The 2nd Sunday after Pentecost

Holy Eucharist Sunday, June 22, 2025 at 9am



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

Prelude "As the Deer" by Martin Nystrom

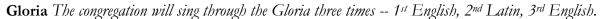
Opening Hymn #388 "O Worship the King, All Glorious Above"

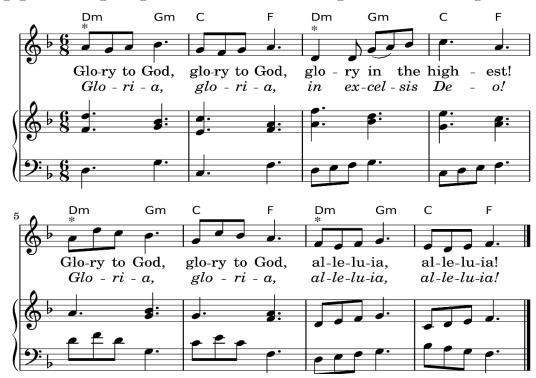
Opening Acclamation

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*.





The Collect of the Day

CelebrantThe Lord be with you.PeopleAnd also with you.CelebrantLet us pray.

O Lord, make us have perpetual love and reverence for your holy Name, for you never fail to help and govern those whom you have set upon the sure foundation of your loving-kindness; 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 1 Kings 19:1-4, 8-15a

Ahab told Jezebel all that Elijah had done, and how he had killed all the prophets with the sword. Then Jezebel sent a messenger to Elijah, saying, "So may the gods do to me, and more also, if I do not make your life like the life of one of them by this time tomorrow." Then he was afraid; he got up and fled for his life, and came to Beer-sheba, which belongs to Judah; he left his servant there.

But he himself went a day's journey into the wilderness, and came and sat down under a solitary broom tree. He asked that he might die: "It is enough; now, O LORD, take away my life, for I am no better than my ancestors." He got up, and ate and drank; then he went in the strength of that food forty days and forty nights to Horeb the mount of God. At that place he came to a cave, and spent the night there.

Then the word of the LORD came to him, saying, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" He answered, "I have been very zealous for the LORD, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away."

He said, "Go out and stand on the mountain before the LORD, for the LORD is about to pass by." Now there was a great wind, so strong that it was splitting mountains and breaking rocks in pieces before the LORD, but the LORD was not in the wind; and after the wind an earthquake, but the LORD was not in the earthquake; and after the earthquake a fire, but the LORD was not in the fire; and after the fire a sound of sheer silence. When Elijah heard it, he wrapped his face in his mantle and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave. Then there came a voice to him that said, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" He answered, "I have been very zealous for the LORD, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away." Then the LORD said to him, "Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus."

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

Psalm 42 The Reader will begin, and the congregation will respond with verses in BOLD.

1 As the deer longs for the water-brooks, so longs my soul for you, O God.

2 My soul is athirst for God, athirst for the living God; when shall I come to appear before the presence of God?

3 My tears have been my food day and night, while all day long they say to me, "Where now is your God?"

4 I pour out my soul when I think on these things: how I went with the multitude and led them into the house of God,

5 With the voice of praise and thanksgiving, among those who keep holy-day.

6 Why are you so full of heaviness, O my soul? and why are you so disquieted within me?

7 Put your trust in God; for I will yet give thanks to him, who is the help of my countenance, and my God.

8 My soul is heavy within me; therefore, I will remember you from the land of Jordan, and from the peak of Mizar among the heights of Hermon.

9 One deep calls to another in the noise of your cataracts; all your rapids and floods have gone over me.

10 The LORD grants his loving-kindness in the daytime; in the night season his song is with me, a prayer to the God of my life.

11 I will say to the God of my strength, "Why have you forgotten me? and why do I go so heavily while the enemy oppresses me?"

12 While my bones are being broken, my enemies mock me to my face;

13 All day long they mock me and say to me, "Where now is your God?"

14 Why are you so full of heaviness, O my soul? and why are you so disquieted within me?

15 Put your trust in God; for I will yet give thanks to him, who is the help of my countenance, and my God.

The Second Reading: Galatians 3:23-29

Now before faith came, we were imprisoned and guarded under the law until faith would be revealed. Therefore the law was our disciplinarian until Christ came, so that we might be justified by faith. But now that faith has come, we are no longer subject to a disciplinarian, for in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith. As many of you as were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. There is no longer Jew or Greek, there is no longer slave or free, there is no longer male and female; for all of you are one in Christ Jesus. And if you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to the promise.

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The Gospel: Luke 8:26-39

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 and his disciples arrived at the country of the Gerasenes, which is opposite Galilee. As he stepped out on land, a man of the city who had demons met him. For a long time he had worn no clothes, and he did not live in a house but in the tombs. When he saw Jesus, he fell down before him and shouted at the top of his voice, "What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg you, do not torment me" -- for Jesus had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. (For many times it had seized him; he was kept under guard and bound with chains and shackles, but he would break the bonds and be driven by the demon into the wilds.) Jesus then asked him, "What is your name?" He said, "Legion"; for many demons had entered him. They begged him not to order them to go back into the abyss.

Now there on the hillside a large herd of swine was feeding; and the demons begged Jesus to let them enter these. So he gave them permission. Then the demons came out of the man and entered the swine, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and was drowned.

When the swineherds saw what had happened, they ran off and told it in the city and in the country. Then people came out to see what had happened, and when they came to Jesus, they found the man from whom the demons had gone sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind. And they were afraid. Those who had seen it told them how the one who had been possessed by demons had been healed. Then all the people of the surrounding country of the Gerasenes asked Jesus to leave them; for they were seized with great fear. So he got into the boat and returned. The man from whom the demons had gone begged that he might be with him; but Jesus sent him away, saying, "Return to your home, and declare how much God has done for you."

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

The Sermon

The Nicene Creed

Found on the FRONT cover *or* flap of <u>The Book of Common Prayer</u>.

The Reverend Dr. Bill Heran

The Prayers of the People (Written by members of our Sunday School)

We ask your prayers for the church, that the fire of Pentecost sparks in us meaningful worship and brings warmth in our hearts for spreading peace among ourselves and to others in the world. *Silence*

We ask your prayers for leaders and those with any kind of authority, enlighten them as they remember their responsibility to care for others as they care for themselves. Please protect and bring safety and unity to people who are living in fear or brokenness. *Silence*

We ask your prayers for our world. We give thanks for the sun, the rain, and the valleys of our island home. May your Holy Spirit light our way to feed the hungry, bring peace in places of war, and increase understanding between people who disagree.

Silence

We ask your prayers for the people of our island. Thank you for the variety of cultures and languages that make us who we are. We ask for Wisdom to keep the environment clean. We ask you to bless the homeless and for affordable and safe homes where people can live. We remember those who are graduating. Bless them as they take the next steps on their journey.

Silence

We ask your prayers for people who suffer. Give them happy, safe, and peaceful lives. Now we invite you to say the names of people you love silently in your hearts or out loud so we all can hear. *Silence*

We ask your prayers for our saints who have died; for those who know you and for those whose faith only you know. Grant them rest and peace where there is no pain or sadness.

Silence

Priest offers a concluding 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 Hymn #529 "In Christ There is No East or West"

Marlene Patton, keyboardist

The Hawaiian Doxology *Please rise in body or in spirit to sing together.* Found on the BACK cover of The Book of Common Prayer.

The Holy Communion

The Great Thanksgiving: Enriching Our Worship Prayer 2 *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.

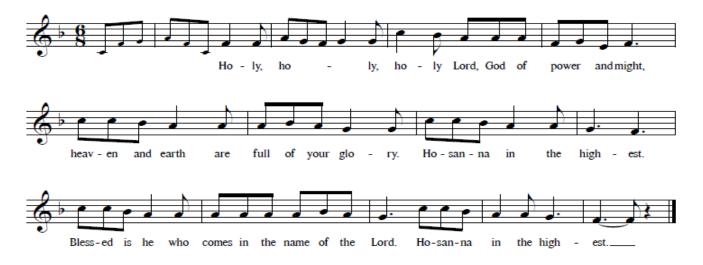
But we rebelled against you, and wandered far away; and yet, as a mother cares for her children, you would not forget us.

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 sing:

Sanctus WLP #857



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. 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.

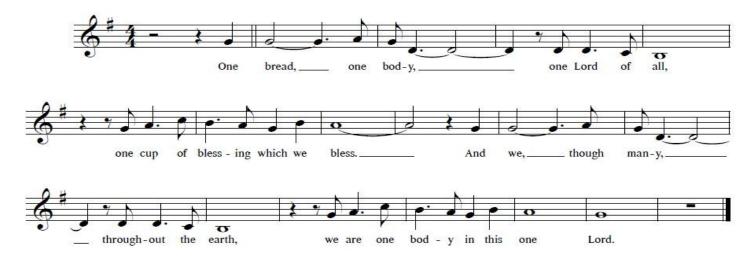
Give us this day our daily bread.

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.

Fraction "One Bread, One Body"



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 <u>or</u> 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 "One Bread, One Body" by John Foley/arr. by John Sarta

The Post-Communion Prayer (in unison)

God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

Announcements & The Blessing	
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The Reverend Libby Berman

Closing Hymn #411 "O Bless the Lord, O My Soul!"

The Dismissal

Deacon or Priest Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit! *People* Thanks be to God!

The Postlude "Faith of Our Father's" by Henri F. Hemy & James G. Walton Marlene Patton, Keyboardist

Thank you for joining us today!

Ministry Team for Today's Service

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

 1st Reader & Psalm: Lila Johnson 2nd Reader: Justin Donahue Intercessor: Juliet Cuadra Usher: Ed Stikeleather Technical team: Alex Picken and Georgia St. Germain
 Music Director: Ina Young Guest Keyboardist: Marlene Patton

Please join us *next* Sunday for the 3rd Sunday *after* Pentecost June 29, 2025 at 9am

Our Parish Prayer list:

Adele, Lisa May, Walter, Gerry, Bill, Madeline, Eric, Kati, Raj, Renu, Heather, Wayne, Todd, Tom, Doris, Linda, Esther, Betty, Bobby, Gregg, Lorraine, Kristi, Steven, Katherine, Kim.