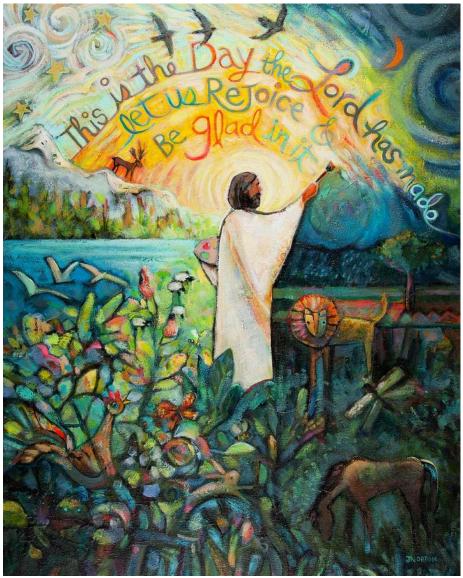
# The Third Sunday of Easter Holy Eucharist *Family Sunday* April 14, 2024 at 9am



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Sunday School on the lanai, <u>except</u> 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday (Family Sunday.)

## **Gathering Music**

## Opening Hymn #207 "Jesus Christ is Risen Today" (verses 1, 2 & 4)

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

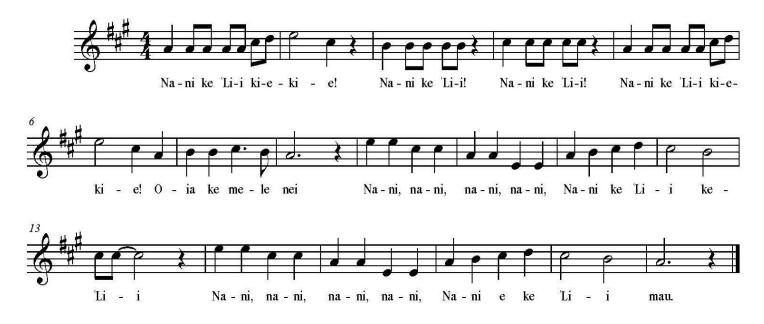
Celebrant	Alleluia! Christ is risen!
People	The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!

#### 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.* 

## Nani Ke 'Lii Kiekie - Glory to God in the Highest (William B. Bradbury)

The Choir will lead us; the congregation is welcome to join in.



#### The Collect of the Day

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

O God, whose blessed Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of bread: Open the eyes of our faith, that we may behold him in all his redeeming work; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.* 

# The Lessons

The people are seated for the readings of the day.

# First Reading Acts 3:12-19

Peter stood up to talk to the people, after making a lame man walk again:

People of Israel, why do you look at us as if we were able to make this man walk? You know that God-the God of our ancestors Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob-gave awesome powers to Jesus, who then died because of his convictions. He was the holy and righteous one, but you rejected him and sent him to his death.

But we believe in him and his name. It was through his name that we were able to make this man's legs strong again. Faith in Jesus has brought him to perfect health right in front of all of you.

Jesus suffered at your hands, just as prophets predicted would happen. But you can turn around, and turn to God. God will forgive.

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

# Psalm 4 The reader will begin, and the congregation will follow reading the **bold** verses.

When I call you, please answer me, God. I know you will back me up. You have come to my rescue in tough times before. Please listen to me now. You have planted gladness in my heart, O God.

You people. What am I going to do with you? How long will you mock me to my face? How long will you follow things that have no substance whatsoever? You have planted gladness in my heart, O God.

I know that the Lord does wonders for faithful people and when I call upon God, he will hear me. You have planted gladness in my heart, O God.

You should be very aware when you are in God's presence and don't mess things up! Calm your spirit when you lay down at night to sleep. Do what you need to do, and count on God's goodness. You have planted gladness in my heart, O God.

I know many people are whining that things couldn't get any worse and they wish things would get better quickly. Life up your face and have it shine on us, O Lord. **You have planted gladness in my heart, O God.** 

You have planted gladness in my heart. I'm happier than when I have plenty to eat and drink. I am at peace. When I lay my head down at night, I don't worry like I used to. I fall asleep right away because I know that you, Lord, have my back. You have planted gladness in my heart, O God.

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#### The Gospel: Luke 24:36b-48

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

DeaconThe Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to LukePeopleGlory to you, Lord Christ.

All of a sudden Jesus was in the middle of his disciples and said, "Peace, brothers!" Instead of being peaceful, they were terrified and thought they were seeing a ghost. Jesus said to them, "What are you scared of? Look, it's me, Jesus. See my hands and feet, still with the marks of nails. Go ahead and touch me. Ghosts don't have bones like I do." They were happy to see Jesus, but still weren't sure what was going on. Jesus said, "So have you got something to eat here?" They gave him some broiled fish and watched him eat it. Jesus said, "I told you when I was alive with you that everything written about me had to come true. Do you remember me saying that?" Then he opened their minds so they could understand what he was saying, and what the scriptures meant.

"It is written," Jesus said, "that the Messiah is to suffer and rise from the dead, and that in his name you should tell people about turning to God and having their sin forgiven. Remember that you heard me say this."

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

The Sermon

Dr. Stephen Noerper

## The Nicene Creed

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

**The Prayers of the People** (adapted from the Church of England's "Times and Seasons") *The Intercessor will begin; the congregation is invited to join in the responses printed in bold.* 

Intercessor We pray for God to fill us with his Spirit.

Generous God, we thank you for the *power* of your Holy Spirit. We ask that we may be strengthened to serve you better. Lord, come to bless us **and fill us with your Spirit**.

We thank you for the *wisdom* of your Holy Spirit. We ask you to make us wise to understand your will. Lord, come to bless us **and fill us with your Spirit**.

We thank you for the *peace* of your Holy Spirit. We ask you to keep us confident of your love wherever you call us. Lord, come to bless us **and fill us with your Spirit**.

We thank you for the *healing* of your Holy Spirit.

We ask you to bring reconciliation and wholeness where there is division, sickness and sorrow. And we pray for all those suffering illnesses or hardship. Lord, come to bless us **and fill us with your Spirit**. We thank you for the *gifts* of your Holy Spirit. We ask you to equip us for the work which you have given us. Lord, come to bless us **and fill us with your Spirit**.

We thank you for the *fruit* of your Holy Spirit. We ask you to reveal in our lives the love of Jesus. Lord, come to bless us **and fill us with your Spirit**.

We thank you for the *breath* of your Holy Spirit, given us by the risen Lord. We ask you to keep the whole Church, living and departed, in the joy of eternal life. Lord, come to bless us **and fill us with your Spirit**.

Generous God, you sent your Holy Spirit upon your Messiah at the river Jordan, and upon the disciples in the upper room: in your mercy fill us with your Spirit, hear our prayer, and make us one in heart and mind to serve you with joy for ever. Amen.

The Presider concludes the Prayers with a collect.

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

To you we come, Father of lights, with angels and saints, where heaven and earth unite. May Jesus meet us in the breaking of the bread, Amen.

#### The Offertory Hymn #178 "Alleluia, Give Thanks to the Risen Lord"

Please join the HN Singers in this hymn.

For those worshipping with us today, we encourage you to place your financial offerings in the koa bowls being passed. For those worshipping at home (via zoom), please continue to support Holy Nativity with your pledges and financial gifts by sending checks to Church of the Holy Nativity, 5286 Kalaniana'ole Hny, Honolulu, HI 96821. Mahalo!

#### The Hawaiian Doxology

Please rise in body or in spirit.



# The Holy Communion

#### The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer A

Book of Common Prayer, p. 361

The people remain standing. The Celebrant faces them and sings

#### 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,

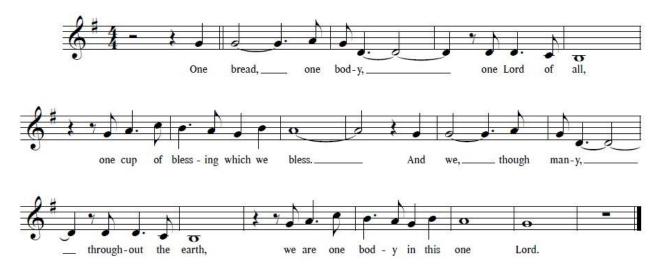
## The Breaking of the Bread

for ever and ever. Amen.

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.

#### One Bread, One Body



The Celebrant says The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

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At the time of distribution, those who wish to receive should move forward to the altar rail in TWO lines. The person at the head of the line on each side should take the "Makai position" at the altar rail, nearest to the pulpit and the altar rail on either side, respectively. Four or five can fit comfortably on each side of the rail. You may kneel or stand to receive the sacrament, as is most comfortable.

You are welcome to receive the bread only or both the bread and the wine from the ministers who will come past you. If you choose to receive the wine, please drink from the chalice, rather than dip or "intinct." If you wish to receive a blessing, place your hands across your chest as you approach.

## **Communion Music**

## 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

# The Blessing

## Closing Song "Magic Penny" Please join our HN Singers!

## Refrain:

Love is something if you give it away, give it away, give it away. Love is something if you give it away--you end up having more!

It's just like a magic penny--Hold it tight and you won't have any. Lend it, spend it, and you'll have so many...they'll roll all over the floor. For... **Refrain** 

Money's dandy and we like to use it, but love is better if you don't refuse it. It's a treasure and you'll never lose it...unless you lock up your door. For... Refrain

So let's go dancing till the break of day, and if there's a piper, we can pay. For love is something if you give it awayyou end up having more! For... **Refrain** 

## 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

Ginnie Long, Vestry

The Reverend Libby Berman

Dr. Cat

#### We thank you for joining us today!

#### Ministry Team for Today's Service

Eucharistic minister: Sandra Braham Usher: Jack Tonaki Intercessor: Olesya Noerper Acolyte: Ethan Miyasaka Technical team: Alex Pickens & Georgia St. Germain Music Director: Chris Suzuki Clergy: The Reverends Libby Berman, Jennifer Latham, and Robert Steele Ministry Intern: Bill Heran

Join us next Sunday for the Fourth Sunday of Easter, April 21, 2024 (in person & on Zoom)

Please join us in the celebration of Rev. Libby's 60th Birthday!

We pray for those on our parish prayer list:

Eric & Katy, Leandra, Karen, Renu & Raj, Luci, Dave, David, Sheri, Wayne, Heather, Todd, Tom, Kate, Michael, Ann, Joyce, Sandee, Doris, Olav, Linda, Sue, Robert, and Esther.