



# **Calvary by the Sea Lutheran Church**

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

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## **3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Epiphany**

January 24, 2016

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

The glory of the Lord is revealed in the reading of scripture. People stand at attention. People weep. People prostrate themselves in prayer. The unity of the church is another reflection of the glory of God. Most gloriously, the promises of God are fulfilled in the person of Jesus Christ. Gather round. Listen up. Glimpse the glory of God.

## SOUNDING OF THE PŪ

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

**GATHERING,** *organ*

“A Mighty Fortress Is Our God”

## 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.**

## **CONFESSION OF SIN**, *Kahu Tim*

The *Confession and Forgiveness* 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:** Blessed Lord God, you have caused the holy scriptures to be written for the nourishment of your people. Grant that we may hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that, comforted by your promises, we may embrace and forever hold fast to the hope of eternal life, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## **GREETING OF GUESTS** *sitting*

## **SHARING OF ALOHA** *standing*

**KAHU:** The Lord be with you.

**ALL:** And also with you.

# **WE HEAR THE WORD**

## FIRST READING

Nehemiah 8: 1–3, 5–6, 8–10

*The exiles have returned and rebuilt Jerusalem. Now Ezra, the priest, reads the law of Moses to them in the public square. When they hear it, they weep for their sins and for the long years in exile, but Ezra reminds them that the joy of the Lord is their strength.*

ONE: <sup>1</sup>All the people [of Israel] gathered together into the square before the Water Gate. They told the scribe Ezra to bring the book of the law of Moses, which the LORD had given to Israel. <sup>2</sup>Accordingly, the priest Ezra brought the law before the assembly, both men and women and all who could hear with understanding. This was on the first day of the seventh month. <sup>3</sup>He read from it facing the square before the Water Gate from early morning until midday, in the presence of the men and the women and those who could understand; and the ears of all the people were attentive to the book of the law. <sup>5</sup>And Ezra opened the book in the sight of all the people, for he was standing above all the people; and when he opened it, all the people stood up. <sup>6</sup>Then Ezra blessed the LORD, the great God, and all the people answered, "Amen, Amen," lifting up their hands. Then they bowed their heads and worshiped the LORD with their faces to the ground. <sup>8</sup>So they read from the book, from the law of God, with interpretation. They gave the sense, so that the people understood the reading.

<sup>9</sup>And Nehemiah, who was the governor, and Ezra the priest and scribe, and the Levites who taught the people said to all the people, "This day is holy to the LORD your God; do not mourn or weep." For all the people wept when they heard the words of the law.

<sup>10</sup>Then he said to them, "Go your way, eat the fat and drink sweet wine and send portions of them to those for whom nothing is prepared, for this day is holy to our LORD; and do not be grieved, for the joy of the LORD is your strength."

**PSALM** *sung responsively*

Psalm 19

<sup>1</sup>The heavens declare the glo-<sup>1</sup>ry of God,  
**and the sky proclaims its<sup>1</sup> maker's handiwork.**

- <sup>2</sup>One day tells its tale | to another,  
**and one night imparts knowledge | to another.**
- <sup>3</sup>Although they have no | words or language,  
**and their voices | are not heard,**
- <sup>4</sup>their sound has gone out into all lands,  
and their message to the ends | of the world,  
**where God has pitched a tent | for the sun.**
- <sup>5</sup>It comes forth like a bridegroom out | of his chamber;  
**it rejoices like a champion to | run its course.**
- <sup>6</sup>It goes forth from the uttermost edge of the heavens  
and runs about to the end of | it again;  
**nothing is hidden from its | burning heat.**
- <sup>7</sup>The teaching of the LORD is perfect and re- | vives the soul;  
**the testimony of the LORD is sure  
and gives wisdom | to the simple.**
- <sup>8</sup>The statutes of the LORD are just and re- | joice the heart;  
**the commandment of the LORD is clear  
and gives light | to the eyes.**
- <sup>9</sup>The fear of the LORD is clean and en- | dures forever;  
**the judgments of the LORD are true  
and righteous | altogether.**
- <sup>10</sup>More to be desired are they than gold, more than | much fine gold,  
**sweeter far than honey, than honey | in the comb.**
- <sup>11</sup>By them also is your ser- | vant enlightened,  
**and in keeping them there is | great reward.**
- <sup>12</sup>Who can detect one's | own offenses?  
**Cleanse me from my | secret faults.**
- <sup>13</sup>Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins;  
let them not get dominion | over me;  
**then shall I be whole and sound,  
and innocent of a | great offense.**
- <sup>14</sup>Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart

be acceptable<sup>1</sup> in your sight,

**O LORD, my strength and<sup>1</sup> my redeemer.**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION** *standing*

“Ka Mana‘o ‘I‘o”



Ka ma-na-‘o-‘i-‘o, o ko kā-kou A-ku - a, Faith - ful, faith-ful is our God.



Ka ma-na-‘o-‘i-‘o, o ko kā-kou A-ku - a, Faith - ful, faith-ful is our God.

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**GOSPEL** *standing, read responsively*

Luke 4: 14–21

*Near the beginning of Jesus' public ministry, he visits his hometown of Nazareth. In the words of Isaiah, he states and claims his identity, purpose, and mission.*

KAHU: <sup>14</sup>Then Jesus, filled with the power of the Spirit, returned to Galilee, and a report about him spread through all the surrounding country. <sup>15</sup>He began to teach in their synagogues and was praised by everyone.

<sup>16</sup>When he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the sabbath day, as was his custom. He stood up to read, <sup>17</sup>and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written:

ALL: <sup>18</sup>**The Spirit of the Lord is upon me,  
because he has anointed me**

**to bring good news to the poor.**

**He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives  
and recovery of sight to the blind,**

**to let the oppressed go free,**

**<sup>19</sup>to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor."**

KAHU: <sup>20</sup>And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. <sup>21</sup>Then he began to say to them,

**ALL: "Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing."**

KAHU: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

**SERMON,** *Bishop Murray*

**SERMON HYMN** *standing*

“A Mighty Fortress Is Our God”

1 A granite mountain is our God  
Who rises strong before us—  
A million miles in height and depth  
Amazing, strong and glorious.  
Here sheltered we can rest,  
Secure and richly blest,  
No evils from within,  
No large systemic sin,  
Can ever overpower us.

2 These human hands, for all their skill,  
Cannot shape our salvation.  
We need a hero, one who will  
Perform our liberation.  
Who is there, good and brave,  
With strength and will to save  
Our fearful human race?  
Who will our cause embrace?  
God's only Son, Christ Jesus!

3 When evil powers rage and swear,

And threaten our destruction,  
When we are tempted to despair,  
To yield to their seduction—  
Then shall we stand, secured,  
By God's most holy Word:  
The Evil One shall fail,  
God's righteousness prevail!  
Then why should we be fearful?

4 God's everlasting Word abides,  
Our strong and sure salvation.  
The Spirit here and now provides  
Rich gifts and consolation.  
Let wealth and family go  
This body be brought low:  
The drought and fire we bear,  
God will at last repair:  
The rain will come and bless us.

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## **AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** *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: Gathered together by God's Spirit, we pray for the church, the world, and all those in need.

A brief silence.

Grant unity in the body of Christ, your church.

**ALL: Replace dissension with reconciliation, and strengthen our witness to the world. Hear our prayer, *Aloha ke Akua*.** (God is love; love is God)

KAHU: When your creation is harmed, all suffer together.

**ALL: Guide us, your people, to make wise choices that protect the land, sea, and all life. Hear our prayer, *Aloha ke Akua*.**

KAHU: Put an end to strife, violence, and hate in nations where there is turmoil.

**ALL: Guide leaders and movements for change to seek peace above all else. Hear our prayer, *Aloha ke Akua*.**

KAHU: Be present where there is loneliness.

**ALL: Be comfort where there is pain. Be healing where there is brokenness. Hear our prayer, *Aloha ke Akua*.**

KAHU: Grant health and new life in this assembly.

**ALL: Send us to share the good news of your abundant love in Christ. Hear our prayer, *Aloha ke Akuka*.**

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

KAHU: We give thanks for the faithful departed who have come to know the fulfillment of your promises.

**ALL: Assure us of your hope until we join the saints in light. Hear our prayer, *Aloha ke Akua*.**

KAHU: Into your hands, gracious God, we commend all of your beloved for whom we pray, trusting in your 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* “For the Beauty of the Earth”

## **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*



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

highest. Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -

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 thank you, O God, that you have fed us at your banqueting table with bread and wine beyond compare, the very life of Christ for us. Send your Spirit with us now, that we may set the captive free, use your gifts to build one another up, and in everything reflect your glory revealed in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**ALL: Amen.**

# WE ARE SENT

**SENDING HYMN 668** *standing*

“O Zion, Haste”

*All Keiki are invited to dance.*

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

KAHU: God Almighty send you light and truth  
to keep you all the days of your life.  
The hand of God protect you;  
the holy angels accompany you;  
and the blessing of almighty God,  
the Father,  
the + Son,  
and the Holy Spirit  
be with you now and forever.

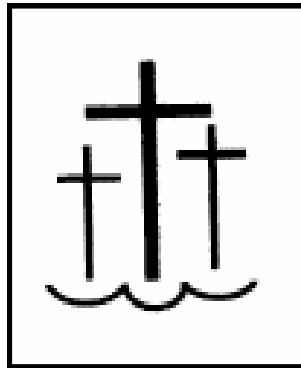
**ALL: Amen.**

Kahu: Go in peace. Remember the poor.

**ALL: Thanks be to God.**

**GOING FORTH,** *organ*

“Songs of Thankfulness and Praise”



## Today, January 24, 2016

**MINISTERS:** All Members of Calvary by the Sea

**KAHU:** Tim Mason

**PREACHER:** Bishop Murray Finck

**WORSHIP AND THE ARTS:** Tom Poole

**ORGANIST AND PIANIST:** Ina Young

**PSALMIST:** Manning Richards

**READER, USHERS, COMMUNION ASSISTANTS AND ALTAR CARE:** Tribe Three

**WORSHIP PRODUCTION SUPPORT:** Erin Day

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# WORSHIP AHEAD

## ***Sunday, January 31—Epiphany 4***

*Preaching, Kahu Tim*

*Music, Calvary Choir, “Do Not Be Afraid”*

## ***Sunday, February 7—Transfiguration***

*Commissioning of Stephen Ministers (both services)*

*Preaching, Kahu Tim*

*Music, Calvary Choir, “Ave Verum” (Elgar)*

## ***Wednesday, February 10—Ash Wednesday***

***7 pm, Service of Imposition of Ashes and  
Holy Communion***

*Preaching, Kahu Tim*

*Music, Voices of Aloha—Guest Choir*

*Mark Yasuhara, director*

## ***Sunday, February 14—1<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Lent***

*Preaching, Kahu Tim*

*Music, Calvary Choir, “Shut de Dō”*

## ***Sunday, February 21—2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Lent***

*8:30-9:00 am—Morning Worship*

*9:00—Annual Meeting*

*Holy Communion following Annual Meeting*