



Calvary by the Sea Lutheran Church

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

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Saturday Sunset Worship

TRANSFIGURATION

February 25, 2017

6:30 pm

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

Tonight's festival is a bridge between the Advent-Christmas-Epiphany cycle that comes to a close and the Lent-Easter cycle that begins in several days. On the mount of transfiguration Jesus is revealed as God's beloved Son, echoing the words at his baptism. This vision of glory sustains us as Jesus faces his impending death in Jerusalem.

We turn this week to Ash Wednesday and our yearly baptismal journey from Lent to Easter. We will put aside the Gloria and alleluia at the conclusion of today's liturgy. These words of joy will be omitted during the penitential season of Lent and will be sung again at Easter.

SOUNDING OF THE PŪ

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

GATHERING, *Ms. Amie* (slack key guitar)

“Nahenahe”

GREETING, *Kahu Tim*

KAHU: Rejoice, for we no longer walk in darkness!

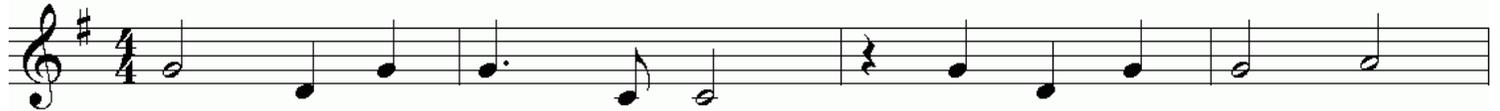
ALL: Thanks be to God!

KAHU: May the light of Christ,
the radiance of God,
and the fire of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

ALL: And also with you.

GREETING HYMN *standing*

“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 - langed;
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,

who stretches out the heavens,
who sends light to the nations,
who gives breath to us all.

ALL: Amen.

KAHU: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Loving God,

ALL: we confess that we have turned from your way to follow our own desires.

Forgive us for the times we have spoken or acted too quickly, and for the times we have not spoken or acted at all.

We have hurt those closest to us; we have hurt those we have yet to know;

We have both thought more about ourselves than others; and less of ourselves than we ought.

Turn us around.

**Give us a fresh start,
so that we can live again as your children.**

Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON, *Kahu Tim*

KAHU: Even when we have done wrong, God makes us right.
Even when we have messed up, God puts us together.

God's love never runs out.

God never tires of calling us beloved children.

Hear God say to you now:

Your sins are forgiven, for the sake of + Jesus Christ our Savior.

ALL: Amen.

PRAYER OF THE DAY *standing*

ALL: O God, in the transfiguration of your Son you confirmed the mysteries of the faith by the witness of Moses and Elijah, and in the voice from the bright cloud declaring Jesus your beloved Son, you foreshadowed our adoption as your children. Make us heirs with Christ of your glory, and bring us to enjoy its fullness, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. 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

Exodus 24: 12–18

At Mount Sinai, Moses experienced the presence of God for forty days and forty nights. The "glory of the Lord" settled on the mountain, and on the seventh day God called out to Moses. On the mountain God gave Moses the stone tablets inscribed with the ten commandments.

ONE: ¹²The LORD said to Moses, "Come up to me on the mountain, and wait there; and I will give you the tablets of stone, with the law and the commandment, which I have written for their instruction." ¹³So Moses set out with his assistant Joshua, and Moses went up into the mountain of God. ¹⁴To the elders he had said, "Wait here for us, until we come to you again; for Aaron and Hur are with you;

whoever has a dispute may go to them." ¹⁵Then Moses went up on the mountain, and the cloud covered the mountain. ¹⁶The glory of the LORD settled on Mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it for six days; on the seventh day he called to Moses out of the cloud. ¹⁷Now the appearance of the glory of the LORD was like a devouring fire on the top of the mountain in the sight of the people of Israel. ¹⁸Moses entered the cloud, and went up on the mountain. Moses was on the mountain for forty days and forty nights.

PSALM *sung responsively*

Psalm 2

- ¹Why are the nations | in an uproar?
Why do the peoples mutter | empty threats?
- ²Why do the kings of the earth rise up in revolt,
and the princes | plot together,
against the LORD and against the | LORD's anointed?
- ³"Let us break their | yoke," they say;
"let us cast off their | bonds from us."
- ⁴God whose throne is in heav- | en is laughing;
the LORD holds them | in derision.
- ⁵Then in wrath God | speaks to them,
and in rage fills | them with terror.
- ⁶"As for me, I have anoint- | ed my king
upon Zion, my | holy mountain."
- ⁷Let me announce the decree | of the LORD,
**who said to me, "You are my son;
this day have I be- | gotten you.**
- ⁸Ask of me, and I will give you the nations for | your inheritance
and the ends of the earth for | your possession.
- ⁹You shall crush them with an | iron rod
and shatter them like a | piece of pottery."
- ¹⁰And now, you | kings, be wise;

be warned, you rulers¹ of the earth.

¹¹Submit to the¹ LORD with fear,

and with trembling¹ bow in worship;

¹²lest the LORD be angry, and you perish in a sudden¹ blaze of wrath.

Happy are all who take ref-¹uge in God!

SECOND READING

2 Peter 1: 16–21

At the transfiguration, God's voice was heard, declaring Jesus to be the beloved Son. By the activity of the Holy Spirit, God's voice continues to be heard through the word of scripture.

ONE: ¹⁶We did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we had been eyewitnesses of his majesty. ¹⁷For he received honor and glory from God the Father when that voice was conveyed to him by the Majestic Glory, saying, "This is my Son, my Beloved, with whom I am well pleased." ¹⁸We ourselves heard this voice come from heaven, while we were with him on the holy mountain. ¹⁹So we have the prophetic message more fully confirmed. You will do well to be attentive to this as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts. ²⁰First of all you must understand this, that no prophecy of scripture is a matter of one's own interpretation, ²¹because no prophecy ever came by human will, but men and women moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION 677 *standing* “This Little Light of Mine”

This little light of mine, I'm goin'a let it shine (3x)

Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine!

GOSPEL *standing*

Matthew 17: 1–9

Shortly before he enters Jerusalem, where he will be crucified, Jesus is revealed to

his disciples in a mountaintop experience of divine glory called the transfiguration.

KAHU: ¹Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain, by themselves. ²And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became dazzling white. ³Suddenly there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. ⁴Then Peter said to Jesus,

ALL: **"Lord, it is good for us to be here; if you wish, I will make three dwellings here, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah."**

KAHU: ⁵While he was still speaking, suddenly a bright cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud a voice said, "This is my Son, the Beloved; with him I am well pleased; listen to him!" ⁶When the disciples heard this, they fell to the ground and were overcome by fear. ⁷But Jesus came and touched them, saying, "Get up and do not be afraid." ⁸And when they looked up, they saw no one except Jesus himself alone. ⁹As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus ordered them, "Tell no one about the vision until after the Son of Man has been raised from the dead."

KAHU: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

SERMON, *Kahu Tim*

"It ALL Comes Together!"

SERMON HYMN 834 *standing* "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"

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 *standing*

KAHU: Called to be a light to the nations, let us pray for God's justice, peace, and healing.

A brief silence.

God of Moses, you revealed your glory on Mount Sinai.

ALL: **Reveal your glory through missionaries and campus ministries, especially the *Agape House* of UC—San Diego, a Lutheran and Episcopal joint ministry. Shine your light through their acts of caring, justice, and mercy. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.**

KAHU: *God of Eve*, you create humankind in your image.

ALL: **Cultivate in us a passion for your good creation. Transform our daily routines so that our carbon footprints, use of plastics, and treatment of waste protects your world and reveals your image. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.**

KAHU: *God of David*, you equip shepherds to care for your people.

ALL: **Where leaders rule by fear, transform their hearts with compassion and mercy. Send advocates for peace. We pray for your justice in every land. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.**

KAHU: *God of Naomi*, you care for the widow.

ALL: **Be with all who mourn. Connect children in foster care**

with loving families. Protect refugees. Heal the sick and strengthen caretakers. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

KAHU: *God of Zechariah*, you invite us to worship.

ALL: Teach us to sing your praise in all places and in all circumstances. Embolden us to proclaim the joy of your faithfulness with our whole being. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

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

KAHU: *God of Lazarus*, you resurrect the dead.

ALL: Deepen our trust in the resurrection promise. Grant us peace as we grapple with what it means to die and live in you. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

KAHU: Receive these prayers in the name of Christ, the light of the world, who is one with you and the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

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, *Ms. Amie*

“Shine, Jesus, Shine”

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, receive the gifts we bring,
our selves,
our time,
and our possessions.

Through this meal unite us as your body,
shining with the light of your justice and mercy;
for the sake of him who gave himself for us,
Jesus Christ our Lord.

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 our thanks and praise.

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 (contemporary) *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: O Morning Star, fair and bright,
you have refreshed us again with heavenly food.
You are our dearest treasure.

Go with us now—
today, tomorrow, every day—
that we tell the story of your never-ending love
and sing your praise both now and forever.

ALL: **Amen.**

WE ARE SENT

SENDING HYMN 715 *standing*

“Christ, Be Our Light”

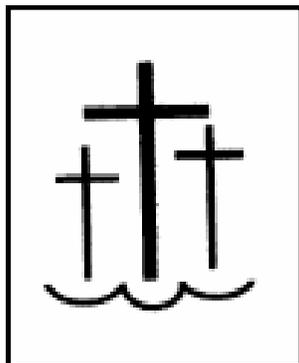
BENEDICTION AND SENDING, *Kahu Tim*

KAHU: The God of glory dwell in you richly,
name you beloved,
and shine brightly on your path;
And the blessing of almighty God,
the Father,
the + Son,
and the Holy Spirit
be upon you and remain with you always.

ALL: Amen.

Kahu: Go in peace. Be the light of Christ.

ALL: Thanks be to God.



Today, February 25, 2017

MINISTERS: All Members of Calvary by the Sea

KAHU: Tim Mason

WORSHIP AND THE ARTS: Tom Poole

MUSIC: Amie Lawyer

READER, USHERS, COMMUNION ASSISTANTS AND ALTAR CARE: Congregation

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Services Ahead

Wednesday, March 1—Ash Wednesday

7:00 pm, Service of Imposition of Ashes and Holy Communion

Preaching, Kahu Tim

Music, Calvary Choir

Saturday, March 4—Lent 1

6:30—7:30 pm, Sunset Worship in 'Ohana Hale

Preaching, Kahu Tim

Music, Tom

Sunday, March 5—Lent 1

Preaching, Kahu Tim

Music, Calvary Choir, “Ho`ola Nani” (Beautiful Savior)

Every Wednesday in Lent—Midweek Lenten Service

(March 8, 15, 22, 29; April 5)

6 pm, Holden Evening Prayer in Sanctuary

6:30 pm, Soup Supper in Hale Aloha

Saturday, March 11—Lent 2

Preaching, Kahu Tim

Music, Tom

Sunday, March 12—Lent 2

Preaching, Kahu Tim

Music, Calvary Choir, “God So Loved the World”