



# **Calvary by the Sea Lutheran Church**

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

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

September 13, 2015

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

Three weeks ago we heard John's gospel's version of Peter's confession of faith. This week we hear Mark's version, when Peter says, "You are the Messiah." In John, the stumbling block is Jesus' invitation to eat his flesh, given for the life of the world. In Mark too the scandal has to do with Jesus' words about his own coming death, and here Peter himself stumbles over Jesus' words. But Jesus is anointed (the meaning of "messiah") in Mark only on the way to the cross (14:3); so we are anointed in baptism with the sign of the cross.

## SOUNDING OF THE PŪ

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

**GATHERING**, *organ*

“Trivium”

## 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: Sisters and brothers in Christ:  
may the love of God,  
the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**ALL: And also with you.**

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

KAHU: Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God,  
whose name is majestic in all the earth,  
who rescues and heals in every time of trouble,  
who does all things well.

**ALL: Amen.**

KAHU: Let us come before God, seeking forgiveness and life.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

Steadfast and saving God,  
**ALL: have mercy on us. We confess to you all the ways we turn  
from you to serve ourselves.**

**In your compassion,  
turn us around,  
forgive our sins,  
heal our hurts,  
reconcile our relationships.**

**Bring forth from us  
harvests of hospitality and righteousness,  
fruits of gentleness and peacemaking, and  
sheaves of wisdom and justice;  
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

KAHU: People of God:

In the name of + Jesus, the Son of God,  
Receive mercy and find grace in your time of need.  
Your transgressions are forgiven.

God's love is healing balm for your wounds.  
Rejoice, for God raises you up to new life in Christ.

**ALL: Amen.**

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

**ALL: O God, through suffering and rejection you bring forth our salvation, and by the glory of the cross you transform our lives. Grant that for the sake of the gospel we may turn from the lure of evil, take up our cross, and follow your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

## **GREETING OF GUESTS SHARING OF ALOHA** *standing*

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

**ALL:** And also with you.

# **WE HEAR THE WORD**

**CALL TO SCRIPTURE,** *Calvary Choir,*  
*John Travis, tenor*

“There Is a Balm in Gilead”

## **FIRST READING**

Isaiah 50: 4–9a

*The image of the servant of the Lord is one of the notable motifs in the book of Isaiah. Today's reading describes the mission of the servant, whom early Christians associated with Jesus. Like Jesus, the servant does not strike back at his detractors but trusts in God's steadfast love.*

ONE: <sup>4</sup>The Lord GOD has given me  
the tongue of a teacher,  
that I may know how to sustain  
the weary with a word.  
Morning by morning he wakens—  
wakens my ear  
to listen as those who are taught.

<sup>5</sup>The Lord GOD has opened my ear,  
and I was not rebellious,  
I did not turn backward.

<sup>6</sup>I gave my back to those who struck me,  
and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard;  
I did not hide my face  
from insult and spitting.

<sup>7</sup>The Lord GOD helps me;  
therefore I have not been disgraced;  
therefore I have set my face like flint,  
and I know that I shall not be put to shame;

<sup>8</sup>he who vindicates me is near.  
Who will contend with me?  
Let us stand up together.  
Who are my adversaries?  
Let them confront me.

<sup>9</sup>It is the Lord GOD who helps me;  
who will declare me guilty?

**PSALM** *sung responsively*

Psalm 116: 1–9

<sup>1</sup>I love the LORD, who has <sup>1</sup>heard my voice,  
**and listened to my <sup>1</sup>supplication,**

<sup>2</sup>for the LORD has given <sup>1</sup>ear to me  
**whenev- <sup>1</sup>er I called.**

<sup>3</sup>The cords of death entangled me;  
the anguish of the grave <sup>1</sup>came upon me;  
**I came to <sup>1</sup>grief and sorrow.**

<sup>4</sup>Then I called upon the name <sup>1</sup> of the LORD:

**"O LORD, I pray you, <sup>1</sup> save my life."**

<sup>5</sup>Gracious is the <sup>1</sup> LORD and righteous;

**our God is full <sup>1</sup> of compassion.**

<sup>6</sup>The LORD watches o- <sup>1</sup> ver the innocent;

**I was brought low, <sup>1</sup> and God saved me.**

<sup>7</sup>Turn again to your rest, <sup>1</sup> O my soul.

**for the LORD has dealt <sup>1</sup> well with you.**

<sup>8</sup>For you have rescued my <sup>1</sup> life from death,

**my eyes from tears, and my <sup>1</sup> feet from stumbling;**

<sup>9</sup>I will walk in the presence <sup>1</sup> of the LORD

**in the land <sup>1</sup> of the living.**

## SECOND READING

James 3: 1–12

*This text uses various images to illustrate how damaging and hurtful the way we speak to and about others can be. Not only are we to control our speech, but what we say and how we say it is to reflect our faith.*

ONE: <sup>1</sup>Not many of you should become teachers, my brothers and sisters, for you know that we who teach will be judged with greater strictness. <sup>2</sup>For all of us make many mistakes. Anyone who makes no mistakes in speaking is perfect, able to keep the whole body in check with a bridle. <sup>3</sup>If we put bits into the mouths of horses to make them obey us, we guide their whole bodies. <sup>4</sup>Or look at ships: though they are so large that it takes strong winds to drive them, yet they are guided by a very small rudder wherever the will of the pilot directs. <sup>5</sup>So also the tongue is a small member, yet it boasts of great exploits.

How great a forest is set ablaze by a small fire! <sup>6</sup>And the tongue is a fire. The tongue is placed among our members as a world of iniquity; it stains the whole body, sets on fire the cycle of nature, and is itself set on fire by hell. <sup>7</sup>For every species of beast and bird, of reptile and sea creature, can be tamed and has been tamed by the human species, <sup>8</sup>but no one can tame the tongue—a restless evil,

full of deadly poison. <sup>9</sup>With it we bless the Lord and Father, and with it we curse those who are made in the likeness of God. <sup>10</sup>From the same mouth come blessing and cursing. My brothers and sisters, this ought not to be so. <sup>11</sup>Does a spring pour forth from the same opening both fresh and brackish water? <sup>12</sup>Can a fig tree, my brothers and sisters, yield olives, or a grapevine figs? No more can salt water yield fresh.

## 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 8: 27–38

*This story provides the turning point in Mark's gospel. Peter is the first human being in the narrative to acknowledge Jesus as the Messiah, but he cannot accept that as the Messiah Jesus will have to suffer. Moreover, Jesus issues a strong challenge to all by connecting discipleship and the cross.*

KAHU: <sup>27</sup>Jesus went on with his disciples to the villages of Caesarea Philippi; and on the way he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that I am?" <sup>28</sup>And they answered him,

**ALL: "John the Baptist; and others, Elijah; and still others, one of the prophets."**

KAHU: <sup>29</sup>He asked them, "But who do you say that I am?" Peter answered him,

**ALL: "You are the Messiah."**

KAHU: <sup>30</sup>And he sternly ordered them not to tell anyone about him. <sup>31</sup>Then he began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. <sup>32</sup>He said all

this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. <sup>33</sup>But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, "Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things." <sup>34</sup>He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. <sup>35</sup>For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. <sup>36</sup>For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? <sup>37</sup>Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? <sup>38</sup>Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels."

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

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

## **KEIKI SERMON,** *Kahu Tim*

**SERMON,** *Jesse Jones*

**“Living *JOYFULLY* After Cancer”**

**SERMON HYMN 267** *standing*

**“Joy to the World”**

## **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: With confidence in God's compassion and generosity, let us pray for the church, the world, and all of God's creation.

*A brief silence.*

O God, we pray for the church throughout the world and for Calvary by the Sea, that neither be found wanting or ashamed of its mission. Each day, inspire Calvary and the church universal to pick up gladly the cross of Christ, to invite joyfully the stranger to your table, and to follow you fearlessly. Lord, hear our prayer.

**ALL: Aloha ke Akua.** (*God is love; love is God.*)

KAHU: We pray for your earth and the places affected by storms, floods, forest fires, melting glaciers, rising and warming oceans, and depletion of resources. Grant safety to those who rescue and repair, and hope to those whose families, homes, or livelihoods have been lost. Lord, in your mercy,

**ALL: Aloha ke Akua.**

KAHU: We pray for the refugees of the world, the homes they have left, and the lands and peoples they are going to. Let peace, justice, and prosperity flourish. Lord, in your mercy,

**ALL: Aloha ke Akua.**

KAHU: We pray for those who are victims of insecurity, jealousy, false accusations, bullying and threats. Speak a word of healing to those who cannot forgive themselves, or have been lashed by others' tongues. Heal and preserve those in any need. Lord, in

your mercy,

**ALL: Aloha ke Akua.**

**KAHU:** We pray for the ministries of teaching and learning in this congregation. We pray specifically for Sunday School teachers and Christian education leaders for Calvary by the Sea. Bless teachers and students alike, and use their words and actions to build up, not rip down. Lord, in your mercy,

**ALL: Aloha ke Akua.**

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

**KAHU:** God of steadfastness, we remember with joy and thanksgiving all who have taught us to pick up the cross boldly. With them, may we bear the life of Christ to those around us. Lord, in your mercy,

**ALL: Aloha ke Akua.**

**KAHU:** Into your hands, gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through 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 Bells*

“Give Me Oil In  
My Lamp”

**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*



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



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



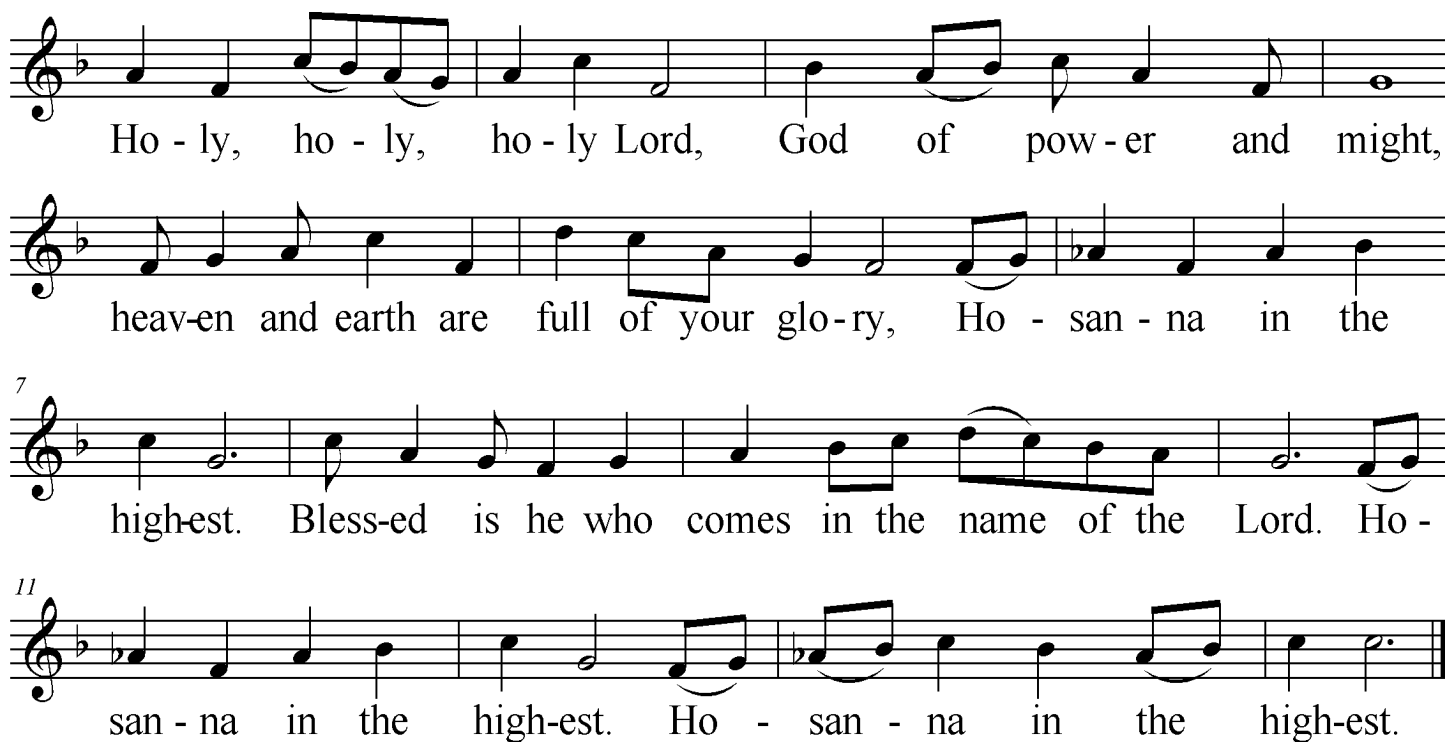
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



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*

**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 give you thanks, O God, that you welcome us to your table and satisfy our deepest hunger and thirst. By your gifts of word and holy meal, strengthen us to take up the cross as we go about our callings in this world, following after Jesus Christ, our servant Lord.

**ALL: Amen.**

# **WE ARE SENT**

## **SENDING HYMN 798** *standing*

“Will You Come and Follow Me”

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

**KAHU:** Like children in the arms of Jesus, receive blessing:

The Lord bless you and keep you.

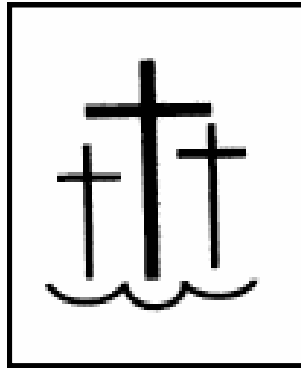
The Lord’s face shine on you with grace and mercy.

The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

**ALL: Amen.**

**KAHU:** Go in peace. Remember the poor.

**ALL: Thanks be to God.**



Calvary welcomes **Jesse Jones** to the pulpit this morning. Jesse is a 31 year cancer survivor who has lived in Honolulu for 33 years. At age 32 he got throat cancer which reoccurred twice. After three surgeries and radiation treatments, he has been cancer free for 27 years. He lives with many side effects including oxygen 24/7, tubefed since 2002, use of his right arm only (used to be left handed), has to speak in a whisper, and sleeps with a CPAP mask. None of the side effects keep him from living life fully. He exercises regularly mostly by riding a recumbent trike. Remarkably he has done two Century Rides (100 miles) in the past year and regularly rides 15-20 miles 3x week. Jesse currently participates in several cancer support groups and is a volunteer driver for American Cancer Society patients on Oahu. He has agreed to share his inspirational story with us on September 13. And has accepted Pastor Tim's invitation to start a cancer support group for Calvary by the Sea. Have you had cancer? Do you have a family member who had or currently has cancer? Be sure to join us to hear how it is possible to live joyously with cancer and after cancer. Blessings.

## Today, September 13, 2015

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

**KAHU:** Tim Mason

**GUEST SPEAKER:** Jesse Jones

**WORSHIP AND THE ARTS:** Tom Poole

**ORGANIST AND PIANIST:** Ina Young

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

**MUSIC:** Calvary Choir, John Travis, *tenor*; Calvary Handbell Choir

**READER, USHERS, COMMUNION ASSISTANTS AND ALTAR CARE:** Tribe Five—Sheila Sanders

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

**SERVICE MUSIC:** “Trivium,” by Arvo Part, © 1988 Musikverlag Hans Sikorski; “There Is a Balm In Gilead,” by William L. Dawson, © 1939, Ren. 1967, William L. Dawson; “Gospel Acclamation,” “Sanctus,” by Marty Haugen, © 2006 Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, Augsburg Fortress; “Give Me Oil In My Lamp,” arr. Karen Thompson, © 2012 American Guild of English Handbell Ringers; “Our Father in Heaven,” arr. Samuel Scheidt, © 2015 Wayne Leupold Editions. All music used by permission (One.License.net A-714410).

# **WORSHIP *and* EVENTS AHEAD**

## ***Sunday, September 20—Pentecost 17***

*Preaching, Rev. Laura Ziehl*

*Officiating, Kahu Tim*

*Music, Calvary Choir, “In This Very Room”*

## ***Peace Vigil, 6 pm, Sanctuary***

**In Honor of U. N. International Day of Peace**

*Holden Evening Prayer and Holy Communion*

*Presiding, Kahu Tim*

## ***Friday, September 25—Calvary Fundraiser***

*“Money Talks,” Two Woman Musical Comedy*

Celebrating success, failure, and inherent worth!

## ***Saturday, September 26—Fall Hukilau***

**Prince of Peace Lutheran Church**

**(438 Hobron Lane, # 208)**

**10 am to 3 pm**

## ***Sunday, September 27—Pentecost 18***

*Preaching, Kahu Tim*

*Music, Calvary Choir, “Soon I Will Be Done”*