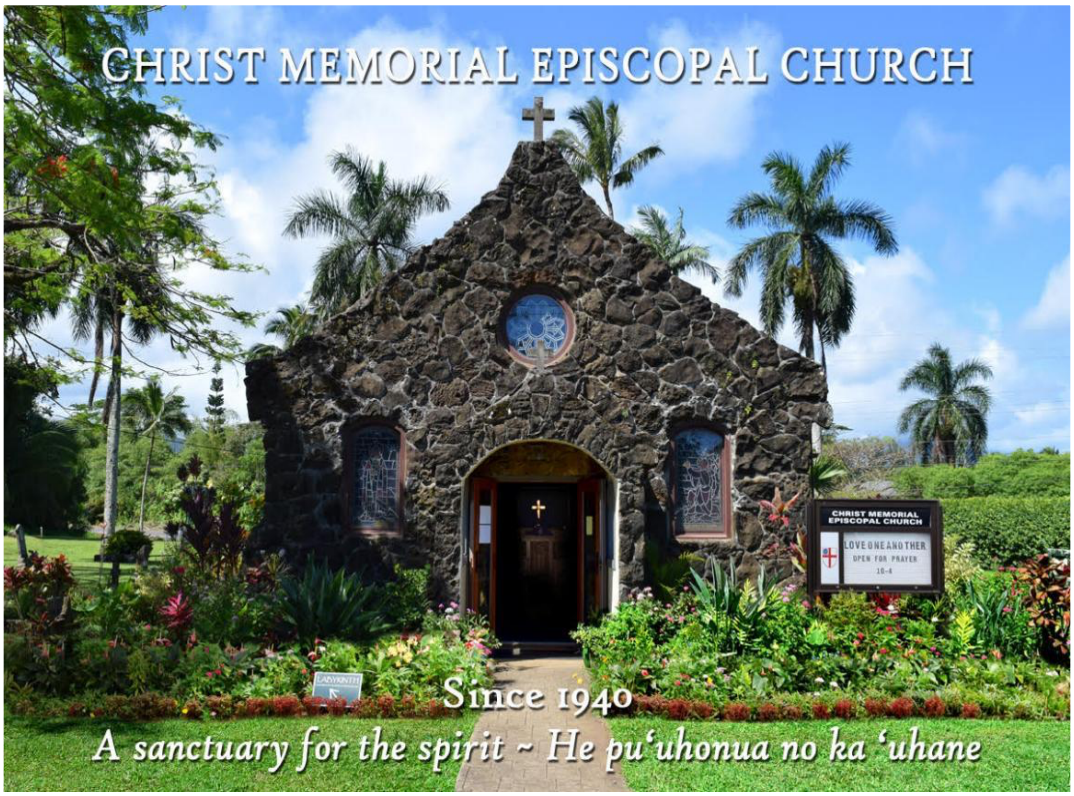


Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

October 1, 2023

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

Opening Hymn • 335 • I am the bread of life •

Opening Acclamation

Celebrant: **Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.**
People: **And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever.**

Amen.

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.

Gloria, Gloria in excelsis deo
Gloria, Gloria, Alleluia, Alleluia

The Collect of the Day

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

O God, you declare your almighty power chiefly in showing mercy and pity: Grant us the fullness of your grace, that we, running to obtain your promises, may become partakers of your heavenly treasure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

The First Lesson **Exodus 17:1-7**

A Reading from the Book of Exodus.

From the wilderness of Sin the whole congregation of the Israelites journeyed by stages, as the Lordcommanded. They camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. The

people quarreled with Moses, and said, “Give us water to drink.” Moses said to them, “Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you test the Lord?” But the people thirsted there for water; and the people complained against Moses and said, “Why did you bring us out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and livestock with thirst?” So Moses cried out to the Lord, “What shall I do with this people? They are almost ready to stone me.” The Lord said to Moses, “Go on ahead of the people, and take some of the elders of Israel with you; take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. I will be standing there in front of you on the rock at Horeb. Strike the rock, and water will come out of it, so that the people may drink.” Moses did so, in the sight of the elders of Israel. He called the place Massah and Meribah, because the Israelites quarreled and tested the Lord, saying, “Is the Lord among us or not?”

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

Psalm 78:1-4, 12-16

1 Hear my teaching, O my people; *
incline your ears to the words of my mouth.
2 I will open my mouth in a parable; *
I will declare the mysteries of ancient times.
3 That which we have heard and known,
and what our forefathers have told us, *
we will not hide from their children.

4 We will recount to generations to come
the praiseworthy deeds and the power of the Lord, *
and the wonderful works he has done.
12 He worked marvels in the sight of their forefathers, *
in the land of Egypt, in the field of Zoan.
13 He split open the sea and let them pass through; *
he made the waters stand up like walls.
14 He led them with a cloud by day, *
and all the night through with a glow of fire.
15 He split the hard rocks in the wilderness *
and gave them drink as from the great deep.
16 He brought streams out of the cliff, *
and the waters gushed out like rivers.

The Second Lesson **Philippians 2:1-13**

A Reading from Paul's letter to the Romans.

If then there is any encouragement in Christ, any consolation from love, any sharing in the Spirit, any compassion and sympathy, make my joy complete: be of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility regard others as better than yourselves. Let each of you look not to your own interests, but to the interests of others. Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus,

who, though he was in the form of God,
did not regard equality with God
as something to be exploited,

but emptied himself,
taking the form of a slave,
being born in human likeness.
And being found in human form,
he humbled himself
and became obedient to the point of death--
even death on a cross.
Therefore God also highly exalted him
and gave him the name
that is above every name,
so that at the name of Jesus
every knee should bend,
in heaven and on earth and under the earth,
and every tongue should confess
that Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.

Therefore, my beloved, just as you have always obeyed me, not only in my presence, but much more now in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling; for it is God who is at work in you, enabling you both to will and to work for his good pleasure.

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

Gospel Gradual • 554 • 'Tis a gift to be simple •

The Gospel **Matthew 21:23-32**

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

When Jesus entered the temple, the chief priests and the elders of the people came to him as he was teaching, and said, "By what authority are you doing these things, and who gave you this authority?" Jesus said to them, "I will also ask you one question; if you tell me the answer, then I will also tell you by what authority I do these things. Did the baptism of John come from heaven, or was it of human origin?" And they argued with one another, "If we say, 'From heaven,' he will say to us, 'Why then did you not believe him?' But if we say, 'Of human origin,' we are afraid of the crowd; for all regard John as a prophet." So they answered Jesus, "We do not know." And he said to them, "Neither will I tell you by what authority I am doing these things.

"What do you think? A man had two sons; he went to the first and said, 'Son, go and work in the vineyard today.' He answered, 'I will not'; but later he changed his mind and went. The father went to the second and said the same; and he answered, 'I go, sir'; but he did not go. Which of the two did the will of his father?" They said, "The first." Jesus said to them, "Truly I tell you, the tax collectors and the prostitutes are going into the kingdom of God ahead of you. For John came to you in the way of righteousness and you did not believe him, but the tax collectors and the prostitutes believed him; and even after you saw it, you did not change your minds and believe him.

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

The Sermon The Rev. Scott Lee

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.

The Prayers of the People

Presider: Gracious God, you exercise your authority chiefly in showing love through your Son Jesus Christ: Enable us both to will and to work for your good pleasure, that we may serve and

pray faithfully, as we say: We will recount to generations to come your praiseworthy deeds and your power, O God.
Litanist: You have called the members of Christ's body to work out our own salvation with reverence and trembling: Encourage us in Christ with the consolation of your love, that we may share your Spirit of compassion.
We will recount to generations to come
your praiseworthy deeds and your power, O God.

Inspire our leaders and all who hold authority in the world to do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but to serve humanity with humility and grace.
We will recount to generations to come
your praiseworthy deeds and your power, O God.

Fill the world with your Spirit, that all people may serve one another with humble faithfulness.
We will recount to generations to come
your praiseworthy deeds and your power, O God.

Be with our community that our actions and words may be consistent as we look generously to the interests of our neighbors and the health of our planet.
We will recount to generations to come
your praiseworthy deeds and your power, O God.

Make our joy complete by bringing your healing love to all for whom we pray, especially Sylas, Charlyn, Erin, Wyatt, the Wills family, Niles, Robbie, Elise, Jane, Amelia, Margaret, Gordon, Dale, Webb, Linda, David, Helen, Tony, Anthony, Penny, Dwight,

Tommy, Jennifer, and the Bowman family. 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; and for the people and land of Maui -- those who have lost their loved ones, homes, businesses and livelihoods -- and those others we now name.

[Pause]

Accept our gratitude and thanksgiving for all that we enjoy, especially for The Helen Mitsui Shared Blessings Thrift Shop, and those other blessings we now name.

[Pause]

Hear our prayers for those who have followed our savior Jesus through death into exaltation including those we now name.
We will recount to generations to come
your praiseworthy deeds and your power, O God.

Presider: Through the death and triumphant resurrection of your Son Jesus you have raised all humanity into your divine presence, O Holy One: Be at work in us that we may do your will on earth with joyful and obedient hearts, and share in the consolation of your Spirit, through Jesus Christ our Savior. ***Amen.***

Confession of Sin

Celebrant: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

Celebrant and People:

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. 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 Sharing of the Peace

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

The Holy Communion

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 him thanks and praise.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who on the first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

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: Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it, or lay a hand upon it, and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, 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; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, 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."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues:
We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new

and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **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.

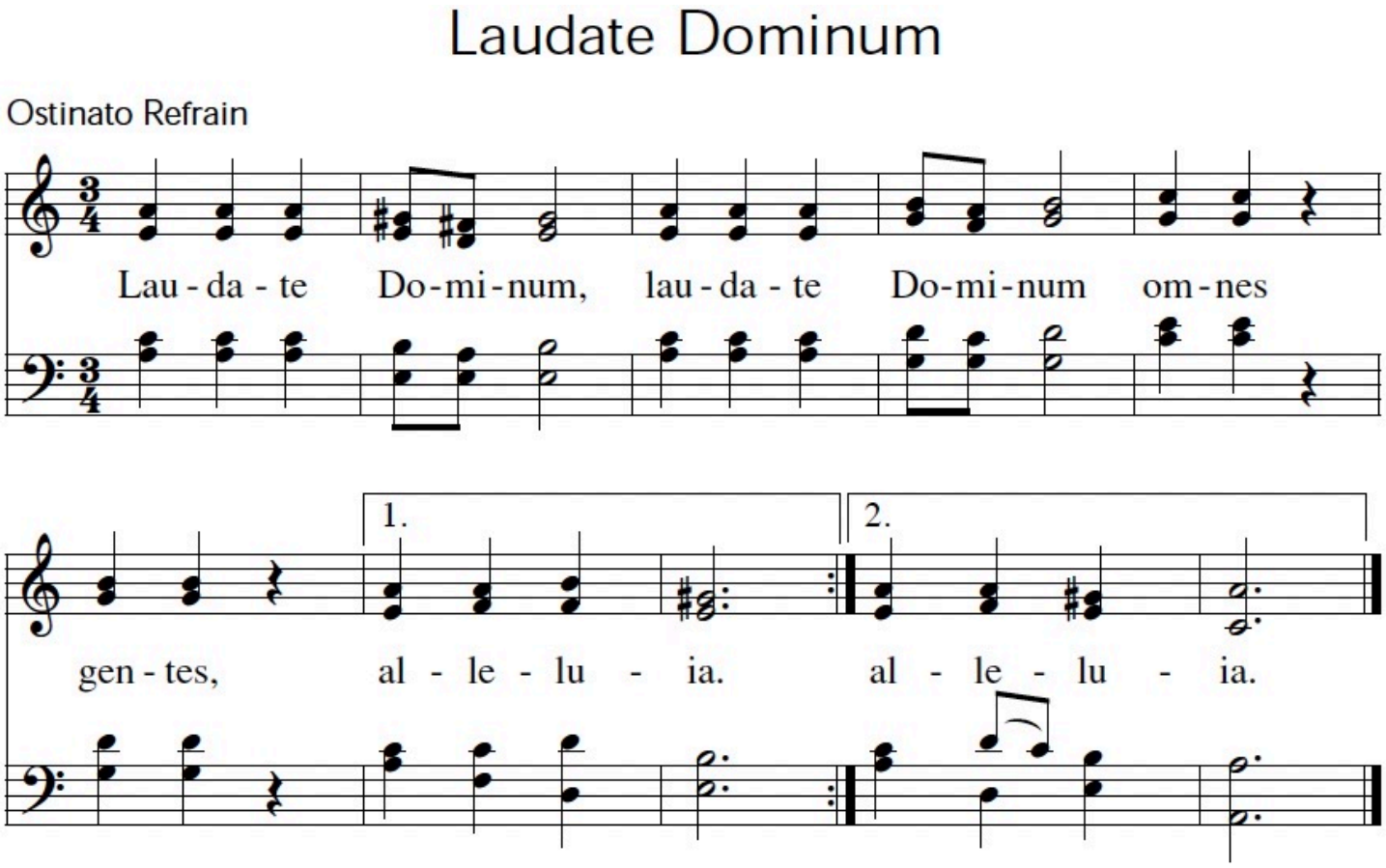
Mai ho'oku'u 'oe iā mākou i ka ho'owalewale 'ia mai, E ho'opakele nō na'e iā mākou i ka 'ino. No ka mea,
No uke apuni, a me ka mana, a me ka ho'onani 'ia a mau loa aku.
AMENE.

The Breaking of the Bread

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

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 Hymn



Text: Psalm 117, *Praise the Lord, all you peoples;* Taizé Community, 1980
Tune: Jacques Berthier, 1923-1994
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The Ministration of Communion

Postcommunion 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

• Closing Hymn • 400 • All creature of our God and King •

The Dismissal

Celebrant: Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Aloha! Welcome!

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