



April 2, 2017

The Fifth Sunday in Lent

Today's Hymns

Processional Hymn
Sequence Hymn
Offertory Hymn

Hymnal 411 (v.1-3)
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Hymnal 554(x2)

The Collect

Almighty God, you alone can bring into order the unruly wills and affections of sinners: Grant your people grace to love what you command and desire what you promise; that, among the swift and varied changes of the world, our hearts may surely there be fixed where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

The Old Testament

Ezekiel 37:1-14

The hand of the LORD came upon me, and he brought me out by the spirit of the LORD and set me down in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones. He led me all around them; there were very many lying in the valley, and they were very dry. He said to me, "Mortal, can these bones live?" I answered, "O Lord GOD, you know." Then he said to me, "Prophecy to these bones, and say to them: O dry bones, hear the word of the Lord. Thus says the Lord GOD to these bones: I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. I will lay sinews on you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live; and you shall know that I am the LORD."

So I prophesied as I had been commanded; and as I prophesied, suddenly there was a noise, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. I looked, and there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them; but there was no breath in them. Then he said to me, "Prophecy to the breath, prophesy, mortal, and say to the breath: Thus says the Lord GOD: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live." I prophesied as he commanded me,

and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood on their feet, a vast multitude.

Then he said to me, "Mortal, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They say, 'Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are cut off completely.' Therefore prophesy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord GOD: I am going to open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people; and I will bring you back to the land of Israel. And you shall know that I am the LORD, when I open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people. I will put my spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you on your own soil; then you shall know that I, the LORD, have spoken and will act," says the LORD.

The Psalm

Psalm 130

- 1 Out of the depths have I called to you,
O LORD;
LORD, hear my voice; *
let your ears consider well the voice of
my supplication.
- 2 If you, LORD, were to note what is done
amiss, *
O Lord, who could stand?
- 3 For there is forgiveness with you; *
therefore you shall be feared.
- 4 I wait for the LORD; my soul waits for him;
*
in his word is my hope.
- 5 My soul waits for the LORD,
more than watchmen for the morning, *
more than watchmen for the morning.
- 6 O Israel, wait for the LORD, *
for with the LORD there is mercy;
- 7 With him there is plenteous redemption, *
and he shall redeem Israel from all their
sins.

The Epistle

Romans 8:6-11

To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. For this reason the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law-- indeed it cannot, and those who are in the flesh cannot please God.

But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. But if Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you.

The Gospel

John 11:1-45

Now a certain man was ill, Lazarus of Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister Martha. Mary was the one who anointed the Lord with perfume and wiped his feet with her hair; her brother Lazarus was ill. So the sisters sent a message to Jesus, "Lord, he whom you love is ill." But when Jesus heard it, he said, "This illness does not lead to death; rather it is for God's glory, so that the Son of God may be glorified through it."

Accordingly, though Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus, after having heard that Lazarus was ill, he stayed two days longer in the place where he was.

Then after this he said to the disciples, "Let us go to Judea again." The disciples said to him, "Rabbi, the Jews were just now trying to stone you, and are you going there again?" Jesus answered, "Are there not twelve hours of daylight? Those who walk during the day do not stumble, because they see the light of this world. But those who walk at night stumble, because the light is not in them." After saying this, he told them, "Our friend Lazarus has fallen asleep, but I am going there to awaken him." The disciples said to him, "Lord, if he has fallen asleep, he will be all right." Jesus, however, had been speaking about his death, but they thought that he was referring merely to sleep. Then Jesus told them plainly, "Lazarus is dead. For your sake I am glad I was not there, so that you may believe. But let us go to him." Thomas, who was called the Twin, said to his fellow disciples, "Let us also go, that we may die with him."

When Jesus arrived, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb four days. Now Bethany was near Jerusalem, some two miles away, and many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to console them about their brother. When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met him, while Mary stayed at home. Martha said to Jesus,

"Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. But even now I know that God will give you whatever you ask of him." Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise again." Martha said to him, "I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day." Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?" She said to him, "Yes, Lord, I believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, the one coming into the world."

When she had said this, she went back and called her sister Mary, and told her privately, "The Teacher is here and is calling for you." And when she heard it, she got up quickly and went to him. Now Jesus had not yet come to the village, but was still at the place where Martha had met him. The Jews who were with her in the house, consoling her, saw Mary get up quickly and go out. They followed her because they thought that she was going to the tomb to weep there. When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died."

When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. He said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "Lord, come and see." Jesus began to weep. So the Jews said, "See how he loved him!" But some of them said, "Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?"

Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, "Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days." Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?" So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, "Father, I thank you for having heard me. I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me." When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go."

Many of the Jews therefore, who had come with Mary and had seen what Jesus did, believed in him.



Weekly Announcements

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

April 2, 2017

The Fifth Sunday in Lent

Please hold the following people in your prayers

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; especially Mukan Kakehi, Iris Ahue, Janine LeGrand, K.K. Miyake & Family, Laura Edelbaum, William Harada, Helen Ezaki, Bob & Atsuko Kato, Myrtle Kaneshiro (traveling) and Nappy & Nancy Napu'unoa.

*Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: **Good Shepherd, Wailuku:** The Rev. Craig Vance (Rector); The Rev. Linda Decker (Priest Associate) & Dr. John Decker; The Rev. Hau'oli Tomoso (Priest Associate) & Mrs. Susan Tomoso.*

Our Bishop's Committee: Deb Nishihira, Nappy Napu'unoa, Connie Kaneshiro, Myrtle Kaneshiro, Lori Chun, Les Hata, Margaret Kitamura, Faye Hee, and Rich Marshall.

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

Announcements

Leftover Rummage Items: Thank you to Margaret for making arrangements for Kaumakapili church to pick up rummage items we didn't sell. The Salvation Army truck will be here on Tuesday, April 4 to pick up items that are still in the preschool building. If you would like to take one last look at what's available, please check it out today.

Bible Study: After the service will be having another bible study session this time with Father Nurdung. Like last time, it will be held in the pavilion during refreshments.

Kupuna Event: Kupunas - Please meet with Jan today after refreshments to make Easter basket table decorations for Palolo Chinese Home. It will be fun!

Palm Sunday, April 9, Joint Service with Epiphany:

8:30 am - Blessing of the palms at Good Samaritan and trolley ride

9:30 am - Service at Epiphany

Palolo Housing Monthly Outreach:

We will be distributing bags of non-perishable items on Saturday, April 8 to Palolo Housing residents. Meet in the church parking lot at 8:30am if you would like to help.

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.

Tri-church Bible Study:

Every Wednesday at St. Mary's Episcopal Church—10:00 am to 11:30 am (Led by Michael Kim of St. Luke's.)

Birthdays:

Marcus Lui – April 2

Nappy Napu'unoa - April 5

Thank You!

Thank you to Rev Brian Nurding for being our supply clergy today!

Upcoming services:

April 9 - at Epiphany

April 16 - Rev. Malcolm Hee

April 23 - Rev. Alexander (Sandy) Graham

April 30 - Rev. Alex Geston

Save these Dates for Holy Week:

- Making of Palm Crosses, Saturday, April 8th, 10am at Epiphany with lunch to follow.
- Palm Sunday, April 9th, 8:30am - Blessing of the palms at Good Samaritan then trolley ride; 9:30am - Service at Epiphany
- Maundy Thursday, April 13th, 6 pm at Epiphany
- Good Friday, April 14th, 12 & 6 pm at Epiphany
- Easter Vigil, April 15th, 5:30 pm at St. Andrew's Cathedral

Thank You to Our Worship Team!**APRIL 2, 2017**

Supply Clergy:	Rev. Brian Nurding
Organist	Sumi Mizushima
Altar Guild:	Deb Nishihira
Eucharistic Minister:	Chris Omuro
Acolytes:	Gavin Nishihira
Lector:	Paul Kaneshiro
Alms Bearer:	Nappy Napu'unoa
Counters:	Chris Omuro Pat Lum

Ministries

Flowers:	Lent greens
Watering:	Nappy Napu'unoa
Refreshments:	Russell Nishimoto

Priest-with-Oversight: The Rev. Irene Tanabe

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Pastoral Care:

As our priest-with-oversight, **The Rev. Irene Tanabe**, is also available for pastoral care for anyone that needs it. She can be contacted by email: rector@epiphanyhi.org or by calling Epiphany at (808) 734-5706.

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