



December 8, 2019

**The Second Sunday of  
Advent**

**Today's Hymns**

Processional Hymn	<i>Hymn 542 (all)</i>
Sequence Hymn	<i>Hymn 68 (v.1 before Gospel) (v.2 after Gospel)</i>
Offertory Hymn	<i>Hymnal 616 (v.1-2)</i>

**The Collect**

Merciful God, who sent your messengers the prophets to preach repentance and prepare the way for our salvation: Give us grace to heed their warnings and forsake our sins, that we may greet with joy the coming of Jesus Christ our Redeemer; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

**The Old Testament**

**Isaiah 11:1-10**

A shoot shall come out from the stump of  
Jesse,  
and a branch shall grow out of his roots.

The spirit of the LORD shall rest on him,  
the spirit of wisdom and understanding,  
the spirit of counsel and might,  
the spirit of knowledge and the fear of  
the LORD.

His delight shall be in the fear of the LORD.

He shall not judge by what his eyes see,  
or decide by what his ears hear;

but with righteousness he shall judge the poor,  
and decide with equity for the meek of the  
earth;

he shall strike the earth with the rod of his  
mouth,  
and with the breath of his lips he shall kill  
the wicked.

Righteousness shall be the belt around his  
waist,  
and faithfulness the belt around his loins.

The wolf shall live with the lamb,  
the leopard shall lie down with the kid,  
the calf and the lion and the fatling together,  
and a little child shall lead them.

The cow and the bear shall graze,  
their young shall lie down together; and  
the lion shall eat straw like the  
ox.

The nursing child shall play over the hole of  
the asp,  
and the weaned child shall put its hand on  
the adder's den.

They will not hurt or destroy  
on all my holy mountain;  
for the earth will be full of the knowledge of  
the LORD  
as the waters cover the sea.

On that day the root of Jesse shall stand as a  
signal to the peoples; the nations shall inquire  
of him, and his dwelling shall be glorious.

**The Psalm**

**Psalm 72:1-7, 18-19**

1 Give the King your justice, O God, \*  
and your righteousness to the King's  
Son;

2 That he may rule your people righteously \*  
and the poor with justice;

3 That the mountains may bring prosperity to  
the people, \*  
and the little hills bring righteousness.

4 He shall defend the needy among the  
people; \*  
he shall rescue the poor and crush the  
oppressor.

5 He shall live as long as the sun and moon  
endure, \*  
from one generation to another.

6 He shall come down like rain upon the  
mown field, \*  
like showers that water the earth.

7 In his time shall the righteous flourish; \*  
there shall be abundance of peace till the  
moon shall be no more.

18 Blessed be the Lord GOD, the God of  
Israel, \*  
who alone does wondrous deeds!

19 And blessed be his glorious Name for  
ever! \*  
and may all the earth be filled with his  
glory.  
Amen. Amen.

## The Epistle

### Romans 15:4-13

Whatever was written in former days was  
written for our instruction, so that by  
steadfastness and by the encouragement of the  
scriptures we might have hope. May the God of  
steadfastness and encouragement grant you to  
live in harmony with one another, in  
accordance with Christ Jesus, so that together  
you may with one voice glorify the God and  
Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Welcome one another, therefore, just as Christ  
has welcomed you, for the glory of God. For I  
tell you that Christ has become a servant of the  
circumcised on behalf of the truth of God in  
order that he might confirm the promises given  
to the patriarchs, and in order that the Gentiles  
might glorify God for his mercy. As it is  
written,

"Therefore I will confess you among the  
Gentiles,  
and sing praises to your name";

and again he says,

"Rejoice, O Gentiles, with his people";  
and again,

"Praise the Lord, all you Gentiles,  
and let all the peoples praise him";  
and again Isaiah says,

"The root of Jesse shall come,  
the one who rises to rule the

Gentiles;  
in him the Gentiles shall hope."

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and  
peace in believing, so that you may abound in  
hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

## The Gospel

### Matthew 3:1-12

In those days John the Baptist appeared in the  
wilderness of Judea, proclaiming, "Repent, for  
the kingdom of heaven has come near." This is  
the one of whom the prophet Isaiah spoke when  
he said,

"The voice of one crying out in the  
wilderness:  
'Prepare the way of the Lord,  
make his paths straight.'"

Now John wore clothing of camel's hair with a  
leather belt around his waist, and his food was  
locusts and wild honey. Then the people of  
Jerusalem and all Judea were going out to him,  
and all the region along the Jordan, and they  
were baptized by him in the river Jordan,  
confessing their sins.

But when he saw many Pharisees and  
Sadducees coming for baptism, he said to them,  
"You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee  
from the wrath to come? Bear fruit worthy of  
repentance. Do not presume to say to  
yourselves, 'We have Abraham as our  
ancestor'; for I tell you, God is able from these  
stones to raise up children to Abraham. Even  
now the ax is lying at the root of the trees;  
every tree therefore that does not bear good  
fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire.

"I baptize you with water for repentance, but  
one who is more powerful than I is coming  
after me; I am not worthy to carry his sandals.  
He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and  
fire. His winnowing fork is in his hand, and he  
will clear his threshing floor and will gather his  
wheat into the granary; but the chaff he will  
burn with unquenchable fire."



## 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 8, 2019**

*The Second Sunday of Advent*

**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 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:*

**For the healing of:** Jan Motoshige, Atsuko Kato, Pastor Heather Hill, Fr. Frank Chun, Jan Loo, Tessie Geston-Long, Blaise and Nancy Napu'unoa, Irene Nakamoto, Jonathan Lee, Mildred Ogai, John & Rei Hamano, Mel & Aki Shitagi, David Lee, Bill Harada, Lori Maunalanga, & Janine LeGrande.

**For the Birthday of:** Joshua Lee, Robert Nishimoto and Atsuko Kato.

**Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: Our Chancellors:** Mr. Wayne Yoshigai (Chancellor); Mr. Kevin Herring (Vice Chancellor); Mr. Douglas Smith (Deputy Vice Chancellor).

### **Announcements**

**Wreath making** – Thank you to our neighbors Michelle and Missy, who shared their wreath making talents with us!

**Bishop's Committee Meeting:** Dec. 15<sup>th</sup>, after refreshments. We will be discussing next year's budget. Let the Bishop's Committee members know of any church related items you want discussed or join us at the meeting!

**Children's Corner** - available during the first half of the service from 8:45am-9:45am. Connie/Paul and Chris Omuro (we are looking for more

volunteers) will be taking care of any young children that come to church and will have them join the service before communion. Please encourage families with children to join us on Sundays!

**E-Mail Website Scams: Diocesan Website Changes:** In the ongoing battle against e-mail and online scams, the Diocesan website will be removing linked e-mail addresses from all pages, and replacing them with a contact form. This change will also affect the ministry pages (DOK, ECW, EfM, etc.) that contain e-mail addresses of contacts, although form inquiries will still be directed to those persons. It is a good idea for all churches to reconsider displaying e-mail addresses on their websites that could invite potential spoofer. If you receive any e-mails asking for personal information, be wary and take steps to verify that it is from a legitimate source.

**Reminder about Eucharistic Minister & Eucharistic Visitor Trainings:** They are a licensed lay position that must be renewed every three years, according to Diocesan Guidelines. Because of the greater level of responsibility for Eucharistic Visitors, there are additional requirements, including Safe Church training. To view the requirements and to download an application, visit the Diocese website.

**United Thank Offering (UTO) 2020 Annual Grants: Informational Webinar: January 14:** These grants are awarded for projects in The Episcopal Church and throughout the Anglican Communion, each year with a different focus. For 2020, the focus is Bless: Share faith, practice generosity and compassion, and proclaim the Good News of God in Christ with hope and humility. The application process opened September 6<sup>th</sup>. The deadline for submitting a grant application is March 6, 2020 at 12:00 pm.

**EPISCOPAL SERVICE CORPS (ESC)  
ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR 2020-2021**

**SERVICE YEAR:** The ESC is now accepting applications for their 2020-2021 service year. Visit their website to learn more and to apply. Episcopal Service Corps is a network of young adults ages 21-32 serving through locally organized intentional communities that are dedicated to:

- Serving others in solidarity
- Promoting justice in community
- Deepening spiritual awareness
- Discerning vocation
- Living simply

Everyone serving through ESC commits to a year of volunteer local service, as well as a household Rule of Life, regular spiritual direction, discernment and community practices. (Deadline to apply is January 10, 2020.)

**28th Annual Queen Lili'uokalanai Ho'okuikahi Service:** will be taking place on Friday, January 17, 2020, at Central Union Church in Honolulu, from 6:00-7:00 PM. This ecumenical event will feature the Cathedral Choir of St. Andrew, Hokuloa Singers of 'Iolani School, and others. The date of the event represents a dark time in Hawaiian history when Queen Lili'uokalanai was overthrown, but is now being recognized as a day of reconciliation and hope that focuses on the Queen's courage and conviction for non-violence that has been an example and legacy to her people. The Pacific Justice and Reconciliation Center (PJRC) have organized this annual event to "educate and advocate for justice and mercy for Na Kanaka Maoli and all the people of Hawai'i in the spirit of reconciliation." For more information, contact the Rev. Kaleo Patterson at (808) 330-3769.

Mark your calendars and **SAVE THE DATE!**  
**DIOCESAN YOUTH RETREAT: "ONE BODY":** For middle school and high school youth March 20-22, 2020, Camp Mokule'ia, Waialua. More information to come soon!

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**Piano Lessons:** Anyone interested in learning to play the piano? See Ben for his business card, he'd love to receive referrals!

<b>Thank You to Our Worship Team!</b> <b>DECEMBER 8, 2019</b>	
Supply Clergy:	Rev. Malcolm Hee
Music:	Ben Trusnovec
Altar Guild:	Taylor Omuro
Eucharistic Minister:	Faye Hee
Acolytes:	Gavin Nishihira
Lector:	Paul Kaneshiro
Alms Bearer:	Youth
Counters:	Jessica Lum Melissa Morinishi
<b>Ministries</b>	
Flowers:	TBA
Watering:	Cy Nishihira
Refreshments:	Lori Chun

<i>Looking Ahead</i> <b>NEXT WEEK SUNDAY – DECEMBER 15, 2019</b>	
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