



July 11, 2021

Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

REMINDERS FOR THE SERVICE:

- There is still no singing but (quiet) responses are now allowed.
- 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.
- 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. **All are welcome to go up for communion or a blessing. Christians receive the Eucharist to fully embody the covenant relationship created in Baptism. If you are not yet baptized, cross your arms over your chest and you will receive a grace-filled blessing.*
- No contact during the peace (just turn and acknowledge each other with a bow, wave, etc.)
- Open air gatherings for refreshments are now allowed with limitations.
- If you are feeling sick or feverish, please stay home.

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

2 Samuel 6:1-5, 12b-19

David again gathered all the chosen men of Israel, thirty thousand. David and all the people with him set out and went from Baale-judah, to bring up from there the ark of God, which is called by the name of the LORD of hosts who is enthroned on the cherubim.

They carried the ark of God on a new cart, and brought it out of the house of Abinadab, which was on the hill. Uzzah and Ahio, the sons of Abinadab, were driving the new cart with the ark of God; and Ahio went in front of the ark. David and all the house of Israel were dancing before the LORD with all their might, with songs and lyres and harps and tambourines and castanets and cymbals.

So David went and brought up the ark of God from the house of Obed-edom to the city of David with rejoicing; and when those who bore the ark of the Lord had gone six paces, he sacrificed an ox and a fatling. David danced before the Lord with all his might; David was girded with a linen ephod. So David and all the house of Israel brought up the ark of the LORD with shouting, and with the sound of the trumpet.

As the ark of the LORD came into the city of David, Michal daughter of Saul looked out of the window, and saw King David leaping and dancing before the LORD; and she despised him in her heart.

They brought in the ark of the LORD, and set it in its place, inside the tent that David had pitched for it; and David offered burnt offerings and offerings of well-being before the LORD. When David had finished offering the burnt offerings and the offerings of well-being, he blessed the people in the name of the LORD of hosts, and distributed food among all the people, the whole multitude of Israel, both men and women, to each a cake of bread, a portion of meat, and a cake of raisins. Then all the people went back to their homes.

The Gospel

Mark 6:14-29

King Herod heard of Jesus and his disciples, for Jesus' name had become known. Some were saying, "John the baptizer has been raised from the dead; and for this reason these powers are at work in him." But others said, "It is Elijah." And others said, "It is a prophet, like one of the prophets of old." But when Herod heard of it, he said, "John, whom I beheaded, has been raised."

For Herod himself had sent men who arrested John, bound him, and put him in prison on account of Herodias, his brother Philip's wife, because Herod had married her. For John had been telling Herod, "It is not lawful for you to have your brother's wife." And Herodias had a grudge against him, and wanted to kill him. But she could not, for Herod feared John, knowing that he was a righteous and holy man, and he protected him. When he heard him, he was greatly perplexed; and yet he liked to listen to him. But an opportunity came when Herod on his birthday gave a banquet for his courtiers and officers and for the leaders of Galilee. When his daughter Herodias came in and danced, she pleased Herod and his guests; and the king said to the girl, "Ask me for whatever you wish, and I will give it." And he solemnly swore to her, "Whatever you ask me, I will give you, even half of my kingdom." She went out and said to her mother, "What should

I ask for?" She replied, "The head of John the baptizer." Immediately she rushed back to the king and requested, "I want you to give me at once the head of John the Baptist on a platter." The king was deeply grieved; yet out of regard for his oaths and for the guests, he did not want to refuse her. Immediately the king sent a soldier of the guard with orders to bring John's head. He went and beheaded him in the prison, brought his head on a platter, and gave it to the girl. Then the girl gave it to her mother. When his disciples heard about it, they came and took his body, and laid it in a tomb.

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: Ediza Tamura, Ralph Akutagawa, Florence Kuwashima, William Harada, Wayne Olivieri, Celine Niau Nelson, Jan Motoshige, Sumie Mizushima, Jonathan Lee, David Lee, Rei Hamano, Aki Shitagi & Janine LeGrande.

For the birthday of: Cora Say, Ashley Luke, Steve Hamano, Hillary Hee and 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

The Priest adds the concluding Collect:

Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.



Weekly Announcements

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

Announcements for July 11, 2021

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)

Announcements (new)

Update on Jan Motoshige - Homecoming and Changes in Communication with Mom

Journal Entry by Joni Kohama — July 4, 2021



As of yesterday, July 3, it has been one year since Mom was diagnosed with cancer.

Fast forward 365 days – after 12 weeks of chemo, the onset of Guillain Barre Syndrome (GBS), 4 months in a nursing home, a fall that delayed her mastectomy, her mastectomy in March and another 3 months in a care home, we are happy to announce that Mom will finally be returning home this Friday, July 9th. A wheelchair ramp has been built (see pictures), her bedroom, bathroom and an “activities” room have been painted, cleaned, and made walker-friendly, and we are currently working on cleaning up the deck to make a space where she can sit in the sunshine and visit with friends.

Before you get excited and call her, please know that currently, Mom's cell phone is not working. We will fix her phone (or get her a new one) after she returns home. Until then, the best way to contact Mom is via email. You can try to text her, but she is not as responsive via text. I'll update you when we get this cell phone issue resolved.

After Mom gets settled in and her doctor appointments, acupuncture and physical therapy appointments are scheduled, I will update you when Mom is ready for visitors and provide directions on how to make arrangements to visit her. Most likely I will be Mom's point of contact to schedule visits or outings. I will keep you posted on details as we figure out the flow of communication and certain COVID-related measures.

Due to Mom's dementia, we ask that you do not schedule with Mom directly. I suspect Mom may have already made arrangements with some of you to visit her so if she has already made arrangements with you, please let me know so I can put it on the calendar.

Also, please be aware that what Mom says she can or wants to do is different from reality.

- In Mom's mind, she thinks she can sew on her sewing machine but, in reality, due to the neuropathy in her fingers and her lack of reflexes, it's not safe for her to use her sewing machine.

- In Mom's mind she plans to go walking at the mall but in reality, due to the GBS, her stamina is low and she may not be able to walk no more than a 100 feet.

- In Mom's mind she thinks she will be able to stay home alone, but in reality, she may need around the clock supervision.

- In Mom's mind, she can climb stairs, but, in reality, after the onset of the GBS she struggles to climb just 3 stairs.

I bring this to your attention just as a reminder to keep this in mind when planning outings or activities with Mom. Her dementia has gotten a little worse (probably due to some depression and less scheduled activity at the care home) so she is quite cognitively impaired at times.

Thank you all for your care and concern. I will be in touch soon!

Happy 4th of July!

Joni

To connect with Jan, please feel free to:

Call her cell phone at (808)349-6435 (no text please)

Email her at moto1990@me.com and/or cc Joni at joni@gigaisland.com

Email her a video message and cc Joni

Announcements (repeat)



Letter from Rev. Malcolm Hee:

Greetings faithful friends,

It is with joyfulness that I share the good news, that I have been named as the Vicar of Good Samaritan starting on Sunday, September 5, 2021. It has been a long journey for me to get to this point. First, starting with the seed planted by The Rev. Carol Arney in 2012 that I would make a good priest. Then meeting with the Bishop and getting his approval to move forward on this path. Three years of training on Biblical scripture, Church history, and theology was certainly intense. Internships at Epiphany under Fr. David Jackson and at St. Elizabeth's under Fr. David Gierlach gave me practical experience. When I was ordained on June 25, 2016 the Bishop assigned me to The Cathedral of St. Andrew where I have been ever since. Expressing the desire to be at Good Samaritan was always at the top of my list.

With thanks to our Lord Almighty, blessings from Bishop Bob, and acceptance by the Bishop's Committee at Good Samaritan, I look forward to serving our congregation in Palolo Valley. Living in the community helps to give me the understanding of the people and cultures that make up the majority of our members who are AAPI – Asian American and Pacific Islander. Being AAPI myself with a background of Hawaiian, Chinese, Japanese, Korean, Vietnamese, and Filipino, I am able to relate to many.

Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, from whom cometh every good and perfect gift: Send down upon our bishops, and other clergy, and upon the congregations committed to their charge, the healthful Spirit of thy grace: and, that they may truly please thee, pour upon them the continual dew of thy blessing. Grant this, O Lord, for the honor of our Advocate and Mediator, Jesus Christ. *Amen.*



The Rev. Malcolm Keleawe Hee

Refreshment & Flower Sign-up Sheets:

Please sign up to provide light refreshments in the pavilion after the service and/or flowers for the altar. Sign-up sheets are located on the bulletin board at the back of the church.

Evangelism Matters Is Now Live for All!:

The Episcopal Church's Office of Evangelism recently held an online event called Evangelism Matters 2021: The Discipline of Hope, an Episcopal Evangelism

Audioconference. Although the conference is officially over, the learning and gathering doesn't have to end. If you missed it, you can now watch the Zoom Coffee Hours and listen to all episodes.

Here are three things you can do to stay engaged with this work:

- Join the Episcopal Evangelism Catalyst FB Group
- Join us for the Episcopal Evangelism Huddle on the third Wednesday of each month
- Join our Evangelism Newsletter list by using this form and receive monthly reflections, resources, and updates on all things related to Episcopal Evangelism

53rd Annual Meeting of the Convention:

The 53rd Annual Meeting of the Convention of the Episcopal Diocese of Hawai'i takes place October 22-23, 2021, at 'Iolani School in Honolulu. Originally scheduled for October 29-30, the date had to be moved up due to facility commitments. This year's theme is "Remembering those who have gone before." For more information and to stay informed, visit the Convention webpage.

COVID-19 UPDATES: Church Vaccination Sites

The following church in the Diocese is now serving as a site for the public to receive COVID-19 vaccinations. To find a location near you, visit the State's COVID-19 website.

ST. ELIZABETH'S, HONOLULU (In Shim Hall)

Ongoing every Wednesday

1:00 PM - 4:00 PM

Reservations required: Call (808) 913-1364

Address: 720 North King Street, Honolulu

Church Office: (808) 845-2112

Note: In collaboration with We Are Oceania (WAO) and the Kalihi Palama Health Center

Hawai'i Department of Health: COVID-19 Info and Resource Page: Be sure to visit the State of Hawai'i COVID-19 website for the latest up-to-date information including vaccinations, travel, news, rules, and more, including links to each county's regulations. Click on the link below to go there now.

Emergency Broadband Benefit Program:

The Emergency Broadband Benefit Program was established by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) earlier this year to help households struggling to pay for internet service during the COVID-19 pandemic. Under the Emergency Broadband Benefit Program, eligible households can receive up to \$50 a month towards broadband service and up to \$75 for households on Hawaiian Home Lands.

The program is limited to one monthly service discount. Eligible households may also receive a one-time discount of up to \$100 to purchase a laptop, desktop computer or

tablet from participating Hawaii internet service providers if they contribute a minimum of \$10 towards the purchase price.

Thank You to Our Worship Team!	
JULY 11, 2021	
Supply Clergy:	Rev. Imelda Padasdao
Music:	Ben Trusnovec
Altar Guild:	Deb Nishihira
Flowers:	Kaneshiro
Lector/Acolyte:	Gavin Nishihira
Counters:	Les Hata & Myrtle Kaneshiro
Refreshments:	Calvin Say

<i>Looking Ahead</i>	
<i>NEXT WEEK SUNDAY – JULY 18, 2021</i>	
<i>Supply Clergy:</i>	<i>Rev. Philip Paradine</i>
<i>Music:</i>	<i>Ben Trusnovec</i>
<i>Altar Guild:</i>	<i>Betsy Hata</i>
<i>Flowers:</i>	<i>TBA</i>
<i>Lector/Acolyte:</i>	<i>Gavin Nishihira</i>
<i>Counters:</i>	<i>Chris Omuro & Pat Lum</i>
<i>Refreshments:</i>	<i>Nishihira (Gavin's birthday)</i>