

On the night Jesus was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, and said, "Take, eat: This is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

After supper, he took the cup of wine, gave thanks, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my blood of the New Covenant, which is shed for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

So now loving God, we bring these gifts before you. Sanctify them by the power of the Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Gather us here today by this Holy Communion into one body in your Son Jesus Christ, and make us a living sacrifice of praise. All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory are yours, Almighty God, now and forever. **Amen.**

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 Invitation

The bread is received with open palm. The wine, if desired, is received by 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.

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.

Communion Hymn "Your Love O Lord" by *Third Day (Powell, Anderson, Avery, Carr and Lee)*

Your love O Lord
Reaches to the Heavens
Your faithfulness stretches to the sky
Your righteousness is like the mighty mountain
Your justice flows like the ocean's tide

Chorus

And I will lift my voice to worship you my King
And I will find my strength in the shadow of Your wings

Your love O Lord
Reaches to the Heavens
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Chorus

And I will lift my voice to worship you my King
And I will find my strength in the shadow of Your wings (Repeat)

Your love O Lord
Reaches to the Heaven
Your faithfulness stretches to the sky

Post Communion Prayer

Said Together

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

God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

The Blessing

May Christ the Son of Righteousness shine brightly on your path as you walk the way of justice and peace. And may the blessing of God Almighty, Father Son and Holy Spirit be with you now and always. **Amen.**

The Peace *Ke Aloha*

Presider 'O ke aloha o ka Haku e mau ana me 'oukou.
The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **A me 'oe pū**
And also with you.

Please greet one another in Christ's name.



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ST. JAMES' CHURCH

ON THE ISLAND OF HAWAII



Saturday, January 31, 2026
The Fourth Saturday
after the Epiphany
Holy Eucharist on the Beach
at five o'clock

A warm aloha! Welcome to our Service on the Sand. 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. Lessons and Gospel texts are taken from the New Revised Standard Version of the Bible, following the Revised Common Lectionary.

Call to Worship

Hymn "O 'Oe I'O" (*Opening Mele*)

Please remain seated

'O 'Oe 'Io E Makua Lani	<i>You are God, Heavenly Father</i>
'O 'Oe 'Io, Ka Waiola	<i>You are God, The Living Water</i>
'O 'Oe 'Io, E Kumu Ola	<i>You are God, The great healer</i>
Ka Mea Hana I Na Mea A Pau	<i>The one who has created all things</i>
E Ku`u Haku,	<i>Oh, Lord my God</i>
Ka mauna ki`eki`e	<i>The Most High</i>
O `oe `Io	<i>You are God</i>

Closing

E ku`u Haku
Ka mauna ki`eki`e
O `oe `Io

Closing

*Oh, Lord my God
The Most High
You are God*

Opening Acclamation

Presider Arise, shine, for your light has come.
People **And the glory of the Lord has dawned upon you.**

Collect of the Day

Presider The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Presider E pule kakou: Almighty and everlasting God, you govern all things both in heaven and on earth: Mercifully hear the supplications of your people, and in our time grant us your peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

A Reading from Paul's first letter to the Corinthians (1:18-31)

The message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. For it is written,

"I will destroy the wisdom of the wise,
and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart."

Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? For since, in

the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe. For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, but to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength.

Consider your own call, brothers and sisters: not many of you were wise by human standards, not many were powerful, not many were of noble birth. But God chose what is foolish in the world to shame the wise; God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong; God chose what is low and despised in the world, things that are not, to reduce to nothing things that are, so that no one might boast in the presence of God. He is the source of your life in Christ Jesus, who became for us wisdom from God, and righteousness and sanctification and redemption, in order that, as it is written, "Let the one who boasts, boast in the Lord."

The Reader says, The Word of the Lord. *All Reply*, **Thanks be to God.**

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew (5:1-12)

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

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying:

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

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

"Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

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

"Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.

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

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

"Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

"Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you."

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.

Homily

The Reverend David Stout

Prayers of the People

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

Officiant: Christ calls blessed those who are poor in spirit, who mourn, who hunger and thirst for what is right. Yet we confess that we often resist that blessing. We cling to strength, certainty, and control. Trusting in God's mercy, let us confess our sin.

Most merciful God,

we confess that we have not trusted your wisdom.

We have sought to appear strong

when you invite us to be honest.

We have prized success and certainty

over humility and compassion.

We have avoided mourning,

ignored our hunger for justice,

and turned away from those the world calls weak,

forgetting that this is where you choose to dwell.

We have relied on our own understanding

rather than the foolishness of your love

revealed in the cross.

Forgive us, gracious God.

Free us from the need to prove ourselves.

Open us again to your blessing,

that we may receive your grace

and live as people shaped by your mercy.

Amene.

Officiant: Hear the good news. In Jesus Christ, God meets us where we are, calls us blessed, and sets us free from sin and shame. By the power of the cross, you are forgiven and invited into new life. **Amene.**

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.

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Hymn "Shout To The Lord" by Darlene Joyce Zschech

offered by Carlos Newcomb

My Jesus, my Saviour.

Lord there is none like You.

All of my days I want to praise
the wonders of Your mighty love.

My comfort, my shelter
Tower of refuge and strength.

Let every breath, all that I am

Never cease to worship You.

Chorus

Shout to the Lord all the Earth, let us sing.

Power and majesty, praise to the King.

Mountains bow down and the seas will

roar at the sound of Your name.

I sing for joy at the work of Your hands.

Forever I'll love You, forever I'll stand.

Nothing compares to the promise I have
in You.

The Doxology

All **Ho'onani i ka Makua mau, ke Keiki me ka 'Uhane no,
Ke Akua mau ho'omaika'i pu, ko keia ao, ko kela ao. 'Amene.**

English version:

Praise God from Whom all blessings flow.

Praise Him all creatures here below.

Praise God above, Ye Heavenly Host.

Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. 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 O God, we thank you for the beauty of this place where the glorious revelation of your presence is all around us. From the depths of the ocean floor you lifted your massive islands and pointed them toward the heavens to sustain life. We marvel as we wander through stately palms and twisted lava along the shore, where the colorful fish swim among the rocks, crab scurry about the sand, dolphins and whales dance upon the waves; and we remember that you have given us these things to enjoy and care for. Our Spirits are refreshed and our strength renewed.

Presider & People

Our lives are lived between sunrise and sunset blessed with brilliant colors. But at night the darkness reveals the limitless stars that have a way of pushing back the boundaries of our lives and we dream of heaven and your wonder.

We come together in communities on the seashore, on the volcanoes, and in their shadows in the valleys, to receive your Word, which has been sown in rich soil, and grown into a fruitful crop in the Body of Christ. And so we join with blessed James, Columba, our patrons Queen Emma and King Kamehameha IV, Queen Lili'uokalani, Damien and Marianne of Moloka'i, the ever blessed Virgin Mary and all the saints and angels in proclaiming your glory, as we sing:

Sanctus

Kawaihae Beach Mass by Michael L Purdue

All: **Hemolele, Hemolele, Hemolele e Ka Haku**

Ke Akua mana me kai kaika

Heaven and Earth are full of your glory.

Pomai ka'i ka mea hele mai ana

Hemolele, Hemolele, Hemolele e Ka Haku

Ke Akua mana me kai kaika

HOSANA, HOSANA, i ke kiekie

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HOSANA, HOSANA, i ke kiekie

Literal translation: Holy Holy, Holy. To you, the Lord, God of power and of might. Blessed is the one who comes. Hosanna in the highest.

As we gather to praise your name, we see your greatest glory, your Son our Savior Jesus, reflected in each other's faces and we know the magnitude of your love for us and ours for you.