

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



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SUNDAY, JANUARY 14, 2024  
2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday After Epiphany



**UMH 196**

**OPENING HYMN**

**Come thou Long Expected Jesus**

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.



**GREETINGS AND ALOHA**

**Liturgist: Vaosa Tagaloa**

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP (Psalm 139)**

**(\* You may stand.)**

Leader: O Lord, you have searched me and known me!

**People: YOU KNOW WHEN I SIT DOWN AND WHEN I RISE UP; YOU DISCERN MY THOUGHTS FROM AFAR.**

Leader: You search out my path and my lying down and are acquainted with all my ways.

**PEOPLE: EVEN BEFORE A WORD IS ON MY TONGUE, O LORD, YOU KNOW IT ALL TOGETHER.**

Leader: You pursue me behind and before and lay your hand upon me.

**PEOPLE: SUCH KNOWLEDGE IS TOO WONDERFUL FOR ME; IT IS HIGH; I CANNOT ATTAIN IT.**

**ALL: SEARCH ME ON GOD AND KNOW MY HEART; TRY ME AND KNOW MY THOUGHTS.**

**\*HYMN OF PRAISE**

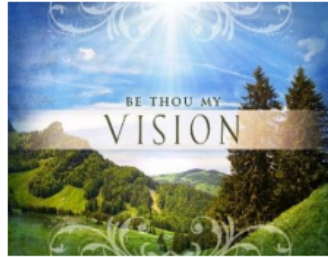
**Be Thou My Vision**

**UMH 451**

1. Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart; naught be all else to me, save that thou art. Thou my best thought, by day or by night, waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

2. Be thou my wisdom, be thou my true word; I ever with thee, and thou with me, Lord. Born of thy love, thy child may I be, thou in me dwelling and I one with thee

3. High King of heaven, my victory is won may I reach heaven's joys, O bright heav'n's Sun! Heart of my heart, whatever befall, still be my vision, O Ruler of all



**PRAYER OF INVOCATION**

**PRAYER TIME**

Leader: Lord, in your mercy

ALL: HEAR OUR PRAYERS

**UNISON PRAYER**

Creator God, how deeply you know us. In the mystery of your love, you see who we are and who we might become. You formed us in our mother's womb, and wonderful are your works. Our minds reflect your handiwork. Our spirits are a gift from you. You call us by name and invite us to follow. Lead us in your eternal ways. 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**

**1 Samuel 3:1-10**

**Liturgist**

<sup>1</sup> Now the boy Samuel was ministering to the Lord under Eli. The word of the Lord was rare in those days; visions were not widespread.

<sup>2</sup> At that time Eli, whose eyesight had begun to grow dim so that he could not see, was lying down in his room;'



**2.**

<sup>3</sup> the lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the temple of the Lord, where the ark of God was. <sup>4</sup> Then the Lord called, 'Samuel! Samuel!' and he said, 'Here I am!'. <sup>4</sup> Then the Lord called, 'Samuel! Samuel!'] and he said, 'Here I am!' <sup>5</sup> and ran to Eli, and said, 'Here I am, for you called me.' But he said, 'I did not call; lie down again.' So he went and lay down. <sup>6</sup> The Lord called again, 'Samuel!' Samuel got up and went to Eli, and said, 'Here I am, for you called me.' But he said, 'I did not call, my son; lie down again.' <sup>7</sup> Now Samuel did not yet know the Lord, and the word of the Lord had not yet been revealed to him. <sup>8</sup> The Lord called Samuel again, a third time. And he got up and went to Eli, and said, 'Here I am, for you called me.' Then Eli perceived that the Lord was calling the boy. <sup>9</sup> Therefore Eli said to Samuel, 'Go, lie down; and if he calls you, you shall say, "Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening."' So Samuel went and lay down in his place.

<sup>10</sup> Now the Lord came and stood there, calling as before, 'Samuel! Samuel!' And Samuel said, 'Speak, for your servant is listening.'

**SECOND READING**

**1 Corinthians 6:12-20**

**Liturgist**

<sup>12</sup> 'All things are lawful for me', but not all things are beneficial. 'All things are lawful for me', but I will not be dominated by anything. <sup>13</sup> 'Food is meant for the stomach and the stomach for food', and God will destroy both one and the other. The body is meant not for fornication but for the Lord, and the Lord for the body. <sup>14</sup> And God raised the Lord and will also raise us by his power. <sup>15</sup> Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ? Should I therefore take the members of Christ and make them members of a prostitute? Never! <sup>16</sup> Do you not know that whoever is united to a prostitute becomes one body with her? For it is said, 'The two shall be one flesh.' <sup>17</sup> But anyone united to the Lord becomes one spirit with him. <sup>18</sup> Shun fornication! Every sin that a person commits is outside the body; but the fornicator sins against the body itself. <sup>19</sup> Or do you not know that your body is a temple<sup>1</sup> of the Holy Spirit within you, which you have from God, and that you are not your own? <sup>20</sup> For you were bought with a price; therefore glorify God in your body.

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH:**

**# 880**

*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.**

**3.**

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)



**\*GLORIA PATRI**

**UMH 70**

**\*THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**Pastor**

**OFFERING**

**LUMC Choir**

**\*DOXOLOGY**

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

*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.*

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

**\*OFFERTORY PRAYER**

**Pastor**

**HYMN OF PREPARATION**

**Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee**

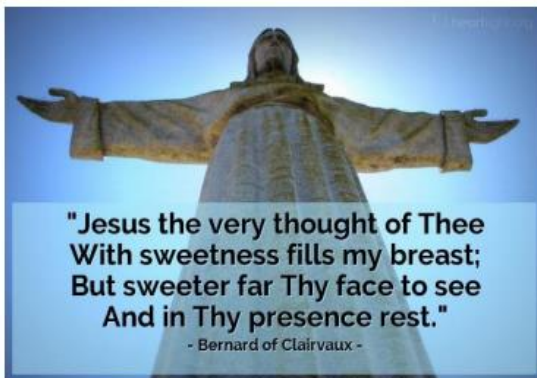
**UMH 175**

1. Jesus, the very thought of thee  
 with sweetness fills the breast;  
 but sweeter far thy face to see,  
 and in thy presence rest.

4. Jesus, our only joy be thou,  
 as thou our prize wilt be;  
 Jesus, be thou our glory now,  
 and through eternity.

2. O hope of every contrite heart,  
 O joy of all the meek,  
 to those who fall, how kind thou art!  
 How good to those who seek!

3. But what to those who find? Ah,  
 this nor tongue nor pen can show;  
 the love of Jesus, what it is,  
 none but his loved ones know.



4.

**SERMON SCRIPTURE**

**John 1:43-51**

**Pastor**

<sup>22</sup><sup>43</sup> The next day Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, 'Follow me.' <sup>44</sup> Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. <sup>45</sup> Philip found Nathanael and said to him, 'We have found him about whom Moses in the law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus son of Joseph from Nazareth.' <sup>46</sup> Nathanael said to him, 'Can anything good come out of Nazareth?' Philip said to him, 'Come and see.'



<sup>47</sup> When Jesus saw Nathanael coming towards him, he said of him, 'Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no deceit!' <sup>48</sup> Nathanael asked him, 'Where did you come to know me?' Jesus answered, 'I saw you under the fig tree before Philip called you.' <sup>49</sup> Nathanael replied, 'Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!' <sup>50</sup> Jesus answered, 'Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these.' <sup>51</sup> And he said to him, 'Very truly, I tell you, <sup>[a]</sup> you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man.'

**MESSAGE**

**Come and See**

**Pastor**

**\*CLOSING HYMN**

**Open My Eyes that I May See**

**UMH 454**

1. Open my eyes, that I may see  
 glimpses of truth thou hast for me;  
 place in my hands the wonderful  
 key that shall unclasp and set me  
 free. Silently now I wait for thee,  
 ready, my God, thy will to see.  
 Open my eyes, illumine me, Spirit  
 divine!

3. Open my mouth, and let me bear  
 gladly the warm truth everywhere;  
 open my heart and let me prepare  
 love with thy children thus to share.  
 Silently now I wait for thee,  
 ready, my God, thy will to see.  
 Open my heart, illumine me, Spirit  
 divine!

2. Open my ears, that I may hear  
 voices of truth thou sendest clear;  
 and while the wave notes fall on my  
 ear, everything false will disappear.  
 Silently now I wait for thee,  
 ready, my God, thy will to see.  
 Open my ears, illumine me, Spirit  
 divine!



5.

**\*SENDING FORTH/BENEDICTION**

**Pastor**

**\*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.



**WE REMEMBER OUR SISTERS AND BROTHERS IN PRAYERS:**

Norman Scott  
Rhonda Wilkes  
Lotima Filiia  
Doreen Taylor  
Linda & Les Takahashi  
Ariana and Austin  
Patrick Muratta  
Noah Min  
Kelly Hess  
Lotu Carlsen and family  
Monique Peterson  
Viola Cleo Bradshaw  
Rhoda  
Sandy Wong  
Riley Hope Jacobs  
Julie Reed  
Denny White  
Ellen Damaskas  
Grace and Rosie Nava  
Cathy Bradshaw  
Kathy Bowen  
Cordelia Vogel  
Roz Baker  
Laura Fowle  
John and Cindy Yaos  
Sherri Atkinson  
Gavin Kang  
Julie Freeman

Janice Haynes and family  
Fred Kitonga, his sister, and nephew, Lawrence, for the loss of Lawrence's wife, Mary.  
The family of Ellen DiGiampaulo in the passing of Ellen's dear mother, Beverly  
Warren Carthan & family  
Kevin Oliveti's sister Uheina in Tonga  
Dan and the family of Jodeen Bryen  
The family of Barb Dering  
The family of Janice Markwith  
The family of Frank Emanuel  
The family of Mabel Shimomura  
The family of Lori Ramsey  
The family of Doug Gloege\*  
The Family of Carolyn Ono\*  
Lotu Carlsen and family  
Sione Vaikeli, for the loss of his wife Linda\*  
Chris & Velvet Welland  
Lyn and Judy Ebbesen's family  
Heather Coffey  
Tonga Tuameiapi and family for the loss of his sister.  
The Pasikala family  
Terry Mitchell and daughter Lindsay  
Edie and John Machonis  
Sandy (Currently incarcerated)  
Clara  
Ane Tagaloa

**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.