



Calvary by the Sea Lutheran Church

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

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Reformation Sunday

October 29, 2017

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

On this day we celebrate the heart of our faith: the gospel of Christ—the good news—that makes us free! We pray that the Holy Spirit would continue to unite the church today in its proclamation and witness to the world. In the waters of baptism we are made one body; we pray for the day that all Christians will also be one at the Lord's table.

SOUNDING OF THE PŪ

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

GATHERING, *Calvary Choir*

“A Faith of Questions”

*I'm all alone here in the dark, here with my fear, can I make it through the night?
If there's a chance, if there's a hope, if there's a God, he'll hold me close and make things right.*

I don't know where I'm going or where I really ought to go.

I am helpless and hopeless, will God love me even so?

But here I stand, Lord take my hand, and let me step out of the darkness into light.

*I do not know, and yet I go into the mist. Will God really show the way?
What will it cost? What can I bear? What is the risk? Is this a price that I can pay?*

Did he really die upon the cross so I wouldn't have to die?

Did he really rise up from the grave to live and rule on high?

But here I stand, Lord take my hand, and let me step out of the darkness into light.

*I'm still afraid. I'm still unsure. My trembling hands can barely fold to bring you prayer.
You are my hope. You are my faith. You are my love. Yours is the message I will share.*

Is this faith only questions, God, that cannot be ignored?

Yet the only thing that I can say is Jesus Christ is Lord.

But here I stand, Lord, take my hand, and let me step out of the darkness into light.

A TIME TO BE STILL (*RINGING OF THE BELL*)

During the *Stillness* and 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 *standing*

KAHU: Jesus says, “*Come to me, all you that are weary and carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest.*”

ALL: Amen.

KAHU: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

ALL: And also with you.

CONFESSION and FORGIVENESS, *Kahu Tim*

KAHU: Blessed be the + holy Trinity,
the one who fashions us,
the one who heals us,
the one who reforms us again and again.

ALL: Amen.

KAHU: Let us confess our sin, calling for God’s transforming power.

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

Source of all life,

**ALL: we cling to our guilt instead of letting your grace free us.
We continue in our sin rather than letting your love
change our lives.**

**We turn your church inward. We keep it comfortable for
us. We treat it as our own personal property.**

Forgive us. Stir us. Reform us.

**Make us into your church powered by love,
speaking for what is right,
acting for what is just,
and seeking the healing of your whole creation.**

KAHU: *God hears our cry and sends the Spirit to change us and to empower our lives in the world. Our sins are forgiven, + God's love is unconditional, and we are raised up as God's people who will always be made new, in the name of Jesus Christ.*

ALL: **Amen.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY *standing*

ALL: **Almighty God, gracious Lord, we thank you that your Holy Spirit renews the church in every age. Pour out your Holy Spirit on your faithful people. Keep them steadfast in your word, protect and comfort them in times of trial, defend them against all enemies of the gospel, and bestow on the church your saving peace, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

KEIKI SERMON, *Kahu Tim*

*Following the Keiki Sermon the children, ages 3-12,
are dismissed to attend Sunday School.*

GREETING OF GUESTS AND SHARING OF ALOHA *seated*

KAHU: May God's aloha be with you.

ALL: **And also with you.**

GREETING HYMN 504 *standing*

“A Mighty Fortress Is Our God”

Martin Luther probably composed this hymn in the late 1520s. He based the text on Psalm 46. From the nineteenth century onward “A Mighty Fortress” is often regarded as a militant battle cry. In a 1529 Augsburg broadsheet the hymn is identified as “A Hymn of Comfort.”

WE HEAR THE WORD

FIRST READING

Jeremiah 31: 31–34

The renewed covenant will not be breakable, but like the old covenant it will expect the people to live upright lives. To know the Lord means that one will defend the cause of the poor and needy (Jer. 22:16). The renewed covenant is possible only because the Lord will forgive iniquity and not remember sin. Our hope lies in a God who forgets

ONE: ³¹The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. ³²It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the LORD. ³³But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. ³⁴No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, “Know the LORD,” for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the LORD; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

CONTEMPORARY WITNESS, *Dr. Jim and Carolyn Brown*

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION *standing*

“Kanaka Waiwai”

It was on the path that Jesus chanced to meet with a young man of position, renowned for his wealth.

The youth spoke, saying, “O my good Lord, what, indeed, must I do to gain eternal life?”

Chorus:

“Give away, give away completely all of your many riches. Turn and follow me to gain eternal life.”

Ma ke a - la - he - le 'o Ie - sū i hā - lā - wai a - ku ai

5 Me ke ka - na - ka 'ō - pi - o ha - no - ha - no Kau - la - na i ka wa - i - wai

9 Pa - ne ma - i e ka 'ō - pi - o 'E ku - 'u Ha - ku mai - ka 'i He

13 a - ha ho - 'i ka - 'u e ha - na a - ku ai i lo - a - 'a e ke o - la mau?

17 'E hā - 'a - wi, e hā - 'a - wi li - lo i ko - u mau wai - wai Hu - li a ha -

22 1. hai mai ia - 'u i lo - a - 'a e ke o - la mau ia 'o - e mau i lo - a - 'a e ke o - la mau 2.

GOSPEL *standing, read responsively*

John 8: 31–36

Jesus speaks of truth and freedom as spiritual realities known through his word.

He reveals the truth that sets people free from sin.

KAHU: ³¹Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, "If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples; ³²and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free." ³³They answered him,

ALL: "We are descendants of Abraham and have never been slaves to anyone. What do you mean by saying, 'You will be made free'?"

KAHU: ³⁴Jesus answered them, "Very truly, I tell you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin. ³⁵The slave does not have a permanent place in the household; the son has a place there forever. ³⁶So if the Son makes you free, you will be free indeed."

KAHU: The Gospel of the Lord.

ALL: Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON, *Kahu Tim*

"We Are to *FEAR* and *LOVE* God"

SERMON HYMN 517 *standing*

**"Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in
Your Word"**

Martin Luther probably composed this hymn, a plea for protection, in 1541 or 1542, during a time when the Turks were threatening to overrun Germany. The hymn is a Trinitarian petition—to the Father to keep us steadfast in the word of God, to the Son to defend the church that we may sing Christ's praise, and to the Holy Spirit to send peace and unity on earth and lead us from death to life.

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: *Open to the gifts of the Holy Spirit, we pray for the church, the world, and all of God's creation.*

A brief silence.

We pray for the unity of your church.

ALL: **Free us to be Christ's one body, graciously receiving his life and boldly offering it to a world in need. Hear us, O God, *Aloha ke Akua* (God is love; love is God).**

KAHU: *We pray for the renewal of creation:*

ALL: **for a shared, plentiful harvest, for lands unable to bear fruit, for what is neglected or destroyed by our hand, and for the earth's advocates. Hear us, O God, *Aloha ke Akua*.**

KAHU: *We pray for all nations of the world:*

ALL: **for leaders of villages, cities, states, and nations, for lawmakers and judges, for teachers and students, and for all who work for peace. Hear us, O God, *Aloha ke Akua*.**

KAHU: *We pray for those who seek refuge and strength:*

ALL: **refugees, the imprisoned, and those bound by addictions or burdened by guilt. We pray for the ill**

or injured. Hear us, O God, *Aloha ke Akua*.

KAHU: *We pray for continual reformation in this and every assembly.*

ALL: In new beginnings, impart wisdom. In established traditions, inspire creativity. In all ministries, revive our hope in the one who makes all things new. Hear us, O God, *Aloha ke Akua*.

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

KAHU: *We give thanks for your saints.*

ALL: United with them in the covenant of baptism, increase our faith in your promised life for all. Hear us, O God, *Aloha ke Akua*.

KAHU: *Into your hands, gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting the power of Christ and the gifts of the Spirit.*

ALL: Amen.

Anyone desiring prayers for healing and intercessions please see the Stephen Ministry member near the organ at the conclusion of the worship service.

PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS, Choir

“My Eternal King”

*My God, I love thee; not because I hope for heav'n thereby,
Nor yet because who love thee not must die eternally.*

*Thou, O my Jesus, thou didst me upon the cross embrace;
For me didst bear the nails, the nails and spear, and manifold disgrace.*

*Why, then why, O blessed Jesus Christ, should I not love thee well?
Not for the hope of winning heav'n, or of escaping hell;
Not with the hope of gaining aught, not seeking a reward;
But as thyself hast loved me, O ever loving Lord!*

*E'en so I love thee, and will love, and in thy praise will sing;
Solely because thou art my God,
And my eternal King.*

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 life, you give us these gifts of the earth, these resources of our life and our labor. Take them, offered in great thanksgiving, and use them to set a table that will heal the whole creation; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Light.

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 *singing*



E ko mākou Makua i loko o ka lani; E hoa nō i - ā kou I - noa.



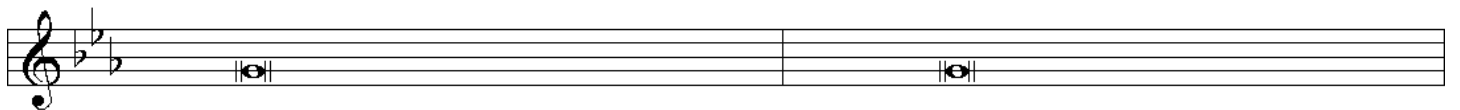
E hiki mai kou aupuni; E mālama 'ia kou makemake ma ka honua nei.



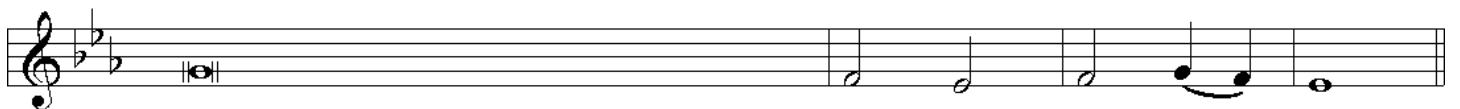
E like me 'ia i mālama 'ia ma ka la - ni — la.



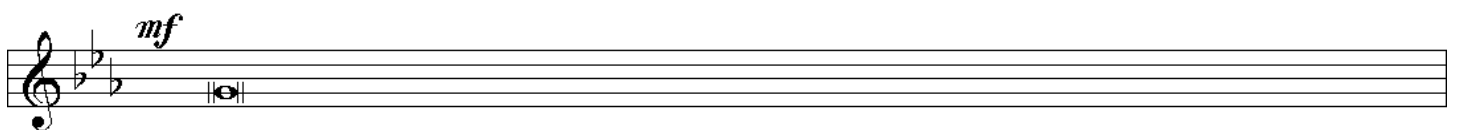
E hā'awi mai iā mākou i kēia lā, i 'aina mā - kou no nē - i - a lā.



E kala mai ho'i iā mākou, i kā mākou lawe hala 'ana



Me mākou e kala nei i ka po'e i lawe ha - la i kā mā - kou.



Mai ho'oku'u 'oe iā mākou i ka ho'owalewale 'ia mai.



E ho'opakele nō na'e 'ia mā - kou i ka — 'i - no.

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No ka mea Nou ke aupuni A me ka mana

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A me ka ho'onani 'ia a mau loa a-ku. 'Ā - me-ne. 'Ā - me-ne.

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: Holy and compassionate God, in bread and wine you give us gifts that form us to be humble and courageous. May your words come to life in our serving and in our witness, that we might speak a living voice of healing and justice to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our rock and our redeemer.

ALL: **Amen.**

WE ARE SENT

SENDING HYMN 733 *standing*

“Great Is Thy Faithfulness”

BENEDICTION AND SENDING, *Kahu Tim*

KAHU: God, *creator of all things*, speaking reformation into being;
 Jesus, Christ, *savior of the world*, raising the dead;

Holy Spirit, *living voice*, calling and enlightening the church:
Almighty God,
Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit,
bless you now and forever.

ALL: Amen.

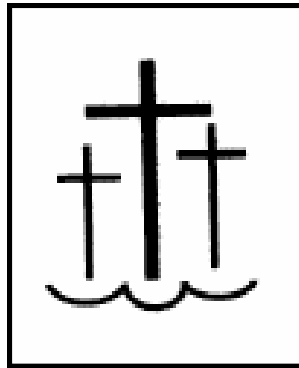
KAHU: *Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.*

Go in peace. Sound the good news.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

GOING FORTH, *Ina*

“A Mighty Fortress Is Our God”



INTERCESSIONS FOR HEALING

Individual and private *Intercessions for Healing* will be offered today following the morning worship by members of the Stephen Ministry. Please go to the back of the sanctuary following the *Benediction* for anointing and intercessory prayers for healing. Calvary by the Sea, in its ministry of healing, does not replace the gifts of God that come through the scientific community nor does it promise a cure. Rather Calvary by the Sea offers and celebrates gifts such as these: God's presence with strength and comfort in time of suffering, God's promise of wholeness and peace, and God's love embodied in this community of faith.

Today, October 29, 2017

MINISTERS: All Members of Calvary by the Sea

KAHU: Tim Mason

TESTIMONIAL: Dr. Jim and Carolyn Brown

WORSHIP AND THE ARTS: Tom Poole

ORGANIST AND PIANIST: Ina Young

MUSIC: Calvary by the Sea Choir

INSTRUMENTALISTS: Marc Adelberger, Edwin Ahlers, Charlie Holdaway, Chris Jansen, Bruce Kau, Amie Lawyer, Jon Osorio, Tim Sprowls

READER, USHERS, COMMUNION ASSISTANTS AND ALTAR CARE: Tribe One

WORSHIP PRODUCTION SUPPORT: Fletcher Young, Erin Day, Kanoa Pick

SERVICE MUSIC: “A Faith of Questions,” by Bruce Kau, arr. for choir 2000; rev. 2017, © 1996 Bruce Kau; “(Iesu Me Ke) Kanaka Waiwai,” by John Almeida, 1915; “My Eternal King,” by Jane Marshall, © 1954 Carl Fischer; “E Ko Makou,” tr. Laiana (Lorenzo Lyons), © 1972 Hawaii Conference United Church of Christ; “A Mighty Fortress Is Our God,” arr. Edward Beals, © 2011 Wayne Leupold Editions. All music used by permission (One.License.net A-714410).

WORSHIP *and* EVENTS @ CALVARY

Saturday, November 4—Pentecost 22

Saturday Service Held in 'Ohana Lani, 6:30 pm

Preaching, Kahu Tim

Music, The Holden Evening Prayer

Sunday, November 5—Pentecost 22

All Saints' Sunday

Preaching, Marty Haugen

Music, Choir, "I'll Remember You"

Saturday, November 11—Advent 1

Saturday Service Held in 'Ohana Lani, 6:30 pm

Preaching, Kahu Tim

Music, Tom

Sunday, November 12—Advent 1

Preaching, Kahu Tim

Music, Choir, "LightShine"

Saturday, November 18—Advent 2

Saturday Service Held in 'Ohana Lani, 6:30 pm

Preaching, Kahu Tim

Music, Tom