

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



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5th Sunday of Lent



OPENING HYMN

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

UMH 140

1. Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father; there is no shadow of turning with thee;
thou changest not, thy compassions, they fail not; as thou hast been, thou forever wilt be.

Refrain: Great is thy faithfulness!
Great is thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see;
all I have needed thy hand hath provided;
great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!

2. Summer and winter and springtime and harvest, sun, moon, and stars in their courses above
join with all nature in manifold witness to thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love. Refrain

3. Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth, thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide;
strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow, blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside! Refrain

GREETINGS AND ALOHA

Liturgist: Vaosa Tagaloa

***CALL TO WORSHIP (Psalm 107)**

(* You may stand.)

Leader: Are you feeling tired and worn out?

People: **CALL ON THE NAME OF THE LORD.**

Leader: Are mistakes from the past weighing you down?

PEOPLE: **COME TO THE FOUNT OF LIVING WATER.**

Leader: Are you the person you wish to be?

PEOPLE: **SEEK GOD'S HELP AND YOU WILL FIND ENCOURAGEMENT.**

Leader: Are you looking for a better path?

PEOPLE: **ASK CHRIST TO SHOW YOU THE WAY.**

ALL: **COME! LET US WORSHIP.**

***HYMN OF PRAISE**

1. I, the Lord of sea and sky.
I have heard my people cry.
All who dwell in dark and sin,
My hand will save.
I, who made the stars of night,
I will make their darkness bright.
Who will bear my light to them?
Whom shall I send? (Refrain)

Refrain:
Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?
I have heard you calling in the night.
I will go, Lord, if you lead me.
I will hold your people in my heart.

PRAYER OF INVOCATION**INTRODUCTION OF REV. GARY WALPOLE****PRAYER TIME**

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

UNISON PRAYER

God of the restless, our souls are troubled until they find their rest in you.
When we live in fear of what is to come, help us face the future unafraid.
When we worry, remind us of Jesus's words, "Unless a grain of wheat
falls into the earth and dies, it can only be a single seed. But if it dies, it bears
much fruit" In our living and in our dying, may we bear fruit for your kingdom.
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**Jeremiah 31:31-34****Liturgist**

³¹The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will make a new covenant
with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. ³²It will not be like the

Here I Am, Lord

2. I, the Lord of snow and rain.
I have borne my people's pain.
I have wept for love of them.
They turn away.
I will break their hearts of stone.
Give them hearts for love alone.
Who will speak my word to them.
Whom shall I send? (Refrain)

3. I, the Lord of wind and flame.
I will tend the poor and lame.
I will set a feast for them.
My hand will save.
Finest bread I will provide.
'Til their hearts be satisfied.
I will give my life to them.
Whom shall I send? (Refrain)

**UMH 593**

covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring
them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their
husband, says the Lord. ³³But this is the covenant that I will make with the
house of Israel after those days, says the Lord: I will put my law within them,
and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my
people. ³⁴No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, 'Know
the Lord', for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says
the Lord; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

SECOND READING**Hebrews 5:5-10****Liturgist**

⁵So also Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but was
appointed by the one who said to him,

'You are my Son,
today I have begotten you';

⁶as he says also in another place,

'You are a priest for ever,
according to the order of Melchizedek.'

⁷In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud
cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was
heard because of his reverent submission. ⁸Although he was a Son, he learned
obedience through what he suffered; ⁹and having been made perfect, he
became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, ¹⁰having been
designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.

***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)



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.*

***OFFERTORY PRAYER**

HYMN OF PREPARATION

1. Shackled by a heavy burden,
'neath a load of guilt and shame,
then the hand of Jesus touched me,
and now I am no longer the same.

Refrain:
He touched me, O He touched me,
and O the joy that floods my soul!
Something happened, and now I know,
He touched me and made me whole.

*Ho'onani i ka Makua Mau,
Ke Keiki me ka 'Uhane no,
Ke Akua Mau ho'omaika'i
pu, ko keia ao, ko kelā ao.
Āmene.*

He Touched Me

2. Since I met this blessed Savior,
since He's cleansed and made me
whole,
O I will never cease to praise Him,
I'll shout it while eternity rolls.
(Refrain)



4.

UMH 70

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UMH 367

SERMON SCRIPTURE

John 12:14-21

Pastor

²⁰ Now among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. ²¹ They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and said to him, 'Sir, we wish to see Jesus.' ²² Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. ²³ Jesus answered them, 'The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. ²⁴ Very truly, I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. ²⁵ Those who love their life lose it, and those who hate their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. ²⁶ Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also. Whoever serves me, the Father will honour.

²⁷ 'Now my soul is troubled. And what should I say—"Father, save me from this hour"? No, it is for this reason that I have come to this hour. ²⁸ Father, glorify your name.' Then a voice came from heaven, 'I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again.' ²⁹ The crowd standing there heard it and said that it was thunder. Others said, 'An angel has spoken to him.' ³⁰ Jesus answered, 'This voice has come for your sake, not for mine. ³¹ Now is the judgement of this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. ³² And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people^(a) to myself.' ³³ He said this to indicate the kind of death he was to die.

MESSAGE

The Future We Choose

Rev. Gary Walpole

***CLOSING HYMN**

Hymn of Promise

UMH 707

1. In the bulb there is a flower;
In the seed, an apple tree; In
cocoons, a hidden promise:
Butterflies will soon be free!
In the cold and snow of winter
There's a spring that waits to be,
Unrevealed until its season,
something God alone can see.

2. There's a song in every silence,
Seeking word and melody;
There's a dawn in every darkness,
Bringing hope to you and me.
From the past will come the future;
What it holds, a mystery,
Unrevealed until its season,
Something God alone can see.



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.



LUMC Online Offering



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 Tuaimeipi 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 |
| | 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.