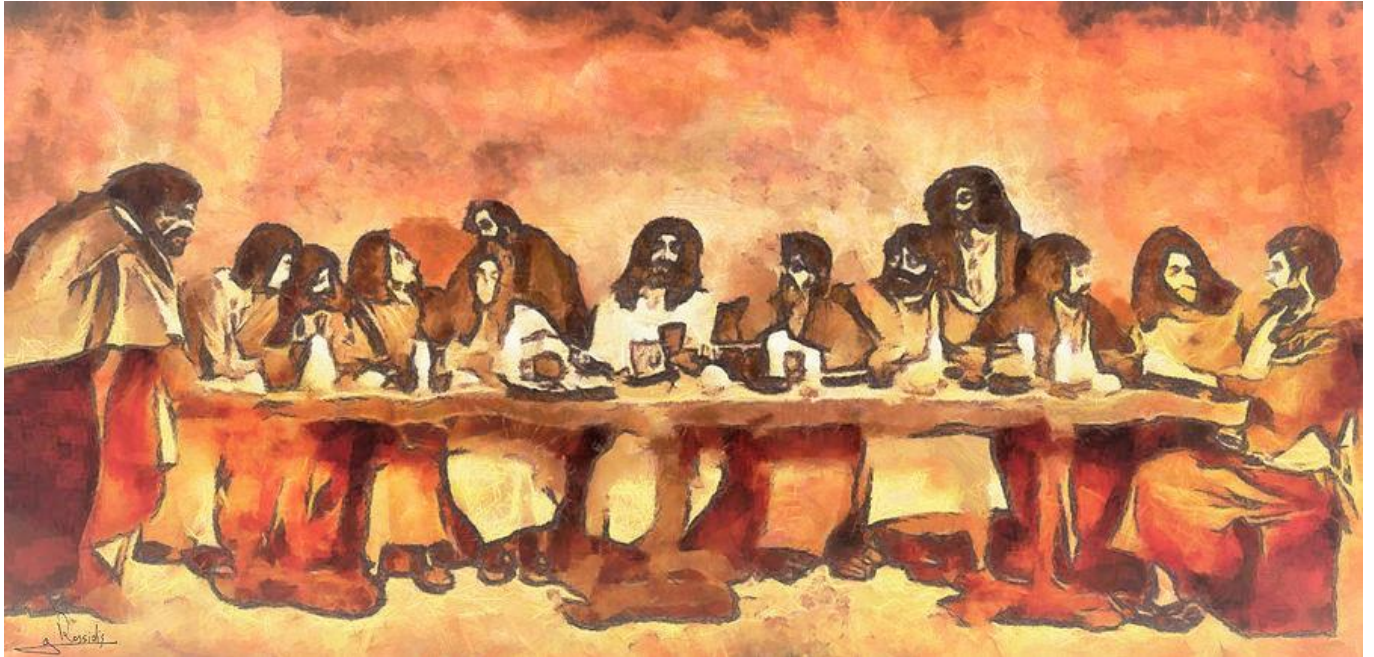


**Fifth Sunday of Easter  
Sunday, May 15th at 9am**



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*(During Services, masks are encouraged, but not required. Thank you.)*

## Gathering Music

Lorraine Yamamoto

### Prelude “Holy, Holy, Holy” (John Purifoy)

Lorraine Yamamoto, organist

### Opening Hymn #191 “Alleluia, Alleluia”

*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.*

### The Gloria

The Book of Common Prayer p.356

### The Collect of the Day

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* And also with you.

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

Almighty God, whom truly to know is everlasting life: Grant us so perfectly to know your Son Jesus Christ to be the way, the truth, and the life, that we may steadfastly follow his steps in the way that leads to eternal life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

## The Lessons

*The people are seated for the readings of the day. The Reader first saying:*

### Reader: "A reading from Acts 11:1-18"

Now the apostles and the believers who were in Judea heard that the Gentiles had also accepted the word of God. So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers criticized him, saying, "Why did you go to uncircumcised men and eat with them?" Then Peter began to explain it to them, step by step, saying, "I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision. There was something like a large sheet coming down from heaven, being lowered by its four corners; and it came close to me. As I looked at it closely I saw four-footed animals, beasts of prey, reptiles, and birds of the air. I also heard a voice saying to me, 'Get up, Peter; kill and eat.' But I replied, 'By no means, Lord; for nothing profane or unclean has ever entered my mouth.' But a second time the voice answered from heaven, 'What God has made clean, you must not call profane.' This happened three times; then everything was pulled up again to heaven. At that very moment three men, sent to me from Caesarea, arrived at the house where we were. The Spirit told me to go with them and not to make a distinction between them and us. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man's house. He told us how he had seen the angel standing in his house and saying, 'Send to Joppa and bring Simon, who is called Peter; he will give you a message by which you and your entire household will be saved.' And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell upon them just as it had upon us at the beginning. And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said, 'John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.' If then God gave them the same gift that he gave us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could hinder God?" When they heard this, they were silenced. And they praised God, saying, "Then God has given even to the Gentiles the repentance that leads to life."

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

*People* Thanks be to God.

**Psalm 148** Words and music can be found on the last *two* pages of this bulletin.

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

## **Reader: “A reading from Revelation 21:1-6”**

I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying,

"See, the home of God is among mortals.  
He will dwell with them as their God;  
they will be his peoples,  
and God himself will be with them;  
he will wipe every tear from their eyes.  
Death will be no more;  
mourning and crying and pain will be no more,  
for the first things have passed away."

And the one who was seated on the throne said, "See, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true." Then he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life."

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

*People* Thanks be to God.

## **The Gospel: John 13:31-35**

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

*Reader* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to John.

*People* Glory to you, Lord Christ.

At the last supper, when Judas had gone out, Jesus said, "Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, 'Where I am going, you cannot come.' I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

*After the Gospel, the Reader says*

The Gospel of the Lord.

*People* Praise to you, Lord Christ.

## **The Sermon**

The Reverend Dr. Robert Steele

## **The Nicene Creed**

ICET text (1987)

*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: list **Sandy T.A., Lora V., Sylvia, Donovan, Ryan, Blake, Bruce, Chris, Wayne, Heather, Erwin, Dorie & Agenhart, John, Todd, Terry, Sharon, Elaine, Tom, Sue, David W., Eric, Katy, Kate, Sandee, Barbara, Mary F.** 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 “Come Down, O Love Divine” (Don McAfee)**

Lorraine Yamamoto, organist

For those worshipping in person, please place your offerings in the koa bowl at the rear of the church. For those worshipping at home, please continue your support by sending checks to Church of the Holy Nativity, 5286 Kalaniana'ole Hwy, Honolulu, HI 96821. Thank you to all.

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

## The Holy Communion

### The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer 2 *From "Enriching our Worship 1"*

*The people remain standing. The Celebrant faces them and sings*

S 120

**The Holy Eucharist II**  
**Lift up your hearts**      *Sursum corda*

The musical score consists of four staves. The first staff is for the Celebrant and the People, with the lyrics 'The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.' The second staff is also for the Celebrant and the People, with the lyrics 'Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.' The third staff is for the Celebrant, with the lyrics 'Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.' The fourth staff is for the People, with the lyrics 'It is right to give him thanks and praise.' The musical notation includes various note values, rests, and dynamic markings.

*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.

*Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds*



We praise you and 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:

*Celebrant and People*

**The Holy Eucharist II** **S 128**  
**Holy, holy, holy Lord** *Sanctus*



Ho - ly, ho - ly,  
ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven 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.

Setting: William Mathias (b. 1934)

*The people stand, sit, or kneel, as is most comfortable for each, in continuing prayer. 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.

*At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing the wine to be consecrated.*

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 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.

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

*People and Celebrant*

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!

**S 167** **The Holy Eucharist**  
**Fraction Anthem: The disciples knew the Lord Jesus**  
*This setting is not used in Lent.*  
*Antiphon*  
*Cantor; then All*

The dis - ci - ples knew the Lord Je - sus in the break - ing of the bread.

*Cantor*

1. The bread which we break, al - le - lu - ia,

is the com - mun - ion of the bo - dy of Christ. [Ant.]

*Cantor*

2. One bo - dy are we, al - le - lu - ia,

for though man - y we share one bread.[Ant.]

Setting: Mode 6 melody; adapt. Mason Martens (b. 1933)

*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.

*When you have received the sacrament, please return to your seat to consume it. (If you wish to receive a blessing in place of the Sacrament, please cross your hands over your chest as you approach.) Receiving the sacrament “in one kind only,” as we are doing today, is considered by the Church to be a full communion.*

## **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**

The Reverend Libby Berman

## **Closing Hymn #343 “Shepherd of Souls”**

*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 “Festive Postlude on ‘Hyfrydol’” (Mary McDonald)**

Lorraine Yamamoto, organist



**Thank you for joining us today!**

**Ministry Team for Today's Service**

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

**Readers:** David Callies & Jean Steele

**Eucharistic Minister:** Rick Fung   **Intercessor:** Kim Garner

**Usher:** Jack Tonaki   **Altar Guild:** Braham Team

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**JOIN US NEXT SUNDAY FOR THE SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**  
**SUNDAY, May 22 at 9AM (in person & on Zoom)**

