

Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

August 13, 2023

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

Opening Hymn • 390 • Praise to the Lord •

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.

Grant to us, Lord, we pray, the spirit to think and do always those things that are right, that we, who cannot exist without you, may by you be enabled to live according to your will; 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

Genesis 37:1-4, 12-28

A Reading from the Book of Genesis.

Jacob settled in the land where his father had lived as an alien, the land of Canaan. This is the story of the family of Jacob.

Joseph, being seventeen years old, was shepherding the flock with his brothers; he was a helper to the sons of Bilhah and Zilpah, his

father's wives; and Joseph brought a bad report of them to their father. Now Israel loved Joseph more than any other of his children, because he was the son of his old age; and he had made him a long robe with sleeves. But when his brothers saw that their father loved him more than all his brothers, they hated him, and could not speak peaceably to him.

Now his brothers went to pasture their father's flock near Shechem. And Israel said to Joseph, "Are not your brothers pasturing the flock at Shechem? Come, I will send you to them." He answered, "Here I am." So he said to him, "Go now, see if it is well with your brothers and with the flock; and bring word back to me." So he sent him from the valley of Hebron.

He came to Shechem, and a man found him wandering in the fields; the man asked him, "What are you seeking?" "I am seeking my brothers," he said; "tell me, please, where they are pasturing the flock." The man said, "They have gone away, for I heard them say, 'Let us go to Dothan.'" So Joseph went after his brothers, and found them at Dothan. They saw him from a distance, and before he came near to them, they conspired to kill him. They said to one another, "Here comes this dreamer. Come now, let us kill him and throw him into one of the pits; then we shall say that a wild animal has devoured him, and we shall see what will become of his dreams." But when Reuben heard it, he delivered him out of their hands, saying, "Let us not take his life." Reuben said to them, "Shed no blood; throw him into this pit here in the wilderness, but lay no hand on him"—that he might rescue him out of their hand and restore him to his father. So when Joseph came to his brothers, they stripped him of his robe, the long robe with sleeves that he

wore; and they took him and threw him into a pit. The pit was empty; there was no water in it.

Then they sat down to eat; and looking up they saw a caravan of Ishmaelites coming from Gilead, with their camels carrying gum, balm, and resin, on their way to carry it down to Egypt. Then Judah said to his brothers, “What profit is it if we kill our brother and conceal his blood? Come, let us sell him to the Ishmaelites, and not lay our hands on him, for he is our brother, our own flesh.” And his brothers agreed. When some Midianite traders passed by, they drew Joseph up, lifting him out of the pit, and sold him to the Ishmaelites for twenty pieces of silver. And they took Joseph to Egypt.

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

People: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 105, 1-6, 16-22, 45b

1 Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his Name; *
make known his deeds among the peoples.

2 Sing to him, sing praises to him, *
and speak of all his marvelous works.

3 Glory in his holy Name; *
let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice.

4 Search for the Lord and his strength; *
continually seek his face.

5 Remember the marvels he has done, *
his wonders and the judgments of his mouth,

6 O offspring of Abraham his servant, *

O children of Jacob his chosen.

16 Then he called for a famine in the land *

and destroyed the supply of bread.

17 He sent a man before them, *

Joseph, who was sold as a slave.

18 They bruised his feet in fetters; *

his neck they put in an iron collar.

19 Until his prediction came to pass, *

the word of the Lord tested him.

20 The king sent and released him; *

the ruler of the peoples set him free.

21 He set him as a master over his household,

as a ruler over all his possessions,

22 To instruct his princes according to his will

and to teach his elders wisdom.

45 Hallelujah!

The Second Lesson

Romans 10:5-15

A Reading from Paul's letter to the Romans..

Moses writes concerning the righteousness that comes from the law, that “the person who does these things will live by them.” But the righteousness that comes from faith says, “Do not say in your heart, ‘Who will ascend into heaven?’” (that is, to bring Christ down) “or ‘Who will descend into the abyss?’” (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). But what does it say?

“The word is near you,
on your lips and in your heart”

(that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. The scripture says, “No one who believes in him will be put to shame.” For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. For, “Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.”

But how are they to call on one in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in one of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone to proclaim him? And how are they to proclaim him unless they are sent? As it is written, “How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!”

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

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Gradual • 693 • Just as I am, without one plea •

The Gospel

Matthew 14:22-33

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

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up the mountain by himself to pray.

When evening came, he was there alone, but by this time the boat, battered by the waves, was far from the land, for the wind was against them. And early in the morning he came walking toward them on the sea. But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, saying, “It is a ghost!” And they cried out in fear. But immediately Jesus spoke to them and said, “Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid.”

Peter answered him, “Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water.” He said, “Come.” So Peter got out of the boat, started walking on the water, and came toward Jesus. But when he noticed the strong wind, he became frightened, and beginning to sink, he cried out, “Lord, save me!” Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, “You of little faith, why did you doubt?” When they got into the boat, the wind ceased. And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, “Truly you are the Son of God.”

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 and loving God, you reach into the stormy chaos of our lives to save us from fear and to bring us into new life: Hear our prayers for the needs of a suffering world, and save all who call upon you, as we pray: We give you thanks, O God, and call upon your Name; we make known your deeds among the people.

Litanist: Gracious One, your Church has been sent to proclaim good news to all the world: Protect us from jealousy and conflict, that we may witness to your saving presence.

We give you thanks, O God, and call upon your Name;
we make known your deeds among the people.

Eternal One, our leaders and the leaders of the nations quarrel and bicker even in the face of threatening storms of chaos, violence, illness and fear: Strengthen their faith to walk confidently into the future upheld by Christ's strong compassionate hand.

We give you thanks, O God, and call upon your Name;
we make known your deeds among the people.

Compassionate One, our world is tossed by envy and jealousy, terror, fear, conspiracy, greed, bloodshed and oppression: Reach into the hearts of your storm-tossed creatures and bring the peace of Jesus to all who are afraid.

We give you thanks, O God, and call upon your Name;
we make known your deeds among the people.

Ever-Present One, let those who live in this community search for you and your strength and continue to seek your face: Strengthen us to extend the confident hand of Jesus to all who share our lives here, bringing hope and peace to each of our neighbors.

We give you thanks, O God, and call upon your Name;
we make known your deeds among the people.

Loving God, we call upon you with believing hearts as we offer our intercession for all who need your saving presence, especially Sylas, Sid, Jo, Charlyn, Erin, Wyatt, the Wills family, Rick, Marcie, Miranda, Dan, Niles, Robbie, Elise, Jane, Amelia, Margaret, Gordon, Dale, Webb, David, Linda, David, Helen, Tony, Anthony, Penny, Dwight, Tommy, Jennifer, Matthew, Katie and the leadership and people of Ukraine. We pray also for the people of Russia who wish for peace and an end to the war. And for the people and land of Maui and the Big Island, especially Dannette

and all who have been displaced by the fires, and for emergency personnel who are working to end the fires and care for the people.

We offer our grateful thanks, especially for The Helen Mitsui Shared Blessing Thrift Shop. Are there other thanksgivings?

We entrust to your never-failing care and love those who have died, especially Rick. Are there others who have died?

May all who need you hear Christ's words of comfort, "Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid." For those who have lost their lives in the wildfires, for their families and those who know and love them.

We give you thanks, O God, and call upon your Name;

we make known your deeds among the people.

Presider: Save your children, O God, and let your gracious presence come to us filling our hearts with your Spirit, that peace may overcome enmity and love may calm our storms, through the power of the Son of God, our Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Confession of Sin

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

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.

For by water and the Holy Spirit you have made us a new people in Jesus Christ our Lord, to show forth your glory in all the world.

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.

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 • Wait for the Lord •

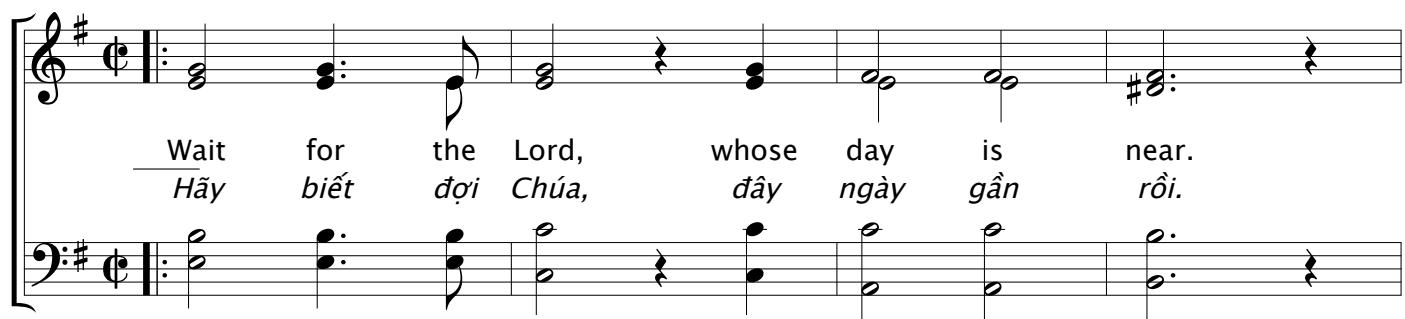
E ko mākou Makua i loko o ka lani, E ho'āno 'ia Kou inoa, E hiki mai Kou aupuni, E mālama 'ia Kou makemake ma ka honua nei.

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.

Wait for the Lord

HÃY BIẾT ĐỢI CHÚA



Wait for the Lord, whose day is near.
HÃY BIẾT ĐỢI CHÚA, ngày gần rồi.



Wait for the Lord: keep watch, take heart!
Chờ mong Thiên Chúa, hãy trông, lòng kiên cường.

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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 • 608 • Eternal Father, strong to save •

The Dismissal

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

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Aloha! Welcome!

If you are visiting our beautiful island, ALOHA.

We are blessed by your visit and pray that God's beauty greets you at every scenic turn and in the eyes of every person you meet. If you're thinking and praying, searching and hoping for a place to belong, to serve God, and to make a difference in this world, be our guest! There's a special place at Christ Memorial just for you.

We're so glad you're here.

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The Rev. Scott Lee, Resident Priest