



December 2, 2018

First Sunday of Advent

Today's Hymns

Processional Hymn	<i>Hymn 56 (v.1-3)</i>
Sequence Hymn	<i>Hymn 58</i> <i>(v.1 before Gospel)</i> <i>(v.4 after Gospel)</i>
Offertory Hymn	<i>Hymnal 616 (v.1-2)</i>

The Collect

Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness, and put on the armor of light, now in the time of this mortal life in which your Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility; that in the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge both the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

The Old Testament

Jeremiah 33:14-16

The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will fulfill the promise I made to the house of Israel and the house of Judah. In those days and at that time I will cause a righteous [Branch](#) to spring up for David; and he shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In those days Judah will be saved and Jerusalem will live in safety. And this is the name by which it will be called: "The LORD is our righteousness."

The Psalm

Psalm 25:1-9

- 1 To you, O LORD, I lift up my soul;
my God, I put my trust in you; *
let me not be humiliated,
nor let my enemies triumph over me.
- 2 Let none who look to you be put to shame; *
let the treacherous be disappointed in their schemes.
- 3 Show me your ways, O LORD, *
and teach me your paths.
- 4 Lead me in your truth and teach me,*
for you are the God of my salvation;
in you have I trusted all the day long.
- 5 Remember, O LORD, your compassion and love, *
for they are from everlasting.
- 6 Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions; *
remember me according to your love
and for the sake of your goodness, O LORD.
- 7 Gracious and upright is the LORD; *
therefore he teaches sinners in his way.
- 8 He guides the humble in doing right*
and teaches his way to the lowly.

9 All the paths of the LORD are love and faithfulness *
to those who keep his covenant and his testimonies.

The Epistle

1 Thessalonians 3:9-13

How can we thank God enough for you in return for all the joy that we feel before our God because of you? Night and day we pray most earnestly that we may see you face to face and restore whatever is lacking in your faith.

Now may our God and Father himself and our Lord Jesus direct our way to you. And may the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, just as we abound in love for you. And may he so strengthen your hearts in holiness that you may be blameless before our God and Father at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints.

The Gospel

Luke 21:25-36

Jesus said, "There will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars, and on the earth distress among nations confused by the roaring of the sea and the waves. People will faint from fear and foreboding of what is coming upon the world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. Then they will see 'the Son of Man coming in a cloud' with power and great glory.

Now when these things begin to take [place](#), stand up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near."

Then he told them a parable: "Look at the fig tree and all the trees; as soon as they sprout leaves you can see for yourselves and know that summer is already near. So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

"Be on guard so that your hearts are not weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and the worries of this life, and that day catch you unexpectedly, like a trap. For it will come upon all who live on the face of the whole earth. Be alert at all times, praying that you may have the strength to escape all these things that will take place, and to stand before the Son of Man."



Weekly Announcements

Good Samaritan Episcopal Church, 1801 Tenth Avenue, Honolulu, HI 96816
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Good Samaritan is an open and inclusive community, all are welcome.

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Welcome to Good Samaritan Church!

If you are visiting today, we want to thank you for being with us. Your presence is a gift to our community, and your prayers enhance our worship. We look forward to your return! Please join us for refreshments after church in the parish hall above pavilion.

Please hold the following people in your prayers

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others, especially those on our prayer list:

Jonathan Lee, Mildred Ogai, Raine Akutagawa, Courtney Sato, Joni Kohama, Jack Morrison, Carl Sato, Matthew Kohashi, Carole Hagihara, John & Rei Hamano, Mel & Aki Shitagi, Elaine Young, Thelma Lee, Elsie Ching, Bill Harada, Lori Maunalanga, Janine LeGrande, Trenton Omuro and the birthdays of Jodi Yoshimura and Joshua Lee.

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: St. Luke's, Honolulu. The Rev. Ray Woo (Vicar) & Mrs. Vivien Woo.

Our Bishop's Committee: Deb Nishihira, Les Hata, Connie Kaneshiro, Myrtle Kaneshiro, Lori Chun, Rich Marshall, Jan Motoshige, Chris Omuro, and Melissa Morinishi.

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:

In order to prepare for our church annual meeting in January, we need everyone to please turn in a pledge form to help us with our budget needs for 2019.

Wreath Making:

Next week Sunday, December 9 during refreshments. Please let Deb know if you will be participating in this event with our neighbors, Michelle and Missy. Cost is \$10. RSVP so there will be enough supplies for those participating. Michelle was just interviewed by Living808 for workshops she's conducting in Kaka'ako. We benefit from having out workshop at Good Samaritan at a minimal cost of \$10! Invite friends that are interested in making a wreath too. Michelle will also be conducting the same workshop in the parish hall at 12:30pm.



IHS:

Dec. 27th, 9 am – 12 pm, St. Mary's Church
St. Mary's Moili'ili Outreach Center:
 Every Last Thursday of the Month - 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.

Episcopal Church Women (ECW)

Christmas luncheon: Saturday, Dec. 8th, at Church of the Epiphany from 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM. There will be fun games, a holiday craft project, songs and lots of food! Cost is \$15.00, and if you'd like to participate in the grab bag game, please bring a \$5.00 grab bag gift. Please also bring a wrapped gift that will be given to Palolo Home residents at their Christmas party, that can be for a male or female, toiletries or other non-perishables. If you have any questions about ECW, call Louise Aloy at (808) 264-9830.

Bishop's Committee Meeting:

Dec. 16th, after refreshments.

Kilauea Relief Fund:

The Church of the Holy Apostles in Hilo is coordinating relief efforts for the victims of the Big Island volcanic eruption. To assist with their relief efforts, checks can be mailed to: The Church of the Holy Apostles, Attn: Kilauea Relief Fund, 1407 Kapi'olani Street, Hilo, HI 96720

Tri-church Bible Study:

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

Thank You to Our Worship Team! DECEMBER 2, 2018	
Supply Clergy:	Rev. Malcolm Hee
Music	Sumi Mizushima
Altar Guild:	Melissa Morinishi
Eucharistic Minister:	Deb Nishihira
Acolytes:	Gavin Nishihira
Lector:	Paul Kaneshiro
Alms Bearer:	Youth
Counters:	Jessica Lum Melissa Morinishi
Ministries	
Flowers:	Kaneshiro
Watering:	Cy Nishihira
Refreshments:	Lee

Looking Ahead Next Week Sunday – DECEMBER 9, 2018	
Supply Clergy:	Rev. Annalise Pasalo
Music	Ben Trusnovac
Altar Guild:	Deb Nishihira
Eucharistic Minister:	Chris Omuro
Acolytes:	Gavin Nishihira
Lector:	Melissa Morinishi
Alms Bearer:	Youth
Counters:	Les Hata Myrtle Kaneshiro
Ministries	
Flowers:	TBA
Watering:	Cy Nishihira
Refreshments:	Say