



# **Calvary by the Sea Lutheran Church**

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

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## **15<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**

### **International Day of Peace**

September 21, 2014

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

Matthew narrates one of Jesus' controversial parables, in which Jesus says the reign of God is like workers who get paid the same no matter when they start. When God changes his mind about punishing Nineveh for their evil ways, Jonah is angry. Yet God is gracious and merciful, abounding in steadfast love. In baptism we receive the grace of God that is freely given to all. As Luther wrote, in the presence of God's mercy we are all beggars.

## SOUNDING OF THE PŪ

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

**GATHERING,** *organ*

“Praise to the Lord, the Almighty”

## 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.**

## **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 and eternal God, you show perpetual loving kindness to us your servants. Because we cannot rely on our own abilities, grant us your merciful judgment, and train us to embody the generosity of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

## **GREETING OF GUESTS** *seated*

## **SHARING OF ALOHA** *standing*

**KAHU:** The Lord be with you.

**ALL:** And also with you.

# **WE HEAR THE WORD**

## FIRST READING

Jonah 3: 10—4: 11

*After Jonah's short sermon in 3:4, the Ninevites all repented and God decided to spare the city. Jonah objected to this and became even more angry when God ordered a worm to destroy a plant that was providing shade. The book ends with a question that challenges any who are not ready to forgive: You, Jonah, are all worked up about a bush, but should not I be concerned about a hundred and twenty thousand Ninevites who do not know the difference between their right and left hands?*

ONE: <sup>10</sup>When God saw what [the people of Nineveh] did, how they turned from their evil ways, God changed his mind about the calamity that he had said he would bring upon them; and he did not do it. <sup>4:1</sup>But this was very displeasing to Jonah, and he became angry. <sup>2</sup>He prayed to the LORD and said, "O LORD! Is not this what I said while I was still in my own country? That is why I fled to Tarshish at the beginning; for I knew that you are a gracious God and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love, and ready to relent from punishing. <sup>3</sup>And now, O LORD, please take my life from me, for it is better for me to die than to live." <sup>4</sup>And the LORD said, "Is it right for you to be angry?" <sup>5</sup>Then Jonah went out of the city and sat down east of the city, and made a booth for himself there. He sat under it in the shade, waiting to see what would become of the city. <sup>6</sup>The Lord GOD appointed a bush, and made it come up over Jonah, to give shade over his head, to save him from his discomfort; so Jonah was very happy about the bush. <sup>7</sup>But when dawn came up the next day, God appointed a worm that attacked the bush, so that it withered. <sup>8</sup>When the sun rose, God prepared a sultry east wind, and the sun beat down on the head of Jonah so that he was faint and asked that he might die. He said, "It is better for me to die than to live." <sup>9</sup>But God said to Jonah, "Is it right for you to be angry about the bush?" And he said, "Yes, angry enough to die." <sup>10</sup>Then the LORD said, "You are concerned about the bush, for which you did not labor and which you did not grow; it came into being in a night and perished in a night. <sup>11</sup>And should I not be concerned about Nineveh, that great city, in which there are more than a hundred and twenty thousand persons who do not know their right hand from their left, and also many animals?"

- <sup>1</sup>I will exalt you, my <sup>1</sup> God and king,  
**and bless your name forev- <sup>1</sup> er and ever.**
- <sup>2</sup>Every day <sup>1</sup> will I bless you  
**and praise your name forev- <sup>1</sup> er and ever.**
- <sup>3</sup>Great is the LORD and greatly <sup>1</sup> to be praised!  
**There is no end <sup>1</sup> to your greatness.**
- <sup>4</sup>One generation shall praise your works <sup>1</sup> to another  
**and shall de- <sup>1</sup> clare your power.**
- <sup>5</sup>I will speak of the glorious splendor <sup>1</sup> of your majesty  
**and all your <sup>1</sup> marvelous works.**
- <sup>6</sup>They shall tell of the might of your <sup>1</sup> wondrous acts,  
**and I will re- <sup>1</sup> count your greatness.**
- <sup>7</sup>They shall publish the remembrance of <sup>1</sup> your great goodness;  
**they shall sing joyfully <sup>1</sup> of your righteousness.**
- <sup>8</sup>The LORD is gracious and full <sup>1</sup> of compassion,  
**slow to anger and abounding in <sup>1</sup> steadfast love.**

**SECOND READING**

Philippians 1: 21–30

*Paul writes to the Philippians from prison. Though he is uncertain about the outcome of his imprisonment, he is committed to the ministry of the gospel and calls on the Philippians to live lives that reflect and enhance the gospel mission.*

ONE: <sup>21</sup>For to me, living is Christ and dying is gain. <sup>22</sup>If I am to live in the flesh, that means fruitful labor for me; and I do not know which I prefer. <sup>23</sup>I am hard pressed between the two: my desire is to depart and be with Christ, for that is far better; <sup>24</sup>but to remain in the flesh is more necessary for you. <sup>25</sup>Since I am convinced of this, I know that I will remain and continue with all of you for your progress and joy in faith, <sup>26</sup>so that I may share abundantly in your boasting in Christ Jesus when I come to you again. <sup>27</sup>Only, live your life in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that, whether I come and see you or am

absent and hear about you, I will know that you are standing firm in one spirit, striving side by side with one mind for the faith of the gospel,<sup>28</sup> and are in no way intimidated by your opponents. For them this is evidence of their destruction, but of your salvation. And this is God's doing.<sup>29</sup> For he has graciously granted you the privilege not only of believing in Christ, but of suffering for him as well —<sup>30</sup> since you are having the same struggle that you saw I had and now hear that I still have.

## 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 20: 1–16

*Jesus tells a parable about God's generosity, challenging the common assumption that God rewards people according to what they have earned or deserve.*

KAHU: [Jesus said to the disciples:] <sup>1</sup>"The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard. <sup>2</sup>After agreeing with the laborers for the usual daily wage, he sent them into his vineyard. <sup>3</sup>When he went out about nine o'clock, he saw others standing idle in the marketplace; <sup>4</sup>and he said to them,

**ALL: 'You also go into the vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right.'**

KAHU: So they went. <sup>5</sup>When he went out again about noon and about three o'clock, he did the same. <sup>6</sup>And about five o'clock he went out and found others standing around; and he said to them,

**ALL: 'Why are you standing here idle all day?'**

KAHU: <sup>7</sup>They said to him, 'Because no one has hired us.' He said to them,

**ALL:** 'You also go into the vineyard.'

**KAHU:** <sup>8</sup>When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his manager,

**ALL:** 'Call the laborers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and then going to the first.'

**KAHU:** <sup>9</sup>When those hired about five o'clock came, each of them received the usual daily wage. <sup>10</sup>Now when the first came, they thought they would receive more; but each of them also received the usual daily wage. <sup>11</sup>And when they received it, they grumbled against the landowner, <sup>12</sup>saying, 'These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.' <sup>13</sup>But he replied to one of them,

**ALL:** 'Friend, I am doing you no wrong; did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage? <sup>14</sup>Take what belongs to you and go; I choose to give to this last the same as I give to you. <sup>15</sup>Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or are you envious because I am generous?'

**KAHU:** <sup>16</sup>So the last will be first, and the first will be last."

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

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

**SERMON,** *Kahu Tim*

**“HOW MUCH DID IT COST?!”**

**SERMON HYMN 716** *standing* “Lord of All Nations, Grant Me Grace”

**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.*

Generous God, you claim us as your own and your church declares your greatness. Make all who serve you, especially our bishops, pastors, missionaries, diaconal ministers, and chaplains serving institutions and the military, firm in one spirit. Hear us, O God.

**ALL: Your mercy is great.**

KAHU: The goodness of your creation is a celebration of your mighty acts. Enable us to appreciate the smallest to the largest of wonders and to be worthy stewards of all your gifts. Hear us, O God.

**ALL: Your mercy is great.**

KAHU: People of all nations sing aloud of your righteousness. Incite us to commit acts of peace on this International Day of Peace, to break down barriers, crush complacency, and stand up to intolerance. Hear us, O God.

**ALL: Your mercy is great.**

KAHU: Strengthen those who suffer. Transform pain into purpose, sorrow into courage, fear into generosity, and loneliness into compassion. Hear us, O God.

**ALL: Your mercy is great.**

KAHU: Form the desire of our congregation to live as the body of Christ in the world. Place among us overflowing fonts and tables set as a

feast for all people. 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: The lives of your saints are evidence of your salvation. Give meaning to all our days, then grant us peaceful deaths and unite us with those we love in praising your name. 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,** *organ*

“The King of Love  
My Shepherd Is”

**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. **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:** We thank you, Lord of heaven and earth, that you have fed us in a way our hearts can understand, with the saving body and blood of Jesus Christ. Enliven us by your presence in this meal, that we may be your presence in the world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**ALL: Amen.**

# **WE ARE SENT**

**SENDING HYMN 858** *standing*      “Praise to the Lord, the Almighty”

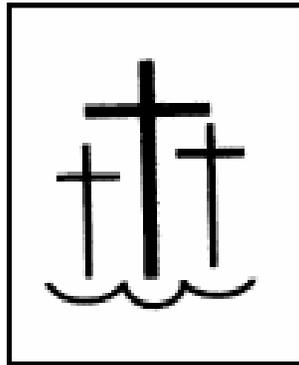
## **BENEDICTION AND SENDING,** *Kahu Tim*

**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.**



Established by the United Nations General Assembly in 1981, “Peace Day” is a global call for cease-fire and nonviolence. The idea for the day was proposed in a 2004 meeting between the Rev. Samuel Kobia, former general secretary of the World Council of Churches, and Kofi A. Annan, former general-secretary of the United Nations.

The intention of the International Day of Peace is to have the entire world observe a day of peace and nonviolence. Calvary by the Sea joined our sisters and brothers of other faiths this past Friday evening for a service at the Honpa Hongwanji. Tonight at 6 pm in the Sanctuary, Calvary will hold an evening Prayer Service for Peace.

## **Today, September 21, 2014**

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

**KAHU:** Tim Mason

**WORSHIP AND THE ARTS:** Tom Poole

**ORGANIST AND PIANIST:** Ina Young

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

**WORSHIP PRODUCTION SUPPORT:** Fletch Young, Erin Day

**SERVICE MUSIC:** “Praise to the Lord, the Almighty,” arr. Hal Hopson, © 2000 Hope Publishing; “The King of Love My Shepherd Is,” arr. Gordon King, © 2011 Wayne Leupold Editions; “Sanctus,” by Marty Haugen, © 2007 Evangelical Lutheran Church in America; “Songs of Thankfulness and Praise,” by Rachel Spry Lammi, © 2014 Wayne Leupold Editions. All music used by permission (One.License.net A-714410).

# **WORSHIP SERVICES AHEAD**

***Sunday, September 21—Pentecost 15***

**International Day of Peace**

***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 “Between Services” 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, the 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"*