



# **Calvary by the Sea Lutheran Church**

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

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

October 4, 2015

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

Today's gospel combines a saying that makes many of us uncomfortable with a story we find comforting. Jesus' saying on divorce is another of his rejections of human legislation in favor of the original intent of God's law. Jesus' rebuke of the disciples who are fending off the children should challenge us as well. What does it mean to receive the kingdom of God as a child does?

## SOUNDING OF THE PŪ

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

**GATHERING** *organ*

“Dear Lord and Father of Mankind”

## 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*

The *Confession and Forgiveness of Sin* 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:** Sovereign God, you have created us to live in loving community with one another. Form us for life that is faithful and steadfast, and teach us to trust like little children, that we may reflect the image 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**

Genesis 2: 18–24

*Genesis 2 stresses that people are not meant to live in isolation but in relationship. Out of love for humanity, God creates them male and female, to provide companionship for each other and to become with each other "one flesh." The*

*Hebrew words used here are ish (man) and ishshah (woman).*

ONE: <sup>18</sup>The LORD God said, "It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a helper as his partner." <sup>19</sup>So out of the ground the LORD God formed every animal of the field and every bird of the air, and brought them to the man to see what he would call them; and whatever the man called every living creature, that was its name. <sup>20</sup>The man gave names to all cattle, and to the birds of the air, and to every animal of the field; but for the man there was not found a helper as his partner.

<sup>21</sup>So the LORD God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and he slept; then he took one of his ribs and closed up its place with flesh. <sup>22</sup>And the rib that the LORD God had taken from the man he made into a woman and brought her to the man. <sup>23</sup>Then the man said,

"This at last is bone of my bones  
and flesh of my flesh;  
this one shall be called Woman,  
for out of Man this one was taken."

<sup>24</sup>Therefore a man leaves his father and his mother and clings to his wife, and they become one flesh.

## **PSALM** *sung responsively*

Psalm 8

<sup>1</sup>O | LORD our Lord,

**how majestic is your name in | all the earth!?**

<sup>2</sup>you whose glory is chanted above the heavens  
out of the mouths of in- | fants and children;

**you have set up a fortress against your enemies,  
to silence the foe | and avenger.**

<sup>3</sup>When I consider your heavens, the work | of your fingers,

**the moon and the stars you have set | in their courses,**

<sup>4</sup>what are mere mortals that you should be mind- | ful of them,

**human beings that you should | care for them?**

<sup>5</sup>Yet you have made them little less <sup>|</sup> than divine;  
**with glory and hon- <sup>|</sup> or you crown them.**

<sup>6</sup>You have made them rule over the works <sup>|</sup> of your hands;  
**you have put all things un- <sup>|</sup> der their feet:**

<sup>7</sup>all <sup>|</sup> flocks and cattle,  
**even the wild beasts <sup>|</sup> of the field,**

<sup>8</sup>the birds of the air, the fish <sup>|</sup> of the sea,  
**and whatever passes along the paths <sup>|</sup> of the sea.**

<sup>9</sup>O <sup>|</sup> LORD our Lord,  
**how majestic is your name in <sup>|</sup> all the earth!**

## SECOND READING

Hebrews 1: 1–4; 2: 5–12

*Quoting from the psalms, this passage from Hebrews emphasizes that Jesus, the one through whom God created everything and who sits at God's right hand, is also the one who experienced human suffering and death in order to blaze the path of salvation for us.*

ONE: <sup>1</sup>Long ago God spoke to our ancestors in many and various ways by the prophets, <sup>2</sup>but in these last days he has spoken to us by a Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, through whom he also created the worlds. <sup>3</sup>He is the reflection of God's glory and the exact imprint of God's very being, and he sustains all things by his powerful word. When he had made purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, <sup>4</sup>having become as much superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs.

<sup>2:5</sup>Now God did not subject the coming world, about which we are speaking, to angels. <sup>6</sup>But someone has testified somewhere,

"What are human beings that you are mindful of them, or mortals, that you care for them?"

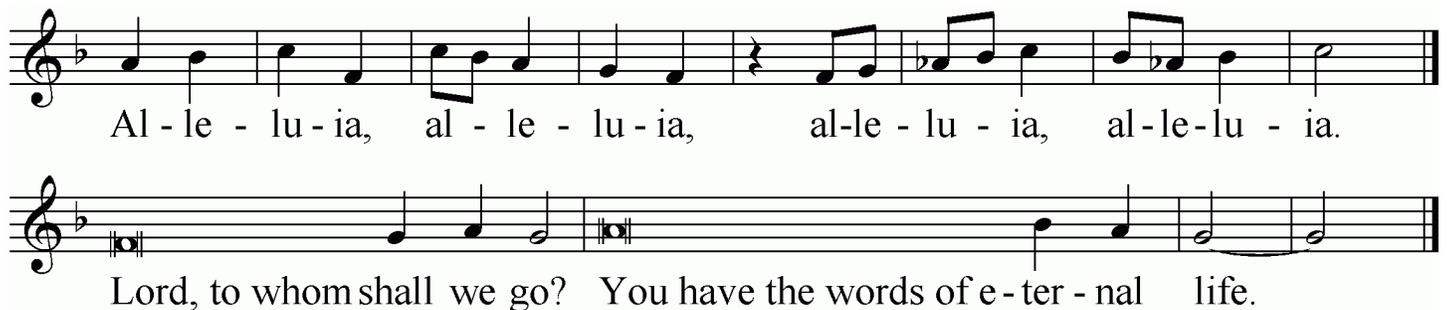
<sup>7</sup>You have made them for a little while lower than the angels; you have crowned them with glory and honor, <sup>8</sup>subjecting all things under their feet."

Now in subjecting all things to them, God left nothing outside their control. As it is, we do not yet see everything in subjection to them,<sup>9</sup> but we do see Jesus, who for a little while was made lower than the angels, now crowned with glory and honor because of the suffering of death, so that by the grace of God he might taste death for everyone.

<sup>10</sup>It was fitting that God, for whom and through whom all things exist, in bringing many children to glory, should make the pioneer of their salvation perfect through sufferings. <sup>11</sup>For the one who sanctifies and those who are sanctified all have one Father. For this reason Jesus is not ashamed to call them brothers and sisters,<sup>12</sup> saying,

"I will proclaim your name to my brothers and sisters,  
in the midst of the congregation I will praise you."

## 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 10: 2–16

*Jesus announced and enacted in history the new reality of God's surprising activity. These two stories demonstrate this new reality: Women and children are accepted and valued, not dismissed as inferior to adult men.*

KAHU: <sup>2</sup>Some Pharisees came, and to test him they asked,

**ALL: "Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife?"**

KAHU: <sup>3</sup>He answered them, "What did Moses command you?" <sup>4</sup>They said,

**ALL: "Moses allowed a man to write a certificate of dismissal and to divorce her."**

KAHU: <sup>5</sup>But Jesus said to them, "Because of your hardness of heart he wrote this commandment for you. <sup>6</sup>But from the beginning of creation, 'God made them male and female.' <sup>7</sup>For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, <sup>8</sup>and the two shall become one flesh.' So they are no longer two, but one flesh. <sup>9</sup>Therefore what God has joined together, let no one separate."

<sup>10</sup>Then in the house the disciples asked him again about this matter.

<sup>11</sup>He said to them, "Whoever divorces his wife and marries another commits adultery against her; <sup>12</sup>and if she divorces her husband and marries another, she commits adultery."

<sup>13</sup>People were bringing little children to him in order that he might touch them; and the disciples spoke sternly to them. <sup>14</sup>But when Jesus saw this, he was indignant and said to them, "Let the little children come to me; do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs. <sup>15</sup>Truly I tell you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will never enter it."

<sup>16</sup>And he took them up in his arms, laid his hands on them, and blessed them.

KAHU: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

**SERMON**, *Kahu Tim*

*“The Gift of Relationship”*

**SERMON HYMN 656** *standing*

“Blest Be the Tie That Binds”

**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: Made alive with God in Christ, we pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation.

*A brief silence.*

Holy and loving God, through the cross of Christ, continue your redeeming and unifying work among your people.

**ALL: Show both Calvary by the Sea and your church universal how to live well with each other as one family. Lord, hear our prayer.**

KAHU: Strengthen the bonds between humans and the animals living and working with them: on farms, in households, and in emergency situations.

**ALL: Teach us to love these creatures, and to value all animals. Lord, hear our prayer.**

KAHU: Walk faithfully with those who find great joy in relationships and with those who experience the pain of broken relationships.

**ALL: Make the church a place where all people may come to know loving companionship. Lord, hear our prayer.**

KAHU: Lift up your children who suffer, and especially your children of all ages who are bent and broken.

**ALL: By your presence, restore their hope. Lord, hear our prayer.**

KAHU: Guide and direct sisters and brothers in Christ who are engaged in specialized ministry for the sake of the world.

**ALL: Lord, hear our prayer.**

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

KAHU: We bless you for the lives of the saints, through whom you have revealed your love for the world.

**ALL: Continue to reveal your covenant life through us until the last day. Lord, hear our prayer.**

KAHU: Gather these concerns and all who are in need into your abundant care, O God, remembering your promise of mercy, 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*

“Elegy”

**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.



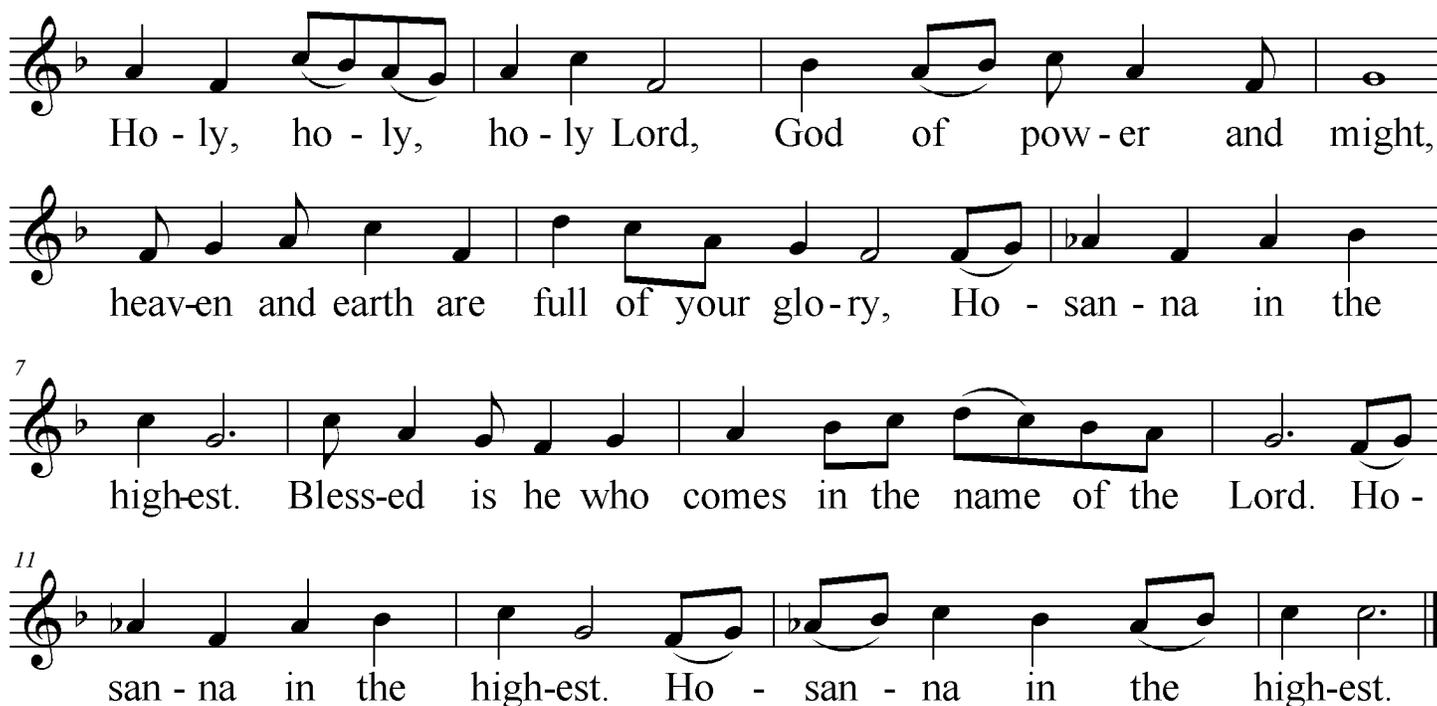
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



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 *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: 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. **Amen.**

# **WE ARE SENT**

**SENDING HYMN 774** *standing* “What a Fellowship, What a Joy Divine”

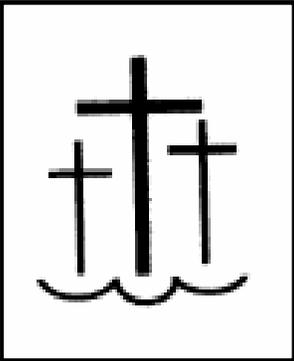
## **BENEDICTION AND SENDING,** *Kahu Tim*

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.**





## Today, October 4, 2015

**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—Teresa Okamoto, Marissa Okamoto, Renee Ako

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# **WORSHIP *and* EVENTS AHEAD**

***Sunday, October 4***

***Blessing of the Animals, 3 pm***  
*“Beneath the Arbor”*—Calvary by the Sea

***Calvary ‘Ohana Retreat***

***Camp Mokuleia—October 9–11 (12)***

*Sunday Worship @ Camp, Lisa Kimsey, Ina Young and Friends*

***Sunday, October 11—Pentecost 20***

***Calvary by the Sea***

*Preaching, Kahu Tim*

*Music, Tom Poole*

***Sunday, October 18—Pentecost 21***

*“Founders Sunday”*

*Preaching and Music, Chaplain Tammy and Women*

***Church Pot Luck “Beneath the Arbor”***  
***following 10 am Service***

***Sunday, October 25—Reformation Sunday***

*Preaching, Kahu Tim*

*Music, Calvary Choir “How Can It Be?” and  
Calvary Bells*