

The Epistle

2 Corinthians 5:16-21

From now on, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way.

If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new! All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation; that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting the message of reconciliation to us. So we are ambassadors for Christ, since God is making his appeal through us; we entreat you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

The Gospel

Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32

All the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to Jesus. And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, "This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them."

So Jesus told them this parable:

"There was a man who had two sons. The younger of them said to his father, 'Father, give me the share of the property that will belong to me.' So he divided his property between them. A few days later the younger son gathered all he had and traveled to a distant country, and there he squandered his property in dissolute living. When he had spent everything, a severe famine took place throughout that country, and he began to be in need. So he went and hired himself out to one of the citizens of that country, who sent him to his fields to feed the

pigs. He would gladly have filled himself with the pods that the pigs were eating; and no one gave him anything. But when he came to himself he said, 'How many of my father's hired hands have bread enough and to spare, but here I am dying of hunger! I will get up and go to my father, and I will say to him, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you;

I am no longer worthy to be called your son; treat me like one of your hired hands.'" So he set off and went to his father. But while he was still far off, his father saw him and was filled with compassion; he ran and put his arms around him and kissed him. Then the son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son.' But the father said to his slaves, 'Quickly, bring out a robe--the best one--and put it on him; put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. And get the fatted calf and kill it, and let us eat and celebrate; for this son of mine was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found!' And they began to celebrate.

"Now his elder son was in the field; and when he came and approached the house, he heard music and dancing. He called one of the slaves and asked what was going on. He replied, 'Your brother has come, and your father has killed the fatted calf, because he has got him back safe and sound.' Then he became angry and refused to go in. His father came out and began to plead with him. But he answered his father, 'Listen! For all these years I have been working like a slave for you, and I have never disobeyed your command; yet you have never given me even a young goat so that I might celebrate with my friends. But when this son of yours came back, who has devoured your property with prostitutes, you killed the fatted calf for him!' Then the father said to him, 'Son, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours. But we had to celebrate and rejoice, because this brother of yours was dead and has come to life; he was lost and has been found.'"



Weekly Announcements

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

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The Fourth Sunday in Lent

Welcome to Good Samaritan Church!

We want to thank you for being with us today. 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:

Anna-Marie Kennedy, Jan Motoshige, Jennie Lum, Eloise Louis, Nancy Napu'unoa, Irene Nakamoto, Daniel Oda, Edna Kano, Jonathan Lee, Mildred Ogai, Raine Akutagawa, Courtney Sato, Carl Sato, Carole Hagihara, John & Rei Hamano, Mel & Aki Shitagi, Thelma Lee, Elsie Ching, Bill Harada, Lori Maunalanga, Janine LeGrande, and Trenton Omuro and the birthdays of Lorilyn Hee (Lee) and Walter Lum.

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: All Saints', Kapa'a.

Announcements

Spring Rummage Sale:

Save the date, Saturday, May 4th from 8am – 12:30pm. Due to possible renovation of the parish hall, we will be going back to using the pavilion as well as the church for the sale. Donate items for the rummage and plant sale and get ready to prepare those food and baked good items for sale!

2019 Bishops' Scholarships for Students:

Applications are now being accepted for two Diocesan Scholarship funds that are available to students for the 2019-2020 school year:

- Bishop's Scholarship Fund - Students entering Grade K-12 to an Episcopal Church-related school in Hawai'i for the first time.
- The Chang Clergy Children's Scholarship Fund - Children of clergy under the age of 24 who are canonically resident and domiciled in the Diocese of Hawai'i.

Deadline is Tuesday, April 9th at 4:00 PM. For more information, visit Diocese website. Should you have any questions, please e-mail Denise Esposito.

Bishop's Committee Meeting: April 21st, 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!

ECW Quiet Day Retreat: (date changed)

The Episcopal Church Women will be holding their annual "Quiet Day" Retreat on Saturday, April 27th at the St. Anthony Retreat Center in Kalihi. The day begins with coffee and light refreshments at 9:00 AM, followed by worship, guided meditation, lunch, and sharing session wrapping up at 1:30 PM. Cost is \$20. For more information contact Louise Aloy at (808) 264-9830 or e-mail her at louisealoy63@gmail.com.

Camp Mokule'ia Offers Scholarships To All Churches In The Diocese: Camp Mokule'ia has five summer camps for children and teens in grades 2 through 12, including a camp on Maui and the Big Island. Early bird rates are in effect until April 5. To view the different camp options, visit their website.

For 2019, they are also offering \$1,000 in camp scholarships. Each church will be given four \$250 summer camp scholarships! If you have any

names of kids that would like to go, please let Deb know. Let's send some kids to camp!

Godly Play Training 2019 Registration Now Open! Registration is now open for all three classes.

April 6: Sacred Stories - Epiphany, Honolulu

May 4: Parables - Camp Mokule'ia, Waialua

June 1: Liturgical Action - Emmanuel, Kailua

The Episcopal Church in Hawai'i supports Godly Play, and has underwritten a portion of the training to help with tuition costs for churches in the Diocese. For more information, visit the Godly Play webpage on the Diocesan website.

Announcing The First Inaugural Youth Day At Camp Mokule'ia: Camp Mokule'ia and the Episcopal Diocese of Hawai'i is excited to announce the first inaugural YOUTH DAY on Saturday, April 27th, from 10 AM - 5 PM (registration at 9 AM). Youth day is for students in grades 6-12, and will feature guest speaker and worship leader, Easton Davis. Youth will enjoy a full day of worship, lunch, zipline, games, kayaking, paddle boarding and swimming in the pool! Cost is only \$10. For more information, visit their website and register today!

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! MARCH 31, 2019	
Supply Clergy:	Rev. Alex Geston
Music	Ben Trusnovec
Altar Guild:	Jessica Lum
Eucharistic Minister:	Faye Hee
Acolytes:	Gavin Nishihira
Lector:	Paul Kaneshiro
Alms Bearer:	Youth
Counters:	Jessica Lum Melissa Morinishi
Ministries	
Flowers:	Lent – no flowers
Watering:	Cy Nishihira
Refreshments:	Lori Chun

Looking Ahead Next Week Sunday – APRIL 7, 2019	
Supply Clergy:	Rev. John Tomoso
Music	Ben Trusnovec
Altar Guild:	Pat Lum
Eucharistic Minister:	Deb Nishihira
Acolytes:	Gavin Nishihira
Lector:	Melissa Morinishi
Alms Bearer:	Youth
Counters:	Les Hata Myrtle Kaneshiro
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Ministries:

Bishop's Committee: Deb Nishihira, Les Hata, Connie Kaneshiro, Myrtle Kaneshiro, Rich Marshall, Chris Omuro, Melissa Morinishi, Ben Trusnovec, and Jessica Lum.

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