

Calvary by the Sea Lutheran Church

"Sharing the Blessing of God's Grace with Aloha"

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5th Sunday after Epiphany

February 8, 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

In Isaiah it is the one God who sits above the earth and numbers the stars—it is that God who strengthens the powerless. So in Jesus' healing work we see the hand of the creator God, lifting up the sick woman to health and service (diakonia). Like Simon's mother-in-law, we are lifted up to health and diakonia. Following Jesus, we strengthen the powerless; like Jesus, we seek to renew our own strength in quiet times of prayer.

SOUNDING OF THE PU

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

GATHERING, Calvary Choir

"Ave Verum"

Jesu, Word of God Incarnate, of the Virgin Mary born;
On the cross thy sacred body, for us with nails was torn.
Cleanse us by the blood and water streaming from thy pierced side.
Feed us with thy body broken now and in death's agony.
Now and in death's agony.

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: Rejoice, for we no longer walk in darkness!

ALL: Thanks be to God!

KAHU: May the light of Christ,

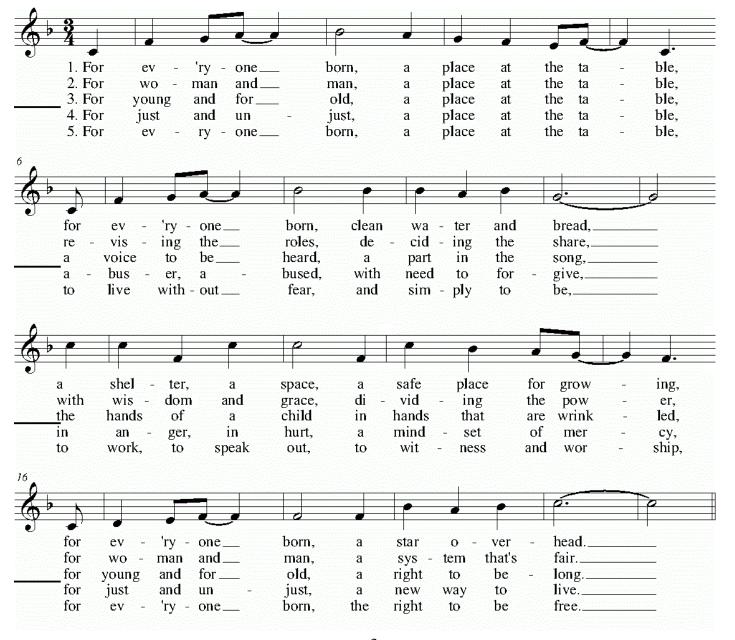
the radiance of God,

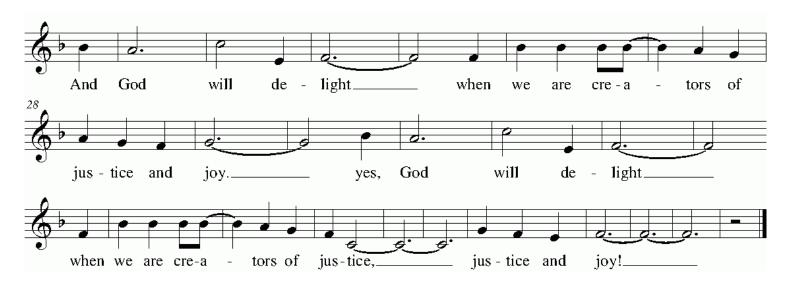
and the fire of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

ALL: And also with you.

GATHERING HYMN standing

"A Place at the Table"





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CONFESSION OF SIN, Kahu Tim

KAHU: Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God,

who spoke light into creation, who calls us to listen and follow, who sends us to shine like stars.

ALL: Amen.

KAHU: Let us come before God, confessing our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Holy and merciful God,

ALL: we confess that we have sinned against our sisters and brothers, and against you.

We cherish the values of this world.

We cause others to stumble.

We wound the earth by our greed.

Have mercy, O God. Forgive us, renew us, and raise us up on eagles' wings, that we may do your will with courage and delight. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

KAHU: Hear the voice from heaven:

"You are my own, my beloved."

God gives power to the weary and strengthens the powerless.

Be cleansed.

Be healed.

For in the name of + Jesus Christ,

I declare to you the forgiveness of your sins and the revealing of God's reign.

ALL: Amen.

PRAYER OF THE DAY standing

ALL: Everlasting God, you give strength to the weak and power to the faint. Make us agents of your healing and wholeness, that your good news may be made known to the ends of your creation, 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

The Judeans in exile have a good reason to be hopeful: the one who will bring them to freedom is the God who created the world, the God who subdues the rulers of the earth and gives strength to those who are weary.

Isaiah 40: 21–31

²¹Have you not known? Have you not heard? ONE: Has it not been told you from the beginning? Have you not understood from the foundations of the earth? ²²It is he who sits above the circle of the earth, and its inhabitants are like grasshoppers; who stretches out the heavens like a curtain, and spreads them like a tent to live in; ²³who brings princes to naught, and makes the rulers of the earth as nothing. ²⁴Scarcely are they planted, scarcely sown, scarcely has their stem taken root in the earth, when he blows upon them, and they wither, and the tempest carries them off like stubble. ²⁵To whom then will you compare me, or who is my equal? says the Holy One. ²⁶Lift up your eyes on high and see: Who created these? He who brings out their host and numbers them, calling them all by name; because he is great in strength, mighty in power, not one is missing. ²⁷Why do you say, O Jacob, and speak, O Israel, "My way is hidden from the LORD, and my right is disregarded by my God"? ²⁸Have you not known? Have you not heard? The LORD is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He does not faint or grow weary; his understanding is unsearchable. ²⁹He gives power to the faint, and strengthens the powerless. ³⁰Even youths will faint and be weary, and the young will fall exhausted;

but those who wait for the LORD shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint.

PSALM sung responsively

Psalm 147: 1–11, 20c

¹Hallelujah! How good it is to sing praises | to our God!

How pleasant it is to honor | God with praise!

²The LORD re- builds Jerusalem, and gathers the ex- iles of Israel.

³The LORD heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds.

⁴The LORD counts the number of the stars and calls them all by their names.

⁵Great is our LORD and might- 'y in power; there is no limit 'to God's wisdom.

⁶The LORD lifts up the lowly, **but casts the wicked** to the ground.

⁷Sing to the LORD with thanksgiving; make music upon the harp to our God,

⁸who covers the heav- ens with clouds and prepares rain for the earth, making grass to grow up- on the mountains.

⁹God provides food | for the cattle

and for the young ravens when they cry.

¹⁰God is not impressed by the might | of a horse, and has no pleasure in the speed | of a runner,

but finds pleasure in those who fear the LORD,

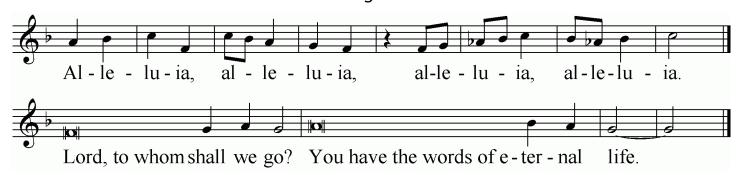
in those who await God's steadfast love. 20c | Hallelujah!

God entrusted Paul with the responsibility of bringing the gospel to diverse people. Hence the focus of Paul's ministry is not his own rights or privileges as an apostle but the privilege of serving God by freely sharing the good news of Christ with others.

ONE:

¹⁶If I proclaim the gospel, this gives me no ground for boasting, for an obligation is laid on me, and woe to me if I do not proclaim the gospel! ¹⁷For if I do this of my own will, I have a reward; but if not of my own will, I am entrusted with a commission. ¹⁸What then is my reward? Just this: that in my proclamation I may make the gospel free of charge, so as not to make full use of my rights in the gospel. ¹⁹For though I am free with respect to all, I have made myself a slave to all, so that I might win more of them. ²⁰To the Jews I became as a Jew, in order to win Jews. To those under the law I became as one under the law (though I myself am not under the law) so that I might win those under the law. ²¹To those outside the law I became as one outside the law (though I am not free from God's law but am under Christ's law) so that I might win those outside the law. ²²To the weak I became weak, so that I might win the weak. I have become all things to all people, that I might by all means save some. ²³I do it all for the sake of the gospel, so that I may share in its blessings.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION standing



GOSPEL standing, read responsively

Everywhere Jesus goes, many people expect him to set them free from oppression. Everywhere he goes, he heals them and sets them free. Disease, devils, and death are running for their lives. The forces that diminish human life are rendered powerless by Jesus.

KAHU:

²⁹As soon as [Jesus and the disciples] left the synagogue, they entered the house of Simon and Andrew, with James and John.

³⁰Now Simon's mother-in-law was in bed with a fever, and they told him about her at once. ³¹He came and took her by the hand and lifted her up. Then the fever left her, and she began to serve them.

³²That evening, at sundown, they brought to him all who were sick or possessed with demons. ³³And the whole city was gathered around the door. ³⁴And he cured many who were sick with various diseases, and cast out many demons; and he would not permit the demons to speak, because they knew him. ³⁵In the morning, while it was still very dark, he got up and went out to a deserted place, and there he prayed. ³⁶And Simon and his companions hunted for him.

³⁷When they found him, they said to him,

ALL: "Everyone is searching for you."

KAHU:

³⁸He answered, "Let us go on to the neighboring towns, so that I may proclaim the message there also; for that is what I came out to do." ³⁹And he went throughout Galilee, proclaiming the message in their synagogues and casting out demons.

KAHU: The Gospel of the Lord.

ALL: Praise to you, O Christ.

KEIKI SERMON, Kahu Tim

SERMON, Kahu Tim "Have you not known? Have you not heard?"

SERMON HYMN 546 standing

"To Be Your Presence"

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.

RECOGNITION AND BLESSING OF TRIBE LEADERS, Kahu Tim

Renee Ako, *Tribe 2*Laura Sprowls and Mary Osorio, *Tribe 3*Garret and Janet Pick, *Tribe 4*Sheila Sanders, *Tribe 5*Teresa Okamoto, *Tribe 6*Pulelehua Quirk, *Tribe 7*

KAHU: Today it is our privilege to recognize and support those who are engaged in the work of this congregation, especially those in the ministry of *Calvary Tribes*.

TO THE CREATORS OF THE CALVARY TRIBES—MARY OSORIO, SHEILA SANDERS, LINDA CLUNEY, AND PULELEHUA QUIRK; AND TO PEGGY TROUT:

It is fitting that we begin with recognizing *Mary*, *Sheila*, *Linda*, and *Pulelehua* and thank God for them and for their work in creating the *Calvary Tribes*.

Mary, Sheila, Linda, and Pulelehua, we thank God for you and the gifts and accomplishments you have shared with this community of faith. It is through your efforts in creating the *Calvary Tribes* that we can gather as a people to hear the Word proclaimed, to have the banquet served with joy and reverence, and to celebrate our life together as one in the body of Christ.

At this time it is also fitting that we acknowledge *Peggy Trout* who is retiring from her responsibility as leader of Tribe 6. *Peggy* we thank God for you and for your service to Calvary and God's kingdom.

TO THE TRIBE LEADERS—Renee, Laura and Mary, Garret and Janet, Sheila, Teresa, and Pu:

Sisters and brother, both your work and your rest are in God. Will you endeavor to pattern your life on the Lord Jesus Christ, in gratitude to God and in service to others, as you carry out the ministry of *Calvary Tribe Leaders* in this congregation?

RESPONSE BY TRIBE LEADERS:

I will, and I ask God to help me.

TO THE ASSEMBLY:

People of God, I ask you: Will you support these *your sisters and brother* in their service as *Tribe Leaders*, and will you share in the mutual ministry of the *Calvary Tribes* that Christ has given to this community of faith, called Calvary by the Sea Lutheran Church?

RESPONSE BY THE ASSEMBLY:

We will, and we ask God to help us.

Let us pray.

We give you thanks, O God, for all who respond to the call to serve in your name. Give them joy and fulfillment, care and guidance in their tasks. Help us all to give willingly and to receive thankfully the gifts of ministry, that your name may be glorified, your people live in peace, and your will be done; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH standing

KAHU: Called to know, love, and follow you, O God, we pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

A brief silence.

Everlasting God, deepen your church's commitment to proclaiming the gospel, that many will hear, respond, and share in its blessings. Lord, in your mercy,

ALL: hear our prayer.

KAHU: Creator of earth's foundations, restore lands, forests, oceans, and reefs. Protect and preserve all animals, birds, fish and humans who live in these places. Lord, in your mercy,

ALL: hear our prayer.

KAHU: Everlasting God, rule over the nations and guide their paths toward the fulfillment of your purpose, nurturing the common good, protecting the weak, providing justice, and caring for the needy. Lord, in your mercy,

ALL: hear our prayer.

KAHU: Strength of the powerless, lift up the weary and wounded, give endurance to those whose struggle is unrelenting, heal the sick, and relieve the pain of those who suffer. Lord, in your mercy,

ALL: hear our prayer.

KAHU: Searching God, expand the welcome and witness of this congregation. We pray for all those served by your ministries in this congregation, and for all visiting with us today. Lord, in your mercy,

ALL: hear our prayer.

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

KAHU: Unsearchable God, you are always more than we can understand or imagine. Guide us to follow in faith where the saints have led until we join them at your throne. Lord, in your mercy,

ALL: hear our prayer.

KAHU: Trusting your love and healing, O God, we commend to you all for

whom we pray, knowing you will hear and answer, through 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

"Voluntary"

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

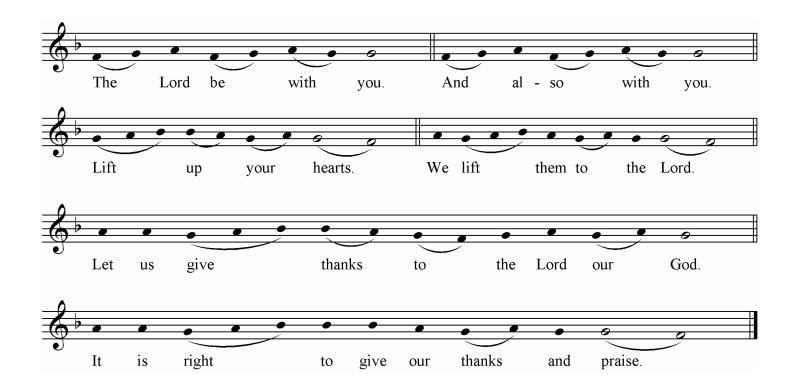
KAHU: Merciful God, as grains of wheat scattered upon the hills were

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.

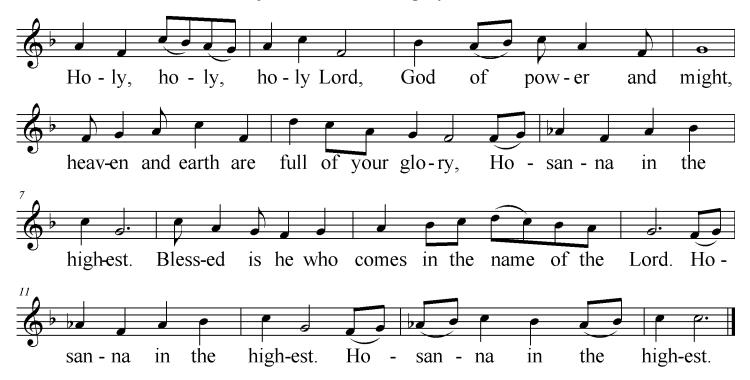
WE ARE FED

GREAT THANKSGIVING standing



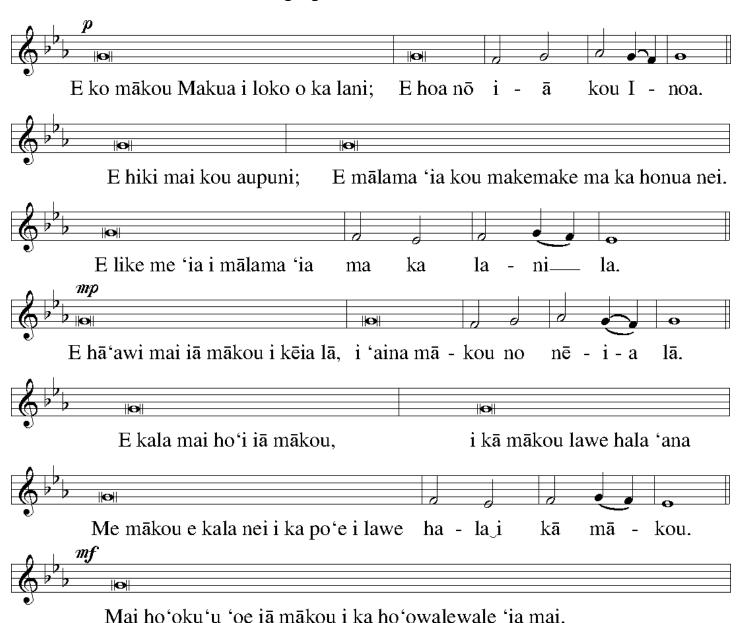
SANCTUS standing

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



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





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: Everlasting God, we bless you that you have brought us to the mountaintop and fed us with the life and light of your Son. Send us in his name from this place, to bring light into dark corners, healing where lives are torn, and nourishment to every hungry heart, in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

ALL: Amen.

WE ARE SENT

SENDING HYMN 860 standing

"I'm So Glad Jesus Lifted Me"

BENEDICTION AND SENDING, Kahu Tim

KAHU: God the Father, *light-creator*;

God the Son, Light from Light;

and God the Holy Spirit, light-revealer,

bless you and + give you peace.

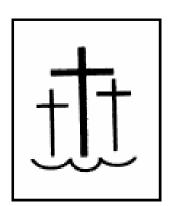
ALL: Amen.

KAHU: Go in peace. Share the good news.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

GOING FORTH, organ

"Rejoice, the Lord is King"



Today, February 8, 2015

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

Instrumentalists: Marc Adelberger, Charlie Holdaway, Bruce Kau, Amie Lawyer,

Jon Osorio, Tim Sprowls

ALTAR CARE, READERS, USHERS, COMMUNION ASSISTANTS: Tribe Four—Ed Kimsey,

Judy Kimsey, Betty Hardaway, Don Hardaway

WORSHIP PRODUCTION SUPPORT: Fletcher Young, Erin Day

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WORSHIP AHEAD

Sunday, February 15—Epiphany 6

Preaching, Kahu Tim Hula, Nā Wahine O Ke Kai Ola Music, Calvary Choir, "Ua Mau"

Wednesday, February 18—Ash Wednesday Service of Holy Communion and Imposition of Ashes

7 pm

Preaching, Kahu Tim Music, Voices of Aloha

Sunday, February 22—Lent 1 One Service Only!

8:30 am, Holy Communion 9:00 am, Annual Congregational Meeting

Sunday, March 1—Lent 2

Installation of Deacons

Preaching, Kahu Tim

Music, Calvary Choir, "Come and Follow Me"