

Sixth Week in Easter



*The Lihu'e Evangelical Lutheran
Church of Hawai'i*

Ka Hale Pule 'O Na Lahui Apau . . .

Church Of All Peoples . . .

. . . Hele Pu Makou me Iesu Kristo

. . . Walking Together With Christ

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9:00am

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Welcome to Our Guests

It is always a joy to share our faith and worship with people visiting from around the world. Please know your presence and participation in our service is most appreciated. At Lihue Lutheran we celebrate Holy Communion at every service. You are certainly welcome in joining us as our Lord comes to us in this holy meal.

Prayer Concerns

Please remember these people in your prayers during the week: Kurt Medeiros, Bob & Joann Clash, Sally Rasay, Stan Weeks, Ronnie Pacheco, David Gragg, Joe Morgan, Zosimo and Virginia Austria, Karen Kinoshita, Jake Whisenhunt, Rick Rentz, Norman Dibble, Kazue Zaima, John Mattek, Robert Girald II (Bobby Girald's son), Kristie Schmid (Tony's sister), Lolli Hagen, Abraham Torres, Sr., Kristy Kahananui, Sonny Koerte, Uncle Joe, Mallory Rodriguez, Steve Schantz, Peter Alisna, Tirzah Pope, Pastor Matthew Weber, Joyce Anglemyer, Stephen Shioi, Peggy Hood, Jason Shimono, Richard Rasay, Nancy Nelson (formely Mandell), Karen & Patrick Pavao, Edward Rasay, Marcos Larson (Liedeke's son), Dora Jane Rowell, Penny Parraga, Leticia Ancog (Kurt Javinar's sister), Yvonne Shinseki, Al Dressler (Larry's Father), Shirley Hallman (Denese Alcott's Mother), Mercy Ballesteros, Mike LaBerge, Anna Marie & Phil Croghan, Judy Carlson, Sheila Belarmino, Ray Roderick, Sayla Hachey, Julie Sweeny, Jena Wallace, The Church Council, and leaders in the ELCA. If you have additional prayer requests, please let the church office know. "Ask it in my name . . ." Mahalo for your love.

Remembering Our Military

As we gather for worship, please remember those serving us in the military, and the families of our Hawai'i National Guard. These names have been given by loved ones and family members: Navy – TJ, Javinar, Kristian Matsumoto, Coast Guard - Brian Rodriguez, Navy - Kiana Alisna, Coast Guard - Ke'ale Renta Army - Jason Lumacad, Levi Fajardo: Air Force - Steven Javinar, Ikaika Fajardo, Army - Brandon Perkinson, Drew Cox, Tony Garton: National Guard - Benji MacKenzie, Eddie Resinto, Fred Casticimo, Philip Kamakea, Anthony Y. Torres, Master Sgt. If you know of someone you would like added to our prayer list, please advise the church office.

Lihue Lutheran Spotlight

Hau'oli Lā Hānau to Cheryl Claypoole (5.25) and Noreen Javinar (5.25)!



Introduction

Visions abound in the readings for the sixth Sunday of Easter. Paul has a vision about what to do. John has a vision of what will be. Jesus provides visions of peace that surpasses human understanding and power beyond human imagination.

Overview

Our Home-making God

Into the midst of our anxiety and alarm we are offered a vision of a glorious future filled with promise—the promise that God will make a home with us. This is a promise of an ultimate future home—a New Jerusalem!—but also a promise of God’s daily home-making presence in the hearts of all who believe.

Paul has a vision of a cry for help from Macedonia, and his beloved church at Philippi is founded in the home and household of Lydia. In Revelation, John, turning from the lake of fire, is carried up in a vision and sees the New Jerusalem coming down, centered on the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb. But no longer is there separation from God, weeping, or mourning, but now a restored creation where God and God’s people are at home together. Jesus promises that though he is going away, he will come to his disciples in the power of an advocate, the Holy Spirit, and that both he and the Father will make their home in all who believe. The gathering of the faithful assembly to receive Christ’s word and sacrament is a foretaste of that New Jerusalem, where God will finally and ultimately be at home with us, even as the Holy Trinity makes a home now in the hearts of all who believe. Into the anxieties and uncertainties of our everyday life we are offered both a vision of a glorious future when God will be at home with us and we will be at home with God, and a living foretaste of that same future: “We will come to them and make our home with them. . . . Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you” (John 14:23b, 27a).

Article

“Those who love me will keep my word,” says Jesus in today’s gospel (John 14:23). The ELCA’s first presiding bishop, Herbert Chilstrom, writing in *Living Lutheran* (May 8, 2019) on “the issue behind all issues,” discusses the work of Martin Luther and later theologian Joseph Sittler in distinguishing between the written word of the Bible and the living word of Christ: “First and foremost, what makes our Christian Bible, ‘the written word’ distinct is a word of judgment and mercy, of law and gospel. At its center, however, is the gospel, the good news about Jesus Christ. That revelation, that written word about the living word, has been with us from the beginning. It was there in creation, in the history of Israel and specifically in the incarnation of Jesus Christ. And it is there whenever we proclaim the gospel and receive the sacraments.”

Theological Reflection

On the sabbath, Paul and his companions went to the river, to a rumored place of prayer. God then used Paul’s “sermon” to bring about something extraordinary in the lives of Lydia and her family. In 2018, Cary Nieuwhof identified “pop-up churches” as a rising trend. Could God be calling your congregation to seek a pop-up location for worship to engage those who don’t typically enter your own worship space?

Announcements and Weekly Events!

Welcome, Check-In, and Announcements

In the Facebook chatbox share who you are and where you're joining from!!

Announcements

- ◊ **Special call for donations: NEW AC UNITS FOR THE OFFICE!**
- ◊ **NEW COMMUNITY**—worship service begins this week! **May 25, 6-8:30pm** in the fellowship hall
- ◊ Saturday night Pentecost Service + games and BBQ on the lawn, **June 4**
Games—5-6pm | Dinner—6-7pm | Service—7-7:30pm
- ◊ **Congregational Meeting:** **Sunday, June 5 @ 10:00am** in the fellowship hall
- ◊ Ohana Vacation Fellowship (like VBS but for Ohana) **COMING THIS SUMMER!**
- ◊ Sunday, **June 12**, 12noon-2pm, bowling with the pastor

Weekly Events

- ◊ Youth Group, Fellowship hall, 5:30-7pm (back to meeting every Sunday evening!!)
Sunday, May 22
- ◊ BOBS Bible Study, 9-week summer study (5.10-7.12), **The Parables**
Tuesday, May 24, Fellowship hall, 5:30-7pm
- ◊ Women's Bible Study, Kapaa (contact Shannon Lorenzo)
Tuesday, May 24, carpool from Lihue at 7am, return 9/9:30am
- ◊ **NEW COMMUNITY**—worship service in the fellowship hall, 6-8:30pm
Wednesday, May 25
- ◊ Men's Group—Get together for the Word and some Work
Friday, May 27, @ 9am in the fellowship hall
- ◊ Centering Prayer with Liedeke Bulder
Saturday, May 28, @ 9-11am via zoom <https://us04web.zoom.us/j/9079773456>

Sixth Sunday of Easter

Order of Worship



**Gathering*

- P Alleluia! Christ is Risen!
C Christ is Risen, indeed! Alleluia!
 P The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.



**Confession and Forgiveness*

- P In the name of Makua, ✝ Keiki Kane, and Uhane Hemolele.
C Amen.
 P The Lord be with you.
C And also with you.
 P Let us pray. God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
C Amen
 P Most merciful God,
C we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. For give us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.
 P In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the ✝ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
C Amen

Hymn of the DayFor the Beauty of the Earth*

Musical notation for the first stanza, featuring a treble clef, a key signature of one sharp, and a common time signature. The melody consists of eighth and sixteenth note patterns.

1 For the beau - ty of the earth, for the beau - ty of the skies,
 2 For the won - der of each hour of the day and of the night,
 3 For the joy of ear and eye, for the heart and mind's de - light,
 4 For the joy of hu - man love, broth - er, sis - ter, par - ent, child,
 5 For each per - fect gift of thine, peace on earth and joy in heav'n;

Musical notation for the second stanza, featuring a bass clef, a key signature of one sharp, and a common time signature. The melody consists of eighth and sixteenth note patterns.

Musical notation for the third stanza, featuring a treble clef, a key signature of one sharp, and a common time signature. The melody consists of eighth and sixteenth note patterns.

for the love which from our birth o - ver and a - round us lies:
 hill and vale and tree and flow'r, sun and moon and stars of light:
 for the mys - tic har - mo - ny link - ing sense to sound and sight:
 friends on earth and friends a - bove; for all gen - tle thoughts and mild:
 for thy - self, best gift di - vine, to our world so free - ly giv'n:

Musical notation for the fourth stanza, featuring a bass clef, a key signature of one sharp, and a common time signature. The melody consists of eighth and sixteenth note patterns.

Refrain

Musical notation for the refrain, featuring a treble clef, a key signature of one sharp, and a common time signature. The melody consists of eighth and sixteenth note patterns.

Christ, our God, to thee we raise this our sac - ri - fice of praise.

Musical notation for the final part of the refrain, featuring a bass clef, a key signature of one sharp, and a common time signature. The melody consists of eighth and sixteenth note patterns.

*The Apostolic Greeting

P The grace of our Lord, Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

C And also with you.

*Kyrie

Refrain

Ky - ri - e e - lei - son, on our world and on our way.

Ky - ri - e e - lei - son, ev'ry day.

1 For peace in the world, for the health of the church, for the
 2 That we may live out your im-passioned re-sponse to the
 3 For peace in our hearts, . . . for peace in our homes, . . . for
 4 For your Spir-it to guide; that you cen-ter our lives in the

u - ni - ty of all; for
 hun - gry and the poor; that
 friends and fam - i - ly; for
 wa - ter and the word; that you

this ho - ly house, for all who wor-ship and praise,
 we may live out truth and jus - tice and grace,
 life and for love, for our work and our play,
 nour-ish our souls . . . with your bod - y and blood,

Refrain

let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.

*Prayer of the Day

P Let us pray. Bountiful God, you gather your people into your realm, and you promise us food from your tree of life. Nourish us with your word, that empowered by your Spirit we may love one another and the world you have made, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

First Reading

A vision compels Paul to move his ministry into Greece. There he meets Lydia, an important person in the business community, whose heart has been opened by God to receive the gospel. Her conversion and baptism provide the impetus for the founding of the church at Philippi.

⁹During the night Paul had a vision: there stood a man of Macedonia pleading with him and saying, “Come over to Macedonia and help us.” ¹⁰When he had seen the vision, we immediately tried to cross over to Macedonia, being convinced that God had called us to proclaim the good news to them.

¹¹We set sail from Troas and took a straight course to Samothrace, the following day to Neapolis, ¹²and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony. We remained in this city for some

Acts 16:9-15

days. ¹³On the sabbath day we went outside the gate by the river, where we supposed there was a place of prayer; and we sat down and spoke to the women who had gathered there. ¹⁴A certain woman named Lydia, a worshiper of God, was listening to us; she was from the city of Thyatira and a dealer in purple cloth. The Lord opened her heart to listen eagerly to what was said by Paul. ¹⁵When she and her household were baptized, she urged us, saying, “If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come and stay at my home.” And she prevailed upon us.

A The Word of the Lord

Psalm

Let the nations be glad and sing for joy. (Ps. 67:4)

¹May God be merciful to us and bless us;
 may the light of God’s face shine upon us.

²Let your way be known upon earth,
 your saving health among all nations.

³Let the peoples praise you, O God;
 let all the peoples praise you.

⁴Let the nations be glad and sing for joy,
 for you judge the peoples with equity and

C Thanks be to God.

Psalm 67

guide all the nations on earth.

⁵Let the peoples praise you, O God;
 let all the peoples praise you.

“The earth has brought forth its increase;
God, our own God, has blessed us.

⁷May God give us blessing,
 and may all the ends of the earth stand in awe.

Second Reading

John's vision of a new Jerusalem coming out of heaven provides continuity with God's past actions. Yet in this new city, God's presence replaces the temple, and the glory of God and the Lamb supplants sun and moon.

¹⁰ And in the spirit [one of the angels] carried me away to a great, high mountain and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God.

²²I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb. ²³And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God is its light, and its lamp is the Lamb. ²⁴The nations will walk by its light, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it.

²⁵Its gates will never be shut by day—and there will be no night there. ²⁶People will bring into it the glory and the honor of the nations. ²⁷But nothing unclean will enter it, nor anyone who practices abomination or falsehood, but only those who are written in the Lamb's book of life.

Revelation 21:10, 22—22:5

^{22:1}Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb ²through the middle of the street of the city. On either side of the river is the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, producing its fruit each month; and the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations. ³Nothing accursed will be found there any more. But the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and his servants will worship him; ⁴they will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. ⁵And there will be no more night; they need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they will reign forever and ever.

A The Word of the Lord

C Thanks be to God.

*Gospel Acclamation

The musical notation consists of four staves of music in G clef, common time, and a key signature of one sharp. The lyrics are integrated into the music as follows:

- Staff 1: Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the
- Staff 2: words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.
- Staff 3: Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.
- Staff 4: Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

*Holy Gospel

John 14:23-29

As Jesus talks of returning to the Father, he promises to send the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, who will teach Jesus' followers and remind them of all that Jesus taught. Even more, those in whom God makes a home will experience a peace that overcomes fear.

P The Holy Gospel according to Saint John, the fourteenth chapter.

²³Jesus answered [Judas (not Iscariot),] “Those who love me will keep my word, and my Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them. ²⁴Whoever does not love me does not keep my words; and the word that you hear is not mine, but is from the Father who sent me.

²⁵“I have said these things to you while I am still with you. ²⁶But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have



said to you. ²⁷Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid. ²⁸You heard me say to you, ‘I am going away, and I am coming to you.’ If you loved me, you would rejoice that I am going to the Father, because the Father is greater than I. ²⁹And now I have told you this before it occurs, so that when it does occur, you may believe.”

P The Gospel of the Lord.



Keiki Sermon Sermon



Hymn of the DayShall We Gather at the River*

1 Shall we gath - er at the riv - er, where bright an - gel feet have trod,
 2 On the mar - gin of the riv - er, wash - ing up its sil - ver spray;
 3 Ere we reach the shin-ing riv - er, lay we ev - 'ry bur - den down;
 4 Soon we'll reach the shin-ing riv - er, soon our pil-grim-age will cease;



with its crys - tal tide for - ev - er flow-ing by the throne of God?
 we will walk and wor - ship ev - er, all the hap - py gold - en day.
 grace our spir - its will de - liv - er, and pro-vide a robe and crown.
 soon our hap - py hearts will quiv - er with the mel - o - dy of peace.



Refrain
 Yes, we'll gath - er at the riv - er, the beau - ti - ful, the beau - ti - ful riv - er;



gath - er with the saints at the riv - er that flows by the throne of God.



**The Prayers of the Church*

- P Set free from captivity to sin and death, we pray to the God of resurrection for the church, people in need, and all of creation.
- A God of new life, open your church to the unexpected ways your Spirit is at work. Guide bishops, pastors, deacons, and lay leaders in their visioning, partnership, and planning. Surround us with your peace. God, in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

- A Give a vision of increase and abundant harvest for farmers, laborers, and gardeners who are beginning their growing season. Join their efforts with the goodness of creation to feed all living things. God, in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

- A Shine your light of wisdom and peace among nations. When those in power seek to assert dominance over others, confound their ways and make them yield to your humble authority. God, in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

- A Give safe haven to those who seek healing, liberation, or peace. Create places filled with hospitality where hurting people find your loving presence and wholeness. God, in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

- A Uphold the work of ministries and organizations in our communities who assist people experiencing homelessness, citizens returning from prison, and all marginalized people. Accomplish your will through their efforts. God, in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

- A Assemble your people at rivers, streams, and fonts, where we remember our baptism and welcome others into the communion of saints. Gather us with those who have died. when we meet together at your river of life. God, in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

- P In your mercy, O God, respond to these prayers, and renew us by your life-giving Spirit; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

C Amen

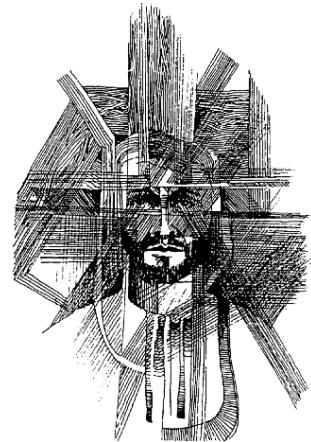
**Apostles' Creed*

- P Let us join together in reciting the Apostles' Creed

- A I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.
Amen.



*The Queen's Prayer

Piano

O kou a - lo - ha no A i - a i ka La - ni, A
No - lai - la e ka - Haku Ma - la - lo kou e - he - u, Ko

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Pno

o kou oi - a i - o, He he - mo - le - le hoi
ma-kou ma - lu - hi - a, A mau loa a - ku no. A - me - ne.

English Translation

1. O Lord thy Loving Mercy,
Is high as the Heavens.
It tells us of thy truth.
And 'tis filled with holiness

3. For thy grace I beseech thee.
Bring us 'neath thy protection.
And peace will be thy portion
Now and forever more. Amen



The Sharing of the Peace

- P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
C And also with you.
 P Let us share the peace of the Lord.

Offertory Word

We invite you to live in light of the Resurrection and manifest the power of God in and through your giving. Your giving empowers us to love and serve people. More than your giving, however, we invite you to be a part of the work we are doing to be God's hands and feet as we seek to make God's Name known in our church and communities!

If God puts it on your heart to give, donations can be given here today, mailed in, or given online our website [here](#) or you can copy and paste the weblink below @

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Offering & Offertory Response

Lord of Aloha

God of the is - lands, Lord of the seas, Ma - ker of beau - ty and source of the breeze,
 5 King of Cre - a - tion, an - cient and new, Lord of A - lo - ha we wor - ship you.

9 Auth - or of mer - cy, Giv - er of grace, Bles - sed Re - deem - er who died in our place, Fath - er of one O
 14 ha - na are you, Lift - ing our voic - es we sing "Al - le - lu" Lord of A - lo - ha we wor - ship you.

19 God of the is - lands, Lord of the seas, Ma - ker of beau - ty and source of the breeze,

23

King of Cre-a-tion, an- cien t and new, Lord of A-lo-ha we wor-ship you.

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Lord of A-lo-ha we wor-ship you.

*Offertory Prayer

P Let us pray. Living God, you gather the wolf and the lamb to feed together in your peaceable reign, and you welcome us all at your table. Reach out to us through this meal, and show us your wounded and risen body, that we may be nourished and believe in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

*The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

P It is indeed right, our duty and our joy...And join in their unending hymn:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might;
 Heav- en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na. Ho - san - na.
 Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who
 comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

*The Holy Preparation and Contemplatio

P We are instructed by the Apostle Paul to examine our hearts before we receive God's Holy and Gracious Gift that we might not eat or drink in an unworthy manner and sin against the Body and Blood of Christ.

A moment of silence is offered so we may examine our hearts before the Lord.

P Holy God,

C We have examined our hearts and see that we are unworthy. Yet, because of Your command and Great Invitation, we come boldly before Your thrown to receive Your Grace in our time of need.

*The Words of Institution

We invite you forward to receive communion. We also invite you to stay in your seat and receive communion via the communion cups. Communion will first be served to those at the altar. Then, communion will be received for those who remain in their seats.

*The Lord's Prayer

P Let us pray the prayer our Lord taught us to pray...

C Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the Kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.



Invitation to Communion

The risen Christ dwells with us here. All who are hungry, all who are thirsty, come.

Distribution at the Altar

We invite you to join us in song with our communion hymns. If you are not coming forward to receive communion, please wait until the end of the distribution and the sacraments will be distributed for those remaining in their seats.

Communion Hymn

O Living Bread of Heaven

1 O liv - ing Bread from heav - en, how well you feed your guest!
 2 My Sav - ior, you have led me with - in your ho - liest place,
 3 You gave me all I want - ed; this food can death de - stroy.
 4 Oh, grant me then, well-strength-en-ed with heav'n-ly food, while here

The gifts that you have giv - en have filled my heart with rest.
 and here your - self have fed me with trea - sures of your grace;
 And you have free - ly grant - ed the cup of end - less joy.
 my course on earth is length - ened, to serve you, free from fear;

O won-drous food of bless - ing! O cup that heals our woes!
 for you have free - ly giv - en what earth could nev - er buy,
 My Lord, I do not mer - it the fa - vor you have shown,
 and bring me home to praise you where none can peace de - stroy,

My heart, this gift pos - sess - ing, in thank - ful song o'er - flows!
the bread of life from heav - en, that now I shall not die.
and all my soul and spir - it bow down be - fore your throne.
where I will ev - er raise you glad songs in end - less joy.

Communion Hymn

Come Let Us Eat

Refrain

Have you seen Je-sus, my Lord? _____ He's here in plain view.

Take a look, o - pen your eyes; _____ He'll show it to you.

Have you ev - er looked at the sun - set With the sky mel - low-in'
Have you ev - er stood at the o - cean With the white foam at your
Have you ev - er looked at the cross_ With a man hang - in' in
24 Have you ev - er stood in the fam' - ly With the Lord there in your

red, And the clouds sus - pend - ed like feath - ers?
feet, Felt the end - less thun - der - in' mo - tion?
pain And the look of love in His eyes? _____
midst, Seen the face of Christ on each oth - er?

Then, I say _____ you've seen Je - sus, my Lord. Refrain

Distribution from the Pew

We invite you to join us in receiving a socially-distanced communion from your pews. The sacraments have been prepared and are ready to be received! Come! Eat and drink!

**The Blessing*

P God, the Author of Life, Christ, the living Cornerstone, and the life-giving Spirit of adoption, [☩] bless you now and forever.

C Amen.

**The Prayer After Communion*

P We give you thanks, generous God, for in this bread and cup we have tasted the new heaven and earth where hunger and thirst are no more. Send us from this table as witnesses to the resurrection, that through our lives, all may know life in Jesus' name.

C Amen.

**The Benediction*

P The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace in the name of Makua, [☩] Keiki Kane, and Uhane Hemolele.

C Amen.

**Sending Song*

Borning Cry

1 "I was there to hear your born-ing cry, I'll be there when you are old.

2 "When you heard the won - der of the Word I was there to cheer you on;

3 "In the mid -dle a - ges of your life, not too old, no lon - ger young,



I re - joiced the day you were bap - tized to see your life un - fold.
you were raised to praise the liv - ing Lord, to whom you now be - long.
I'll be there to guide you through the night, com-plete what I've be - gun.



I was there when you were but a child, with a faith to suit you well;
If you find some-one to share your time and you join your hearts as one,
When the eve - ning gent - ly clos - es in and you shut your wea - ry eyes,



in a blaze of light you wan - dered off to find where de-mons dwell."
I'll be there to make your vers - es rhyme from dusk till ris - ing sun."
I'll be there as I have al - ways been, with just one more sur - prise."



4 "I was there to hear your born-ing cry, I'll be there when you are old.



I re - joiced the day you were bap - tized to see your life un - fold."

Dismissal

P Alleluia Christ is Risen!

C Christ is Risen Indeed, Alleluia!!

P Happy Mother's Day. Go in God's peace and live with RESURRECTION POWER!

C Thanks be to God.



Worship Reflection

What stood out to me today and why?

What do I feel God is trying to say to me in and through this sermon?

Is the Holy Spirit prompting me to change something in my heart or life? If yes, what is it? What is one step I can take to make a positive change in my life this week?

What would be different about my life if I applied what I learn today? What would other people, see, hear, experience, notice?

Opportunities to Help Out!

Here at Lihue Lutheran we are committed to making God's Name known. We do that, first and foremost, by getting to know you. We believe in the power of fellowship and believe that God's Name is made known when we dwell together in unity. If you're looking for a place to find your place, make God's Name known, and be known, think about becoming more involved here at Lihue Lutheran in the following areas!

Join our Welcoming Team!

We are looking for warm and friendly people to stand outside and greet members, guests, and visitors! Help people become a part of our community!

Aloha Hour Team Lead

We need help hosting and cleaning up aloha hour after church. *This is not just about coffee and pupus!* We are purchasing lawn games and seek to curate opportunities for fellowship to happen. We will need help setting up and cleaning up the fellowship space that will include the kitchen and lawn area, re-organizing and putting away lawn games. Reach out to Noreen Javinar (our office manager) or Jason Pittman, our Aloha Hour Executive Team Lead.

Donate a Lawn Game and Get Games Going After Church

We are seeking to grow our Aloha (fellowship) Hour by adding fun and exciting lawn games. To do this, we are looking to add Portuguese Horseshoes, Cornhole, Jumbo Jenga, or other games to encourage people to play together and connect in the bond of fellowship after church! Our vision is that we would be(come) more than just a place a worship and grow into a place of fellowship and belonging as a part of a New Community! Your job is to set up/take down games after service to get people playing!

Sponsor a Youth or College Young Adult Dinner

Just because you're not a part of the youth or college young adult group doesn't mean you can't partner with us in the great ministry and outreach God is doing among us. 1 Peter 4:10 calls us to *faithfully use the gifts God has given us, sharing God's grace in its various forms*. One area you can partner with us is in the provision of food, which is a center-piece of our gathers! If you cook for the Ghetto Sweet Tarts, you will be invited to fellowship with us as on honorary "Sweet-Tart-For-The-Night", Monday's 5:30-8:30pm. Please reach out to Pastor JP if you would like to prepare a meal and bless our fellowship!

BBQ for Saturday, June 4 Pentecost Service

If you BBQ and would like to be a part of our BBQ crew for our special Pentecost service, please reach out to Pastor JP.

Textual Reflections

John 14:23-29

In this short excerpt from the Johannine discourses, the evangelist summarizes several of his primary themes: Jesus, the Son of God the Father, is known through the word and experienced in love. He will send the Spirit, who will lead the community into peace and truth. John, writing in the mid-90s, repeats his claim that the believers can live in peace, without fear, despite the present persecutions.

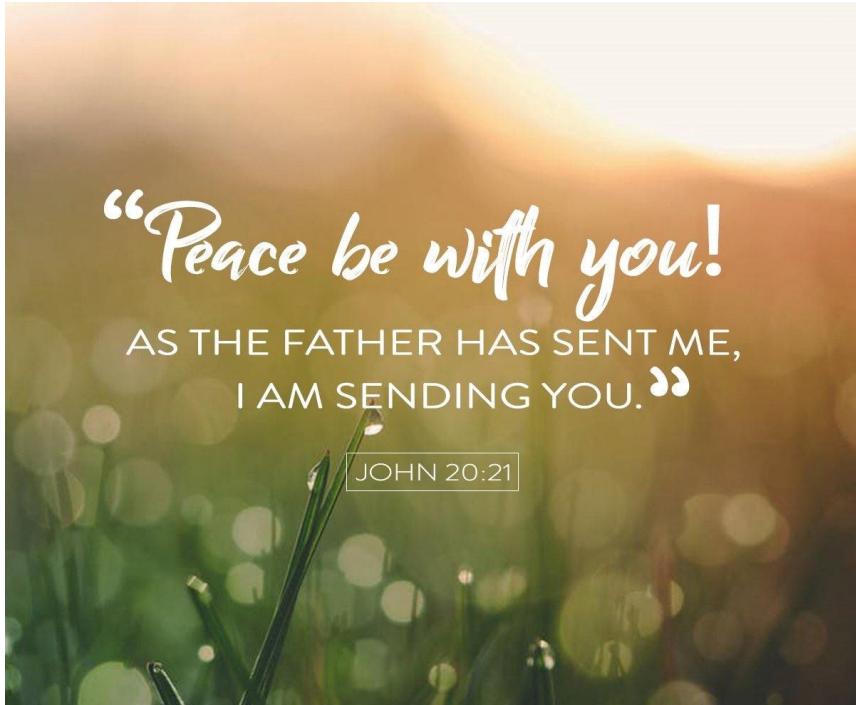
Acts 16:9-15

Writing in the late 80s with special attention to his Gentile audience, Luke presents another narrative that grounds the Gentile mission in the earliest and most beloved apostles: in about 50 ce, Paul responds to a vision from God to evangelize Europe. Here begins one of the “we” sections of Acts, perhaps citing from a journal written by a companion of Paul. Philippi is in the northeastern area of contemporary Greece. Among Luke’s references to wealthy women who support Jesus (see for example Luke 8:2-3) and the Christian mission is Lydia, a dealer in purple (expensive) cloth who is able to offer accommodations to the traveling missionaries. In a detail that indicates Christian precedence over Judaism, Lydia becomes Christian on the Sabbath.

Revelation 21:10, 22—22:5

In this climax of the seer’s vision of the new Jerusalem at the end of time, the temple has been replaced by the presence of God and the Lamb. Realistic details of a royal city (gates, a throne, the street) are interwoven with fantasy (no sun or moon, everyone reigning forever). The tree of life, which sinners cannot approach (Gen. 3:22-24), is now available with twelve different fruits and miraculous leaves. Ancient Jewish belief that no mortal could look at God and survive is countered with the Christian hope that everyone will see God’s very face.

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Have a great week!