

The 100th Anniversary - November 11th, 2017
Commemoration of Queen Lili'uokalani's Death

Suggested Songs, Scripture, Collect, Song
Appropriate for November 11th, 2017

'Ekolu Mea Nui

(by Robert J.K. Nawahine)

1 Ekolu me nui maka honua,
O kamana'oi'o, kamana'olana,
a me kealoha. Kealoha kai oi a'e,
Pomaika'i na mea apau,
pomaika'i na mea apau.

2 E na makua, na keiki,
Na mamō a luda me Epelaima.
E pa'a kamana'o i ka pono i oi ae.
Pomaika'i na mea apau,
pomaika'i na mea apau.

Gospel Reading

Matthew 5 The Beatitudes

5 When Jesus[a] saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him.

2 Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying:

3 “Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

4 “Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

5 “Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

6 “Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.

7 “Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.

8 “Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

9 “Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.

10 “Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness’ sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

11 “Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account.

12 Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

Prayers of the People

God, the peacemaker, is blessing the world through the cross of our Lord, Jesus Christ. Before the ever blessed God we say, *Pōmaika'i na mea apau*. (“*And everything is blessed.*”)

God, bless your Church in every place. May our souls hunger and thirst for *pono*. May we be outspoken for the oppressed, and never fear to be prophetic in the face of injustice. Sustain those falsely accused and unjustly imprisoned for speaking truth to power. Open our hands and hearts to your justice for all. *Silence.*

Before the ever blessed God we say, **Pōmaika'i na mea apau.**

God, bless all peoples, nations, tribes and races with a spirit of forbearance and meekness, so that the human family may inherit this planet with equity. Give us grace to renounce the evil of greed, conquest and war. We especially pray for the reduction of hostilities between nations in the Middle East and between North Korea and the United States and its allies.

Silence.

Before the ever blessed God we say, **Pōmaika'i na mea apau.**

God, bless the sick and suffering. We pray especially for those in Bangladesh and Houston and other regions where your creatures are displaced by floods and natural disasters. Make us merciful in our response. Satisfy and heal those living with hunger, disease, loss and loneliness as we name them before you aloud or in silence:

Silence.

Before the ever blessed God we say, **Pōmaika'i na mea apau.**

God, the earth—its waters, air, land and animals—reveal your blessing, balance and care. Purify our human activity so that we do no harm and the *aina* flourishes. Grant us who are blessed to live in these islands we know as Hawai'i with the will to preserve their beauty and health.

Silence.

Before the ever blessed God we say, **Pōmaika'i na mea apau.**

God, you are worthy of our hope and trust. We commend to you those who are dying and those who have died, especially.... Give them blessed rest and fulfill your purpose for them in life beyond death. With them we wait for your plenteous redemption. Comfort all who mourn, and bring us at last to the revelation of the children of God in your blessed peace.

Silence.

Before the ever blessed God we say, **Pōmaika'i na mea apau.**

(Prayers of the People by Rev. Dan Benedict)

And now, hear us as we commemorate blessed Queen Lili'uokalani, praying:

(all praying aloud)

Collect for Queen Lili'uokalani:

Almighty God, we praise your Name for Queen Lili'uokalani, who in the midst of great adversity remained steadfast in her commitment to peace, forgiveness and of service to you. Accept, we pray, our gratitude for her perseverance, her gift of song, and her love for her people. All this we ask in the name of your Son Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Here the celebrant reads or leads all in praying the collects for peace and for social justice:

Prayer for Peace Among the Nations

"Almighty God our heavenly Father, guide the nations of the world into the way of justice and truth, and establish among them that peace which is the fruit of righteousness, that they may become the kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Amen." (BCP page 816)

Prayer for Social Justice

Grant, O God, that your holy and life-giving Spirit may so move every human heart and especially the hearts of the people of the United States, that barriers which divide us may crumble, suspicions disappear, and hatreds cease; that our divisions being healed, we may live in justice and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. (BCP page 823)

Ke Aloha O Ke Akua - Queen's Prayer

(by Queen Lili'uokalani)

1.O kou Aloha no A ia i ka Lani, A o kou oia i'o, He hemolele ho'i	3.Mai nana 'ino'ino Na hewa o kanaka, Aka, e huikala, a ma'ema'e no.
2.Kou noho mihi ana A pa'ahao ia, O oi ku'u lama kou nani, ko'u ko'o.	4.No laila e ka Haku Malalo o kou eheu Ko makou maluhia, a mau loa aku no.

English translation (not intended to be sung)

Your love is in heaven and your truth so perfect. I live in sorrow imprisoned; you are my light, your glory my support. Behold not with malevolence the sins of humankind, but forgive and cleanse. And so, Lord, beneath your wings be our peace forever more.

“QUEEN LILI‘UOKALANI NOTES”
(Compiled by Senator Brickwood Galuteria)

The ex-Queen had been failing for several months and near death for several days. Two days before her death **Bishop Henry Bond Restarick** (the Episcopal Bishop of Hawaii, at St. Andrew’s Cathedral) was called to her bedside. After praying with the Queen and her attendants the Queen beckoned him to her side, took his hand and said “Good bye.” Bishop Restarick placed his hand on her head and gave her a blessing.

The day before her death saw the Queen occasionally rallying, reaching out a hand to someone, drawing a hand to her cheek, or nervously plucking at the bedcover. Friends, such as Mrs. Walter Macfarlane (Alice Kamokila Campbell), Mrs. Albert Taylor (Emma Ahuena), Mrs. Alfred N. Tripp and Mrs. August Ahrens (Louisa Hapai) visited, bowing and sinking to their knees in obeisance as in the old days, some exiting the room backward. Kāhili were slowly and rhythmically waved over her frail body.

Bedside visitors on that last day included Col. Curtis P. Iaukea, Maj. Henry Bertlemann, Charles B. Wilson, Mrs. James Monsarrat, Mrs. Charles Gulick, High Chiefess Elizabeth Pratt, Mrs. Leopold Kroll and Mrs. James Stillman. Also present was Sybil McNerny Dominis, (widow of John Aimoku Dominis, son of the Queen’s husband, John Owen Dominis), and her two young children, John Owen and Sybil Francis. Senators Henry Ashurst of Arizona and William King of Utah and Representative William Gordon of Ohio, part of an American congressional party visiting the Islands, also made a short call to pay their respects.

Queen Lili‘uokalani died in a corner bedroom of Washington Place, the Dominis family home. The room, supposedly used as a secretarial room prior to her illness, looked out upon a scented garden, inhabited by chirping mynah birds. Her physician, Dr. William C. Hobdy, and close friends had kept watch around the clock for several days. Poni, the Queen’s beloved dog, lay near-by. (Poni was given to the Queen’s close friend and companion Mrs. Lahilahi Webb.) Hundreds of people had gathered in the garden for several days, chanting, singing, praying and weeping for their last mō’i. Official announcement of her death was made by Curtis P. Iaukea, Her Majesty’s Private Secretary. He sent the sad news to the **Rev. Leopold Droll** of the **Episcopal Cathedral of St. Andrew**, who had been waiting for the news during the night.

The tolling of the Episcopal Cathedral of St. Andrew bells, followed by the bells of Kawaiaha’o Church, told of the death of the Kingdom’s last monarch. An announcement was made by Lucius E. Pinkham, Governor of the Territory Hawai‘i. The Queen’s royal standard, a red crown in the center of a cream background, was raised and lowered to half-mast at Washington Place. Both the American and Hawaiian flag were raised and lowered to half-mast at the Executive Building, formerly ‘Iolani Palace. This procedure was soon enacted at the armory, the judicial building and other government and public buildings around town.