



July 12, 2020

The Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

WELCOME BACK!

REMINDERS:

- Please wear your masks.
- Every other pew is being used to maintain social distancing. Only families of the same household can sit close to each other. Only two non-family members can sit on each pew (one on each end)
- No procession or recession by priest.
- No service booklet except for the priest, acolyte and/or appointed response person.
- The Offering collection plate will not be passed around during the service. It will stay in the back of church. Please try to place your offering there before the service or at the end if you missed it.
- Communion will be bread only. It will be given closer to the pews. Single file down the aisle and exit to the left or right to walk back to your seat.
- No contact during the peace (just turn and acknowledge each other with a bow, wave, etc.)
- No coffee hour after the service.
- If you are feeling sick or feverish, please stay home.

IMPORTANT: No singing or responses out loud. The congregation will prayerfully listen during the service and silently respond in their heads and hearts. One person will be appointed to say the people's responses for the congregation.

READINGS FOR TODAY:

The Collect

O Lord, mercifully receive the prayers of your people who call upon you, and grant that they may know and understand what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to accomplish them; 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

Isaiah 55:10-13

As the rain and the snow come down from heaven,
and do not return there until they have watered the earth,
making it bring forth and sprout,
giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater,
so shall my word be that goes out from my mouth;
it shall not return to me empty,
but it shall accomplish that which I purpose,
and succeed in the thing for which I sent it.
For you shall go out in joy,
and be led back in peace;
the mountains and the hills before you
shall burst into song,
and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands.
Instead of the thorn shall come up the cypress;
instead of the brier shall come up the myrtle;
and it shall be to the LORD for a memorial,
for an everlasting sign that shall not be cut off.

The Gospel

Matthew 13:1-9,18-23

Jesus went out of the house and sat beside the sea. Such great crowds gathered around him that he got into a boat and sat there, while the whole crowd stood on the beach. And he told them many things in parables, saying: "Listen! A sower went out to sow. And as he sowed, some seeds fell on the path, and the birds came and ate them up. Other seeds fell on rocky ground, where they did not have much soil, and they sprang up quickly, since they had no depth of soil. But when the sun rose, they were scorched; and since they had no root, they withered away. Other seeds fell

among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. Other seeds fell on good soil and brought forth grain, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. Let anyone with ears listen!”

“Hear then the parable of the sower. When anyone hears the word of the kingdom and does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what is sown in the heart; this is what was sown on the path. As for what was sown on rocky ground, this is the one who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy; yet such a person has no root, but endures only for a while, and when trouble or persecution arises on account of the word, that person immediately falls away. As for what was sown among thorns, this is the one who hears the word, but the cares of the world and the lure of wealth choke the word, and it yields nothing. But as for what was sown on good soil, this is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields, in one case a hundredfold, in another sixty, and in another thirty.”

Prayers of the People - Form II

I ask your prayers for God's people throughout the world;
for our Bishop(s) Bishop Curry & Bishop Fitzpatrick; for this gathering; and for all
ministers and people.

Pray for the Church.

Silence

I ask your prayers for peace; for goodwill among nations;
and for the well-being of all people.

Pray for justice and peace.

Silence

I ask your prayers for the poor, the sick, the hungry, the
oppressed, and those in prison.

Pray for those in any need or trouble.

Silence

I ask your prayers for all who seek God, or a deeper
knowledge of him.

Pray that they may find and be found by him.

Silence

I ask your prayers for the departed.

Pray for those who have died.

Silence

I ask your prayers for those on our prayer list.

For the healing of: Sumie Mizushima, Anne Comcowich, Elvie Ho, Wayne Olivieri, Steve Kai, Jan Loo, Tessie Geston-Long, Blaise and Nancy Napu'unoa, Jonathan Lee, Mildred Ogai, Rei Hamano, Aki Shitagi, David Lee, Bill Harada, Lori Maunalanga, & Janine LeGrande.

For the birthdays of: Ashley Luke, Steve Hamano, Gavin Nishihira, Hillary Hee & K.K. Miyake

Silence

Praise God for those in every generation in whom Christ has been honored.
Pray that we may have grace to glorify Christ in our own day.

Silence



Weekly Announcements

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

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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 also hold the following people in your prayers

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: St. Mary's, Honolulu. The Rev. Charles Browning (Priest-in-Charge) & Mrs. Cainna Browning; St. Peter's, Honolulu: The Rev. Diane Martinson (Rector); The Rev. Jasmine Bostock (Priest Curate).

Announcements

Card for Father David Ota's Retirement - If you would like to sign the retirement card from the church, it is on the back table.

Flowers - Sign-up sheets are up in the back! Please fill in the blanks if you can!

Annual Meeting of Convention of the Episcopal Diocese of Hawai'i: Saturday, October 24, 2020. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, plans for the Annual Meeting in October have been changed and are being carefully considered to comply with safety guidelines of the CDC, our State, and Counties. It will likely involve some use of online communication (Zoom) and limited gatherings. Latest updates will be posted on the Convention 52 webpage.

2020 ELECTIONS BY MAIL IN HAWAI'I: Hawai'i is switching to VOTE BY MAIL (VBM), starting this year. If you plan to exercise your right to vote in this extremely consequential year, check your voter registration at <https://olvr.hawaii.gov/> to register, confirm, or update your voter registration address.

Calvin Say: Calvin is running for Honolulu City Council which covers Manoa, Palolo, Kaimuki, St. Louis Heights, Moiliili and McCully. If you would like to fill out postcards

to send to friends, the pre-written postcards are at the back of the church. Just fill in the address, return it and Calvin will mail it out.

Jackson Sayama: Jackson is running for House District 20 which covers our Palolo district. If you would like to help Jackson’s campaign (Sign waving, make phone calls, etc.) let him know or go to his website and sign up as a volunteer
<https://www.jacksonsayama.com/volunteer>

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

Feel free to take the readings and announcements home with you today.

It can also be viewed on our church website at: <http://www.goodsamaritanhawaii.org/weekly-announcements.html>

Thank You to Our Worship Team!	
July 12, 2020	
Supply Clergy:	TBA
Music:	No one until Ben and Sumie return
Altar Guild:	Chris Omuro
Acolytes:	Gavin Nishihira
Lector:	Gavin Nishihira
Alms Bearer:	Youth
Counters:	Chris Omuro & Pat Lum
Ministries	
Flowers:	Nishihira
Watering:	Cy Nishihira

Looking Ahead	
NEXT WEEK SUNDAY – JULY 19, 2020	
Supply Clergy:	TBA
Music:	No one until Ben and Sumie return
Altar Guild:	Melissa Morinishi
Acolytes:	Gavin Nishihira
Lector:	Gavin Nishihira
Alms Bearer:	Youth
Counters:	Jessica Lum & Melissa Morinishi
Ministries	
Flowers:	Church
Watering:	Cy Nishihira