



August 8, 2021
Eleventh 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.
- 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

Grant to us, Lord, we pray, the spirit to think and do always those things that are right, that we, who cannot exist without you, may by you be enabled to live according to your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

The Old Testament

2 Samuel 18:5-9, 15, 31-33

The king, David, ordered Joab and Abishai and Ittai, saying, “Deal gently for my sake with the young man Absalom.” And all the people heard when the king gave orders to all the commanders concerning Absalom. So the army went out into the field against Israel; and the battle was fought in the forest of Ephraim. The men of Israel were defeated there by the servants of David, and the slaughter there was great on that day, twenty thousand

men. The battle spread over the face of all the country; and the forest claimed more victims that day than the sword. Absalom happened to meet the servants of David.

Absalom was riding on his mule, and the mule went under the thick branches of a great oak. His head caught fast in the oak, and he was left hanging between heaven and earth, while the mule that was under him went on.

And ten young men, Joab's armor-bearers, surrounded Absalom and struck him, and killed him.

Then the Cushite came; and the Cushite said, "Good tidings for my lord the king! For the Lord has vindicated you this day, delivering you from the power of all who rose up against you." The king said to the Cushite, "Is it well with the young man Absalom?" The Cushite answered, "May the enemies of my lord the king, and all who rise up to do you harm, be like that young man."

The king was deeply moved, and went up to the chamber over the gate, and wept; and as he went, he said, "O my son Absalom, my son, my son Absalom! Would I had died instead of you, O Absalom, my son, my son!"

The Gospel

John 6:35, 41-51

Jesus said, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty."

Then the Jews began to complain about him because he said, "I am the bread that came down from heaven." They were saying, "Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How can he now say, 'I have come down from heaven'?" Jesus answered them, "Do not complain among yourselves. No one can come to me unless drawn by the Father who sent me; and I will raise that person up on the last day. It is written in the prophets, 'And they shall all be taught by God.' Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father comes to me. Not that anyone has seen the Father except the one who is from God; he has seen the Father. Very truly, I tell you, whoever believes has eternal life. I am the bread of life. Your ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness, and they died. This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die. I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh."

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: Ellen Shimabuku, 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: Darnel Mitamura and Toni Fukunaga

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

*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.

Announcements for August 8, 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. Jude's, Ocean View; Holy Apostles, Hilo: The Rev. Katlin McCallister (Rector); The Rev. David Glaser (Priest Associate) & Mr. Douglas Howell.

Announcements (repeat)

Province VIII ECW Annual Retreat:

“Leading with Heart” is the theme for this year’s Annual Retreat and Business Meeting via Zoom. The Annual Retreat and Business Meeting for Episcopal Church Women and Women's Ministry groups throughout Province VIII, Leading with Heart: Step One, will take place online via Zoom on Saturday, August 14, 2021 from 10:00 AM until 2:30 PM. Registration and Hospitality begins at 9:30 AM.

Registration is \$20, and covers the cost of event materials and postage. Register by Sunday, August 1 to allow ample time for mailing. For more information and to register, check Diocese website. For questions, contact Christine Budzowski [HERE](#).

FREE Book Study: Godly Play: A Way of Religious Education

Join us for a seven week virtual book study of Godly Play: A Way of Religious Education beginning August 22, 2021. This year we celebrate 30 years since the publication of Dr. Berryman’s book that is the seminal text, grounding the development of hundreds of Godly Play spaces around the world. There is so much to celebrate! We thought a global study of the book is the perfect way to kick-off that celebration. We hope you will join us! Check Diocese website for registration.

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 Audio conference. 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 the Episcopal Evangelism Huddle on the third Wednesday of each month
- Join our Evangelism Newsletter list and receive monthly reflections, resources, and updates on all things related to Episcopal Evangelism

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. Thank you to those that have already signed up!

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.

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 (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

Thank You to Our Worship Team!	
AUGUST 8, 2021	
Supply Clergy:	Rev. Imelda Padasdao
Music:	Ben Trusnovec
Altar Guild:	Faye Hee
Flowers:	Pat Lum
Lector/Acolyte:	Gavin Nishihira
Counters:	Chris Omuro & Pat Lum

<i>Looking Ahead</i>	
<i>NEXT WEEK SUNDAY – AUGUST 15, 2021</i>	
<i>Supply Clergy:</i>	<i>Rev. Philip Paradine</i>
<i>Music:</i>	<i>Ben Trusnovec</i>
<i>Altar Guild:</i>	<i>Jessica Lum</i>
<i>Flowers:</i>	<i>Hata</i>
<i>Lector/Acolyte:</i>	<i>Gavin Nishihira</i>
<i>Counters:</i>	<i>Jessica Lum & Melissa Morinishi</i>
<i>Refreshments:</i>	<i>Lum</i>

Supply Clergy Scheduled for August	
<i>August 1</i>	<i>Rev. Philip Paradine</i>
<i>August 8</i>	<i>Rev. Imelda Padasdao</i>
<i>August 15</i>	<i>Rev. Philip Paradine</i>
<i>August 22</i>	<i>Rev. John Hau’oli Tomoso</i>
<i>August 29</i>	<i>Rev. Imelda Padasdao</i>