



November 8, 2020

The Twenty-third 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 is 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 God, whose blessed Son came into the world that he might destroy the works of the devil and make us children of God and heirs of eternal life: Grant that, having this hope, we may purify ourselves as he is pure; that, when he comes again with power and great glory, we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

## The Old Testament

### Wisdom 6:12–16

Wisdom is radiant and unfading,  
and she is easily discerned by those who love her,  
and is found by those who seek her.  
She hastens to make herself known to those who desire her.  
One who rises early to seek her will have no difficulty,  
for she will be found sitting at the gate.  
To fix one's thought on her is perfect understanding,  
and one who is vigilant on her account will soon be free from care,  
because she goes about seeking those worthy of her,  
and she graciously appears to them in their paths,  
and meets them in every thought.

## The Gospel

### Matthew 25:1-13

Jesus said, "Then the kingdom of heaven will be like this. Ten bridesmaids took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. When the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them; but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. As the bridegroom was delayed, all of them became drowsy and slept. But at midnight there was a shout, 'Look! Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.' Then all those bridesmaids got up and trimmed their lamps. The foolish said to the wise, 'Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.' But the wise replied, 'No! there will not be enough for you and for us; you had better go to the dealers and buy some for yourselves.' And while they went to buy it, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went with him into the wedding banquet; and the door was shut. Later the other bridesmaids came also, saying, 'Lord, lord, open to us.' But he replied, 'Truly I tell you, I do not know you.' Keep awake therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour."

### 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 and care of: Celine Niau Nelson, Jan Motoshige, Sumie Mizushima,  
Amy Fiandach, Steve Kai, Blaise Napu'unoa, Jonathan Lee, Mildred Ogai, Rei  
Hamano, Aki Shitagi, David Lee, Lori Maunalanga, & Janine LeGrande.**

**For the birthdays of: Devin Fukunaga and Brycen Chun**

*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**

*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!***

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:*** Non-Parochial Clergy serving outside the Diocese: The Rev. Leo Loyola (Priest) & Mrs. Melody Loyola; The Ven. Irene E. Maliaman (Archdeacon) & Mr. Alfred Maliaman; The Rev. Dcn. Lisa Pang (Deacon) & Mr. Patrick Pang; The Rev. Irene Tanabe (Priest) & Mr. Michael Burnap; The Rev. James Shire (Curate); The Rev. Dcn. Cris South (Deacon) & Mrs. Barbara Jean Mooradian; The Rev. Becky Tinnon (Priest) & The Rev. Michael Tinnon (Priest); The Rev. Craig Vance (Priest); The Rev. Bernard Yung (Chaplain).

***Announcements (NEW)***

**Update on Jan Motoshige: Final Chemotherapy Treatment - Hooray!**

Journal entry by daughter Joni Kohama — Oct 31, 2020

Yesterday, October 30, mom had her 12th and (hopefully) last chemotherapy treatment. Hooray!

She said her good-byes and expressed her gratitude to the chemo nurses and, after her treatment, they presented her with a “Partnership for Survival” pin and the entire chemo nurse team congratulated her with a round of applause. It was very touching and heartfelt.

Next week she will meet with the surgeon and most likely her surgery will be scheduled sometime in mid to late November. The chemotherapy did shrink the tumor but at this point we do not know if she will get a lumpectomy or mastectomy.

After the surgery, if cancer cells are still detected, the oncologist shared that he might recommend a second chemotherapy treatment, however, it would be a chemotherapy in pill form. The oncologist does not think mom can tolerate a second cycle of chemotherapy treatment via IV so she will be removing her chemo port soon.

We are looking forward to having mom free of the nausea so she can gain back some strength. These past 12 weeks did wipe her out and she is quite unsteady and wobbly. We are hopeful her side effects (numbness, hair loss, nausea, short-term memory loss) will dissipate over time.

Mahalo for your care and concern. I will keep you posted throughout November.

### **Announcements (REPEAT)**

#### **Update on Blaise Napu'unoa:**

With the passing of Nancy, her sister, Susan, is with nephew Blaise helping him to clean up two of the bedrooms so he can rent it out and hopefully be able to keep the house. He is also looking into starting a food truck business. Please keep Blaise in your prayers!

#### **Veggie/Fruit bags:**

Our next door neighbor, Michelle Gorham, delivers pre-packed packages of veggies and fruits (items vary) on Monday evening and it can be distributed that same night or on Tuesday. If you would like to get a bag for someone, let Deb know and it will be set aside for pick up or delivery. The program will go on for 7 more weeks.

#### **Pavilion refrigerator:**

The refrigerator no longer works and has been unplugged. We will need to replace it in the future but that will be on hold for now.

#### **Kodomatsu Day - Mark your calendars:**

This year's kadomatsu making will be the day after Christmas on Saturday, December 26<sup>th</sup>! We will be cutting bamboo at a new location on a private residence that Chris is in contact with and will bring it back to church to cut and decorate. Pre-order flyers will go out sometime after Thanksgiving. A kadomatsu and lunch will be provided for volunteers.

**Invite Welcome Connect Free Webinar:** Registration now open. Mary Parmer, the founder of Invite Welcome Connect (IWC), returns "virtually" to the Diocese of Hawai'i, leading a FREE webinar on Saturday, November 14, 2020, on Zoom. The webinar will run from 10:00 AM-12:00 Noon. Parmer led workshops on Kaua'i and O'ahu last August on practices of evangelism, hospitality, and belonging. But how do we implement these practices during a pandemic? Parmer will discuss launching IWC during a pandemic and address your questions and concerns. For more information and to register, go to Diocese website.

**A Reminder on Phishing Scams:** Online scams are here to stay and we need to remain vigilant. The Diocesan Support Center continues to receive messages about questionable emails from the Bishop, and also from their own clergy. It's always good to double-check if you are not sure after taking some precautionary steps. Here are a few reminders to help identify whether an email is legit:

- Check the return email address. If the address doesn't match the name of the sender, that's a red flag. (Some emails may use similar addresses to legit ones - check closely.)
- Look for grammatical or spelling errors in the text of the email.
- Never open attachments from unknown sources, especially those with an ".exe" extension that could launch an unwelcome virus or malware onto your device
- Check the address at the bottom of the email. If it says "Pastor Tom" and Tom never goes by "Pastor," it's fake.

Finally, if the email appears safe and the sender is asking for money, goods or personal data, contact the person directly to verify.

**The Rev. Annalise Pasalo to Moderate Webinars:** The Presiding Bishop's delegation to the 64th session of the UN Commission on the Status of Women (UNCSW 64) invites all to join the online study group Beijing +25: Celebrating the Blessing, Realizing the Dream, which will offer a series of webinars, blogs and conversations facilitated by the delegates from July through November 2020. The Rev. Annalise Pasalo from Emmanuel in Kailua will be moderating. Check the Diocese website for schedule, more information and to register.

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**Two By Two Crafts** - Gail and Ariel Lee have many other craft products available online. You can check out their website at <https://twobytwocrafts.com> if you're interested!

**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>*

<b>Thank You to Our Worship Team!</b>	
<b>November 8, 2020</b>	
Supply Clergy:	Rev. Imelda Padasdao
Music:	Ben Trusnovec
Altar Guild:	Jessica Lum
Acolytes:	Gavin Nishihira
Lector:	Gavin Nishihira
Alms Bearer:	Youth
Counters:	Les Hata & Myrtle Kaneshiro

<b>Looking Ahead</b>	
<b>NEXT WEEK SUNDAY – NOVEMBER 15, 2020</b>	
Supply Clergy:	Rev. Imelda Padasdao
Music:	Ben Trusnovec
Altar Guild:	Deb (for Jan)
Acolytes:	Gavin Nishihira
Lector:	Gavin Nishihira
Alms Bearer:	Youth
Counters:	Chris Omuro & Pat Lum