

Calvary by the Sea Lutheran Church

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

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1st Sunday after Christmas

December 27, 2015

7:30 and 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 the first Sunday of Christmas we find the boy Samuel and the boy Jesus, both in the temple, both growing in wisdom and stature and in favor with God and humankind. We too have returned to the house of God "to sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs to God," who has gifted us with a savior. As the festival continues, "let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts." It is Christmas, still.

SOUNDING OF THE PŪ

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

GATHERING, organ

"Meditation on I Am Standing at Your Manger"

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: Today Christ is born: **ALL: Alleluia, alleluia!**

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 OF SIN, Kahu Tim

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

the Maker of heaven and earth,

the Word made flesh,

the Lord and giver of life.

ALL: Amen.

KAHU: Let us come into the light of Christ, confessing our need for God's

mercy by singing hymn 246.

Silence is kept for reflection.

HYMN OF CONFESSION 246 "Hark! A Thrilling Voice Is Sounding!"

Hark! A thrilling voice is sounding! "Christ is near," we hear it say. "Cast away the works of darkness, all you children of the day!"

Wakened by the solemn warning, from earth's bondage let us rise, Christ, our sun, all sloth dispelling, shines upon the morning skies.

See the Lamb, so long expected, come with pardon down from heav'n, Let us haste, with tears of sorrow, one and all, to be forgiv'n;

So, when next he comes in glory and the world is wrapped in fear, He will shield us with his mercy and with words of love draw near.

Honor, glory, might, and blessing to the Father and the Son With the everlasting Spirit while unending ages run!

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

KAHU: In the Word who has come to dwell with us,

God has given us grace upon grace:

forgiveness that is stronger than our sins, love that can heal every broken heart.

Hear this word of God's pardon and peace: in the name of + Jesus our Savior, you are free from all your sins.

Rise, shine, for your light has come. Amen.

KYRIE 247 standing

"Come Now, O Prince of Peace"

Come now, O Prince of peace, make us one body.

Come, O Lord Jesus, reconcile your people.

Come now, O God of love, make us one body.

Come, O Lord Jesus, reconcile your people.

Come now and set us free, O God, our Savior.

Come, O Lord Jesus, reconcile all nations.

Come, Hope of unity, make us one body.

Come, O Lord Jesus, reconcile all nations.

GLORIA 270 standing

"Hark! The Herald Angels Sing"

(stanzas 1 and 2)

Hark! The herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn king; Peace on earth, and mercy mild, God and sinners reconciled." Joyful, all you nations, rise; join the triumph of the skies; With angelic hosts proclaim, "Christ is born in Bethlehem!" Hark! The herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn king!"

Christ, by highest heav'n adored, Christ, the everlasting Lord, Late in time behold him come, offspring of a virgin's womb. Veiled in flesh the Godhead see! Hail, incarnate deity! Pleased as man with us to dwell, Jesus, our Emmanuel! Hark! The herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn king!

PRAYER OF THE DAY standing

ALL: Shine into our hearts the light of your wisdom, O God, and open our minds to the knowledge of your word, that in all things we may think and act according to your good will and may live continually in the light of your Son, Jesus Christ, 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: The Lord be with you. **ALL:** And also with you.

WE HEAR THE WORD

FIRST READING

Having dedicated her son Samuel to God's service, Hannah visits him every year when she and her husband, Elkanah, come to the Lord's house to offer sacrifices. God grants Hannah more children, and Samuel himself gains favor in the sight of all.

ONE:

¹⁸Samuel was ministering before the LORD, a boy wearing a linen ephod. ¹⁹His mother used to make for him a little robe and take it to him each year, when she went up with her husband to offer the yearly sacrifice. ²⁰Then Eli would bless Elkanah and his wife, and say, "May the LORD repay you with children by this woman for the gift that she made to the LORD"; and then they would return to their home.

²⁶Now the boy Samuel continued to grow both in stature and in favor with the LORD and with the people.

PSALM sung responsively

Psalm 148

1 Samuel 2: 18–20, 26

¹Hallelujah! Praise the LORD | from the heavens;

praise God in the heights.

²Praise the LORD, | all you angels;

sing praise, all you hosts of heaven.

³Praise the LORD, sun and moon;

sing praise, all you shining stars.

⁴Praise the LORD, heav- en of heavens,

and you waters a- bove the heavens.

⁵Let them praise the name | of the LORD,

who commanded, and they were created,

⁶who made them stand fast forev- er and ever, **giving them a law that shall not** pass away.

⁷Praise the LORD | from the earth,

you sea monsters | and all deeps;

⁸fire and hail, [|] snow and fog,

tempestuous wind, do- ing God's will;

⁹mountains | and all hills,

fruit trees | and all cedars;

¹⁰wild beasts | and all cattle,

creeping things and | flying birds;

¹¹sovereigns of the earth | and all peoples,

princes and all rulers of the world;

¹²young | men and maidens,

old and young together.

¹³Let them praise the name | of the LORD,

whose name only is exalted, whose splendor is over $^{\mid}$ earth and heaven.

¹⁴The LORD has raised up strength for the people and praise for all [|] faithful servants,

the children of Israel, a people who are near the LORD. $^{\mid}$ Hallelujah!

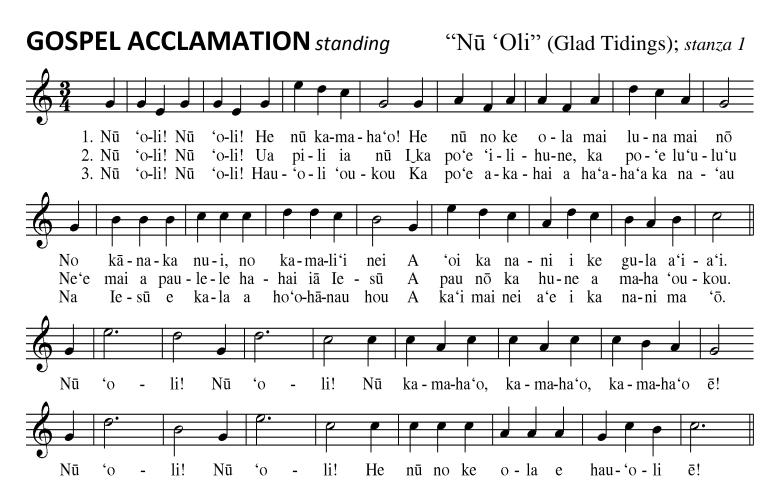
SECOND READING

Just as newly baptized Christians in the early church were clothed with white robes upon arising from the baptismal waters, so all who have received God's gift of life in Jesus Christ are covered with the character of Christ.

Colossians 3: 12–17

ONE: ¹²As God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience. ¹³Bear with

one another and, if anyone has a complaint against another, forgive each other; just as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. ¹⁴Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. ¹⁵And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in the one body. And be thankful. ¹⁶Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly; teach and admonish one another in all wisdom; and with gratitude in your hearts sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs to God. ¹⁷And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.



(Glad tidings! Glad tidings! O wonderful love! A message has come from the angels above: Good news of great joy comes to young and to old, for Jesus brings mercy more precious than gold. Glad tidings, glad tidings! O wonderful, wonderful love! Glad tidings, glad tidings! We hail the glad tidings of wonderful love!)

GOSPEL standing, read responsively

Luke 2: 41–52

Jesus grew up in a family that went to the Passover festival each year. It was in

this environment of faithful adherence to the law that Jesus grew into spiritual maturity and an understanding of his identity and mission.

KAHU: ⁴¹Now every year [Jesus'] parents went to Jerusalem for the festival of the Passover. ⁴²And when he was twelve years old, they went up as usual for the festival. ⁴³When the festival was ended and they started to return, the boy Jesus stayed behind in Jerusalem, but his parents did not know it. ⁴⁴Assuming that he was in the group of travelers, they went a day's journey. Then they started to look for him among their relatives and friends. ⁴⁵When they did not find him, they returned to Jerusalem to search for him.

⁴⁶After three days they found him in the temple, sitting among the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions. ⁴⁷And all who heard him were amazed at his understanding and his answers. ⁴⁸When his parents saw him they were astonished; and his mother said to him,

ALL: "Child, why have you treated us like this? Look, your father and I have been searching for you in great anxiety."

KAHU: ⁴⁹He said to them, "Why were you searching for me? Did you not know that I must be in my Father's house?" ⁵⁰But they did not understand what he said to them.

⁵¹Then he went down with them and came to Nazareth, and was obedient to them. His mother treasured all these things in her heart. ⁵²And Jesus increased in wisdom and in years, and in divine and human favor.

KAHU: The Gospel of the Lord.

ALL: Praise to you, O Christ.

KEIKI SERMON (10:00 am), Kahu Tim

SERMON, Kahu Tim

"Home in God's Hale (Hale pule)"

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: Rejoicing in the light of Christ that shines upon us and with all the faithful, let us pray for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

A brief silence.

Let us pray for evangelists and pastors; for teachers and storytellers; for seminarians and those discerning their call to ministry;

- ALL: and for all who proclaim the gospel in word and deed.

 Lord, hear our prayer, *Aloha ke Akua*. (God is love; love is God)
- KAHU: For the earth and all its creatures; for those seeking refuge from damaging storms; for those who work outdoors in weather that is hard to bear, in winter cold or summer heat;
- ALL: and for all whose labor provides us with food, clothing, shelter, and transportation. Lord, hear our prayer, *Aloha ke Akua*.
- KAHU: For all nations and their leaders; for those who bring harmony

within division; for those who challenge injustice and prejudice;

ALL: and for those who are sent far from home to serve and protect others. Lord, hear our prayer, *Aloha ke Akua*.

KAHU: For parents of missing children; for youth who have no safe place to call home; for travelers; for those who are anxious:

ALL: and for those who grieve and all who are sick. Lord, hear our prayer, *Aloha ke Akua*.

KAHU: For this assembly; for musicians and poets; for elders and youth;

ALL: for those who ask questions and those who mentor others to deeper faith and compassionate service. Lord, hear our prayer, *Aloha ke Akua*.

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

KAHU: With thanksgiving, we remember all who have died,

All: and those whose lives have helped us to see your love and compassion. Lord, hear our prayer, *Aloha ke Akua*.

KAHU: Pondering the mystery of your love, we offer our prayers in the

name of Christ, the Word made flesh.

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

"Twas in the Moon of Wintertime"

DOXOLOGY standing

"Ho'onani i ka Makua Mau"

Hoʻonani i ka Makua mau. Ke keiki me ka ʻUhane nō. Ke Akua mau hoʻomaikaʻi 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.

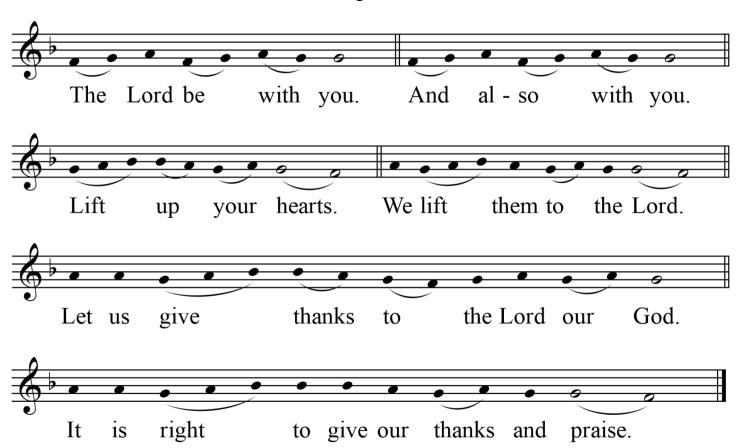
OFFERING PRAYER standing

KAHU: Good and loving God, we rejoice in the birth of Jesus, who came among the poor to bring the riches of your grace. As you have blessed us with your gifts, let them be blessing for others. With the trees of the field, with all earth and heaven, we shout for joy at the coming of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

ALL: Amen.

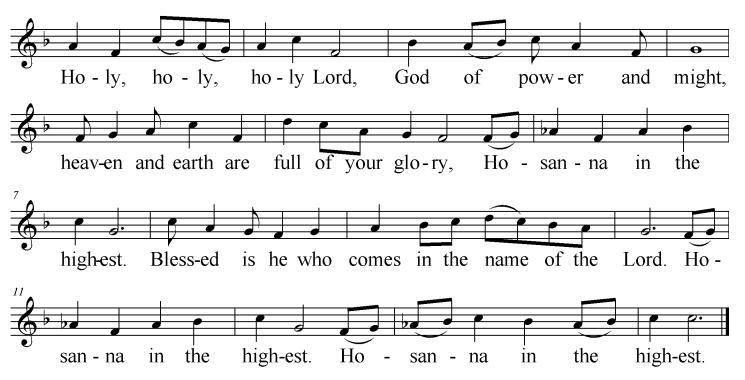
WE ARE FED

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

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 in this bread and cup of Christ's

very life, you give us food for our journey. As you led the magi by a star, as you brought the holy family home again, guide us on the way unfolding before us. Wherever we go, may our lives proclaim

good news of great joy in Jesus Christ our Lord.

ALL: Amen.

WE ARE SENT

SENDING SONG 292 standing

"Love Has Come"

BENEDICTION AND SENDING, Kahu Tim

KAHU: May the Word that Mary brought to birth

carry you into new and abundant life.

ALL: Amen.

KAHU: May the Word that Joseph cradled in his arms

enfold you with love and strength.

ALL: Amen.

KAHU: May the Word that angels proclaimed in song

bring harmony to our world.

ALL: Amen.

KAHU: And the blessing of almighty God,

the Father, the + Son,

and the Holy Spirit,

be upon you and remain with you always.

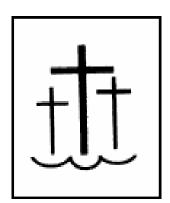
ALL: Amen.

KAHU: Go in peace. Christ is with you.

ALL: Thanks be to God!

GOING FORTH, organ

"Noel"



Today, December 27, 2015

MINISTERS: All Members of Calvary by the Sea

KAHU: Tim Mason

WORSHIP AND THE ARTS: Tom Poole **ORGANIST AND PIANIST:** Ina Young

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

Jon Osorio, Tim Sprowls

READER, USHERS, COMMUNION ASSISTANTS AND ALTAR CARE: All Tribes

WORSHIP PRODUCTION SUPPORT: Fletcher Young, Erin Day

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WORSHIP AHEAD

Sunday, January 3—Christmas 2

Preaching, Kahu Tim

Music, Congregation "Christmas Carol" Liturgy

Dedication of the Organ

Sunday, January 10—Baptism of Christ

Preaching, Kahu Tim Music, Calvary Choir

Sunday, January 17—Epiphany 2

Preaching, Kahu Tim
Music, Osorio Family Singers—Jon, Jamaica, Duncan

Sunday, January 24—Epiphany 3

Preaching, Kahu Tim *Music,* The Emelios

Sunday, January 31—Epihany 4

Preaching, Kahu Tim Music, Calvary Choir