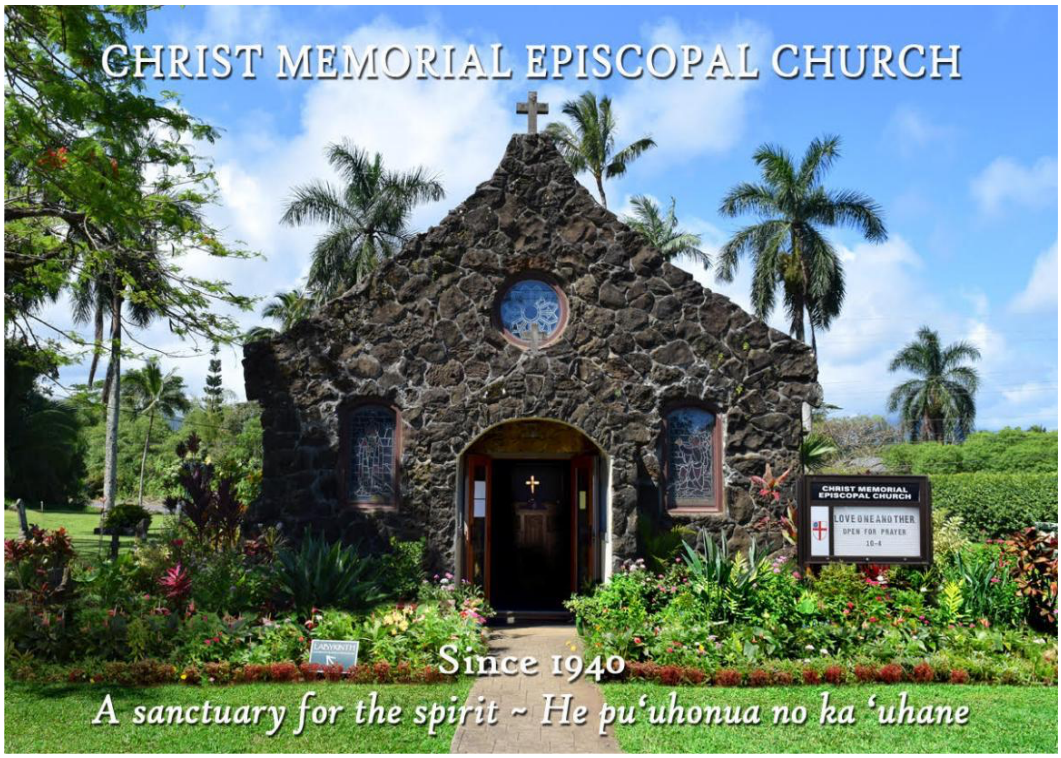


The Second Sunday in Lent

February 25, 2024

9:30 a.m. Online and in the Sanctuary

•Opening Hymn • 686 • Come thou font •

Opening Acclamation

Celebrant: Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins;

People: **His mercy endures for ever.**

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.**

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.
People: And also with you
Celebrant: Let us pray.

O God, whose glory it is always to have mercy: Be gracious to all who have gone astray from your ways, and bring them again with penitent hearts and steadfast faith to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of your Word, Jesus Christ your Son; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The First Reading **Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16**
A reading from the Book of Genesis.

When Abram was ninety-nine years old, the Lord appeared to Abram, and said to him, "I am God Almighty; walk before me, and be blameless. And I will make my covenant between me and you, and will make you exceedingly numerous." Then Abram fell on his face; and God said to him, "As for me, this is my covenant with you: You shall be the ancestor of a multitude of nations. No longer shall your name be Abram, but your name shall be Abraham; for I have made you the ancestor of a multitude of nations. I will make you exceedingly fruitful; and I will make nations of you, and kings shall come from you. I will establish my covenant between me and

you, and your offspring after you throughout their generations, for an everlasting covenant, to be God to you and to your offspring after you.

God said to Abraham, “As for Sarai your wife, you shall not call her Sarai, but Sarah shall be her name. I will bless her, and moreover I will give you a son by her. I will bless her, and she shall give rise to nations; kings of peoples shall come from her.”

Lector: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people.
People: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 22:22-30

22 Praise the Lord, you that fear him; *
stand in awe of him, O offspring of Israel;
all you of Jacob's line, give glory.
23 For he does not despise nor abhor the poor in their poverty;
neither does he hide his face from them; *
but when they cry to him he hears them.
24 My praise is of him in the great assembly; *
I will perform my vows in the presence of those who worship him.
25 The poor shall eat and be satisfied,
and those who seek the Lord shall praise him: *
"May your heart live for ever!"
26 All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the Lord, *
and all the families of the nations shall bow before him.
27 For kingship belongs to the Lord; *
he rules over the nations.

28 To him alone all who sleep in the earth bow down in worship; *
all who go down to the dust fall before him.
29 My soul shall live for him;
my descendants shall serve him; *
they shall be known as the Lord'S for ever.
30 They shall come and make known to a people yet unborn *
the saving deeds that he has done.

The Second Reading **Romans 4:13-25**

A reading from the Book of Romans.

For the promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation.
For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, as it is written, “I have made you the father of many nations”) —in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist. Hoping against hope, he believed that he would become “the father of many nations,” according to what was said, “So numerous shall your descendants be.” He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was already as good as dead (for he was about a hundred years old), or when he considered the barrenness of Sarah’s womb. No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, being fully

convinced that God was able to do what he had promised. Therefore his faith "was reckoned to him as righteousness." Now the words, "it was reckoned to him," were written not for his sake alone, but for ours also. It will be reckoned to us who believe in him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead, who was handed over to death for our trespasses and was raised for our justification.

Lector: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
People: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Gradual Hymn• 676 • there is a balm •

The Gospel **Mark 8:31-38**

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Mark.
People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus began to teach his disciples that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, "Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things."
He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. For what will it profit them to gain

the whole world and forfeit their life? Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels."

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.
People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon The Rev. Catherine Amy Kropp

The Nicene Creed *(Stand as you are able)*

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 and the Son. 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

Prayers of the People

Presider: Gracious and life-giving God, through the suffering and death of your Son Jesus Christ you have raised us to the new life of grace: Hear our prayers on behalf of all people, that your promise of fruitfulness may extend throughout the world, as we say: We praise you in the great assembly. May your heart live for ever!

Litanist: Ever-present One, you have called us to be Christ's followers, to take up our cross and to give our lives willingly for his sake: Set our minds not upon human things but on divine things, that we may proclaim the glory of Christ's resurrection to all the world.
We praise you in the great assembly.
May your heart live for ever!

Infinite One, you rule over the nations, and you hear the voice of the poor when they cry out to you: Let your compassionate heart bless the multitude of nations that all may follow in your ways of justice and mercy.
We praise you in the great assembly.
May your heart live for ever!

Loving One, your Beloved suffered rejection from religious and political leaders: Uphold with your resurrection power all who suffer, that their faith may be strong unto the day of their deliverance.
We praise you in the great assembly.
May your heart live for ever!

Holy One, you have made an everlasting covenant with your people: Bless the children of Abraham who worship you in the faiths of Judaism, Christianity and Islam, in this community and around the world, that we may be exceedingly fruitful and fulfill the promise that rests on grace -- the promise guaranteed to all of Abraham's descendants -- as we make known to a people yet unborn the saving deeds that you have done.
We praise you in the great assembly.
May your heart live for ever!

You are the God who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist: Hear our prayers for all for whom we intercede, especially Gail, Marian, Liam, Jeanne and family, Marie, Tom, Mike, Lei, Julia, Jane, Cynthia, Wayne, Sheila, Elise and family, Becca, Sara, Steve, Art, Paul, Charlyn, Erin, Niles, Robbie, Jane, Dale, Webb, Linda, David, Helen, Tony, Penny, Tommy, Matthew, Pam, and Rich. For the residents of Lahaina and greater Maui who have lost their loved ones, homes, worship spaces, and businesses from the fires. We pray for resilience of the land and fortitude of the people, for all that is Maui. We pray also for the people and leadership of Ukraine and the people of Russia who wish for peace and an end to the war. We pray also for people who live in a perpetual state of danger in the Middle East, Central

America, and in conflicts around the world; that all who suffer danger and violence would know hope in their troubles and courage in their hearts.

Bless all who wish to bear children with the promise of Sarah, that their descendants may be known as yours for ever.
We praise you for your promises and the fulfillment of your blessing in our lives, especially for The Helen Mitsui Shared Blessings Thrift Shop.
To you alone all who sleep in the earth bow down in worship; raise to your joyful presence those who have died, especially Michael.
We praise you in the great assembly.

May your heart live for ever!

Presider: Gracious and merciful God, you have taught us through Jesus that there is no profit in gaining the whole world if we lose our own lives, and you have invited us to follow Jesus, for the way of the cross is the way of life: Give us the faith of Abraham, that we may trust in your promises and share in the glory of Christ's inheritance, through the power of your Holy Spirit. **Amen.**
(Silence)

The Prayer of Confession	**The Queen's prayer**
`O kou aloha no	**Your loving mercy**
Aia i ka lani	**Is as high as heaven**
A `o kou `oia `i`o	**And your truth**
He hemolele ho`i.	**So perfect.**
Ko`u noho mihi `ana	**I live in sorrow**

A pa`ahao `ia	**Imprisoned**
`O `oe ku`u lama	**You are my light**
Kou nani ko`u ko`o.	**Your glory, my support.**
Mai nana `ino`ino	**Behold not with malevolence**
Na hewa o kanaka	**The sins of man**
Aka e huikala	**But forgive**
A ma`ema`e no.	**And cleanse.**
No laila e ka Haku	**And so, o Lord**
Ma lalo o kou `eheu	**Protect us beneath your wings**
Ko makou maluhia	**And let peace be our portion**
A mau loa aku no.	**Now and forever more.**
`Amene	**Amen**

Absolution: Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

The Peace

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People: **And also with you.**

The Holy Communion

Offertory Hymn• Music •

Doxology *(Hawaiian)*

Ho'o-na-ni I ka Ma-ku-a mau,

Ke kei-ki me ka U-ha-ne no,
Ke Aku-a mau Ho'o-mai-ka'I pu,
Ko ke-ia ao, ko ke-la ao. `Amene.

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.
People: **And also with you.**
Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.
People: **We lift them to the Lord.**
Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People: **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

Celebrant: God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

People: **Glory to you for ever and ever.**

Celebrant: At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

People: **By your will they were created and have their being.**

Celebrant: From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

People: **Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight**

Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time

you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

People: **By his blood, he reconciled us. By his wounds, we are healed.**

Celebrant: And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

Celebrant and People:

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.

The Celebrant continues And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he 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 for the 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 many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

People: **We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.**

Celebrant: Lord God of our Fathers: God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

People: **Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the bread.**

Celebrant: Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. **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.

E ko mākou Makua i loko o ka lani, E ho'āno 'ia Kou inoa, E hiki mai Kou aupuni, E

mālama 'ia Kou makemake ma ka honua nei.

E like me 'ia i mālama'ia ma ka lani lā. E kala mai ho'i iā mākou i kā mākou lawehala 'ana, Me mākou e kala nei i ka po'e i lawehala i kā mākou.

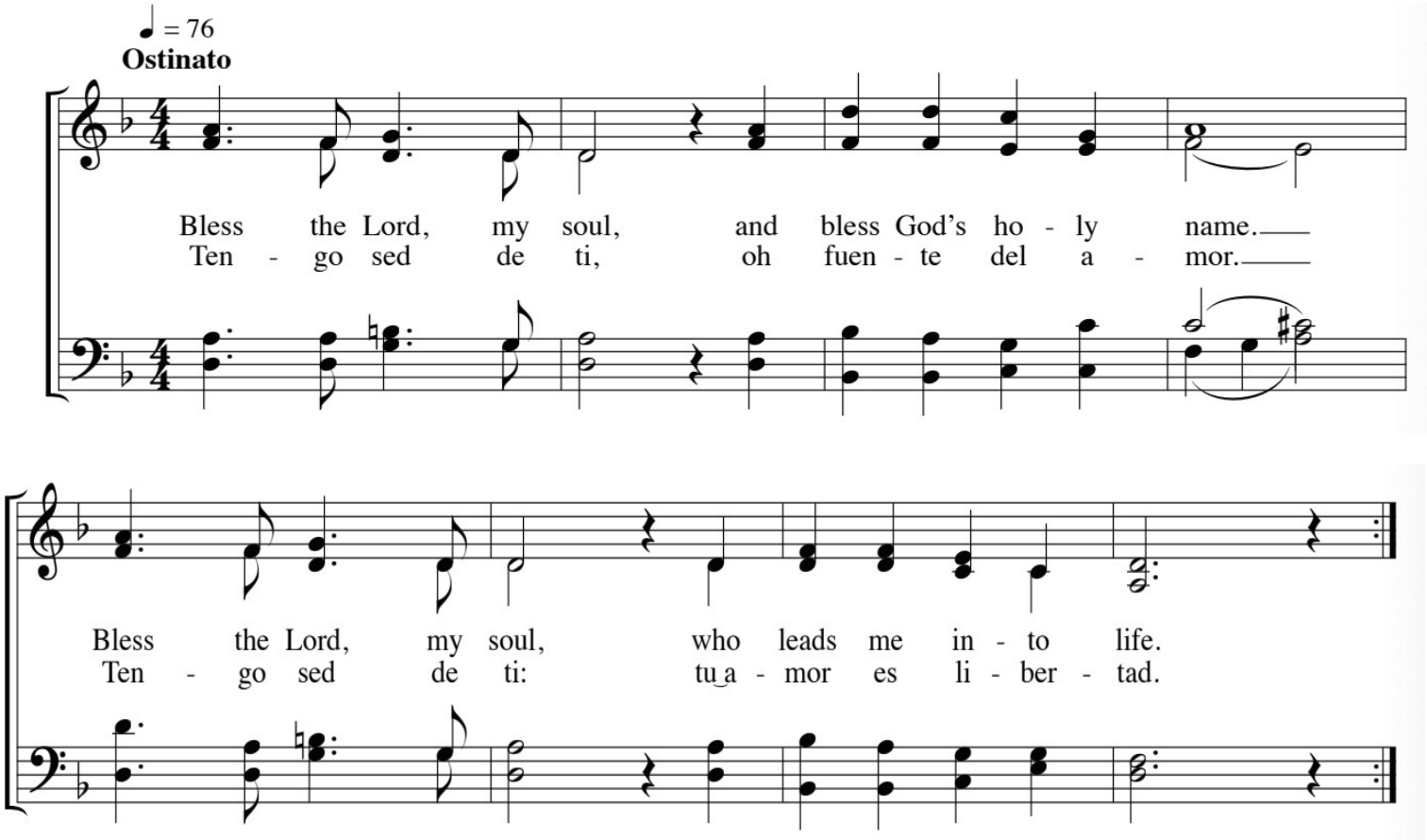
Mai ho'oku'u 'oe iā mākou i ka ho'owalewale 'ia mai, E ho'opakele nō na'e iā mākou i ka 'ino. No ka mea,
No uke apuni, a me ka mana, a me ka ho'onani 'ia a mau loa aku.
AMENE.

The Breaking of the Bread

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

Celebrant: The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Communion Music • Bless the Lord, my soul •



Post Communion Prayer

Celebrant: Let us pray.

People: **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

You are God's baptized child, beloved of God; receive and believe the good news of your divine adoption.

The time is fulfilled, and the Kingdom of God has come near; repent and believe the good news.

The Spirit is here, dwelling in you and among us, in our wilderness and in our trials. Hope and believe in the good news of your salvation.

And the blessing of our glorious God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, be with you and guide you, now and always. **Amen.**

•Closing Hymn • 690 • Guide me, O thou great Jehovah•

The Dismissal

Celebrant: Let us bless the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

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