

The Third Sunday of Easter
Holy Eucharist
Family Sunday/Mother's Day

May 11, 2025 at 9am



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Sunday School on the lanai, except 2nd Sunday (Family Sunday.)

Gathering Music

Opening Song #23 “Jesus Christ Is Risen Today”

Dr. Cat and the HN Singers will lead us; please join in!

Opening Acclamation

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

Celebrant Alleluia! Christ is risen!

People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!

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.*

Hymn of Praise #208 “The Strife is O'er” (verses 1 & 2)

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, whose Son Jesus is the good shepherd of your people: Grant that when we hear his voice we may know him who calls us each by name, and follow where he leads; who, with you and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

The Lessons

The people are seated for the readings of the day.

First Reading Acts of the Apostles 9:36-43

Dorcas was a disciple who was devoted to being kind and doing good things for people in Joppa, but she got sick and died. They prepared her for burial and laid her in a room upstairs. Two of her friends brought Peter to the house where she was. People were gathered together, remembering Dorcas, and crying. Peter sent them all outside and kneeled down to pray. Turning to her body he said, “Get up.” She opened her eyes, looked up at Peter. And sat up. He gave her his hand and helped her up. He called everyone back into the room to show them she was alive. News spread about this and many people came to believe in the Lord.

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

People Thanks be to God.

The Lord is my shepherd I shall not want.
 He maketh me to lie down in green pastures.
 He leadeth me beside the still waters He restoreth my soul.
 He leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his own name's sake.
 Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death I will fear no evil; for Thou art with me thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.
 Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies; Thou anointest my head with oil my cup runneth over.
 Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

The Gospel: John 10:22-30

Then, all standing, the Deacon or Priest reads the Gospel

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to John.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus was in the temple with the people gathered around him. “So how long are you going to keep us in suspense? Just tell us already if you are the Messiah or not.” Jesus answered, “But I have told you, and you don’t believe me. Everything I do in my Father’s name shows you that I am the Messiah. You don’t believe because you don’t belong to me. Those who belong to me hear my voice and know who I am. I know them and they follow me. I give them life that never ends. No one can take them away from me. The Father has given me these sheep. The Father and I are working together.”

After the Gospel, the Reader says

The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

The Reverend Libby Berman

The Nicene Creed

Found front cover of **Book of Common Prayer**

The Prayers of the People (Form III)

The Book of Common Prayer, p. 387

The Peace

All Stand. The Celebrant says to the people.

‘O ke aloha o ka Haku ka mea e mau loa aku me ‘oukou.
(The peace of the Lord be always with you!)

The People respond.

A me ‘oe pū nō ho‘i.
(And also with you!)

The Offertory Sentence

Let us with gladness present the offerings of our life and labor to God.

The Offertory Song #14 “God of Wonders”

The Hawaiian Doxology

Please rise in body or in spirit.

The Holy Communion

The Great Thanksgiving: Enriching Our Worship Prayer 1

The people remain standing. The Celebrant faces them and says:

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Celebrant

We praise you and we bless you, holy and gracious God, source of life abundant.

From before time you made ready the creation.

Your Spirit moved over the deep and brought all things into being: sun, moon, and stars; earth, winds, and waters; and every living thing.

You made us in your image, and taught us to walk in your ways.

But we rebelled against you, and wandered far away; and yet, as a mother cares for her children, you would not forget us.

Time and again you called us to live in the fullness of your love.

And so this day we join with Saints and Angels in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity, lifting our voices to magnify you as we say:

Celebrant and People

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

The Celebrant continues

Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God.

To deliver us from the power of sin and death and to reveal the riches of your grace, you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant, that she might conceive and bear a son, Jesus the holy child of God.

Living among us, Jesus loved us.

He broke bread with outcasts and sinners, healed the sick, and proclaimed good news to the poor.

He yearned to draw all the world to himself yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love.

Then, the time came for him to complete upon the cross the sacrifice of his life, and to be glorified by you.

At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it, or lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing the wine to be consecrated.

On the night before he died for us, Jesus was at table with his friends.

He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you.

Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine.

Again, he gave thanks to you, gave it to them, and said: "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins.

Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Now gathered at your table, O God of all creation, and remembering Christ, crucified and risen, who was and is and is to come, we offer to you our gifts of bread and wine, and ourselves, a living sacrifice.

Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ.

Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth and make us your new creation, the Body of Christ given for the world you have made.

In the fullness of time bring us, with King Kamehameha IV, Queen Emma, Queen Lili‘uokalani and all your saints, from every tribe and language and people and nation, to feast at the banquet prepared from the foundation of the world.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. AMEN.

The Lord's Prayer

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

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 Celebrant says

Nā Makana a Ke Akua na ka Po'e o Ke Akua. / The gifts of God for the people of God.

*At the time of distribution, those who wish to receive should move forward to the altar rail in two lines, filling in from makai to mauka. You may kneel or stand to receive the sacrament. You are welcome to receive the bread (traditional or gluten-free) only **or** both the bread and the wine from the ministers who will come past you. If you wish to receive a blessing, place your hands across your heart as you approach.*

Communion Music

An Offering from Dr. Cat

The Post-Communion Prayer *After Communion, the Celebrant says*

Let us pray.

Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom.

And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

Announcements & Blessing

The Reverend Jennifer Latham

Closing Song #30 “Lord of the Dance”

Please join our HN Singers!

The Dismissal

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

People Thanks be to God! Alleluia! Alleluia!

The Postlude

Dr. Cat

We thank you for joining us!

Thank you to all our young people who helped with our service today!

Ministry Team for Today's Service

Clergy: The Reverends Libby Berman, Jennifer Latham, Robert Steele, William Heran, and Alison Dingley.

Eucharistic minister: Rev. William Heran

Reader: Noel Donahue

Usher: Justin Donahue **Intercessor:** Ethan Miyasaka **Acolyte:** Eliana Dubinsky

Technical team: Alex Pickens & Georgia St. Germain

Music Director: Ina Young

Mahalo to Dr. Cat and the HN Singers

**Join us next Sunday for the Fourth Sunday of Easter, May 18, 2024
(in person & on Zoom)**

We pray for those on our parish prayer list:

Our Parish Prayer list: Lisa, Barbara, David, Luci, Sheri, Becky, Brian, Heather, Wayne, Todd, Tom, Ann, Sandee, Doris, Linda, Esther, Antone, Betty, Bobby, Gregg, David, John, Eliane, Lorraine, Margot, Bill, Madeleine, Steven, Kristi, Katherine, and Adele.