

7th Sunday of Easter
May 21 at 9am
The Sunday after Ascension Day.



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Gathering Music & Prelude “Come, Let Us Rise with Christ” (Anthony Giamanco)

Lorraine Yamamoto, organist

Opening Hymn #450 “All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name”

Led by the Choir; the congregation is encouraged to 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.

Na - ni ke 'Li-i ki-e - ki - e! Na - ni ke 'Li-i! Na - ni ke 'Li-i! Na - ni ke 'Li-i ki-e-

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ki - e! O - ia ke me - le nei Na - ni, na - ni, na - ni, na - ni, Na - ni ke 'Li - i ke -

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'Li - i Na - ni, na - ni, na - ni, na - ni, Na - ni e ke 'Li - i mau.

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, the King of glory, you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven: Do not leave us comfortless, but send us your Holy Spirit to strengthen us, and exalt us to that place

where our Savior Christ has gone before; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting. *Amen.*

The Lessons

The people are seated for the readings of the day.

1st Reading Acts 1:6-14

When the apostles had come together, they asked Jesus, “Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?” He replied, “It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.” When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. They said, “Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven.”

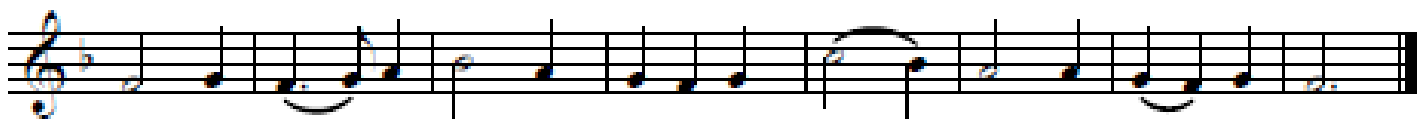
Then they returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a sabbath day’s journey away. When they had entered the city, they went to the room upstairs where they were staying, Peter, and John, and James, and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James son of Alphaeus, and Simon the Zealot, and Judas son of James. All these were constantly devoting themselves to prayer, together with certain women, including Mary the mother of Jesus, as well as his brothers.

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

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 68:1-10, 33-36

The reader will read each set of verses. The Choir will lead us all in the Antiphon, where it is appointed. The congregation will please join in the singing.



Sing to God, O king - dome of the earth; sing praises to the Lord.

- 1 Let God arise, and let his enemies be scattered;
let those who hate him flee before him.
- 2 Let them vanish like smoke when the wind drives it away;
as the wax melts at the fire, so let the wicked perish at the presence of God.
- 3 But let the righteous be glad and rejoice before God;
let them also be merry and joyful. **[ANTIPHON]**
- 4 Sing to God, sing praises to his Name;
exalt him who rides upon the heavens;
YAHWEH is his Name, rejoice before him!

- 5 Father of orphans, defender of widows,
God in his holy habitation!
- 6 God gives the solitary a home and brings forth prisoners into freedom;
but the rebels shall live in dry places. **[ANTIPHON]**
- 7 O God, when you went forth before your people,
when you marched through the wilderness,
- 8 The earth shook, and the skies poured down rain,
at the presence of God, the God of Sinai,
at the presence of God, the God of Israel. **[ANTIPHON]**
- 9 You sent a gracious rain, O God, upon your inheritance;
you refreshed the land when it was weary.
- 10 Your people found their home in it;
in your goodness, O God, you have made provision for the poor. **[ANTIPHON]**
- 33 Sing to God, O kingdoms of the earth;
sing praises to the Lord.
- 34 He rides in the heavens, the ancient heavens;
he sends forth his voice, his mighty voice.
- 35 Ascribe power to God;
his majesty is over Israel;
his strength is in the skies.
- 36 How wonderful is God in his holy places!
the God of Israel giving strength and power to his people!
Blessed be God! **[ANTIPHON]**

2nd Reading 1 Peter 4:12-14; 5:6-11

Beloved, do not be surprised at the fiery ordeal that is taking place among you to test you, as though something strange were happening to you. But rejoice insofar as you are sharing Christ's sufferings, so that you may also be glad and shout for joy when his glory is revealed. If you are reviled for the name of Christ, you are blessed, because the spirit of glory, which is the Spirit of God, is resting on you.

Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, so that he may exalt you in due time. Cast all your anxiety on him, because he cares for you. Discipline yourselves, keep alert. Like a roaring lion your adversary the devil prowls around, looking for someone to devour. Resist him, steadfast in your faith, for you know that your brothers and sisters in all the world are undergoing the same kinds of suffering. And after you have suffered for a little while, the God of all grace, who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ, will himself restore, support, strengthen, and establish you. To him be the power forever and ever. Amen.

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The Gospel: John 17:1-11

Then, all standing, the Deacon reads the Gospel

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to John

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus looked up to heaven and said, “Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son so that the Son may glorify you, since you have given him authority over all people, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. And this is eternal life, that they may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. I glorified you on earth by finishing the work that you gave me to do. So now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had in your presence before the world existed.

“I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one.”

After the Gospel, the Reader says

The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

The Reverend Doctor Robert Steele

The Nicene Creed

ICET text (1988)

The Celebrant begins. The people join in.

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,
begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary, and became truly human.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified.
who has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

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.
We pray for those on our parish prayer list: **Raj & Renu, Eric & Katy, Dieter, Sofia, Dorie & Agenhart, Wayne, Heather, John, Todd, Tom, Kate, MTT, Peggy, Kitten, Lee & Lucille, Lance, Ann, Maxine, Lorraine (M), Dave, Cynthia, Joyce, Sandee, Sheri, and Doris.**

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 Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you!

People And also with you!



Yours, O God, is the greatness, and the power, and the glory, and the victory, and the majesty. For all that is in heaven and in the earth is yours. Yours is the kingdom, O God, and you are exalted as head above all. (I Chronicles 29:11)

The Offertory Music “Alleluia” (Luigi Cherubini)

HNC Choir

Please place your offerings in the koa bowl as the usher passes it within the congregation. For those worshipping at home, please continue to support Holy Nativity with your financial gifts by sending checks made out to Holy Nativity OR by using the blue button on our website homepage to make your offering online www.holynativityhonolulu.org (new URL) Mahalo!

The Hawaiian Doxology

We welcome you to join in with the Choir.

Ho-o - na-ni i ka Ma - ku - a mau, Ke kei - ki me ka 'U - ha - ne no, Ke A -

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ku-a mau Ho-o - mai ka - 'i pu, Ko ke - ia ao ko ke - la ao. 'Ā - me-ne.

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

Lift Up your Hearts Sursum Corda

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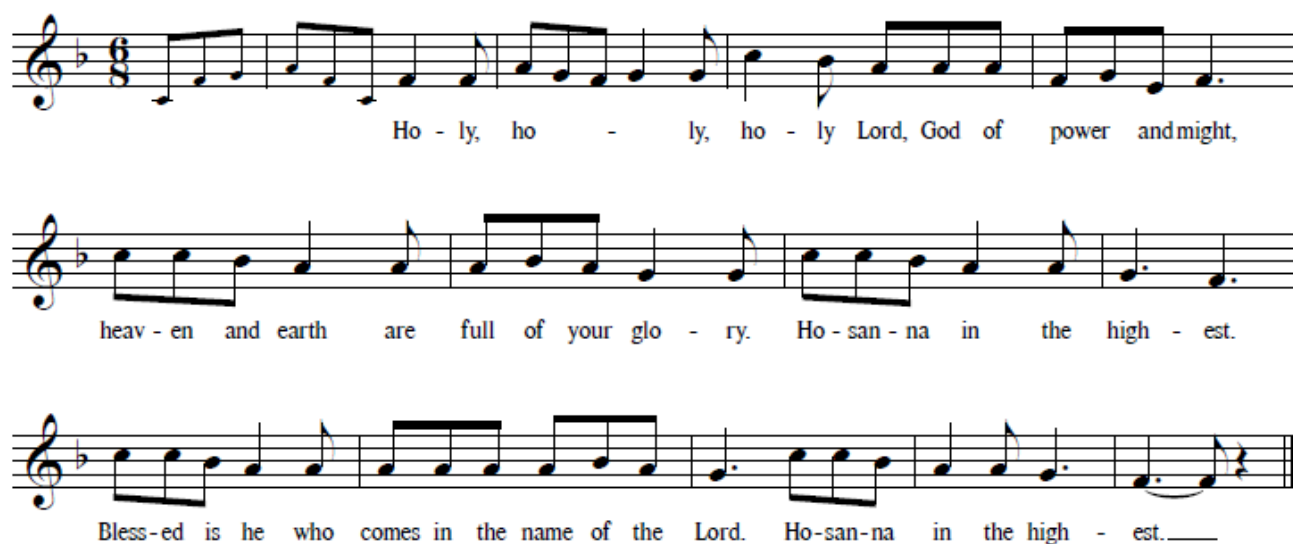
Celebrant *People*
The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Celebrant *People*
Lift up your hearts. 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.

WLP 857 Sanctus



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 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!

Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation.

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.

You may receive the sacrament in one (bread) or both (bread and wine) kinds. Please come forward to receive the bread first. Then turn toward the Eucharistic Minister if you wish to receive wine from the chalice. (Please take a sip, but do not “intinct” or “dip.”). Receiving the bread only is considered a full communion in our church. If you wish to come forward to receive a blessing, cross your hands over your chest as you approach.

Communion Music “Shall We Gather at the River” Music by Robert Lowry/ Arranged for flute by Gary Lanier
Kathy Otani, flute & Lorraine Yamamoto, piano.

The Post-Communion Prayer

After Communion, the Celebrant says

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 Hymn #494 “Crown Him With Many Crowns”

Led by the Choir; the congregation is encouraged to join in.

The Dismissal

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

Postlude “Look, Ye Saints, the Sight is Glorious” (Allan Mahnke)

Lorraine Yamamoto, organist

After service, when leaving, *please* bring the Book of Common Prayer (books) to the back of the nave and place them on the designated table.

Thank you for joining us today!

Ministry Team for Today's Service

Clergy: The Reverends Libby Berman, Jennifer Latham, and Robert Steele

Readers: Alison Kittle & Barbara Abe

Eucharistic Minister: Lila Johnson **Intercessor:** Kim Garner

Usher: Rafael Lopez **Alter Guild:** Braham Team

Technical team: Alex Picken and Thomas Campello

Music Director: Chris Suzuki **Organist:** Lorraine Yamamoto **Guest Flautist:** Kathy Otani

Join us next Sunday for The Day of Pentecost May 28th at 9AM

(in person & on Zoom)

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Please join our Holy Nativity School community for the following end-of-year celebration:

6<sup>th</sup> Grade Graduation

Thursday, May 25<sup>th</sup> at 8:30am, in the nave.

