



December 25, 2020  
Christmas Day



***WELCOME BACK AND MERRY CHRISTMAS EVERYONE!***

**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/refreshments 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, you make us glad by the yearly festival of the birth of your only Son Jesus Christ: Grant that we, who joyfully receive him as our Redeemer, may with sure confidence behold him when he comes to be our Judge; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

### The Old Testament

#### **Isaiah 62:6-12**

Upon your walls, O Jerusalem, I have posted sentinels;  
all day and all night  
they shall never be silent.

You who remind the LORD,  
take no rest,  
and give him no rest  
until he establishes Jerusalem  
and makes it renowned throughout the earth.

The LORD has sworn by his right hand  
and by his mighty arm:

I will not again give your grain  
to be food for your enemies,  
and foreigners shall not drink the wine  
for which you have labored;  
but those who garner it shall eat it  
and praise the LORD,  
and those who gather it shall drink it  
in my holy courts.

Go through, go through the gates,  
prepare the way for the people;  
build up, build up the highway,  
clear it of stones,  
lift up an ensign over the peoples.

The LORD has proclaimed  
to the end of the earth:

Say to daughter Zion,  
"See, your salvation comes;  
his reward is with him,  
and his recompense before him."

They shall be called, "The Holy People,  
The Redeemed of the LORD";

and you shall be called, "Sought Out,  
A City Not Forsaken."

## The Gospel

### **Luke 2:(1-7) 8-20**

[In those days a decree went out from Emperor Augustus that all the world should be registered. This was the first registration and was taken while Quirinius was governor of Syria. All went to their own towns to be registered. Joseph also went from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to the city of David called Bethlehem, because he was descended from the house and family of David. He went to be registered with Mary, to whom he was engaged and who was expecting a child. While they were there, the time came for her to deliver her child. And she gave birth to her firstborn son and wrapped him in bands of cloth, and laid him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn.]

In that region there were shepherds living in the fields, keeping watch over their flock by night. Then an angel of the Lord stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid; for see-- I am bringing you good news of great joy for all the people: to you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is the Messiah, the Lord. This will be a sign for you: you will find a child wrapped in bands of cloth and lying in a manger." And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host, praising God and saying,

"Glory to God in the highest heaven,  
and on earth peace among those whom he favors!"

When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, "Let us go now to Bethlehem and see this thing that has taken place, which the Lord has made known to us." So they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the child lying in the manger. When they saw this, they made known what had been told them about this child; and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds told them. But Mary treasured all these words and pondered them in her heart. The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them.

### **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:**

*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.**

***December 25, 2020***

***Christmas Day***

***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!

***Announcements (new)***

**Kadomatsu Day is tomorrow, December 26<sup>th</sup>:**

10am (approximate time): Cut and assemble kadomatsu in and around the church pavilion and spread out on the property.

12pm – kadomatsu orders will start to be picked up. Lunch bentos and drinks available for volunteers.

Turn in pre-orders if you have them! Flyers are in the back of the church.

**Pledge forms:**

Pledge forms are attached so we can plan our budget for 2021. Your thanksgiving and financial support of the church is always appreciated!

**Piano tuning:**

Thank you to John Ogai for arranging to get the piano tuned as much as possible this past Tuesday! Due to the age of the piano not all keys could be done. Thank you also to John for playing the music for today's service!

**Poinsettia Flowers:**

Thank you to Pat Lum for always providing the poinsettia flowers during this time! We hope it lasts on the altar for at least a month like last year!

***Announcements (repeat)***

**Communication with Jan Motoshige:**

Per Jan's daughter, Joni, to connect with her Mom, please feel free to:

**Call her cell phone at (808)349-6435** – She does not have a phone in her room. She does not answer her cell phone regularly and she does not check her voicemail, however, if she is near her phone, has the ringer on or is paying attention to her phone, there is a chance she might answer. They do **not** recommend sending her a text message. She doesn't

check her text messages often because she does not remember that texting is possible, and she has forgotten what app to use to open the text messages.

**Email her at [moto1990@me.com](mailto:moto1990@me.com) and cc Joni at [joni@gigaisland.com](mailto:joni@gigaisland.com)** – She may not respond to your email however, if Joni is cc'd, she can print out your email and include it in their next delivery to HPM.

**Email her a video message and cc Joni** – If Joni is cc'd, the next time she talks to her she can help her find the video in her inbox. You are welcome to email, text or call Joni anytime if you are having trouble getting in touch with her. Joni is keeping a list of folks for her to call that will be included in their deliveries to HPM.

**Write her a letter or card and send it to Joni** – All cards and letters addressed to her will be included in their deliveries to HPM. This also applies to kids (or adults) who want to send her handmade “get-well” drawings. We are told that she can tape pictures in her room and because she has no roommate, there is a lot of space available to fill with joyous pictures and cards. Here’s Joni’s address:

Janice Motoshige  
 c/o Joni Kohama  
 2165 Aha Niu Place  
 Honolulu, Hawaii 96821

**Phishers and spoofers are moving from bogus emails to bogus text messages:**

Bishop Bob will never send any communication (text, email, letter, fax, etc) requesting gift cards. Report these communications to the appropriate authorities and block the sender(s). A couple members of our Diocese recently received a BOGUS text message asking them to purchase gift cards for a cancer patient because he was in a meeting and couldn’t do it. One of the phone numbers being used is (808) 401-2192. Most likely what is happening is someone is trolling websites looking for cell phone numbers. When they find one, they impersonate the “boss” by signing up for an email addresses using the “boss’s” name (like REV. ROBERT FITZPATRICK or Bishop Robert Fitzpatrick) and then send text messages to the cell phone numbers that are on the “company’s” website (for example, a church’s contact us page or leadership page or any page that has cell phone numbers on it).

**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!

<b>Thank You to Our Worship Team!</b>	
<b>December 25, 2020</b>	
Supply Clergy:	Rev. Phil Paradine
Music:	John Ogai (volunteer)
Altar Guild:	Betsy Hata
Acolytes/Lector:	Gavin Nishihira
Counters:	Chris Omuro & Pat Lum

<b>Looking Ahead</b>	
<b>NEXT WEEK SUNDAY – DECEMBER 27, 2020</b>	
Supply Clergy:	Rev. Alex Geston
Music:	Ben Trusnovec
Altar Guild:	Myrtle Kaneshiro
Acolytes/Lector:	Gavin Nishihira
Counters:	Jessica Lum & Melissa Morinishi



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Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: Home: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

*(An email address is important as we can use it to notify everyone quickly and inexpensively.)*

In thanksgiving for God's gifts of life, love and community, I/we commit my/our time, talent and treasure for God's work in Good Samaritan Church of the Diocese of Hawai'i.

I/WE WOULD LIKE TO PLEDGE (one of the following)

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ per week.

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ per month

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ per year.

Total pledge for the year 2021: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**I/we understand that as circumstances change and a change in the pledge is needed; I/we will inform the church Treasurer or rector, so adjustments may be made to my pledge.**

Offering envelopes:  YES  NO

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Please help us with your Time and Talent and Donation by checking your areas of interest:

Bishop's Committee/Vestry <input type="checkbox"/>	Episcopal Church Women <input type="checkbox"/>	Refreshments <input type="checkbox"/>
Sunday School <input type="checkbox"/>	Lector <input type="checkbox"/>	Chalice Bearer <input type="checkbox"/>
Acolyte <input type="checkbox"/>	Bible Study <input type="checkbox"/>	Altar Guild <input type="checkbox"/>
Yard Maintenance <input type="checkbox"/>	Music <input type="checkbox"/>	Flowers <input type="checkbox"/>
Youth Activities <input type="checkbox"/>	Home visitor <input type="checkbox"/>	Write in <input type="checkbox"/>

If you check any of the above, someone will contact you to help you get involved.

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We are updating our data base, and need more information. If you are willing, please fill in the following:

Birthdate (s) MO \_\_\_ DAY \_\_\_ YR \_\_\_\_ . Name \_\_\_\_\_

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Birthdate (s) MO \_\_\_ DAY \_\_\_ YR \_\_\_\_ . Name \_\_\_\_\_

Wedding Anniversary MO \_\_\_ DAY \_\_\_ YR \_\_\_\_ .

Thank you for your commitment to keep Good Samaritan Church and all our ministries going!

Please return this by mail, during the offering, or to any Bishop's Committee member by December 31, 2020 or as soon as possible if receiving this form during the 2021 year.