

St. James' Church

on the Island of Hawai'i

Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost

October 25, 2026

Holy Eucharist at 7:30 & 9:30 AM

Aloha! Welcome to St. James'*. We are glad you are here. We invite you to join as an active participant in the worship of God. This service is based on the Order for the Holy Eucharist: Rite Two in the* Book of Common Prayer *and* Enriching our Worship*. For ease of use, this leaflet contains the congregational portions of the liturgy and much of the service music. Hymn numbers refer to the* Hymnal 1982*. Lessons and Gospel texts are taken from the New Revised Standard Version of the Bible, following the Revised Common Lectionary.*

Please remember *to silence electronic devices. We do however welcome the sound of children in worship. Children are always welcome in worship at St. James'. In fact, they are active participants in the liturgy here. A great place for children to see, hear and participate in St. James' rich liturgy is right up front. Mahalo.*

All parish worship services *are livestreamed via video for our online congregation. By participating in this service you acknowledge that you may be visible on live broadcast or archived video. If you are uncomfortable about the possibility of appearing on video, please see an usher to be reseated in a more private area.*

Call to Worship *(Bells are rung)*

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude *All who are able, please stand*

Hymn 657 "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"

Opening Acclamation

Presider: Blessed be the One, Holy, and Living God
People: **Glory to God forever and ever. Amen.**
Presider The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Presider E pule kakou *(Let us pray).*

The Collect for Purity

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.

Song of Praise

7:30 AM The Gloria (*said*)

Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.
Lord Jesus Christ,
only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.
For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father.
Amen.

9:30 AM "I Love You Lord" (RB 33) *see page 14*

The Collect of the Day

Presider The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Presider E pule kakou (*Let us pray)*: Almighty and everlasting God, increase in us the gifts of faith, hope, and charity; and, that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Please be seated

A Reading from Paul's First Letter to the Thessalonians *(2:1-8)*

You yourselves know, brothers and sisters, that our coming to you was not in vain, but though we had already suffered and been shamefully mistreated at Philippi, as you know, we had courage in our God to declare to you the gospel of God in spite of great opposition. For our appeal does not spring from deceit or impure motives or trickery, but just as we have been approved by God to be entrusted with the message of the gospel, even so we speak, not to please mortals, but to please God who tests our hearts. As you know and as God is our witness, we never came with words of flattery or with a pretext for greed; nor did we seek praise from mortals, whether from you or from others, though we might have made demands as apostles of Christ. But we were gentle among you, like a nurse tenderly caring for her own children. So deeply do we care for you that we are determined to share with you not only the gospel of God but also our own selves, because you have become very dear to us.

Reader The Word of the Lord. *People* **Thanks be to God.**

7:30 AM **Psalm 90:1-6, 13-17**

**1 Lord, you have been our refuge *
from one generation to another.**

**2 Before the mountains were brought forth,
or the land and the earth were born, *
from age to age you are God.**

**3 You turn us back to the dust and say, *
"Go back, O child of earth."**

**4 For a thousand years in your sight are like yesterday when it is past *
and like a watch in the night.**

**5 You sweep us away like a dream; *
we fade away suddenly like the grass.**

**6 In the morning it is green and flourishes; *
in the evening it is dried up and withered.**

**13 Return, O LORD; how long will you tarry? *
be gracious to your servants.**

**14 Satisfy us by your loving-kindness in the morning; *
so shall we rejoice and be glad all the days of our life.**

**15 Make us glad by the measure of the days that you afflicted us *
and the years in which we suffered adversity.**

**16 Show your servants your works *
and your splendor to their children.**

**17 May the graciousness of the LORD our God be upon us; *
prosper the work of our hands;
prosper our handiwork**

All who are able, please stand

9:30 AM Hymn "Celtic Alleluia"

Cantor sings verse:
"Love the Lord your God with all your heart, and love your neighbor as yourself".

Congregation joins in refrain,



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Please remain standing. It is our custom to face the reader

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew *(22:34-46)*

At the Announcement, all say **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

When the Pharisees heard that Jesus had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together, and one of them, a lawyer, asked him a question to test him. "Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?" He said to him, "'You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.' This is the greatest and first commandment. And a second is like it: 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets."

Now while the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them this question: "What do you think of the Messiah? Whose son is he?" They said to him, "The son of David." He said to them, "How is it then that David by the Spirit calls him Lord, saying,

'The Lord said to my Lord,
"Sit at my right hand,
until I put your enemies under your feet"'?

If David thus calls him Lord, how can he be his son?" No one was able to give him an answer, nor from that day did anyone dare to ask him any more questions.

The Reader says, The Gospel of the Lord. *All reply,* **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

Prayer before sermon

Take our lips O Lord and speak through them; Take our minds and think through them. And, take our hearts and set them on fire. Amen.

Sermon

The Reverend David Stout

The Nicene Creed

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:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the
Virgin Mary, and was made man.
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.
With the Father and the Son he
is worshiped and glorified.
He 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

All who are able, please stand

Prayers of the People

Please remain standing or kneel as is your custom

After each petition, the leader says, Gracious God.
All reply, **Hear our prayer.**
At conclusion of the prayers, **Merciful God, accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen**

Confession of Sin and Absolution

Presider: Let us confess our sins to God and our neighbor.

Lord, we confess:
we do not live as those worthy
to be entrusted with the good news of your grace;
we relate to others callously
as though we do not trust that gospel ourselves;
we seek to please and manipulate,
using flattery to gain praise and distinction;
we use condescension as a mask to cover insecurity or a need for control.
Our motives are mixed, impure.
Lord, forgive our sins and cleanse us, in Jesus' name. Amen.

Presider My brothers and sisters, believe again the gospel, that in Christ we are accepted

as we are. Believe that we are forgiven, loved with the delight of a nursing mother cherishing her child. Believe that we are the church, the body of Christ, called to love one another as gentle children of God. **Amen.**

The Peace *Ke Aloha*

All who are able, please stand

Presider ʻO ke aloha o ka Haku e mau ana me ʻoukou.
The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People **A me ʻoe pū**
And also with you.



Please greet one another in Christ's name.

Please remain seated

Offertory Hymn "Kei Ka Hoa O Iesu La" (What a Friend We Have in Jesus)

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At the Offertory



We believe in a generous God who has gifted us in many ways. As a response to that generous love, we are generous in supporting our church and those in need.

***If you use Venmo**, you are welcome to donate via Venmo, our username is @stjameshawaiiisland.*

***If you use Zelle,** you are welcome to donate through the app. The church email address is office@stjameshawaii.org*

***If you prefer to give online,** you may visit our safe, secure online site at stjameshawaiiorg.givingfire.com or via the QR code. Bless you for your gift!*

The Doxology

All who are able, please stand

All **Hoʻonani i ka Makua mau, ke Keiki me ka ʻUhane nō,**
Ke Akua mau hoʻomaikaʻi pū, ko kēia ao, ko kēlā ao. ʻĀmene.

Literal Translation: Praise to the Eternal Father. The Son with the Spirit indeed.
God eternal, bless together, of this day; of that day (everyday) Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Presider The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Presider Lift up your hearts.
People **We lift them to the Lord.**
Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**
Presider It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, God Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. For you are the source of light and life;

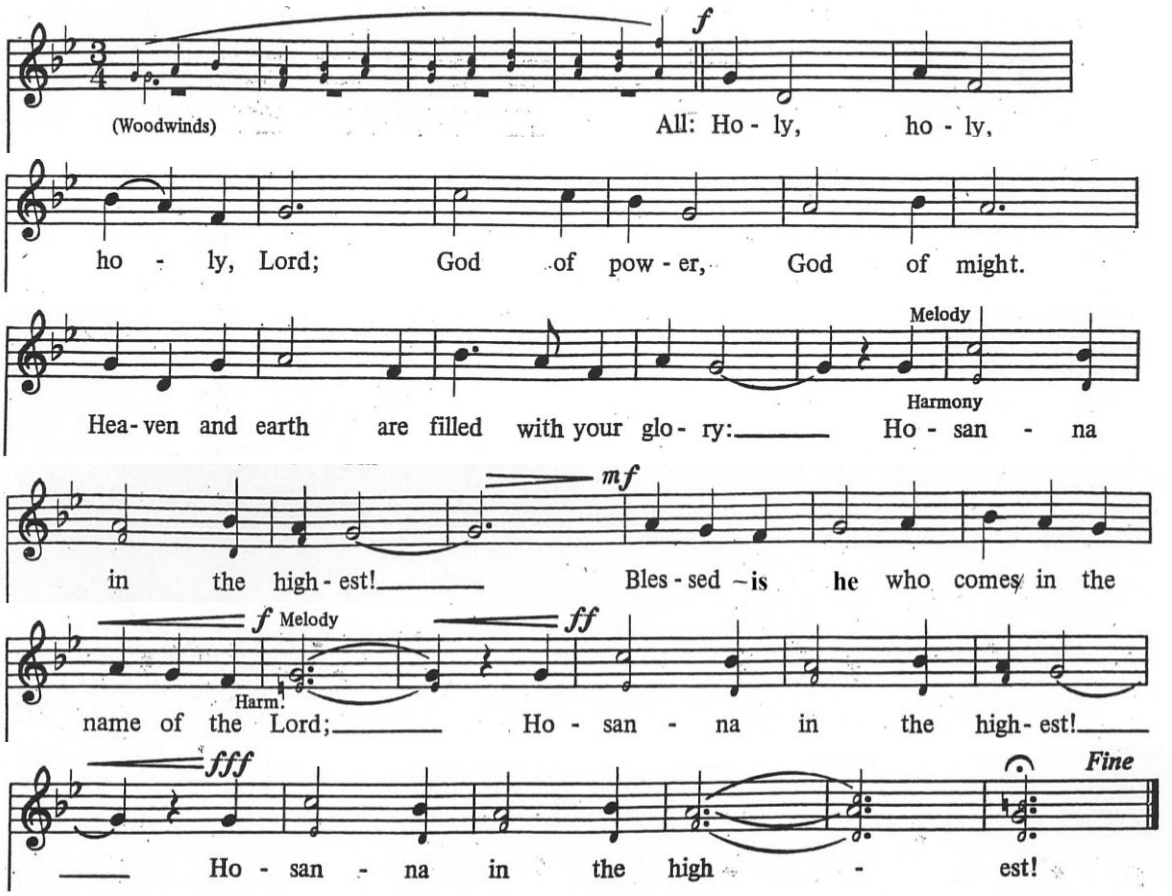
you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we say/sing:

Sanctus

7:30 am said

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

9:30 am *Mass of Creation by Marty Haugen*



Please kneel or remain standing, as you are able.

The Presider proceeds 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.

Presider and People **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.

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.

Presider and People **In the fullness of time bring us, with blessed James, Columba, our patrons King Kamehameha IV and Queen Emma, Damien and Marianne of Moloka`i, Queen Lili`uokalani, the ever-blessed Virgin Mary and all the saints 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:

Our Father, who art in heaven,	*E ko makou makua i loko o ka lani,*
hallowed be thy Name,	*E ho'ano 'ia kou inoa*
thy Kingdom come,	*E hiki mai kou aupuni;*
thy will be done on earth,	*E malama 'ia kou makemake ma ke honua nei*
as it is in heaven.	*E like me ia i malama 'ia ma ka lani la.*
Give us this day our daily bread.	*E ha'awi mai ia makou i keia la, i 'ai na makou no neia la.*
And forgive us our trespasses,	*E kala mai ho'I ia makou i ka makou lawehala 'ana,*
as we forgive those who trespass	*Me makou e kala nei i ka po'e i lawehala i ka makou.*
against us.	*Mai ho'oku'u 'oe ia makou I ka ho'owalewale 'ia mai,*
And lead us not into temptation,	*E ho'opakele no na'e ia makou i ka 'ino;*
but deliver us from evil.	*No ka mea, nou ke aupuni,*
For thine is the kingdom,	*A me ka mana, a me ka ho'onani 'ia a mau loa aku.*
the power, and the glory,	*'Amene.*
for ever and ever. Amen.	

The Presider breaks the consecrated Bread.

Presider Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
People **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

The Invitation

Presider The Gifts of God for the People of God.

The ushers will invite people to come to communion. Please make your way up the center aisle, returning to your pew/seat, via the side aisles. We will be receiving in stations today. The bread is received with open palm. The wine, if desired, is received by either drinking from the chalice or dipping the wafer in the wine. If you do not wish to receive Communion but would like a blessing, indicate so by crossing your arms over your chest. Gluten-free wafers are available, please ask a priest at the communion rail.



During Communion time, members of our Prayer Team Ministry will also be in the bell tower to offer healing prayers. You are welcome to receive the laying of hands and a prayer in the name of Christ for the healing of body, mind or spirit for yourself or for one another. Please note that all prayers are kept confidential and if you want follow-up you must initiate the discussion.

This is the table, not of the Church but of Jesus Christ.
It is made ready for those who love God
and who want to love God more.
So come, you who have much faith and you who have little,
You who have been here often
and you who have not been for a long time or never before,
You who have tried to follow and all of us who have failed.
These are the gifts of God for the People of God.
Come, not because the Church invites you;
It is Christ who invites you to be known and fed here.
Adapted from The Iona Community, Iona Abbey Worship Book, (Glasgow, UK: Wild Goose Publications, 2001), 53.

Note: "If a person desires to receive the Sacrament, but, by reason of extreme sickness or physical disability, is unable to eat and drink the Bread and Wine, the Celebrant is to assure that person that all the benefits of Communion are received, even though the Sacrament is not received with the mouth." —The Book of Common Prayer (1979), p. 457.

Those worshiping from home may, if they wish, say the following prayer:
My Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. I desire to offer you praise and thanksgiving as I proclaim your resurrection. I love you above all things, and long for you in my soul. Since I cannot receive you in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, come into my heart. Cleanse and strengthen me with your grace, Lord Jesus, and let me never be separated from you. May I live in you, and you in me, in this life and in the life to come. Amen.

Solo at Communion

"There is A Savior" *offered by Debra DaVaughan Simmons*

The Bread and the Cup are given to the communicants with these words

The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven. **Amen.**
The Blood of Christ, the cup of salvation. **Amen.**

Please stand or kneel as your custom

After Communion, the Presider says, E pule kakou *(Let us pray):*

All **Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

The Blessing

Please stand as you are able

The Officiant offers the following blessing or one of their choosing.

May you be strengthened to continue to walk in the faith that others have passed on to you, to move ahead into the promised land. And may the blessing of God almighty, Father, Son and Holy Spirit be with you now and forever. **Amene.**

Closing Hymn 390 "Praise To The Lord"

The Dismissal

Presider Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia! Alleluia!
People **Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

Additional suggested reading for this day:

Deuteronomy 34:1-12

Moses went up from the plains of Moab to Mount Nebo, to the top of Pisgah, which is opposite Jericho, and the Lord showed him the whole land: Gilead as far as Dan, all Naphtali, the land of Ephraim and Manasseh, all the land of Judah as far as the Western Sea, the Negeb, and the Plain—that is, the valley of Jericho, the city of palm trees—as far as Zoar. The Lord said to him, "This is the land of which I swore to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, saying, 'I will give it to your descendants'; I have let you see it with your eyes, but you shall not cross over there." Then Moses, the servant of the Lord, died there in the land of Moab, at the Lord's command. He was buried in a valley in the land of Moab, opposite Beth-peor, but no one knows his burial place to this day. Moses was one hundred twenty years old when he died; his sight was unimpaired and his vigor had not abated. The Israelites wept for Moses in the plains of Moab thirty days; then the period of mourning for Moses was ended.

Joshua son of Nun was full of the spirit of wisdom, because Moses had laid his hands on him; and the Israelites obeyed him, doing as the Lord had commanded Moses.

Never since has there arisen a prophet in Israel like Moses, whom the Lord knew face to face. He was unequaled for all the signs and wonders that the Lord sent him to perform in the land of Egypt, against Pharaoh and all his servants and his entire land, and for all the mighty deeds and all the terrifying displays of power that Moses performed in the sight of all Israel.

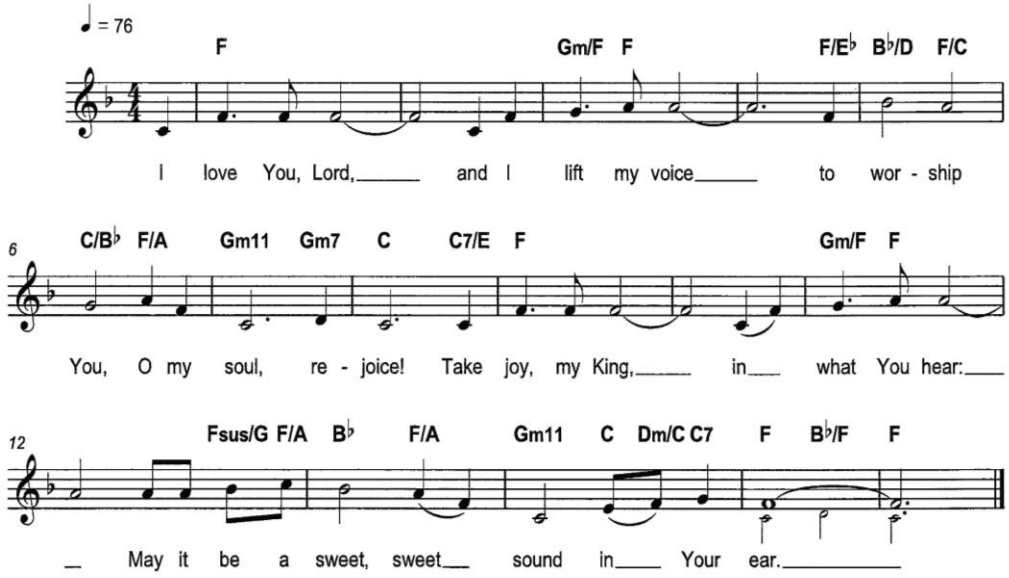
"Kei Ka Hoa O Iesu La" (What a Friend We Have in Jesus) *English version*

1. What a Friend we have in Jesus,
All our sins and griefs to bear!
What a privilege to carry
Everything to God in prayer!
O what peace we often forfeit,
O what needless pain we bear,
All because we do not carry
Everything to God in prayer!

2. Have we trials and temptations?
Is there trouble anywhere?
We should never be discouraged,
Take it to the Lord in prayer.
Can we find a friend so faithful
Who will all our sorrows share?
Jesus knows our every weakness,
Take it to the Lord in prayer.

3. Are we weak and heavy-laden,
Cumbered with a load of care?
Precious Savior, still our refuge—
Take it to the Lord in prayer;
Do thy friends despise, forsake thee?
Take it to the Lord in prayer;
In His arms He'll take and shield thee,
Thou wilt find a solace there.

Song of Praise "I Love You Lord" (*RB 33*)



Godly Play Reflection from Laura Williams



On Sunday, we had one keiki in Godly Play, my granddaughter, Lillyanna. Melanie was the door person, and she and Lillyanna heard the Godly Play story The Book of Psalms. We learned that the psalms are songs that lost their tunes. Some were written by King David. The words of the psalms help us to pray, give thanks to God, tell God our feelings and to say we are sorry. "They ask God to come close and show us the way". There are 150 psalms in the book of Psalms. They don't have names so people know them by how they begin. Lillyanna picked out the psalm she wanted to hear and wonder about, and then she and Melanie gathered things in the room that would help us to make a kind of picture of the psalm. She chose Psalm 18:1-3. "I love you, O Lord, my strength." "The Lord is my rock, my fortress and my deliverer, my God is my rock in whom I take refuge, my shield and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold." "I call upon the Lord who is worthy to be praised,, so I shall be saved from my enemies." We then wrote down the words to each our favorite psalms to take home with us before going the rest of the congregation for Holy Communion.

Offertory Hymn "Kei Ka Hoa O Iesu La" (What a Friend We Have in Jesus)





Calling all keiki, families, and parish 'ohana!

Join us for an afternoon of Halloween fun at St. James'! Our annual Trunk or Treat will take place on the front church lawn beside the Parish Office. Construction on the Gathering Place will be pau for the day, so we'll have a quiet, secure space for everyone to enjoy. We need your help to make it a fun afternoon! Bring your car or truck, some candy to share, and, if you're willing, come in costume! Better yet, decorate your trunk or the back of your truck. The more creative, the better! We'll be spreading the word to our Waimea schools and inviting families from throughout our community. Visitor parking on the front church grass, in the area normally used by those attending church and visiting our Thrift Store Ministry.

And what does Halloween have to do with our Christian faith?

Halloween comes from All Hallows' Eve, the evening before All Saints' Day on November 1. On All Saints' Day, we remember that we belong to the great communion of saints, all God's people, especially remembering those who have gone before us into the fullness of God's Kingdom. There's something wonderfully playful about dressing up as ghosts, goblins, and all sorts of scary creatures. We can laugh at the darkness because we know it doesn't have the last word! As we sing in a favorite hymn, "In Him there is no darkness at all." The light of Christ shines in the darkness, and the darkness cannot overcome it. What a wonderful message to share with our keiki: We need not be afraid, for God's light and love are stronger than anything that frightens us. So come join the fun, share some aloha, and help us offer a joyful witness to our faith and our community! A big mahalo to our Youth Pastor, Josh Anthony, for organizing this year's event! Please contact Josh for any help or information: YouthPastor@StJamesHawaii.org

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