



St. Columba's  
**EPISCOPAL CHURCH**  
OPEN IN SPIRIT · DEEP IN FAITH  
RICH IN WORSHIP · ACTIVE IN SERVICE

The Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany  
January 29, 2023  
Holy Eucharist at 9:30 AM

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*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.*

### Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship *(Bell is rung)*

Hymn "Be Not Afraid" SB 19

Opening Acclamation

*Presider* Arise, shine, for your light has come.

*People* **And the glory of the Lord has dawned upon you**

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

*Please remain standing*

*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*): Almighty and everlasting God, you govern all things both in heaven and on earth: Mercifully hear the supplications of your people, and in our time grant us your peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

*Please be seated*

A Reading from Paul's First letter to the Corinthians (1:18-31)

The message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. For it is written,

“I will destroy the wisdom of the wise,  
and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart.”

Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe. For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, but to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength.

Consider your own call, brothers and sisters: not many of you were wise by human standards, not many were powerful, not many were of noble birth. But God chose what is foolish in the world to shame the wise; God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong; God chose what is low and despised in the world, things that are not, to reduce to nothing things that are, so that no one might boast in the presence of God. He is the source of your life in Christ Jesus, who became for us wisdom from God, and righteousness and sanctification and redemption, in order that, as it is written, "Let the one who boasts, boast in the Lord."

*The Reader says, The Word of the Lord. All Reply, Thanks be to God.*

### Psalm 15

- 1 LORD, who may dwell in your tabernacle? \*  
who may abide upon your holy hill?**
- 2 Whoever leads a blameless life and does what is right, \*  
who speaks the truth from his heart.**
- 3 There is no guile upon his tongue;  
he does no evil to his friend; \*  
he does not heap contempt upon his neighbor.**
- 4 In his sight the wicked is rejected, \*  
but he honors those who fear the LORD.**
- 5 He has sworn to do no wrong \*  
and does not take back his word.**
- 6 He does not give his money in hope of gain, \*  
nor does he take a bribe against the innocent.**
- 7 Whoever does these things \*  
shall never be overthrown.**

**do not forsake me, O God of my salvation.**

*All who are able, please stand*

Hymn "Seek Ye First" SB 139

*Please remain standing. It is our custom to face the reader*

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew (5:1-12)

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

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying:

“Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

“Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

“Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

“Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.

“Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.

“Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

“Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.

“Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness’ sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

“Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.”

*Reader* The Gospel of the Lord.     *People* **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

*Please be seated*

*Sermon*

The Reverend Linda Lundgren

*All who are able, please stand*

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 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

*Intercessor:* Let us pray to God, who is made manifest in Jesus Christ.

*Intercessor:* As the prophet Isaiah rang out, “Arise, shine; for your light has come;” empower your Church, O God, to ring out the Good News of the Light of your son Jesus, which pierces even the deepest darkness.

Lord, in your mercy,

**Hear our prayer.**

Send your blessing, O God, on this nation, and every nation, and draw the whole world to your peace and truth.

Lord, in your mercy,

**Hear our prayer.**

We pray that you would guide our country and our leaders to the ways of justice and righteousness.

Lord, in your mercy,

**Hear our prayer.**

We pray for our community, our island home and our world that we may all continue to celebrate the Good News of Christ.

Lord, in your mercy,

**Hear our prayer.**

We pray for the sick and the distressed, the poor and the lame. We especially pray for

Lord, in your mercy,  
**Hear our prayer.**

We pray for those we love and who have answered your call to follow Jesus to your Heavenly Kingdom. Give them your peace.

Lord, in your mercy,  
**Hear our prayer.**

**And finally we pray for ourselves, oh 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. Amen**

### Confession of Sin and Absolution

*Officiant:* We come seeking forgiveness for all we have failed to be and do. In God there is forgiveness, let us confess our sins.

**God, we have not done what is blameless and right,  
nor spoken truth from the heart with love.  
We do not keep your word,  
and when we participate in gossip,  
our words and deeds cause pain.  
Forgive us by the power of your mercy,  
that we might stand in the goodness of Christ  
and walk in the light of his love. Amen.**

*Officiant:* Sisters and brothers, your sins are forgiven by Christ, who chose love over hatred and forgiveness over blame. Rejoice and be glad, for God's mercy is great; Jesus brings healing, justice and peace.

### The Peace: Ke Aloha

*Leader:* 'O ke aloha o ka Haku e mau ana me'oukou.

*All:* **A me 'oe pu**

*Leader:* Ti Cappia ti Apo adda coma cadacayo

*All:* **Ken casta met kenca**

*Presider:* The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

*All:* **And also with you.**

*Please greet each other in Christ's name.*

## Offertory Sentence

*Please remain seated during the offertory hymn*

Hymn “Surely the Presence” SB 155

*All who are able, please stand and join in singing*

## 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 our thanks and praise.**

*Presider:* It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Almighty God, Creator of heaven and earth. Because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of your glory in the face of your son 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 sing:

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might, (sing 2x)  
heaven and earth are full, full of your glory  
Hosanna in the highest (sing 2x)  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest. (sing 2x)**

*The Presider continues* Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love.

*Presider and People* **You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace. But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people.**

*Presider* Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation.

Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us, Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, 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.”

As supper was ending, Jesus 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 poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me.”

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

*Presider and People*

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

*The Celebrant continues* Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ.

*Presider and People* **Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ’s Body in the world. Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with blessed James, Columba, our patrons King Kamehameha IV and Queen Emma, Damien and Marianne of Moloka’i, Queen Lili`uokalani, the ever-blessed Virgin Mary, Gregorio Aglipay and all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever.**

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.**

The Breaking of the Bread

*Presider breaks the consecrated Bread*

*Presider* Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

*People* **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

The Invitation

*Presider* The Gifts of God for the People of God.

*The bread is received with open palm. The wine, if desired, is received by dipping the wafer in the wine. 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 those 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*

At the Communion

*Musical offering*

*Please stand or kneel as you are able*

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

**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

*Please stand as you are able*

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

In the spirit of the beatitudes,  
commit to leading a life of blessing,  
living in compassion, simplicity, and peace.

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

Hymn "I Saw the Light" SB 88

### The Dismissal

*Priest* Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia. Alleluia.  
*People* **Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.**

*Additional appointed reading for this day:*

#### **Micah 6:1-8**

Hear what the LORD says:  
Rise, plead your case before the mountains,  
and let the hills hear your voice.

Hear, you mountains, the controversy of the LORD,  
and you enduring foundations of the earth;  
for the LORD has a controversy with his people,  
and he will contend with Israel.

"O my people, what have I done to you?  
In what have I wearied you? Answer me!

For I brought you up from the land of Egypt,  
and redeemed you from the house of slavery;

10 and I sent before you Moses,

Aaron, and Miriam.

O my people, remember now what King Balak of Moab devised,  
what Balaam son of Beor answered him,  
and what happened from Shittim to Gilgal,  
that you may know the saving acts of the LORD.”

“With what shall I come before the LORD,  
and bow myself before God on high?  
Shall I come before him with burnt-offerings,  
with calves a year old?  
Will the LORD be pleased with thousands of rams,  
with tens of thousands of rivers of oil?  
Shall I give my firstborn for my transgression,  
the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?”  
He has told you, O mortal, what is good;  
and what does the LORD require of you  
but to do justice, and to love kindness,  
and to walk humbly with your God?



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A warm aloha to St. Columba's Church. We invite you to join us as we sing, pray, laugh and eat together. We are a Christian community that practices the radical inclusivity and radical love embodied in Jesus.

You are welcome at St. Columba's if you can sing like an angel or if you can't carry a note in a bucket. You're welcome here if you're just browsing, just woke up or just got out of jail. We don't care if you're more Episcopal than the Presiding Bishop, or think Jesus was just a cool dude.

We extend a special welcome to those who are over 60 but not grown up yet and to teenagers who are growing up too fast. Those digitally connected all the time and those unconnected.

We welcome triathletes, wild boar hunters, starving artists, recyclers, latte-sippers, vegetarians, and junk-food eaters. We welcome those who are in recovery or still addicted. We welcome you if you're down in the dumps or if you don't like organized religion. We've been there too.

We welcome you if you work too hard or are hardly working, or because grandma is in town and wanted to go to church. We welcome those who are inked, pierced or both. We offer a special welcome to those who could use a prayer now, had the Bible used on you like a bat (ouch!) or were searching for The Answer and wound up here instead.

We welcome tourists, seekers and doubters, bleeding hearts and you!