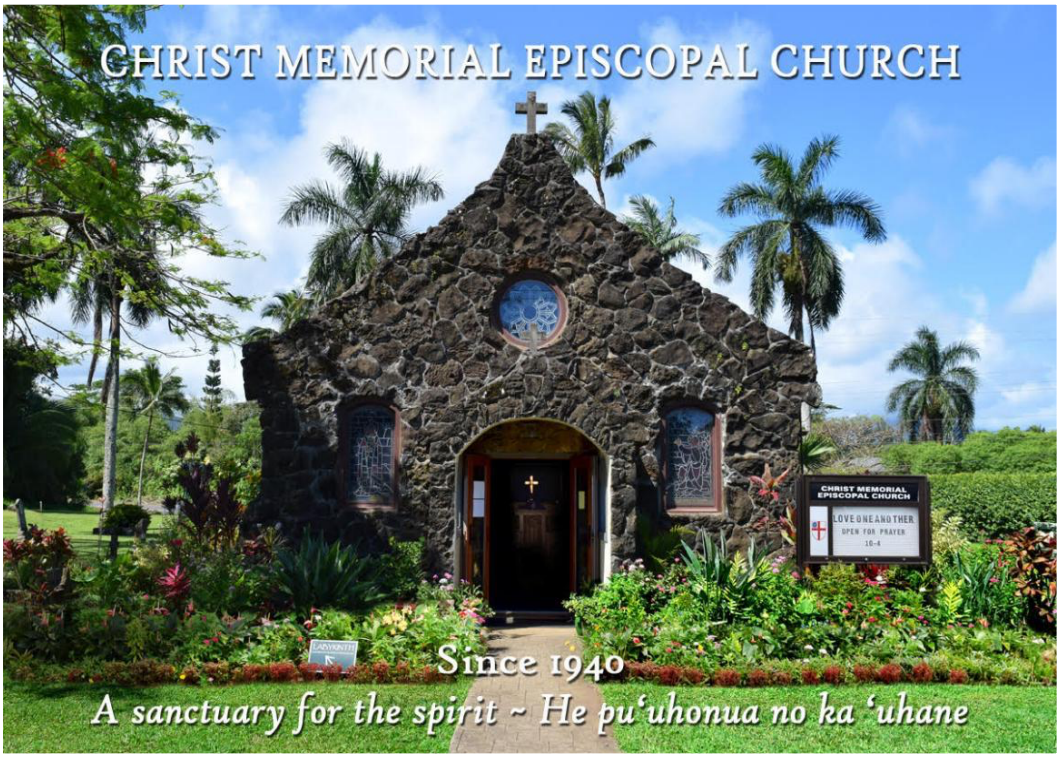


The First Sunday in Lent

February 26, 2023

8:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary • 9:30 a.m. Online

•Opening Hymn • 149 • Eternal Lord of love •

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.

Almighty God, whose blessed Son was led by the Spirit to be tempted by Satan: Come quickly to help us who are assaulted by many temptations; and, as you know the weaknesses of each of us, let each one find you mighty to save; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The First Reading **Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7**

A reading from the Book of Genesis.

The Lord God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it. And the LordGod commanded the man, "You may freely eat of every tree of the garden; but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall die."

Now the serpent was more crafty than any other wild animal that the Lord God had made. He said to the woman, “Did God say, ‘You shall not eat from any tree in the garden’?” The woman said to the serpent, “We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden; but God said, ‘You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the middle of the garden, nor shall you touch it, or you shall die.’“ But the serpent said to the woman, “You will not die; for God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil.” So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate; and she also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate. Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made loincloths for themselves.

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

Psalm 32

1 Happy are they whose transgressions are forgiven, *
and whose sin is put away!
2 Happy are they to whom the Lord imputes no guilt, *
and in whose spirit there is no guile!
3 While I held my tongue, my bones withered away, *
because of my groaning all day long.
4 For your hand was heavy upon me day and night; *
my moisture was dried up as in the heat of summer.

5 Then I acknowledged my sin to you, *
and did not conceal my guilt.
6 I said," I will confess my transgressions to the Lord." *
Then you forgave me the guilt of my sin.
7 Therefore all the faithful will make their prayers to you in time of trouble; *
when the great waters overflow, they shall not reach them.
8 You are my hiding-place;
you preserve me from trouble; *
you surround me with shouts of deliverance.
9 "I will instruct you and teach you in the way that you should go;
*I will guide you with my eye.
10 Do not be like horse or mule, which have no understanding; *
who must be fitted with bit and bridle,
or else they will not stay near you."
11 Great are the tribulations of the wicked; *
but mercy embraces those who trust in the Lord.
12 Be glad, you righteous, and rejoice in the Lord; *
shout for joy, all who are true of heart.

The Second Reading **Romans 5:12-19**

A reading from Paul's letter to the Romans.
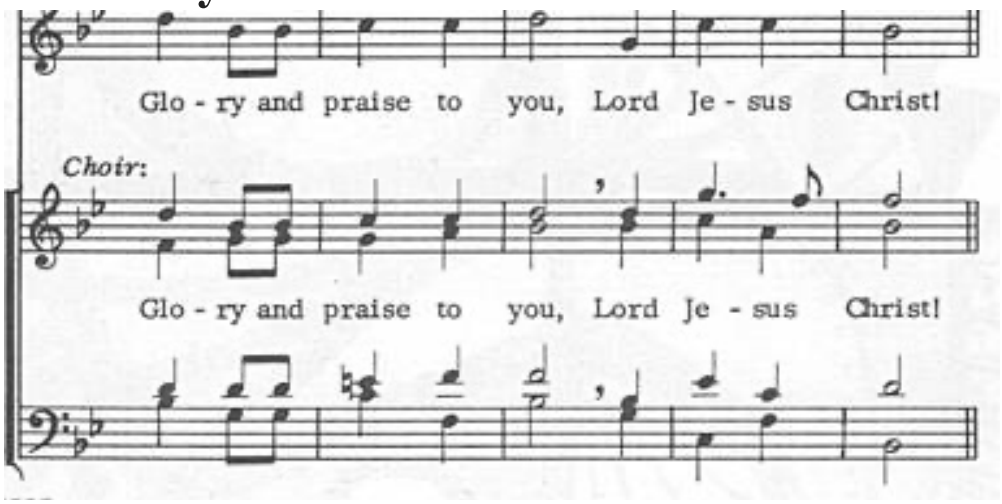
As sin came into the world through one man, and death came through sin, and so death spread to all because all have sinned-- sin was indeed in the world before the law, but sin is not reckoned when there is no law. Yet death exercised dominion from Adam to Moses, even over those whose sins were not like the transgression of Adam, who is a type of the one who was to come.

But the free gift is not like the trespass. For if the many died through the one man's trespass, much more surely have the grace of God and the free gift in the grace of the one man, Jesus Christ, abounded for the many. And the free gift is not like the effect of the one man's sin. For the judgment following one trespass brought condemnation, but the free gift following many trespasses brings justification. If, because of the one man's trespass, death exercised dominion through that one, much more surely will those who receive the abundance of grace and the free gift of righteousness exercise dominion in life through the one man, Jesus Christ.

Therefore just as one man's trespass led to condemnation for all, so one man's act of righteousness leads to justification and life for all. For just as by the one man's disobedience the many were made sinners, so by the one man's obedience the many will be made righteous.

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

Gospel Gradual Hymn:



The Gospel **Matthew 4:1-11**

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

Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. He fasted forty days and forty nights, and afterwards he was famished. The tempter came and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread." But he answered, "It is written,

'One does not live by bread alone,
but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.'"

Then the devil took him to the holy city and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down; for it is written,

'He will command his angels concerning you,'
and 'On their hands they will bear you up,
so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.'"

Jesus said to him, "Again it is written, 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test.'"

Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendor; and he said to him, "All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me." Jesus said to him, "Away with you, Satan! for it is written,

'Worship the Lord your God,
and serve only him.'"

Then the devil left him, and suddenly angels came and waited on him.

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

The Sermon The Rev. Lowell E. Grisham

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: Abiding and gracious God, in Christ's temptation you have taught us to turn away from our exaggerated needs for control, esteem and power, and to trust in your love, generosity and grace: Guide us as we come to you in prayer, saying: Happy are they whose transgressions are forgiven, and whose sin is put away!

Litanist: Christ's obedience has given us abundant grace and the free gift of righteousness: Help your Church, O Holy One to resist temptation and to embody your forgiveness, for ourselves and for the world.
Happy are they whose transgressions are forgiven,
and whose sin is put away!

Though you have filled creation with abundance, O Generous One, we have violated your good intentions for us: Be with all who lead and who hold authority in the world that they may discern between good and evil, and choose good.
Happy are they whose transgressions are forgiven,
and whose sin is put away!

Loving God, help us in this community to acknowledge our sin and not to conceal our guilt, that we may know the embrace of your infinite mercy and rejoice in your grace.
Happy are they whose transgressions are forgiven,
and whose sin is put away!

Compassionate One, in your wonderful creation you have given us all things necessary for our thriving: Be with all of us who live with hunger, poverty, fear, tragedy or oppression, and let your angels bear us up in their hands.
Happy are they whose transgressions are forgiven,
and whose sin is put away!

Your mercy embraces all humanity, O God: Hear our prayers of intercession, especially for Rosie, Sherry, Webb, David, Linda, David, Helen, Mary, Sandy, Bev, Jeanne, Chris, Carole, Elizabeth, Robert, Justin, Mike, Tony, Anthony, Penny, Betsy, the Duncan family, the leadership and people of Ukraine, and those affected in Turkey and Syria.

We bring to you our words of gratitude and thanksgiving, especially for The Helen Mitsui Shared Blessings Thrift Shop.
Though death has spread to all, Christ's obedience brings justification and life for all: Bring those who have died into your eternal life, O God.
Happy are they whose transgressions are forgiven,
and whose sin is put away!

Presider: We open our hearts to you, O Holy One, for you know the weakness of each of us: Let each one find you mighty to save,

forgiving us of our sin and filling us with your abundant grace, through Jesus Christ our Savior, who with you and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, One God, for ever and ever. **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.

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.

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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.**

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus

Celebrant: 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. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

Communion Music

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

May you have trust in times of anxiety, and live by the generous word that comes forth from the mouth of God.

May Christ, whose act of righteousness leads to justification and life for all, give you the abundance of his grace.

May the Holy Spirit be your help in temptation's hour and preserve you from all trouble.

And the blessing of our generous God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, be with you and preserve you for ever. **Amen.**

•Closing Hymn • 143 • The Glory of these forty days •

The Dismissal

Celebrant: Let us bless the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

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If you are visiting our beautiful island, ALOHA.

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