesus. Amen.**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

KAHU: Sisters and brothers:

The grass withers, the flower fades, but the word of our God
will stand forever. Through the living Word, + Jesus Christ,
God forgives your every debt, your every sin, and gives you a
new heart and a new spirit.

ALL: Amen.

PRAYER OF THE DAY *standing*

**ALL: O Lord God, merciful judge, you are the inexhaustible
fountain of forgiveness. Replace our hearts of stone**

with hearts that love and adore you, that we may delight in doing your will, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. 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

Genesis 50: 15–21

After Jacob's death, the brothers of Joseph begged for forgiveness for the crime they had done against him. You intended to do me harm, Joseph said, but God used this as an opportunity to do good and save many lives.

ONE: ¹⁵Realizing that their father was dead, Joseph's brothers said, "What if Joseph still bears a grudge against us and pays us back in full for all the wrong that we did to him?" ¹⁶So they approached Joseph, saying, "Your father gave this instruction before he died, ¹⁷'Say to Joseph: I beg you, forgive the crime of your brothers and the wrong they did in harming you.' Now therefore please forgive the crime of the servants of the God of your father." Joseph wept when they spoke to him. ¹⁸Then his brothers also wept, fell down before him, and said, "We are here as your slaves." ¹⁹But Joseph said to them, "Do not be afraid! Am I in the place of God? ²⁰Even though you intended to do harm to me, God intended it for good, in order to preserve a numerous people, as he is doing today. ²¹So have no fear; I myself will provide for you and your little ones." In this way he reassured them, speaking kindly to them.

⁸LORD, you are full of compas- | sion and mercy,
slow to anger and abounding in | steadfast love;
⁹you will not al- | ways accuse us,
nor will you keep your an- | ger forever.
¹⁰You have not dealt with us according | to our sins,
nor repaid us according to | our iniquities.
¹¹For as the heavens are high a- | bove the earth,
so great is your steadfast love for | those who fear you.
¹²As far as the east is | from the west,
so far have you removed our transgres- | sions from us.
¹³As a father has compassion | for his children,
**so you have compassion for those who fear | you,
O LORD.**

SECOND READING

Romans 14: 1–12

This Christian community has significant struggles with diversity. Here Paul helps us understand that despite different practices in worship and personal piety, we do not judge one another. All Christians belong to the Lord Jesus Christ who died for all of us and will judge each of us.

ONE: Welcome those who are weak in faith, but not for the purpose of quarreling over opinions. ²Some believe in eating anything, while the weak eat only vegetables. ³Those who eat must not despise those who abstain, and those who abstain must not pass judgment on those who eat; for God has welcomed them. ⁴Who are you to pass judgment on servants of another? It is before their own lord that they stand or fall. And they will be upheld, for the Lord is able to make them stand. ⁵Some judge one day to be better than another, while others judge all days to be alike. Let all be fully convinced in their own minds. ⁶Those who observe the day, observe it in honor of the Lord. Also those who eat, eat in honor of the Lord, since they give thanks to God; while those who

abstain, abstain in honor of the Lord and give thanks to God. ⁷We do not live to ourselves, and we do not die to ourselves. ⁸If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord; so then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's. ⁹For to this end Christ died and lived again, so that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living. ¹⁰Why do you pass judgment on your brother or sister? Or you, why do you despise your brother or sister? For we will all stand before the judgment seat of God. ¹¹For it is written, "As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to me, and every tongue shall give praise to God." ¹²So then, each of us will be accountable to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION *standing*

“Ka Mana‘o ‘I‘o”



Ka ma-na-‘o-‘i-‘o, o ko kā-kou A-ku - a, Faith - ful, faith-ful is our God.



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GOSPEL *standing, read responsively*

Matthew 18: 21–35

When Peter asks about the limits of forgiveness, Jesus responds with a parable that suggests human forgiveness should mirror the unlimited mercy of God.

KAHU: ²¹Then Peter came and said to [Jesus],

ALL: **"Lord, if another member of the church sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?"**

KAHU: ²²Jesus said to him, "Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times. ²³For this reason the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his slaves. ²⁴When he began the reckoning, one who owed him ten thousand talents was brought to him; ²⁵and, as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to

be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, and payment to be made. ²⁶So the slave fell on his knees before him, saying, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.' ²⁷And out of pity for him, the lord of that slave released him and forgave him the debt. ²⁸But that same slave, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow slaves who owed him a hundred denarii; and seizing him by the throat, he said, 'Pay what you owe.' ²⁹Then his fellow slave fell down and pleaded with him, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you.' ³⁰But he refused; then he went and threw him into prison until he would pay the debt. ³¹When his fellow slaves saw what had happened, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place. ³²Then his lord summoned him and said to him, 'You wicked slave! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. ³³Should you not have had mercy on your fellow slave, as I had mercy on you?' ³⁴And in anger his lord handed him over to be tortured until he would pay his entire debt. ³⁵So my heavenly Father will also do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother or sister from your heart."

KAHU: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

KEIKI SERMON, *Kahu Tim*

SERMON, *Kahu Tim*

“Forgive and *DO NOT* Remember!”

SERMON HYMN 605 *standing*

“Forgive Our Sins as We Forgive”

(Sung to tune AZMON: “O for a Thousand Tongues...”)

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *standing*

“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*

KAHU: With the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, let us pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation.

A brief silence.

Speak kindly to your whole church, O God. Give us tongues that speak words of welcome and acceptance. Hear us, O God.

ALL: **Your mercy is great.**

KAHU: Shower us with your gifts, O God. Give us hands that share the wealth of your creation and that tend to its keeping. Hear us, O God.

ALL: **Your mercy is great.**

KAHU: Silence our quarreling, O God. Hold us accountable to one another as brothers and sisters and make us eager to reconcile and quick to forgive. Hear us, O God.

ALL: **Your mercy is great.**

KAHU: Satisfy us with good things, O God. Give healing to those who suffer in mind, body, and soul, give respite to those who care for them, and hope for all those who worry. Hear us, O God.

ALL: **Your mercy is great.**

KAHU: Make your ways known to us, O God. Hold us upright as we work for justice in our neighborhoods, communities, our nation, and the

world. Hear us, O God.

ALL: Your mercy is great.

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

KAHU: You, O God, are the Lord of the dead and the living. Hold us, together with all the saints, in your redeeming and steadfast love today and all days. Hear us, O God.

ALL: Your mercy is great.

KAHU: Trusting in your mercy and goodness, we bring before you these prayers and whatever else you see that we need, in the name of the one who sets us free, Jesus Christ, our Savior.

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, *Calvary Choir*

Nackil Sung, tenor

“There Is a Balm
in Gilead”

There is a balm in Gilead, to make the wounded whole,
There is a balm in Gilead, to heal the sin-sick soul.

Sometimes I feel discouraged, and think my works in vain,
But then the Holy Spirit revives my soul again.

If you cannot sing like angels, if you cannot preach like Paul,
You can tell the love of Jesus, and say “He died for all.”

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.

ALL: **Amen.**

WE ARE FED

GREAT THANKSGIVING *standing*

KAHU: The Lord be with you.

ALL: **And also with you.**

KAHU: Lift up your hearts.

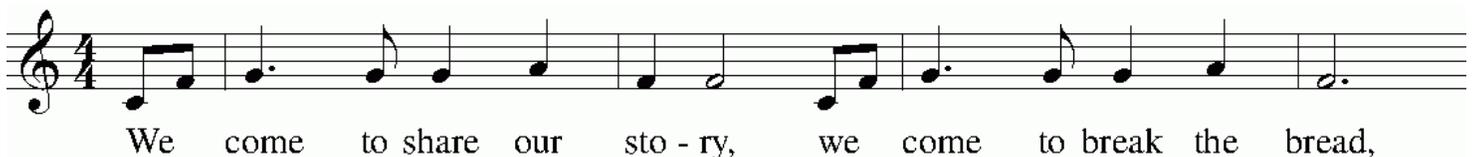
ALL: **We lift them to the Lord.**

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

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

SANCTUS *standing*

The Sanctus is sung following, "...we praise your name and join their unending hymn."



We come to share our sto - ry, we come to break the bread,



We come to know our ris - ing from the_ dead._____



We are called to heal the bro - ken, to be hope___ for the poor,
You will lead and we shall fol - low, you will be the breath of life;
We will live and sing "A - lo - ha." "Al - le - lu - ia" is our song.



we are called to feed the hun - gry at___ our door._____
liv - ing wa - ter, we are thirst - ing for___ your light._____
May we live in love and peace our whole life___ long._____

“Song of the Body of Christ,” text by David Haas; music, traditional Hawaiian, “No Ke Ano ‘Ahi’ahi.”
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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: O God, the host at every meal, at this table you spread out a feast for all peoples, the bread of life and the cup of salvation. Send us from this banquet to invite others into these good things, to let justice roll down like waters, and to care for the least of our sisters and brothers through Jesus Christ, our Sovereign and our Savior.

ALL: Amen.

WE ARE SENT

SENDING HYMN 639 *standing*

“When We Are Living”

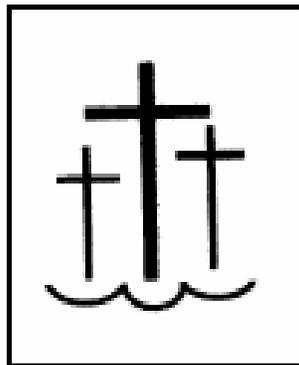
BENEDICTION AND SENDING, *Kahu Tim*

KAHU: The blessing of almighty God,
the Father of glory,
+ Jesus Christ our peace,
and the Spirit of truth,
be upon you and remain with you always.

ALL: Amen.

KAHU: Go in peace. Christ is with you.

ALL: Thanks be to God.



Today, September 14, 2014

MINISTERS: All Members of Calvary by the Sea

KAHU: Tim Mason

WORSHIP AND THE ARTS: Tom Poole

ORGANIST AND PIANIST: Ina Young

MUSIC: Calvary Choir; Nackil Sung, tenor

INSTRUMENTALISTS: Marc Adelberger, Charlie Holdaway, Bruce Kau, Amie Lawyer, Jon Osorio, Tim Sprowls

READER, USHERS, COMMUNION ASSISTANTS AND ALTAR CARE: Tribe Six—Peggy Trout, leader

WORSHIP PRODUCTION SUPPORT: Fletch Young, Andrew Mason

SERVICE MUSIC: “Siciliano,” by Edward Vogt, © Edition Breitkopf; “All Is Ready,” by David Haas, © 2005 GIA Publications; “Ka Mana’o ‘I’o (Faithful, Faithful Is Our God),” by Joe Camacho, © 1999 Joe Camacho; arr. John L. Bell, © 2002 GIA Publications; “There Is a Balm in Gilead,” by William L. Dawson, © 1939, 1967 William L. Dawson Lorenz; “Song of the Body of Christ,” text by David Haas; music traditional Hawaiian, No Ke Ano ‘Ahi’ahi, arr. David Haas, © 1989 GIA Publications; “The Lord’s Prayer,” by Albert Hay Malotte, arr. Donald P. Hustad, © 1955, ren. 1963 G. Schirmer; “Maestoso,” by Edward Vogt, © Edition Breitkopf. All music used by permission (One.License.net A-714410).

WORSHIP SERVICES AHEAD

4th Annual Peace Day Interfaith Service

Friday, September 19, 7 pm

Honpa Hongwanji Hawaii Betsuin

Including words by Kahu Tim, and music by the Calvary Choir

Sunday, September 21—Pentecost 15

International Day of Peace

Preaching, Kahu Tim

Music, Calvary Choir, “The Prayer of St. Francis,” “Let There Be Peace on Earth”

Evensong Prayer Service for Peace, 6 pm

Calvary by the Sea Sanctuary

Sunday, September 28—Pentecost 16

Rally Sunday

Preaching, Kahu Tim

Music, Calvary Choir, “Ain-a That Good News!”

Sunday, October 5—Pentecost 17

Preaching, Kahu Tim

Music, Calvary Choir, “No Ka Beauty O Ka ‘Āina”

Special Presentation, Bonnie Oda, Hawaiian Humane Society

Sunday, October 5—Blessing of the Animals, 3 pm

Calvary Sanctuary—Under the Hau Tree

(All pets are welcomed especially when leashed or in cages!)

Sunday, October 12—Pentecost 18

Preaching, Kahu Tim

Music, Ina Young

Calvary Family Retreat @ Camp Mokuleia

Friday, October 10 through

Sunday or Monday, October 12 or 13

Sunday Worship @ Camp

(See Announcements, check Calvary website, or
call the church office for more details)

Sunday, October 19—Pentecost 19

Founders' Sunday

Preaching, Kahu Tim

Music, Performing Arts Calvary

Calvary Choir, "Psalm 121," "Jesu, Joy—My Joy Forever"

Sunday, October 26—Pentecost 26

Reformation Sunday

Preaching, Kahu Tim

Music, Calvary Choir, "Te Ensalzaré Señor"

Special Presentation, Teresa Berg, "Wendy's Children"