

# The 4th Sunday *after* Pentecost

## Holy Eucharist

Sunday, June 21, 2026 at 9am

**FATHER'S DAY**



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*Sunday School on the lanai, except 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday for Family Sunday.*

Opening Hymn #635 “If Thou but Trust in God to Guide Thee”

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 Gloria (LEVAS #245) *FIRST* verse, only.

1. We have come in - to His house and gath - ered in His name to  
 2. So for - get a - bout your - self and con - cen - trate on Him and  
 3. Let us lift up ho - ly hands and mag - ni - fy His name and

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\_\_\_\_\_, wor-ship Christ, the Lord, \_\_\_\_\_ Wor-ship Him, Christ \_\_\_\_\_ the Lord. \_\_\_\_\_

The Collect of the Day

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* And also with you.

*Celebrant* Let 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** *Please be seated for the lessons of the day.*

### **The First Reading Genesis 21:8-21**

The child grew, and was weaned; and Abraham made a great feast on the day that Isaac was weaned. But Sarah saw the son of Hagar the Egyptian, whom she had borne to Abraham, playing with her son Isaac. So she said to Abraham, "Cast out this slave woman with her son; for the son of this slave woman shall not inherit along with my son Isaac." The matter was very distressing to Abraham on account of his son. But God said to Abraham, "Do not be distressed because of the boy and because of your slave woman; whatever Sarah says to you, do as she tells you, for it is through Isaac that offspring shall be named for you. As for the son of the slave woman, I will make a nation of him also, because he is your offspring." So Abraham rose early in the morning, and took bread and a skin of water, and gave it to Hagar, putting it on her shoulder, along with the child, and sent her away. And she departed, and wandered about in the wilderness of Beer-sheba.

When the water in the skin was gone, she cast the child under one of the bushes. Then she went and sat down opposite him a good way off, about the distance of a bowshot; for she said, "Do not let me look on the death of the child." And as she sat opposite him, she lifted up her voice and wept. And God heard the voice of the boy; and the angel of God called to Hagar from heaven, and said to her, "What troubles you, Hagar? Do not be afraid; for God has heard the voice of the boy where he is. Come, lift up the boy and hold him fast with your hand, for I will make a great nation of him." Then God opened her eyes and she saw a well of water. She went, and filled the skin with water, and gave the boy a drink.

God was with the boy, and he grew up; he lived in the wilderness, and became an expert with the bow. He lived in the wilderness of Paran; and his mother got a wife for him from the land of Egypt.

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

*People* Thanks be to God.

### **Psalm 86:1-10, 16-17**

*Reading responsively every other line in bold.*

1 Bow down your ear, O LORD, and answer me, for I am poor and in misery.

**2 Keep watch over my life, for I am faithful; save your servant who puts his trust in you.**

3 Be merciful to me, O LORD, for you are my God; I call upon you all the day long.

**4 Gladden the soul of your servant, for to you, O LORD, I lift up my soul.**

5 For you, O LORD, are good and forgiving, and great is your love toward all who call upon you.

**6 Give ear, O LORD, to my prayer, and attend to the voice of my supplications.**

7 In the time of my trouble I will call upon you, for you will answer me.

**8 Among the gods there is none like you, O LORD, nor anything like your works.**

9 All nations you have made will come and worship you, O LORD, and glorify your Name.

**10 For you are great; you do wondrous things; and you alone are God.**

16 Turn to me and have mercy upon me; give your strength to your servant; and save the child of your handmaid.

**17 Show me a sign of your favor, so that those who hate me may see it and be ashamed; because you, O LORD, have helped me and comforted me.**

**The Second Reading: Romans 6:1b-11**

Should we continue in sin in order that grace may abound? By no means! How can we who died to sin go on living in it? Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? Therefore we have been buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life.

For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. We know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body of sin might be destroyed, and we might no longer be enslaved to sin. For whoever has died is freed from sin. But if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. The death he died, he died to sin, once for all; but the life he lives, he lives to God. So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

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

*People* Thanks be to God.

**Sequence Hymn #671 "Amazing Grace" verse 1**

**The Gospel: Matthew 10:24-39**

*All standing, the Deacon or Priest reads the Gospel*

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

*People* Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said to the twelve disciples, "A disciple is not above the teacher, nor a slave above the master; it is enough for the disciple to be like the teacher, and the slave like the master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household!

"So have no fear of them; for nothing is covered up that will not be uncovered, and nothing secret that will not become known. What I say to you in the dark, tell in the light; and what you hear whispered, proclaim from the housetops. Do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell. Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father. And even the hairs of your head are all counted. So do not be afraid; you are of more value than many sparrows.

“Everyone therefore who acknowledges me before others, I also will acknowledge before my Father in heaven; but whoever denies me before others, I also will deny before my Father in heaven.

“Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth; I have not come to bring peace, but a sword.

For I have come to set a man against his father,  
and a daughter against her mother,  
and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law;  
and one’s foes will be members of one’s own household.

Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever does not take up the cross and follow me is not worthy of me.

Those who find their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it.”

*After the Gospel, the Reader says*

The Gospel of the Lord.

*People* Praise to you, Lord Christ.

### **Sequence Hymn #671 “Amazing Grace” verse 5**

#### **The Sermon**

Dr. Stephen Noerper

#### **The Nicene Creed**

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

#### **The Prayers of the People**

Written by the members of the Holy Nativity School 3G class.

*Please respond to the words “Lord in your mercy” with “Hear our prayer.”*

Lord of love, we pray for our church, that we are safe from trouble. Let people be happy and not sad.

Lord in your mercy,

**Hear our prayer.**

We pray for the people in the world. May they all stay safe and happy. May God help us in the hard times and may God’s love stay with us and may we always stay in God’s heart.

Lord in your mercy,

**Hear our prayer.**

Emmanuel, we pray for those who need help, please bring peace. We pray for the homeless that are suffering and we pray we may help them. We pray for the people that are around floods, hurricanes, and tsunamis. Heavenly Father, let everyone feel loved and blessed. Lord in your mercy,

**Hear our prayer.**

We pray for the people who have died. May God take good care of our loved ones and may they always stay in our hearts. We pray for the people who were in the military, who have died in war and also for people who died in fires, floods, tsunamis. May God bring them safe and happy up to heaven.

Lord in your mercy,

**Hear our prayer.**

*Priest offers a concluding collect.*

## The Confession and the Absolution

*The Celebrant says*

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Silence may be kept.*

*Celebrant 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

*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.*”

Please place your offerings into the koa bowl as the ushers bring it by.

For those worshipping at home, please continue to support Holy Nativity with your financial gifts by sending checks to:

Church of the Holy Nativity, 5286 Kalaniana’ole Hwy, Honolulu, HI 96821. Mahalo!

## Offertory Hymn

# His Eye Is on the Sparrow

Civilla Durfee Martin, 1905

C C F

1. Why should I feel dis - cour-aged, Why should the sha - dows  
 2. "Let not your heart be trou-bled," His ten - der word I  
 3. When - ev - er I am tempt - ed, When - ev - er clouds a -

4 C A7 F G7

come, Why should my heart be lo - nely, And long for Heav'n and  
 hear, And rest - ing on His good-ness, I lose my doubts and  
 rise, When songs give place to sigh - ing, When hope with in me

8 C C C C

home, When Je - sus is my por-tion? My con - stant friend is  
 fears; Though by the path He lead-eth, But one step I may  
 dies, I draw the clos - er to Him, From care He sets me

12 F G7 C G7 C C

He:  
 see; His eye is on the spar-row, And I know He watch - es me: His eye is on the  
 free:

18 F C G7 C Refrain G C

spar-row, and I know He watch - es me. I sing be - cause I'm ha - ppy, I

24 G C C

sing be - cause I'm free, For His eye is on the

27 F C G7 C

spar - row, And I know he watch - es me.

## 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: Eucharistic Prayer 3 from Enriching our Worship I

*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.

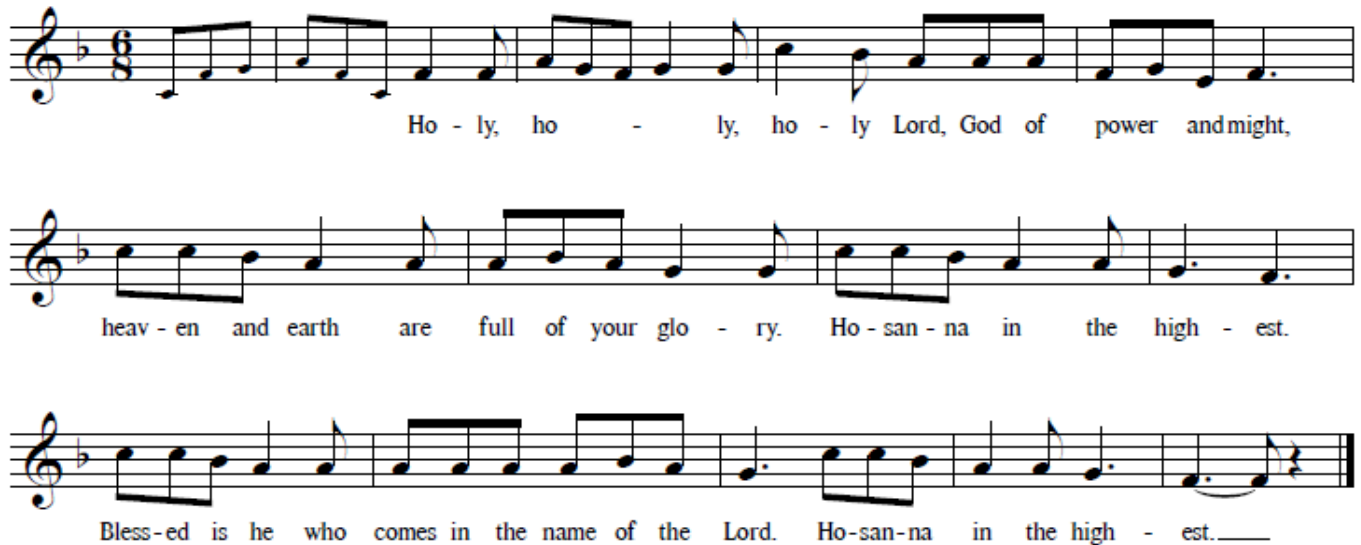
*People:* We lift them to the Lord.

*Celebrant:* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People:* It is right to give him thanks and praise.

*Celebrant* All thanks and praise are yours at all times and in all places, our true and loving God; through Jesus Christ, your eternal Word, the Wisdom from on high by whom you created all things. You laid the foundations of the world and enclosed the sea when it burst out from the womb; You brought forth all creatures of the earth and gave breath to humankind. Wondrous are you, Holy One of Blessing, all you create is a sign of hope for our journey; And so as the morning stars sing your praises we join the heavenly beings and all creation as we sing with joy.

### Sanctus WLP #857



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,  
heav - en 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 Celebrant continues*

Glory and honor are yours, Creator of all, your Word has never been silent; you called a people to yourself, as a light to the nations, you delivered them from bondage and led them to a land of promise. Of your grace, you gave Jesus to be human, to share our life, to proclaim the coming of your holy reign and give himself for us, a fragrant offering.

Through Jesus Christ our Redeemer, you have freed us from sin, brought us into your life, reconciled us to you, and restored us to the glory you intend for us.

We thank you that on the night before he died for us Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, gave it to his friends and said: "Take, eat, this is my Body, broken for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper Jesus took the cup of wine, said the blessing, gave it to his friends and said: "Drink this, all of you: this cup is the new Covenant in my Blood, poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me."

And so, remembering all that was done for us: the cross, the tomb, the resurrection and ascension, longing for Christ's coming in glory, and presenting to you these gifts your earth has formed and human hands have made, we acclaim you, O Christ:

*Celebrant and People*

**Dying, you destroyed our death. Rising, you restored our life. Christ Jesus, come in glory!**

*The Celebrant continues*

Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts of bread and wine that they may be to us the Body and Blood of your Christ. Grant that we, burning with your Spirit's power, may be a people of hope, justice and love. Giver of Life, draw us together in the Body of Christ, and in the fullness of time gather us with blessed King Kamehameha IV, Queen Emma, Queen Lili'uokalani, and all your people into the joy of our true eternal home. Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, we worship you our God and Creator in voices of unending praise.

*Celebrant and People*

**Blessed are you now and for ever. AMEN!**

### **The Lord's Prayer**

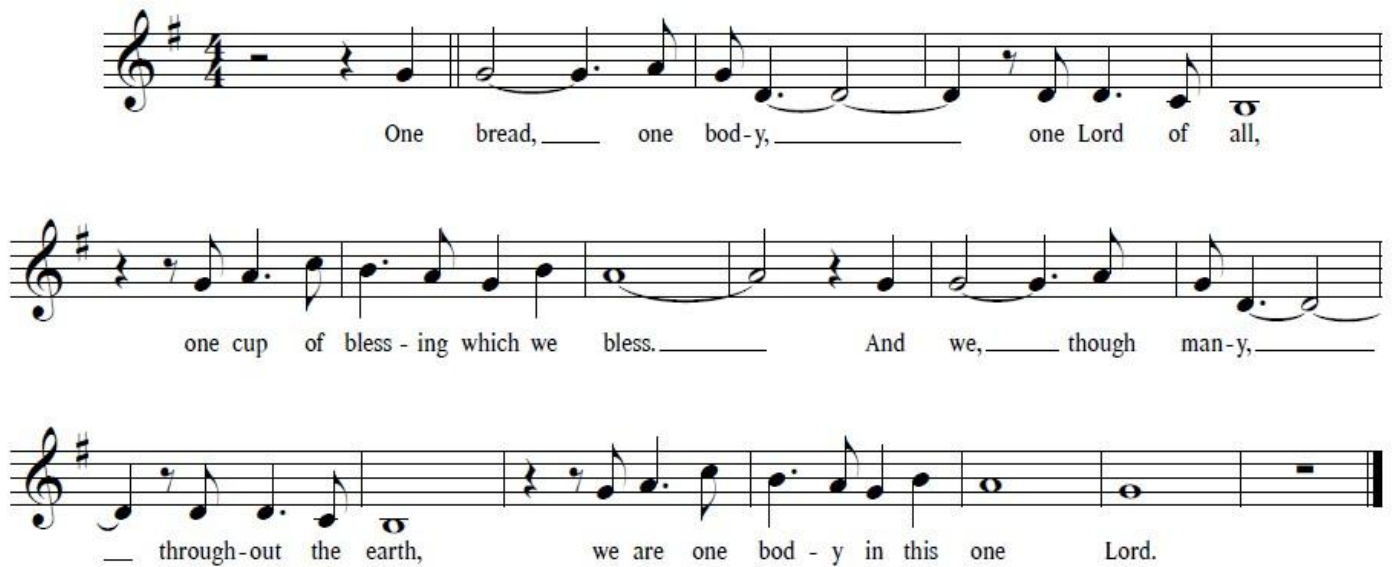
*Celebrant:* And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say.

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 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.

**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 Anthem “Be Not Afraid”** by Bob Dufford, SJ

Offered by Ina Young

**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**

The Reverend Jennifer Latham

**Closing Hymn #594 “God of Grace God of Glory”**

**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**

Offered by Ina Young

Thank you for joining us today!

Please join us after service in Osco Field for Father's Day activities, refreshments, and fellowship!

Ministry Team for Today's Service

**Clergy:** The Reverends Libby Berman, Jennifer Latham, and Alison Dingley

**1<sup>st</sup> Reading:** Noel Donahue

**2<sup>nd</sup> Reading:** Justin Donahue

**Eucharistic Minister:** Christine Donnelly **Acolyte:** Isaiah Zitz

**Intercessor:** Ed Stikeleather **Usher:** Justin Donahue

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

**Music Director:** Ina Young **Instrumentalist:** Amie

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Please join us *next* Sunday for the 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday *after* Pentecost

June 28, 2026 at 9:00am

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**Our Parish Prayer list:**

Adele, Lisa May, Raj & Renu, Eric & Katy, Lea, Thomas, Heather, Linda, Donna, Aidan, Nobuko, Chris, Mildred, Tom, Doris, Esther, Betty, Bobby, Isamu, Sydney, Tony, Geoff, John, Lani & Roger, Diane, and Mary.