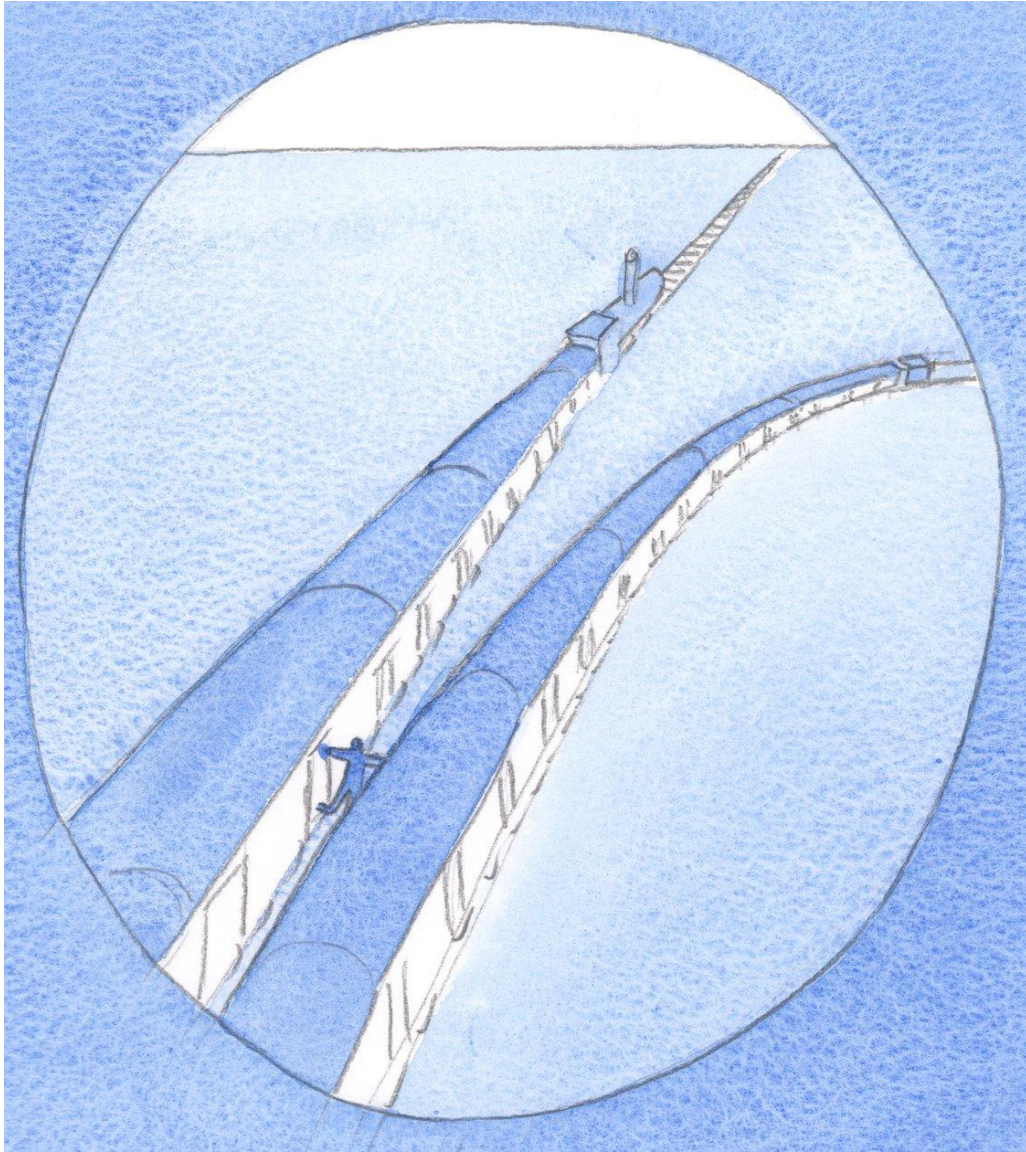


The 15th Sunday *after* Pentecost

Holy Eucharist
Sunday, September 21, 2025 at 9am



“Two Masters” Elizabeth Wang, artist

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Sunday School on the lanai, except 2nd Sunday for Family Sunday.

Opening Hymn #594 “God of Grace and God of Glory”

Opening Acclamation

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.*

Gloria *The congregation will sing through the Gloria three times -- 1st English, 2nd Latin, 3rd English.*

Dm* Gm C F Dm* Gm C F

Glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, glo-ry in the high-est!
Glo-ri-a, glo-ri-a, in ex-cel-sis De-o!

5 Dm* Gm C F Dm* Gm C F

Glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia!
Glo-ri-a, glo-ri-a, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia!

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Grant us, Lord, not to be anxious about earthly things, but to love things heavenly; and even now, while we are placed among things that are passing away, to hold fast to those that shall endure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

The Lessons

The First Reading Jeremiah 8:18-9:1

My joy is gone, grief is upon me, my heart is sick.

Hark, the cry of my poor people from far and wide in the land: "Is the LORD not in Zion?

Is her King not in her?"

("Why have they provoked me to anger with their images, with their foreign idols?")

"The harvest is past, the summer is ended, and we are not saved."

For the hurt of my poor people I am hurt, I mourn, and dismay has taken hold of me.

Is there no balm in Gilead? Is there no physician there?

Why then has the health of my poor people not been restored?

O that my head were a spring of water, and my eyes a fountain of tears, so that I might weep day and night for the slain of my poor people!

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

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 79:1-9 *The Reader will begin, and the congregation will respond with verses in **BOLD**.*

1 O God, the heathen have come into your inheritance; they have profaned your holy temple; they have made Jerusalem a heap of rubble.

2 They have given the bodies of your servants as food for the birds of the air, and the flesh of your faithful ones to the beasts of the field.

3 They have shed their blood like water on every side of Jerusalem, and there was no one to bury them.

4 We have become a reproach to our neighbors, an object of scorn and derision to those around us.

5 How long will you be angry, O LORD? will your fury blaze like fire for ever?

6 Pour out your wrath upon the heathen who have not known you and upon the kingdoms that have not called upon your Name.

7 For they have devoured Jacob and made his dwelling a ruin.

8 Remember not our past sins; let your compassion be swift to meet us; for we have been brought very low.

9 Help us, O God our Savior, for the glory of your Name; deliver us and forgive us our sins, for your Name's sake.

The Second Reading: 1 Timothy 2:1-7

First of all, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for everyone, for kings and all who are in high positions, so that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and dignity. This is right and is acceptable in the sight of God our Savior, who desires everyone to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth.

For there is one God; there is also one mediator between God and humankind, Christ Jesus, himself human, who gave himself a ransom for all -- this was attested at the right time. For this I was appointed a herald and an apostle (I am telling the truth, I am not lying), a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.

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

People Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn #470 "There is a Wideness in God's Mercy"

The Gospel: Luke 16:1-13

All standing, the Deacon or Priest reads the Gospel

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said to the disciples, "There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was squandering his property. So he summoned him and said to him, 'What is this that I hear about you? Give me an accounting of your management, because you cannot be my manager any longer.' Then the manager said to himself, 'What will I do, now that my master is taking the position away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. I have decided what to do so that, when I am dismissed as manager, people may welcome me into their homes.' So, summoning his master's debtors one by one, he asked the first, 'How much do you owe my master?' He answered, 'A hundred jugs of olive oil.' He said to him, 'Take your bill, sit down quickly, and make it fifty.' Then he asked another, 'And how much do you owe?' He replied, 'A hundred containers of wheat.' He said to him, 'Take your bill and make it eighty.' And his master commended the dishonest manager because he had acted shrewdly; for the children of this age are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than are the children of light. And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of dishonest wealth so that when it is gone, they may welcome you into the eternal homes.

"Whoever is faithful in a very little is faithful also in much; and whoever is dishonest in a very little is dishonest also in much. If then you have not been faithful with the dishonest wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? And if you have not been faithful with what belongs to another, who will give you what is your own? No slave can serve two masters; for a slave will either hate the one and love the other, or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth."

After the Gospel, the Reader says

The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Nicene Creed

Found on the FRONT cover *or* flap of The Book of Common Prayer.

The Prayers of the People: *Honoring God in Creation: Form 2*

During the silence after each bidding, the people may offer their own prayers, either silently or aloud.

Let us pray for the revealing of the reign of God in the world, now and always.
In the beginning, **God was**.

Here and now, **God is**.

In the future, **God will be**.

Creator of earth, sea, and sky, kindle the fire of your Spirit within us that we may be bold to heal and defend the earth, and pour your blessing upon all who work for the good of the planet. *Silence*.
God, Giver of life, **Hear our prayer**.

Breath of life, receive our thanks for the beauty of our local habitat and all who dwell in it, and grant us the wisdom and will to conserve it. *Silence*.
God, Giver of life, **Hear our prayer**.

Source of life, heal and redeem the wounds of your creation, and visit the places and people who suffer from our indifference, neglect, and greed. *Silence*.
God, Giver of life, **Hear our prayer**.

Lover of all you have made, we thank you for the wondrous diversity of your creatures, and we pray for their well-being. *Silence*.
God, Giver of life, **Hear our prayer**.

Author of the book of nature, receive our gratitude for places of restoration and healing, and continue to bless those places that feed our lives and spirits. *Silence*.
God, Giver of life, **Hear our prayer**.

Wise Creator, whose works are full of mystery, give us wonder and appreciation for your creatures with whom we find ourselves in conflict. *Silence*.
God, Giver of life, **Hear our prayer**.

Giver of all good gifts, awaken us daily to our dependence upon your bounty, and make us always thankful for the abundance of your blessings. *Silence*.
God, Giver of life, **Hear our prayer**.

Divine Physician, heal our communities, especially those where neglect, greed, or violence inflict suffering upon people and other creatures. *Silence*.
God, Giver of life, **Hear our prayer**.

Comforter of all the earth, sustain the people of this congregation who desire or need your presence and help, especially those on our parish prayer list. *Silence*.
God, Giver of life, **Hear our prayer**.

Rock and refuge of all your creatures, receive into everlasting mercy all those who have died. *Silence.*
God, Giver of life, **Hear our prayer.**

The Priest concludes with a closing Collect.

The Confession and Absolution

The Celebrant then says

Let us confess our sins to God.

Silence may be kept.

Minister and People

God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.

The Celebrant stands and says

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

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!)

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God. (Ephesians 5:2)

Offertory Music “Al Yadil, Yadil, Yadi” (Palestinian folksong) arr. By John Higgins

Offered by the HN Choir & Ina Young

The Hawaiian Doxology

Please rise in body or in spirit to sing together.

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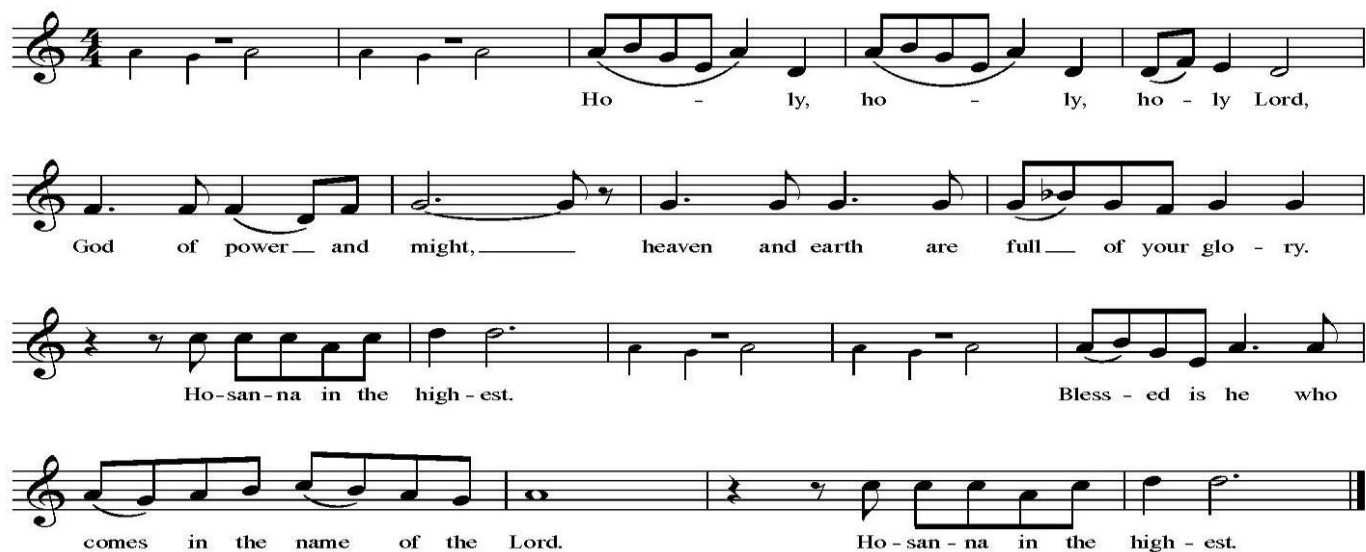
The Holy Communion

The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer B

The people remain standing.

The Book of Common Prayer p. 367

Sanctus S-128



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,
 God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry.
 Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who
 comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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.

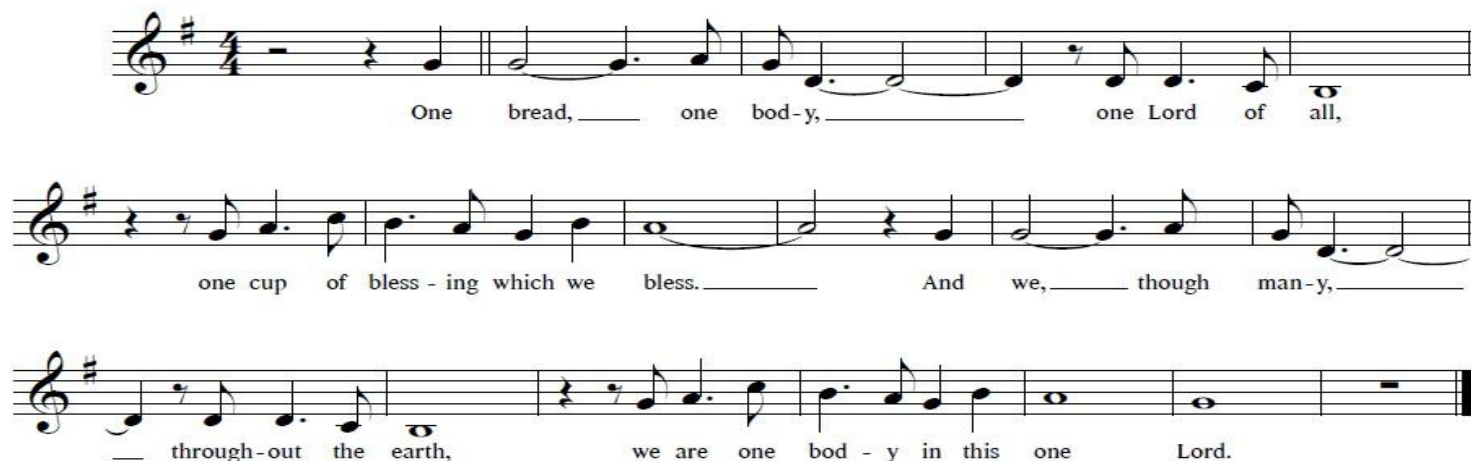
And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.

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

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People: Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Fraction "One Bread, One Body"



One bread, one bod-y, one Lord of all,
 one cup of bless - ing which we bless. And we, though man-y,
 through-out the earth, we are one bod - y in this one Lord.

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 Hymn #325 “Let us Break Bread Together”

The Post-Communion Prayer *(in unison)*

Faithful God, in the wonder of your wisdom and love you fed your people in the wilderness with the bread of angels, and you sent Jesus to be the bread of life. We thank you for feeding us with this bread. May it strengthen us that by the power of the Holy Spirit we may embody your desire and be renewed for your service through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

Announcements & The Blessing

The Reverend Libby Berman

Closing Hymn “O ‘Oe ‘Io” by Luke Ka’a Morgan

'O 'oe 'io, e makua lani
'O 'oe 'io, ka waiola
'O 'oe 'io, e kumu ola
Ka mea hana i na mea ā pau
E ku'u haku,
Ka mauna ki'eki'e
'o 'oe 'io

'O 'oe 'io, e makua lani
'O 'oe 'io, ka waiola
'O 'oe 'io, e kumu ola
Ka mea hana i na mea ā pau
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Ka mauna ki'eki'e
'o 'oe 'io
E ku'u haku,
Ka mauna ki'eki'e
'o 'oe 'io
'o 'oe 'io

The Dismissal

Deacon or Priest Let us go forth into all Creation, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

People Thanks be to God.

The Postlude “Erev Shel Shoshanim” (Evening of Roses) Offered by the HNC Choir & Ina Young
Lyrics by Moshe Dor (largely from the biblical "Song of Songs"), Music: Josef Hadar, Arr. Jack Klebanow

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**Thank you for joining us today!**

**Ministry Team for Today's Service**

**Clergy:** The Reverends Libby Berman and Jennifer Latham

**1<sup>st</sup> Reader & Psalm:** Olesya Noerper    **2<sup>nd</sup> Reader:** Stephen Noerper

**Eucharistic Minister:** Rick Fung    **Intercessor:** Kathy Otani

**Usher:** Jack Tonaki

**Technical team:** Alex Picken and Georgia St. Germain

**Music Director:** Ina Young with the HNC Choir & Amie.

***Our beautiful altar flowers are an offering from Kip & Jan Jones in celebration  
of their 60th wedding anniversary!***

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Please join us *next* Sunday, the 16th Sunday *after* Pentecost
September 28, 2025 at 9am

and

Breaking Bread/ Pizza Church in the St. Francis Garden 9/28 at 5:00pm

Please RSVP

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**Our Parish Prayer list:**

Adele, Lisa May, Walter, Gerry, Madeline, Eric, Kati, Raj, Renu, Heather, Wayne, Todd, Tom, Doris, Linda, Esther,  
Betty, Bobby, Gregg, Lorraine, Kristi, Steven, Katherine, Kim, Luci, Dave, Nik, Sandee, Patricia, MTT, Julie, Eric,  
Dorothy, and Michael.