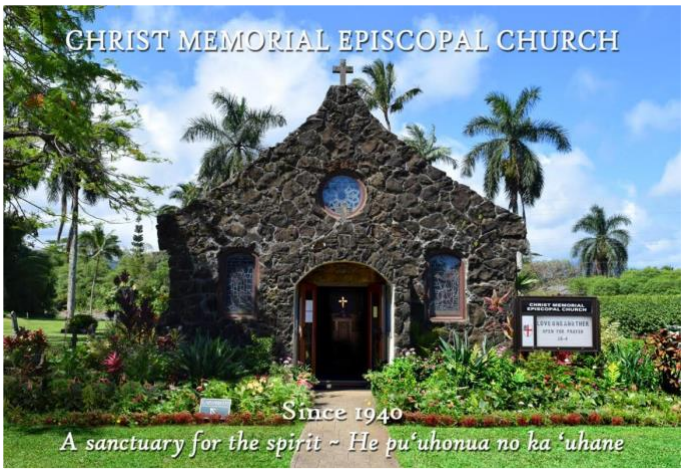


The Third Sunday of Advent

December 14, 2025

8:30 a.m. in the Sanctuary and Online

Prayer for lighting the Advent wreath:
Reader: Today we light the first, second, and third candles of the Advent wreath. Each candle has a meaning. The first candle is HOPE, the second candle is PEACE, and the third candle is JOY. [The candles are lit.] "You will go out in joy and be led forth in peace; the mountains and hills will burst into song before you, and all the trees of the field will clap their hands." (Isaiah 55:12).
People: **Gracious God, you came to us in human flesh and you abide with us in the Holy Spirit. Fill us with your joy, and help us shine as a light to the world. Through Jesus Christ, who makes our joy complete. Amen.**

Opening Hymn: 66 Come Thou Long Expected

Opening Acclamation (BCP, p. 355)

Celebrant: Blessed be God: holy, glorious and undivided Trinity.
People: **And blessed be God's reign, now and forever.**

The Collect for Purity

The Collect of the Day

First Lesson: Isaiah 35:1-10

Canticle 15: The Song of Mary (BCP p. 91)

Second Lesson: James 5:7-10

Gospel Hymn: 343 Shepherd of Souls

The Gospel: Matthew 11:2-11

The Sermon The Rev. Catherine Amy Kropp

Silence

The Nicene Creed (BCP, p. 358)

Prayers of the People

They shall see the glory of the Divine,
the majesty of our God.

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**

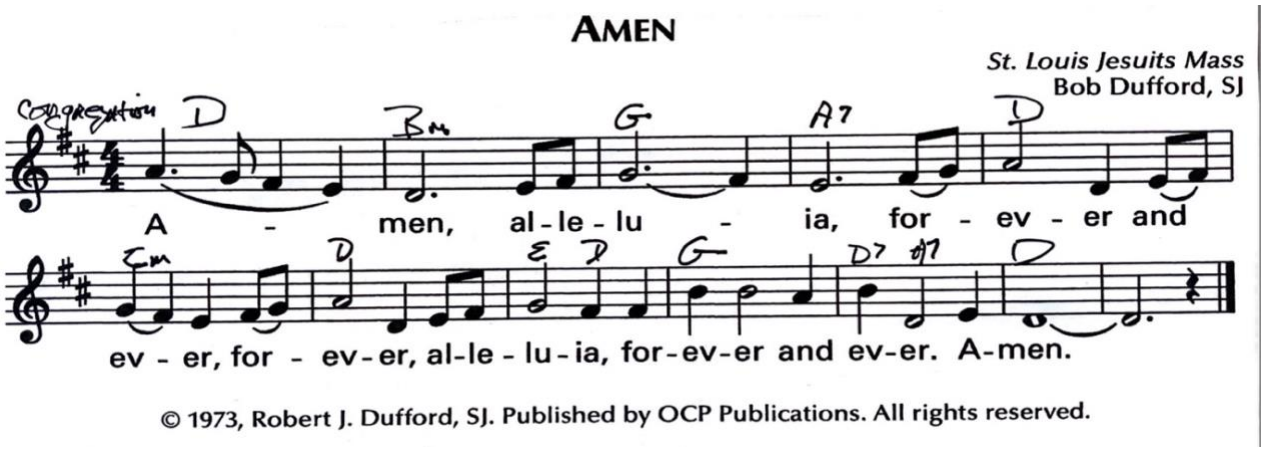
`O `oe ku`u lama	**You are my light**
Kou nani ko`u ko`o.	**Your glory, my support.**
Mai nana `ino`ino	**Behold not with malevolence**
Na hewa o kanaka	**The sins of man**
Aka e huikala	**But forgive**
A ma`ema`e no.	**And cleanse.**
No laila e ka Haku	**And so, o Lord**
Ma lalo o kou `eheu	**Protect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

The Sharing of the Peace

The Holy Communion Eucharistic Prayer A (BCP, p. 361)

Celebrant concludes the story of Jesus and his disciples and the salvation of the world in the sacrament of Holy Communion by singing.

Celebrant: "...through him, with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor is yours, almighty Father, forever and ever." *The People respond by singing*: **"Amen!"**



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.

Communion Taize: *Wait for the lord whose day is near.*
Wait for the Lord, be strong, take heart.

Post Communion Prayer (BCP, p. 365)

The Blessing

Closing Hymn: 523 Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken

The Dismissal (BCP, p. 366)
Celebrant: Let us go forth rejoicing in the power of the Spirit. Alleluiah! Alleluiah!

People: **Thanks be to God. Alleluiah! Alleluiah**

Aloha! Welcome!

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