

ECUMENICAL PRE-THANKSGIVING WORSHIP SERVICE

Holy Nativity Episcopal Church
November 21, 2022, Monday, 7 p.m.



The Thankful Poor, Henry Ossawa Tanner, artist

BRINGING THE LIGHT INTO THE SANCTUARY

CENTERING & CEREMONIAL OPENING Rev. Piula Ala'ilima, Wesley United Methodist Church

PRELUDE *Now Thank We All Our God* Douglass E Wagner
Lorraine Yamamoto, Organist, Holy Nativity Episcopal Church

PROCESSION OF PASTORS - *Highland Cathedral*
Karen Thompson, Bagpipes, Kilohana United Methodist Church

WELCOME The Rev. Libby Berman, Holy Nativity Episcopal Church

OPENING LITANY OF THANKSGIVING Rev. Malcolm Carr, Hawaii Kai United Church of Christ

One: For the beauty and wonder of your creation, in earth and sky and sea,

Many: We thank you, God.

One: For all that is gracious in the lives of all people revealing the image of God,

Many: We thank you, God.

One: For our daily food and drink, our homes and families, and our friends,

Many: We thank you, God.

One: For minds to think, hearts to love, and hands to serve,

Many: We thank you, God.

One: For health and strength to work, and leisure to rest and play,

Many: We thank you, God.

One: For the brave and courageous, who are patient in suffering and faithful in adversity,

Many: We thank you, God.

One: For all valiant seekers after truth, liberty, and justice,

Many: We thank you, God.

OPENING HYMN #290 (verses 1,2,3) *Come Ye Thankful People Come*

Lorraine Yamamoto, pianist

LITANY OF CONFESSION

The Rev. Jennifer Latham, Holy Nativity Episcopal Church

One: O God, you created us and gave us life, but what do we do with this gift? We live and work, but want more and more. Like children bringing their broken toys, we lay here before you our lives in need of restoration.

Many: Our daily defeats and discouragements. Our empty attempts and fruitless successes. Our weariness of anxiety and grief.

One: O God, the one who dwells among us to teach us what love is. Show us the way of love, we bring you our fragmented lives to be made whole.

Many: The darkness that separates our souls from other souls. The loneliness that is hidden behind cheerful words and smiles. The hurts we find too hard to forgive.

One: Spirit of the Living God forgive us as we have mistreated, abused, taken advantage of native/first peoples, and taken over lands not our own and brought illness and hurts upon hurts.

Many: We grieve that we can't reverse what has been done and that there are no easy answers. Forgive us for our greed and lack of love.

One: We haven't learned from the past as we continue with wars to conquer, dominate, and subjugate.

Many: We pray for peace, that we would be peacemakers, and endeavor to speak out against violence.

One: Forgive us that we have not been good stewards of your creation. We have exploited the goodness of the earth for personal gains.

Many: Forgive us for our lack of foresight and passion to change.

One: O Spirit of Comfort and Wisdom, we bring before you the unspoken yearnings of our souls.

Many. The longing for a closer relationship with you. The search for a purpose in our lives. For lessons that turns knowledge into wisdom.

All: Creator have mercy. Redeemer, have mercy. Sustainer have mercy.

CHOIR ANTHEM *How Great Thou Art* Tongan Choir, Kilohana United Methodist Church

OFFERING - Invitation to Give Rev. Dr. Moses Barrios, Calvary by the Sea Lutheran Church

Offertory- *It is Well With My Soul* Tongan Choir

Congregational Response Song - *Give Thanks with a Grateful Heart*

Offering Prayer Rev. Bob Isip, Kilohana United Methodist Church

SCRIPTURE READING John 6:25-35 Rev. Malcolm Carr, Hawaii Kai United Church of Christ

CHOIR ANTHEM *The Hymns of Thanksgiving* Arr. By Linda Hartman
Combined Choir, Chris Suzuki, Music Director, Lorraine Yamamoto, Piano
Holy Nativity Episcopal Church

SERMON “Not All Bread Tastes the Same”
Rev. Dr. Moses Barrios, Calvary by the Sea Lutheran Church

CHOIR ANTHEM *Thanksgiving Song* Bonnie L. Moore, Arr. By Chris Suzuki

HOLY COMMUNION
Led by The Rev. Libby Berman & The Rev. Jennifer Latham, Holy Nativity Episcopal Church

Please turn to page 367 in The Book of Common Prayer in your pew rack. The congregation is invited to make all the responses, as noted in the text.

At the time of distribution of communion, please come forward in a single line to receive the bread from one of our priests. If you wish to receive the wine, as well, our Eucharistic Minister will stand outside the altar rail and invite you to drink from the cup (please do not dip/intinct). If you wish to receive a blessing, please cross your hands over your chest as you approach.

PRAYER of THANKSGIVING The Book of Common Prayer p. 365

HYMN # 397 (v. 1) *Now Thank We All Our God* Lorraine Yamamoto, Pianist

BENEDICTION The Rev. Libby Berman, Holy Nativity Episcopal Church

POSTLUDE *All People That on Earth Do Dwell* Lloyd Larson Lorraine Yamamoto, Pianist

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Rev. Bob Isip, Kilohana United Methodist Church

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Upcoming Events!

Kilohana United Methodist Church (5829 Mahimahi St. Hono. HI 96821) will be having
their “**Home for the Holidays**” sale of homemade and baked goods on:

Saturday Dec. 3rd 10am-12noon

Sunday Dec. 4th 11am – 1pm

Calvary by the Sea & Angel Network Charities invites Pantry guests, volunteers,
supporters, and the community to Thanksgiving Day Luncheon (November 24th)
from 11:30am – 1:00pm

Volunteers interested in helping out, please email ANC
at AngelNetworkCharities@gmail.com.

Sign-up at Eventbrite: <https://ancthanksgivinglunch.eventbrite.com/>

All are Welcome! We hope to see you there!