

St. Columba's

EPISCOPAL CHURCH
OPEN IN SPIRIT • DEEP IN FAITH
RICH IN WORSHIP • ACTIVE IN SERVICE
The Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost
September 26, 2021
Holy Eucharist at 9:30 AM

Aloha! Welcome. We invite you to join as an active participant in the worship of God. This service is based on the Order for the Holy Eucharist: Rite Two in the Book of Common Prayer and Enriching our Worship. For ease of use, this leaflet contains the congregational portions of the liturgy and much of the service music. Hymn numbers refer to the Hymnal 1982. Lessons and Gospel texts are taken from the New Revised Standard Version of the Bible, following the Revised Common Lectionary.

For the immediate future, we will worship outdoors for the Sunday worship services. The Parish Medical Task Force continues to monitor the situation. Mahalo for your understanding and continued prayers for our world, nation, and island home.

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship (Bell is rung)

Opening Acclamation

Presider Blessed be the One, Holy, and Living God.

People Glory to God forever and 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.

Song of Praise

Gloria

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world:

have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.
For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father.
Amen.

The Collect of the Day

Presider The Lord be with you. People And also with you.

Presider E pule kakou (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.**

A Reading from the letter of James (5:13-20)

Are any among you suffering? They should pray. Are any cheerful? They should sing songs of praise. Are any among you sick? They should call for the elders of the church and have them pray over them, anointing them with oil in the name of the Lord. The prayer of faith will save the sick, and the Lord will raise them up; and anyone who has committed sins will be forgiven. Therefore confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another, so that you may be healed. The prayer of the righteous is powerful and effective. Elijah was a human being like us, and he prayed fervently that it might not rain, and for three years and six months it did not rain on the earth. Then he prayed again, and the heaven gave rain and the earth yielded its harvest.

My brothers and sisters, if anyone among you wanders from the truth and is brought back by another, you should know that whoever brings back a sinner from wandering will save the sinner's soul from death and will cover a multitude of sins.

Reader The Word of the Lord. People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 124

1 If the LORD had not been on our side, * let Israel now say; 2 If the Lord had not been on our side, * when enemies rose up against us; 3 Then would they have swallowed us up alive * in their fierce anger toward us; 4 Then would the waters have overwhelmed us * and the torrent gone over us; 5 Then would the raging waters * have gone right over us. 6 Blessed be the LORD! * he has not given us over to be a prey for their teeth. 7 We have escaped like a bird from the snare of the fowler; * the snare is broken, and we have escaped. 8 Our help is in the Name of the Lord, * the maker of heaven and earth.

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ According to Mark (9:38-50)

At the Announcement, all say: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

John said to Jesus, "Teacher, we saw someone casting out demons in your name, and we tried to stop him, because he was not following us." But Jesus said, "Do not stop him; for no one who does a deed of power in my name will be able soon afterward to speak evil of me. Whoever is not against us is for us. For truly I tell you, whoever gives you a cup of water to drink because you bear the name of Christ will by no means lose the reward.

"If any of you put a stumbling block before one of these little ones who believe in me, it would be better for you if a great millstone were hung around your neck and you were thrown into the sea. If your hand causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life maimed than to have two hands and to go to hell, to the unquenchable fire. And if your foot causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life lame than to have two feet and to be thrown into hell. And if your eye causes you to stumble, tear it out; it is better for you to enter the kingdom of God with one eye than to have two eyes and to be thrown into hell, where their worm never dies, and the fire is never quenched.

"For everyone will be salted with fire. Salt is good; but if salt has lost its saltiness, how can you season it? Have salt in yourselves, and be at peace with one another."

The Nicene Creed

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

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

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

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After each petition, the leader says, Gracious God, All reply, Hear Our Prayer.

At the conclusion of the prayers, the presider says:

O Lord Jesus Christ - stay beside us to defend us, within us to guide us - before us to lead us, behind us to guard us - and above us to bless us; that with you and in you, we may live and move and have our being, for ever and ever.

Confession of Sin and Absolution

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.

The Peace Ke Aloha

Presider 'O ke aloha o ka Haku e mau ana me 'oukou. (Hawaiian)

People A me 'oe pū.

Presider Ti Cappia ti Apo adda coma cadacayo. (Ilocano)

People Ken casta met kenca.

Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you. (English)

People And also with you.

The Offertory

The Doxology

Ho'onani i ka Makua mau, ke Keiki me ka 'Uhane no, Ke Akua mau ho'omaika'i pu, ko keia ao, ko kela ao. (Hawaiian)

Ti Ama ken Anac coma, Ken Espiritu ti liwliwa Dayawen nga ipangrona, Ti langit ken ditoy daga. (*Ilocano*)

Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
Praise God all creatures here below.
Praise God above ye heavenly host,
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen. (English)

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Presider The Lord be with you.
People And also with you.
Presider Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Presider It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, God Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. For you are the source of light and life; you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we say:

Sanctus

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 Presider proceeds Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God. To deliver us from the power of sin and death and to reveal the riches of your grace, you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant, that she might conceive and bear a son, Jesus the holy child of God.

Presider and People Living among us, Jesus loved us. He broke bread with outcasts and sinners, healed the sick, and proclaimed good news to the poor. He yearned to draw all the world to himself yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love.

Then, the time came for him to complete upon the cross the sacrifice of his life, and to be glorified by you.

On the night before he died for us, Jesus was at table with his friends. He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine. Again, he gave thanks to you, gave it to them, and said: "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Now gathered at your table, O God of all creation, and remembering Christ, crucified and risen, who was and is and is to come, we offer to you our gifts of bread and wine, and ourselves, a living sacrifice. Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ. Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth and make us your new creation, the Body of Christ given for the world you have made.

Presider and People In the fullness of time bring us, with blessed Columba, James, our patrons King Kamehameha IV and Queen Emma, Damien and Marianne of Moloka'i, Queen Lili`uokalani, the ever-blessed Virgin Mary and all the saints from every tribe and language and people and nation, to feast at the banquet prepared from the foundation of the world.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and 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,

the power, and the glory,

for ever and ever. Amen.

E ho'ano 'ia kou inoa E hiki mai kou aupuni; E malama 'ia kou makemake ma ke honua nei E like me ia i malama 'ia ma ka lani la.

E ko makou makua i loko o ka lani,

E ha'awi mai ia makou i keia la, i 'ai na makou no neia

E kala mai ho'I ia makou i ka makou lawehala 'ana, Me makou e kala nei i ka po'e i lawehala i ka makou. Mai ho'oku'u 'oe ia makou I ka ho'owalewale 'ia mai,

E ho'opakele no na'e ia makou i ka 'ino;

No ka mea, nou ke aupuni,

A me ka mana, a me ka ho'onani 'ia a mau loa aku. 'Amene.

The Presider breaks the consecrated Bread.

Presider Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

The Invitation to Holy Communion

Presider The gifts of God for the people of God.

If you do not wish to receive Communion, but would like a blessing, indicate so by crossing your arms over your chest. Gluten-free wafers are available, please ask a priest.

This is the table, not of the Church but of Jesus Christ.

It is made ready for those who love God

and who want to love God more.

So come, you who have much faith and you who have little,

You who have been here often

and you who have not been for a long time or never before,

You who have tried to follow and all of us who have failed.

These are the gifts of God for the People of God.

Come, not because the Church invites you;

It is Christ who invites you to be known and fed here.

Adapted from The Iona Community, Iona Abbey Worship Book,

(Glasgow, UK: Wild Goose Publications, 2001), 53.

Note: "If a person desires to receive the Sacrament, but, by reason of extreme sickness or physical disability, is unable to eat and drink the Bread and Wine, the Celebrant is to assure that person that all the benefits of Communion are received, even though the Sacrament is not received with the mouth."

—The Book of Common Prayer (1979), p. 457.

After Communion, the Presider says, E pule kakou (Let us pray):

Presider

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 in to 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

The Officiant offers the following blessing or one of their choosing.

Go now and celebrate wherever God's name is honoured.

When suffering comes, pray in faith.

In times of joy, sing songs of praise.

Persevere in prayer and action

to bring the fallen back to the truth.

And may the blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit be with you now and always. **Amen.**

The Dismissal

Presider Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia! Alleluia!

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Additional reading suggested for this day:

Esther 7:1-6, 9-10; 9:20-22

The king and Haman went in to feast with Queen Esther. On the second day, as they were drinking wine, the king again said to Esther, "What is your petition, Queen Esther? It shall be granted you. And what is your request? Even to the half of my kingdom, it shall be fulfilled." Then Queen Esther answered, "If I have won your favor, O king, and if it pleases the king, let my life be given me-- that is my petition-and the lives of my people-- that is my request. For we have been sold, I and my people, to be destroyed, to be killed, and to be annihilated. If we had been sold merely as slaves, men and women, I would have held my peace; but no enemy can compensate for this damage to the king." Then King Ahasuerus said to Queen Esther, "Who is he, and where is he, who has presumed to do this?" Esther said, "A foe and enemy, this wicked Haman!" Then Haman was terrified before the king and the queen.

Then Harbona, one of the eunuchs in attendance on the king, said, "Look, the very gallows that Haman has prepared for Mordecai, whose word saved the king, stands at Haman's house, fifty cubits high." And the king said, "Hang him on that." So they hanged Haman on the gallows that he had prepared for Mordecai. Then the anger of the king abated.

Mordecai recorded these things, and sent letters to all the Jews who were in all the provinces of King Ahasuerus, both near and far, enjoining them that they should keep the fourteenth day of the month Adar and also the fifteenth day of the same month, year by year, as the days on which the Jews gained relief from their enemies, and as the month that had been turned for them from sorrow into gladness and from mourning into a holiday; that they should make them days of feasting and gladness, days for sending gifts of food to one another and presents to the poor.

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