

20th Sunday after Pentecost
Holy Eucharist
Sunday, October 10, 2021 at 9am
Family Sunday / White Sunday



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A Message from the Bishop

As your Bishop, I deeply appreciate all those medically eligible who have been vaccinated against COVID-19, and all those who continue to wear their masks in public and practice social distancing when gathering. Thank you! As Episcopalians, I am convinced this is the very minimum we as God's people can do to fulfill the Great Commandment (Mark 12:29-31) during this difficult time of a worldwide Pandemic: "Jesus replied, 'The most important one is *Israel, listen! Our God is the one Lord, and you must love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your being, with all your mind, and with all your strength.* The second is this, *You will love your neighbor as yourself.* No other commandment is greater than these.'" You, God's people, are truly loving your neighbor through these righteous deeds.

O gracious and holy Father, give us wisdom to perceive you, diligence to seek you, patience to wait for you, eyes to behold you, a heart to meditate upon you, and a life to proclaim you, through the power of the spirit of Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Bishop Bob Fitzpatrick

Please bear with us, as we keep our community safe during the current COVID surge. Everyone must be masked during our entire service and we must limit live music. If you choose to receive the Sacrament, please return to your seat before consuming it. After the service, please greet friends quietly and then depart. We will return to coffee hour and other, more relaxed practices as soon as we are safely able to do so! Mahalo for your Kokua!

Gathering Music Prelude: *Offered by Dr. Cat Peterson*

Opening Hymn: “Father Abraham” (By Pierre Kartner)

Led by Dr. Cat Peterson

Father Abraham had many **sons**.
Many sons had Father Abraham.
I am one of them, and so are you
So let’s just praise the Lord!

Father Abraham had many **daughters**.
Many daughters had Father Abraham.
I am one of them, and so are you
So let’s just praise the Lord!

Father Abraham had many **sons**.
Many sons had Father Abraham.
I am one of them, and so are you
So let’s just praise the Lord!

Father Abraham had many **daughters**.
Many daughters had Father Abraham.
I am one of them, and so are you
So let’s just praise the Lord!

Father Abraham had many **children**.
Many children had Father Abraham.
I am one of them, and so are you
So let’s just praise the Lord!

Opening Acclamation

The people rise in body or in spirit as the Celebrant says

Celebrant Blessed be God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. *Amen.*

Celebrant

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Lord, we pray that your grace may always precede and follow us, that we may continually be given to good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

The Lessons

The people are seated for the readings of the day.

Reader: A Reading from Amos 5:6-7, 10-15

Seek the LORD and live,
or he will break out against the house of Joseph like fire,
and it will devour Bethel, with no one to quench it.

Ah, you that turn justice to wormwood,
and bring righteousness to the ground!

They hate the one who reproves in the gate,
and they abhor the one who speaks the truth.

Therefore, because you trample on the poor
and take from them levies of grain,

you have built houses of hewn stone,
but you shall not live in them;
you have planted pleasant vineyards,
but you shall not drink their wine.
For I know how many are your transgressions,
and how great are your sins—
you who afflict the righteous, who take a bribe,
and push aside the needy in the gate.
Therefore the prudent will keep silent in such a time;
for it is an evil time.

Seek good and not evil,
that you may live;
and so the LORD, the God of hosts, will be with you,
just as you have said.
Hate evil and love good,
and establish justice in the gate;
it may be that the LORD, the God of hosts,
will be gracious to the remnant of Joseph.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 90: 12-17

Reader: We will read Psalm 90, responsively. I will read the odd-numbered verses; the congregation will please respond with the even-numbered verses.

- 12 **S**o teach us to number our days *
that we may apply our hearts to wisdom.
- 13 Return, O LORD; how long will you tarry? *
be gracious to your servants.
- 14 Satisfy us by your loving-kindness in the morning; *
so shall we rejoice and be glad all the days of our life.
- 15 Make us glad by the measure of the days that you afflicted us *
and the years in which we suffered adversity.
- 16 Show your servants your works *
and your splendor to their children.

17 May the graciousness of the LORD our God be upon us; *
prosper the work of our hands;
prosper our handiwork.

The Second Reading

Reader: A Reading from Hebrews 4:12-16

The word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing until it divides soul from spirit, joints from marrow; it is able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart. And before him no creature is hidden, but all are naked and laid bare to the eyes of the one to whom we must render an account.

Since, then, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin. Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

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People Thanks be to God.

The Gospel: Mark 10:17-31

All standing, the Priest or Deacon reads the Gospel

Deacon or Priest The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Mark.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

As Jesus was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him, "Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?" Jesus said to him, "Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: 'You shall not murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; You shall not defraud; Honor your father and mother.'" He said to him, "Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth." Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, "You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in

heaven; then come, follow me.” When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions.

Then Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, “How hard it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!” And the disciples were perplexed at these words. But Jesus said to them again, “Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God.” They were greatly astounded and said to one another, “Then who can be saved?” Jesus looked at them and said, “For mortals it is impossible, but not for God; for God all things are possible.”

Peter began to say to him, “Look, we have left everything and followed you.” Jesus said, “Truly I tell you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields, for my sake and for the sake of the good news, who will not receive a hundredfold now in this age—houses, brothers and sisters, mothers and children, and fields with persecutions—and in the age to come eternal life. But many who are first will be last, and the last will be first.”

After the Gospel, the Reader says The Gospel of the Lord.
People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Homily

Mrs. Tusi Mayer

The Nicene Creed

ICET 1988 text

The Celebrant begins. The people join in.

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,
begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary, and became truly human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will
have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the
Father,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified.
who has spoken through the Prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Prayers of the People: Form III *The Book of Common Prayer*, p. 387
The Intercessor will begin; the congregation is invited to join in the responses printed in italics.

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;
That we all may be one.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you. We pray,
especially, for the people in our Diocese of Hawaii.
That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;
That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;
That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;
That our works may find favor in your sight.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble. We pray for those
on our parish prayer list: Olga & Yuri, Taghi, Susan K., Erwin, Heather, Wayne, Jeff
& Kristi, Eugene & Lois, and Lora V. We pray for those with COVID-19 and their
caregivers and for those facing employment or housing challenges.
That they all may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed eternal rest; this week we pray, especially for Doady Graham.

Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;
May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

Silence

The People may add their own petitions. The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

The Confession and Absolution

The Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

Minister and People

Most merciful God,

we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done, and by what we have left undone.

We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.

For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.

The Priest stands and says

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ,
strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

Amen.

The Peace *The Celebrant offers the greeting of peace to the congregation.*

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you!

People And also with you!



The Offertory Hymn: “His Banner over me is Love” Led by Dr. Cat Peterson

1. The Lord is mine and I am His
His banner over me is love
The Lord is mine and I am His
His banner over me is love
The Lord is mine and I am His
His banner over me is love
His banner over me is love!

2. He brought me to His banqueting table
His banner over me is love
He brought me to His banqueting table
His banner over me is love
He brought me to His banqueting table
His banner over me is love
His banner over me is love!

3. He is the vine and we are the branches
His banner over me is love
He is the vine and we are the branches
His banner over me is love
He is the vine and we are the branches
His banner over me is love
His banner over me is love!

4. Jesus is the rock of my salvation
His banner over me is love
Jesus is the rock of my salvation
His banner over me is love
Jesus is the rock of my salvation
His banner over me is love
His banner over me is love!

“Let us with gladness present the offerings of our life and labor to the Lord.”

Please place your offerings in the koa bowl at the rear of the church. For those worshipping at home, please continue to support Holy Nativity with your financial gifts by sending checks made out to Holy Nativity. *Thank you!*

The Hawaiian Doxology

Offered by Dr. Cat Peterson [video]

Ho'o - na-ni i ka Ma-ku-a mau,
Ke Kei-ki me ka 'U-ha-ne no,
Ke-A-ku-a mau Ho-'o-mai-ka-'i pu
Ko ke-ia ao, ko ke-la ao. A-me-ne.

The Holy Communion

Eucharistic Prayer C

The Book of Common Prayer, p. 369

The Lord's Prayer

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

People and Celebrant

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

Celebrant Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation

These are the Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ lived, died, and rose again for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

The ministers deliver the Bread to the people at the bottom of the chancel area, keeping social distancing guidelines. If you wish to receive a blessing in place of the Sacrament, please cross your hands over your chest as you approach.

Communion Music: "God of Wonder" Offered by Dr. Cat Peterson

The Post-Communion Prayer

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Announcements & Blessing

The Rev. Libby Berman

Closing Hymn: “I’ve got the Joy down in my Heart!”

Led by Dr. Cat Peterson

I've got the joy, joy, joy, joy
Down in my heart (where?) Down in my heart (where?) Down in my heart!
I've got the joy, joy, joy, joy down in my heart (where?) Down in my heart to stay!

REFRAIN: And I'm so happy, so very happy! I've got the love of Jesus in my heart!
I'm so happy, so very happy! I've got the love of Jesus in my heart!
I've got the peace that passeth understanding down in my heart...

REFRAIN

I've got the love of Jesus, love of Jesus...down in my heart...

REFRAIN

If the devil doesn't like it, he can sit on a tack!

REFRAIN 2X

The Dismissal

Deacon Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit!

People Thanks be to God.

The Postlude: Offered by Dr. Cat Peterson

Ministry Team for Today's Service: Thank you, all!

[A special Thank You to Dr. Cat Peterson for providing special music for Family Sunday!](#)

Clergy: The Reverends Libby Berman, Jennifer Latham, and Robert Steele

Eucharistic minister: Rick Fung **Readers:** Keli'i & Nohea Chang

Acolyte: Wyatt Goheen **Usher:** Rich Miller

Technical team: Gretchen & Julia Yamaguchi, Adrienne Fung

Altar Guild: Braham Team

Staff:

Music Director: Chris Suzuki

Parish Administrator: Athena DeRasmo Bookkeeper: Wil Ching

Thrift Shop: Peggy Budlong & Cheri Keefer

JOIN US NEXT SUNDAY
October 17th at 9AM (in person & online)



We welcome all visitors and newcomers to our service today. **If you are attending in person, please fill out the welcome card in the pew and turn it in to the usher after the service.** If you are attending online, please feel free to join us for our virtual coffee hour following the service.

If you are not or cannot be vaccinated, or if your immunity is compromised, please join our Zoom gatherings on Sunday mornings. We strongly encourage everyone who is eligible to receive the COVID-19 vaccine, to do so.