



December 25, 2018  
**The Nativity of Our Lord  
Jesus Christ**

**Today's Hymns**

Processional Hymn	<i>Hymn 83 (v.1-3)</i>
Sequence Hymn	<i>Hymn 99 (v.1 before Gospel) (v.3 after Gospel)</i>
Offertory Hymn	<i>Hymn 96 (v.1-2)</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.

## The Epistle

### Hebrews 1:1-4

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.

## The Gospel

### 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

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.**

**December 25, 2018**

*The Nativity of Our Lord Jesus Christ*

**Welcome to Good Samaritan Church!**

**Merry Christmas!**

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:**

**Hillary Hee & Isaac, Irene Nakamoto, Daniel Oda, Edna Kano, The Blanchett family in Alaska, 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 birthday of Grant Marshall.**

**Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: The Standing Committee: Mr. Chuck Spence, President; The Diocesan Council; Commission on Ministry: The Rev. Alison Dingley, Chair.**

## Announcements

### **Pledge Forms:**

Please turn in your pledge forms by the end of this month so we can budget for 2019 and keep this church going! The form is in the back table of the church.

### **Kadomatsu making and orders:**

Please join us this Friday, Dec. 28<sup>th</sup> to cut bamboo and/or assemble the kadomatsu! We will be at the Nu'uaniu Bamboo Forest at 8am to cut stalks and will be back at the parish hall around 10am to cut them down to size and assemble them. Pick up for those that order kadomatsu will be at 12 noon. Join us for this annual event! Order form is on the back table of the church.

### **Good Samaritan Annual Meeting:**

Jan. 27<sup>th</sup> immediately following the service. Please join us we review 2018 and present and vote on our 2019 budget. We are also looking for 2 new committee members to be on the committee as Lori Chun and Jan Motoshige has completed their terms. Deb will gratefully accept any nominations!

### **Sponsor a poinsettia plant!**

Please donate \$15 if you would like to sponsor a poinsettia plant that is being used as part of our church decoration. You can take the plant home after next week Sunday's December 30<sup>th</sup> service. Thank you so much to Pat Lum for buying, taking care of and delivering the plants!

**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. Outreach date for this month: Dec. 27<sup>th</sup>, 9 am – 12 pm

**Inquirer's Classes Coming to The Cathedral in 2019:**

Wondering what the Episcopal Church is all about? Come to the Inquirer's Classes, led by Fr. Keleawe Hee, Mondays beginning Jan. 7, 2019, through Feb. 11, 11:00 AM-12:00 PM in the Vesting Room. For more information, contact Fr. Hee [by e-mail](#).

**Bishop's Committee Meeting:**

Jan. 20th, after refreshments. If you would like any church related items to be discussed, please let one of the Bishop's Committee members know or you are also welcome to join us at the meeting!

**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.)

<b>Thank You to Our Worship Team!</b>	
<b>DECEMBER 25, 2018</b>	
<i>Supply Clergy:</i>	<i>Rev. Malcolm Hee</i>
<i>Music</i>	<i>Sumi Mizushima</i>
<i>Altar Guild:</i>	<i>Deb Nishihira</i>
<i>Eucharistic Minister:</i>	<i>Deb Nishihira</i>
<i>Acolytes:</i>	<i>Gavin Nishihira</i>
<i>Lector:</i>	<i>Betsy Hata</i>
<i>Alms Bearer:</i>	<i>Youth</i>
<i>Counters:</i>	<i>Les Hata</i> <i>Myrtle Kaneshiro</i>
<b>Ministries</b>	
<i>Flowers:</i>	<i>Church Poinsettias</i>
<i>Watering:</i>	<i>Cy Nishihira</i>
<i>Refreshments:</i>	<i>Nishihira</i>

**Looking Ahead****Next Week Sunday – DECEMBER 30, 2018**

<i>Supply Clergy:</i>	<i>Rev. Alex Geston</i>
<i>Music</i>	<i>Ben Trusnovac</i>
<i>Altar Guild:</i>	<i>Pat Lum</i>
<i>Eucharistic Minister:</i>	<i>Chris Omuro</i>
<i>Acolytes:</i>	<i>Gavin Nishihira</i>
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**Ministries:**

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

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