



December 25, 2016
The Nativity of Our Lord
Jesus Christ, Christmas
Day

Today's Hymns

Processional Hymn	<i>Hymnal 83 (v.1-3)</i>
Sequence Hymn	<i>Worship Booklet p. 3</i>
Offertory Hymn	<i>Hymnal 100 (v.1-3)</i>

The Collect

Almighty God, you have given your only-begotten Son to take our nature upon him, and to be born *this day* of a pure virgin: Grant that we, who have been born again and made your children by adoption and grace, may daily be renewed by your Holy Spirit; through our Lord Jesus Christ, to whom with you and the same Spirit be honor and glory, now and for ever. *Amen.*

The Old Testament

Isaiah 52:7-10

How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of the messenger who announces peace, who brings good news, who announces salvation, who says to Zion, "Your God reigns." Listen! Your sentinels lift up their voices, together they sing for joy; for in plain sight they see the return of the Lord to Zion. Break forth together into singing, you ruins of Jerusalem; for the Lord has comforted his people, he has redeemed Jerusalem. The Lord has bared his holy arm before the eyes of all the nations; and all the ends of the earth shall see the salvation of our God.

The Psalm

Psalm 98

- 1 Sing to the LORD a new song, *
for he has done marvelous things.
- 2 With his right hand and his holy arm *
has he won for himself the victory.
- 3 The LORD has made known his
victory; *
his righteousness has he openly
shown in the sight of the nations.
- 4 He remembers his mercy and
faithfulness to the house of Israel, *
and all the ends of the earth have
seen the victory of our God.
- 5 Shout with joy to the LORD, all you
lands; *
lift up your voice, rejoice, and sing.
- 6 Sing to the LORD with the harp, *
with the harp and the voice of song.
- 7 With trumpets and the sound of the
horn *
shout with joy before the King, the
LORD.
- 8 Let the sea make a noise and all that is
in it, *
the lands and those who dwell
therein.
- 9 Let the rivers clap their hands, *
and let the hills ring out with joy
before the LORD, when he comes to
judge the earth.
- 10 In righteousness shall he judge the
world *
and the peoples with equity.

Hebrews 1:1-12

Long ago God spoke to our ancestors in many and various ways by the prophets, but in these last days he has spoken to us by a Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, through whom he also created the worlds. He is the reflection of God's glory and the exact imprint of God's very being, and he sustains all things by his powerful word. When he had made purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, having become as much superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs.

For to which of the angels did God ever say, "You are my Son; today I have begotten you"? Or again, "I will be his Father, and he will be my Son"? And again, when he brings the firstborn into the world, he says, "Let all God's angels worship him." Of the angels he says, "He makes his angels winds, and his servants flames of fire." But of the Son he says, "Your throne, O God, is forever and ever, and the righteous scepter is the scepter of your kingdom. You have loved righteousness and hated wickedness; therefore God, your God, has anointed you with the oil of gladness beyond your companions." And, "In the beginning, Lord, you founded the earth, and the heavens are the work of your hands; they will perish, but you remain; they will all wear out like clothing; like a cloak you will roll them up, and like clothing they will be changed. But you are the same, and your years will never end."

John 1:1-14

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being. What has come into being in him was life, and the life was the light of all people. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it. There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. He came as a witness to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. He himself was not the light, but he came to testify to the light. The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world. He was in the world, and the world came into being through him; yet the world did not know him. He came to what was his own, and his own people did not accept him. But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God, who were born, not of blood or of the will of the flesh or of the will of man, but of God. And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father's only son, full of grace and truth.



Weekly Announcements

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Good Samaritan is an open and inclusive community, all are welcome.

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***The Nativity of Our Lord Jesus Christ,
Christmas Day***

Please hold the following people in your prayers

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; especially Roy Mashiba, Janine LeGrand, K.K. Miyake & Family, Laura Edelbaum, William Harada, Helen Ezaki, Bob & Atsuko Kato, Jan Motoshige, Lennon Kohama, and Nappy & Nancy Napu'unoa.

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: The Office of the Bishop staff: Mr. Peter Pereira (Treasurer) & Mrs. Serene Pereira; Ms. Irina Martikainen (Executive Assistant to the Bishop) & Mr. Craig Larson; Ms. Katrina Luksovsky (Administrative Assistant) & Mr. Kyle Luksovsky; Ms. Charmaine Ito (Office Manager); Ms. Athena Chan (Bookkeeper); **The Rev. Cn. Sandy Graham (Canon for Congregational Life and Leadership) & **The Rev. Heather Patton-Graham.****

***Our Bishop's Committee:* Deb Nishihira, Nappy Napu'unoa, Connie Kaneshiro, Myrtle Kaneshiro, Lori Chun, Les Hata, Margaret Kitamura, Harvey Oakes, and Jessica Lum.**

***Our Altar Guild:* Pat Lum (Coordinator), Myrtle Kaneshiro, Faye Hee, Jessica Lum, Jan Motoshige, Taylor Omuro, Chris Omuro, Melissa Morinishi, Deb Nishihira, and Betsy Hata.**

Announcements

Pledge forms – Please continue supporting the church financially. Pledge forms are attached. Forms may be turned in during the offering, mailed in or given to a Bishop's committee member. Forms turned in will help the Bishop's Committee plan the budget for the upcoming year. Thank you!

Kadomatsu for New Year, Dec. 26th, 10 am at St. Luke's. Help our youth make, purchase, or sell a New Year good luck kadomatsu. Order forms available in church or in newsletter. Turn it in to Deb or Chris. If you can't make it to St. Luke's for pickup, we can bring it back to Good Samaritan for pickup in the pavilion.

Good Samaritan Annual Meeting:

Sunday, January 29, 2017, save the date! The annual meeting will be held in the church after the service with lunch to follow in the pavilion. Please plan on being there!

Good Samaritan Outreach - monthly:
 Collection of toiletries, household items, and non-perishable foods to make bags to distribute to Palolo Housing residents. Thank you to the following people for delivering the bags this past Friday: Lori Chun, Malcolm and Faye Hee, Deb and Gavin Nishihira. Those that were home were very grateful!

IHS Every Last Thursday of the Month—
 St. Mary's Moili'ili Outreach Center -
 Feeding those less fortunate - Cook and serve lunch, 9:00 am. Any help is welcome! Observe the difference this program is making in our community! Questions? Call Jan at 349-6435.

Ordination of Annalise Marie Castro:
 Jan. 14, 10 am, Cathedral of St. Andrew

Birthdays:

Lennon Kohama (Dec. 31)

Thank You!

Thank you to Rev. Geston for being our supply clergy today!

Upcoming services:

- Dec. 25 - Rev. Alex Geston
- Jan. 1 - Rev. Alex Geston
- Jan. 8 - Rev. Alex Geston
- Jan. 15 - Rev. Brian Nurdning
- Jan. 22 - Rev. Malcolm Hee (tentative)
- Jan. 29 - TBA

Thank You to Our Worship Team! DECEMBER 25, 2016	
Supply Clergy:	Rev. Alex Geston
Organist	Sumi Mizushima
Altar Guild:	Taylor Omuro
Eucharistic Minister:	Chris Omuro
Acolytes:	Gavin Nishihira
Lector:	Nappy Napu'unoa
Alms Bearer:	Youth
Counters:	Chris Omuro Pat Lum

Ministries	
Flowers:	Church
Watering:	Nappy Napu'unoa
Refreshments:	Lori Chun

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