



December 27, 2020
The First Sunday After Christmas Day



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/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

Almighty God, you have poured upon us the new light of your incarnate Word: Grant that this light, enkindled in our hearts, may shine forth in our lives; through Jesus Christ our

Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

The Old Testament

Isaiah 61:10-62:3

I will greatly rejoice in the LORD,
my whole being shall exult in my God;
for he has clothed me with the garments of salvation,
he has covered me with the robe of righteousness,
as a bridegroom decks himself with a garland,
and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels.
For as the earth brings forth its shoots,
and as a garden causes what is sown in it to spring up,
so the Lord GOD will cause righteousness and praise
to spring up before all the nations.
For Zion's sake I will not keep silent,
and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest,
until her vindication shines out like the dawn,
and her salvation like a burning torch.
The nations shall see your vindication,
and all the kings your glory;
and you shall be called by a new name
that the mouth of the LORD will give.
You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the LORD,
and a royal diadem in the hand of your God.

The Gospel

John 1:1-18

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being. What has come into being in him was life, and the life was the light of all people. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it.

There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. He came as a witness to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. He himself was not the light, but he came to testify to the light. The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world.

He was in the world, and the world came into being through him; yet the world did not know him. He came to what was his own, and his own people did not accept him. But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God, who were born, not of blood or of the will of the flesh or of the will of man, but of God.

And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father's only son, full of grace and truth. (John testified to him and cried out, "This was he of whom I said, 'He who comes after me ranks ahead of me because he was before me.'") From his fullness we have all received, grace upon grace. The law indeed was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. No one has ever seen God. It is God the only Son, who is close to the Father's heart, who has made him known.

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: Lennon Kohama and Matthew Lum

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: The Standing Committee: The Rev. Dan Leatherman, President; The Diocesan Council; Commission on Ministry: Ms. Carrie-Anne Kokubun, Chair.

Announcements (new)

Kadomatsu Day:

Thank you to those who helped make our Kadomatsu Day a success!

Announcements (repeat)

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.

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!

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 and cc Joni at 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

Rock Wall Repair Needed:

The rock wall next to the church is in need of repair. Is there anyone that has done masonry work or have recommendations? We need to get it fixed before the problem gets worse.

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!

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!	
December 27, 2020	
Supply Clergy:	Rev. Alex Geston
Music:	Ben Trusnovec
Altar Guild:	Myrtle Kaneshiro
Acolyte/Lector:	Gavin Nishihira
Counters:	Jessica Lum & Melissa Morinishi

<i>Looking Ahead</i>	
<i>NEXT WEEK SUNDAY – JANUARY 3, 2021</i>	
Supply Clergy:	Rev. Imelda Padasdao
Music:	Ben Trusnovec
Altar Guild:	Pat Lum
Acolyte/Lector:	Gavin Nishihira
Counters:	Les Hata & Myrtle Kaneshiro



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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.

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.