

“OPEN HEARTS...OPEN MINDS...OPEN DOORS”



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SUNDAY, APRIL 7TH, 2024

Second Sunday of Easter



OPENING HYMN

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

UMH 89

1. Joyful, joyful, we adore thee,
God of glory, Lord of love;
hearts unfold like flowers before
thee,
opening to the sun above.
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness;
drive the dark of doubt away.
Giver of immortal gladness,
fill us with the light of day!

2. All thy works with joy surround
thee,
earth and heaven reflect thy rays,
stars and angels sing around thee,
center of unbroken praise.
Field and forest, vale and mountain,
flowery meadow, flashing sea,
chanting bird and flowing fountain,
call us to rejoice in thee.

3. Thou art giving and forgiving,
ever blessing, ever blest,
wellspring of the joy of living,
ocean depth of happy rest!
Thou our Father, Christ our brother,
all who live in love are thine;
teach us how to love each other,
lift us to the joy divine.

4. Mortals, join the mighty chorus
which the morning stars began;
love divine is reigning o'er us,
binding all within its span.
Ever singing, march we onward,
victors in the midst of strife;
joyful music leads us sunward,
in the triumph song of life.

GREETINGS AND ALOHA

Liturgist: Vanessa Malamala

*CALL TO WORSHIP

(* You may stand.)

Leader: How shall we live when shadows gather?

People: **DRAWN TO GOD'S UNQUENCHABLE LIGHT, WE ARE ALSO DRAWN INTO ONE ANOTHER'S PRESENCE.**

Leader: What was hidden has been revealed; we are woven together with all Creation.

PEOPLE: **WHEN WE LIVE IN THE LIGHT, AS GOD IS IN THE LIGHT, WE ARE ONE WITH EACH OTHER.**

ALL: **LET US WORSHIP GOD, WHO IS OUR LIGHT AND SALVATION.**

***HYMN OF PRAISE**

Come Thou Long Expected Jesus

UMH 196

1. Come, thou long expected Jesus,
born to set thy people free;
from our fears and sins release us,
let us find our rest in thee.
Israel's strength and consolation,
hope of all the earth thou art;
dear desire of every nation,
joy of every longing heart.

2. Born thy people to deliver,
born a child and yet a King,
born to reign in us forever,
now thy gracious kingdom bring.
By thine own eternal spirit
rule in all our hearts alone;
by thine all sufficient merit,
raise us to thy glorious throne.



PRAYER OF INVOCATION

PRAYER TIME

Leader: Lord, in your mercy
ALL: HEAR OUR PRAYERS



UNISON PRAYER

God of abundance, as we gather today, we remember that we are thankful for the beauty around us. Weave us together as a community to live renewed lives full of compassion and joy. Help us to move in harmony with one another and with all creation, walking in the way that leads to life. Amen.

PRAYER RESPONSE "Queen Liliuokalani's Prayer"

O kou aloha no. Aia i ka lani. A'o Kou' oia i'o. He hemolele ho'i. Amene
(Your loving mercy is in heaven, and your truth so perfect. Amen)

First Reading

Acts 4:32-35

Liturgist

³²Now the whole group of those who believed were of one heart and soul, and no one claimed private ownership of any possessions, but everything they owned was held in common. ³³With great power the apostles gave their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all. ³⁴There was not a needy person among them, for as many as owned lands or houses sold them and brought the proceeds of what was sold. ³⁵They laid it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to each as any had need.

SECOND READING

1 John 1:1-2:2

Liturgist

1 We declare to you what was from the beginning, what we have heard, what we have seen with our eyes, what we have looked at and touched with our hands, concerning the word of life— **2** this life was revealed, and we have seen it and testify to it, and declare to you the eternal life that was with the Father and was revealed to us— **3** we declare to you what we have seen and heard so that you also may have fellowship with us; and truly our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son Jesus Christ. **4** We are writing these things so that our^[a] joy may be complete.

5 This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light and in him there is no darkness at all. **6** If we say that we have fellowship with him while we are walking in darkness, we lie and do not do what is true; **7** but if we walk in the light as he himself is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. **8** If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. **9** If we confess our sins, he who is faithful and just will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. **10** If we say that we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

2 My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; **2** and he is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH:**

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THE APOSTLE'S CREED, ECUMENICAL VERSION

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried he descended to the dead. On the third day, he rose again; he ascended into heaven,

is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and will come again to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic** church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection
of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen (**universal)



UMH 70

Vaosa Tagaloa

LUMC Choir

GLORIA PATRI

***THE LORD'S PRAYER**

OFFERING

***DOXOLOGY**

*Praise God, from whom all blessings
flow Praise Him, all creatures here
below.*

*Praise Him above, ye heavenly host.
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Amen.*

*Ho'onani i ka Makua Mau,
Ke Keiki me ka 'uhane nō,
Ke Akua Mau ho'omaika'i
pū, Kō kēia ao, kō kēlā ao.
Āmene.*

***OFFERTORY PRAYER**

Vaosa Tagaloa

HYMN OF PREPARATION

Breathe on Me, Breath of God

UMH 420

1. Breathe on me, Breath of God,
fill me with life anew,
that I may love what thou dost love,
and do what thou wouldst do.

3. Breathe on me, Breath of God,
till I am wholly thine,
till all this earthly part of me
glows with thy fire divine.

2. Breathe on me, Breath of God,
until my heart is pure,
until with thee I will one will,
to do and to endure.

4. Breathe on me, Breath of God,
so shall I never die,
but live with thee the perfect life
of thine eternity.

SERMON SCRIPTURE

John 20:19-31

Vaosa Tagaloa

¹⁹When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of
the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus
came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' ²⁰After he said this,
he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they
saw the Lord. ²¹Jesus said to them again, 'Peace be with you. As the Father

has sent me, so I send you.' ²²When he had said this, he breathed on them and
said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit. ²³If you forgive the sins of any, they are
forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.'

²⁴But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them
when Jesus came. ²⁵So the other disciples told him, 'We have seen the Lord.'
But he said to them, 'Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my
finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe.'

²⁶A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with
them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and
said, 'Peace be with you.' ²⁷Then he said to Thomas, 'Put your finger here and
see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but
believe.' ²⁸Thomas answered him, 'My Lord and my God!' ²⁹Jesus said to him,
'Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not
seen and yet have come to believe.'

³⁰Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are
not written in this book. ³¹But these are written so that you may come to
believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing
you may have life in his name.

MESSAGE

Signs that Jesus Is the Son of God

Vaosa Tagaloa

***CLOSING HYMN**

He Lives

UMH 310

1. I serve a risen Savior, He's in the
world today; I know that He is living,
whatever folks may say;
I see His hand of mercy, I hear His
voice of cheer, and just the time I
need Him, He's always near.near.

2. In all the world around me, I see His
loving care, and though my heart grows
weary, I never will despair;
I know that He is leading through all the
stormy blasts; the day of His appearing
will come at last. (Refrain)

Refrain: He lives, He lives, Christ
Jesus lives today!
He walks with me and talks with me
Along life's narrow way.
He lives, He lives, salvation to
impart! You ask me how I know He
lives? He lives within my heart.

3. Rejoice, Rejoice, O Christian, lift up
your voice and sing
Eternal hallelujahs to Jesus Christ the
King!
The Hope of all who seek Him, the Help
of all who find,
None other is so loving, so good and
kind.

***SENDING FORTH/BENEDICTION**

Vaosa Tagaloa

***CIRCLE OF OHANA**

"HAWAII ALOHA"

(Rev. Lorenzo Lyons)

E Hawai'i e ku'u one hanau e, Ku'u ho-me kulaiwi nei. Oli no au i na pono lani ou, E Hawai'i, aloha e. E hau'oli na `opio o Hawai'i nei. `Oli e! `Oli e! Mai na aheahe makani e pa mai nei. Mau ke aloha, no Hawai'i.

(O Hawai'i, O sands of my birth, My native home. I rejoice in the blessings of heaven, O Hawai'i, aloha. Happy youth of Hawai'i, Rejoice! Rejoice! Gentle breezes blow. Love always for Hawai'i.



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God.
be with you
til we meet again

WE REMEMBER OUR SISTERS AND BROTHERS IN PRAYERS:

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| Norman Scott | Janice Haynes and family |
| Rhonda Wilkes | The family of Ellen DiGiampaulo in the passing of |
| Lotima Filiai | Ellen's dear mother, Beverly |
| Doreen Taylor | Warren Carthan & family |
| Linda & Les Takahashi | Kevin Oliveti's sister Uheina in Tonga |
| Ariana and Austin | Dan and the family of Jodeen Bryen |
| Patrick Muratta | The family of Barb Dering |
| Noah Min | The family of Janice Markwith |
| Kelly Hess | The family of Frank Emanuel |
| Lotu Carlsen and family | The family of Mabel Shimomura |
| Monique Peterson | The family of Lori Ramsey |
| Viola Cleo Bradshaw | The family of Doug Gloege* |
| Amalia Houff and parents, Rev. Kim | The Family of Carolyn Ono |
| Houff and Mark Houff | The family of Siuila Ala'ilima |
| Sandy Wong | The family of Gary Guydosh in his passing |
| Riley Hope Jacobs | Lotu Carlsen and family |
| Julie Reed | Sione Vaikeli, for the loss of his wife Linda* |
| Denny White | Chris & Velvet Welland |
| Ellen Damaskas | Lyn and Judy Ebbesen's family |
| Grace and Rosie Nava | Heather Coffey |
| Cathy Bradshaw | Tonga Tuameiapi for the loss of his sister. |
| Kathy Bowen | Hyalene Crewe's friend, Maila, |
| Roz Baker | The Pasikala family |
| Laura Fowle | Terry Mitchell and daughter, Lindsay Hopewell |
| John and Cindy Yaos | Edie and John Machonis |
| Sherri Atkinson | Sandy (Currently incarcerated) |
| Gavin Kang | Ane Tagaloa |
| Julie Freeman | Duffy |
| Aunty Beverly | Julius Del Pino |
| Father John Hau'oli Tomoso | Pastors Nuria and Carlos Bolanos |

- Prayers for our Community/Country:** (*people lost in the fire)
- *For the family, friends, and loved ones of those who lost their lives in the Lahaina fires.
 - *We pray for continued support for all churches and non-profit organizations working to meet our community's physical, psychological, and spiritual needs after a devastating tragedy.
 - *We offer prayers of gratitude for our firefighters, EMTs, police officers, other first responders, and civilians who walked into danger for our safety.
 - *We pray for our medical staff who face growing workloads as they deal with multiple health crises. Inspire us to demand more staff and better work environments.
 - * We pray that our leaders will work diligently to address our community's needs and not forget to address the problems of those most in need but frequently ignored.