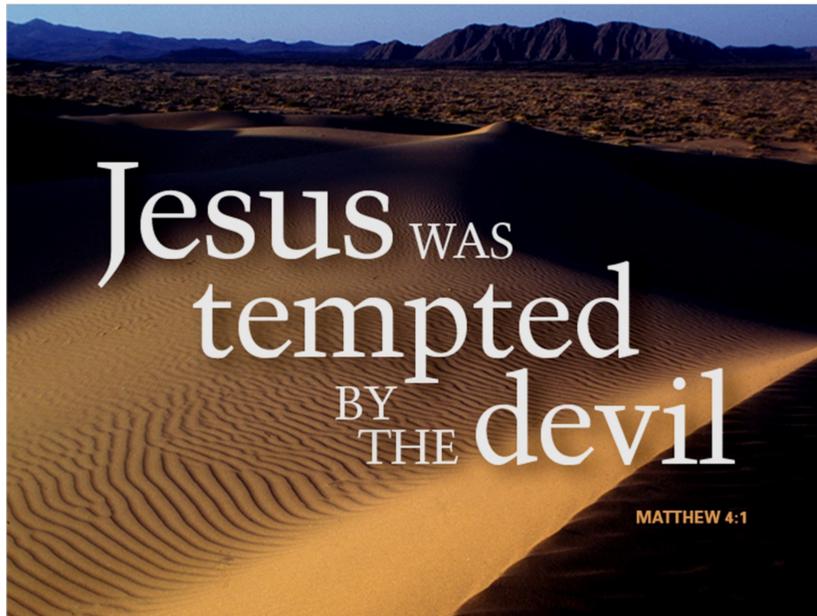


First Sunday in Lent



February 15, 2026

***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*

Those Serving Us Today

Rev. David Hendrickson, Pastor
Rhonda Pabo, Organist Tony Kment, Technology
Vickie Oana, Greeter ~ Liedeke Bulder Lector
Sarah & Hailey Iha, Ushers
Kaleb Medeiros, Acolyte Keisha Medeiros, Crucifer

Altar Flowers

If you would like to honor your family or friends on their birthday or anniversary and to the glory of God with altar flowers for Sunday morning services. Please see the Flower Chart at the back entrance of Church to sign up.

Aloha Hour

Aloha Hour is being hosted by *Michael Koerte & Lihue Lutheran*. Please join us in the fellowship hall after worship for refreshments & fellowship. If you would like to host an Aloha Hour the sign up calendar is posted at the front entrance of church

Weekly Event

- ◇ Mobile Munchies—Every Thursday morning in the fellowship hall @ 7:30am
 - ◇ CENTERING PRAYER in the SANCTUARY, SATURDAY 8:30-9:30 AM
Everyone welcome, short intro will be provided. A 20 minute contemplative prayer period followed by Lectio Divina (a contemplative reading and listening and reflecting period) Liedeke, lbulderart@gmail.com or 808-652-8234
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Worship Theme for Today

Today's gospel tells of Jesus' temptation in the desert. His forty-day fast becomes the basis of our Lenten pilgrimage. In the early church Lent was a time of intense preparation for those to be baptized at the Easter Vigil. This catechetical focus on the meaning of faith is at the heart of our Lenten journey to the baptismal waters of Easter. Hungry for God's mercy, we receive the bread of life to nourish us for the days ahead.

Lihue Lutheran Spotlight

Hau'oli Lā Hānau to Gloria Giraldo (02.23); Keenan Javinar (02.23); Liz Kohl (02.24); Kalena Tom (02.24); Cindy Arndt (02.25); Chelsea Pabo (02.25); Sydney Cervantes (02.26); Robert Giraldo (02.28)

In Loving Memory

Barbara Bales (02.22); Rev. Dick Wright (02.23)

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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: Mike Kato, Michael Ovalles, Lauretta Geren, Isaac Silva Baker, Larry Arndt, Vanessa Fujiyama, Liedeke Bulder, Joyce Obenauer, Carrie Jilek, Lavonne Francis, Leslie Davies Gibb, Bertram Almeida, Kathy Rosare, Kai Wayne Parraga, Kristin & Kayla Tomas Deyro, Vickie Oana, Ernest Koerte, Donna Childers, Mary Speegle, John & Lowe Danner, Lisa & Rodd Sunada, Wendy & John Dobbs, Regina & Ryan Jimenez, James F., Karen Kirchner, John Thiele, Gregory Honnold, Jr.; The Family of Karen Olson, Sindy Dayment (Dawn & Bernard Connors daughter's sister-in-law), Italee Rodriguez (Penny Parraga's Grand daughter), Susan Pittman, Wendy Smith (Liedeke's daughter-in-law), Ray O'Flaherty, Sharon & Berndt Kammer (Karen Kinoshita's cousin), Dave Hamry, Ken Garrett, Beverly Robertson (Shannon Lorenzo's Mother), Kurt Medeiros, Bob & Joann Clash, Sally Rasay, Stan Weeks, David Gragg, Joe Morgan, Zosimo and Virginia Austria, Karen Kinoshita, Rick Rentz, Norman Dibble, Kazue Zaima, John Mattek, Robert Girald II (Bobby Girald's son), Lolli Hagen, Abraham Torres, Sr., Kristy Kahananui, Uncle Joe, Mallory Rodriguez, Peter Alisna, Tirzah Pope, Pastor Matthew Weber, Stephen Shioi, Peggy Hood, Jason Shimono, Richard Rasay, Nancy Nelson (formerly Mandell), Karen Pavao, Edward Rasay, Marcos Larson (Liedeke's son), Penny Parraga, Yvonne Shinseki, Al Dressler (Larry's Father), Shirley Hallman (Denese Alcott's Mother), Mercy Ballesteros, Anna Marie & Phil Croghan, Sheila Belarmino, Ray Roderick, Sayla Hachey, Julie Sweeny, 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, Kiana Alisna, Coast Guard - Brian Rodriguez, Ke'ale Renta, Army - Jason Lumacad, Brandon Perkinson, Drew Cox, Tony Garton, Air Force - Kasey Kajiwara, Steven Javinar, 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.

First Sunday in Lent

Order for Worship

**Confession and Forgiveness*

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✚ one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

C Amen.

P Let us confess our sin before God, who removes our guilt and blots out all offenses.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P Gracious God,

C have mercy on us according to your steadfast love.

P For seeking worldly delights that deceive us and dishonor you: Gracious God,

C have mercy on us according to your steadfast love.

P For desiring self-reliance instead of hungering for your word: Gracious God,

C have mercy on us according to your steadfast love.

P For failing to recognize your coming reign, and for hindering the work of the Spirit: Gracious God,

C have mercy on us according to your steadfast love.

P For drawing from the well of self-serving ambition, and for disdain the living water Christ offers: Gracious God,

C have mercy on us according to your steadfast love.

P For disregarding voices from the margin, and for distrusting signs of your healing and hope in the world: Gracious God,

C have mercy on us according to your steadfast love.

P For dwelling in tombs of self-pity and discontent, and for disregarding Christ's call to come forth to life: Gracious God,

C have mercy on us according to your steadfast love.

P God's steadfast love, grace, and forgiveness abound. Through faith, the free gift of God, you have been clothed in the righteousness of Christ. In the name of ✚ Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. The Spirit of the One who raised Christ from the dead dwells in you, pours God's love into your hearts, and gives you life and peace.

C Amen.

*Gathering Hymn

Wade in the Water

Refrain
All



Wade in the wa - ter, wade in the wa - ter, chil - dren,



wade in the wa - ter, God's a - goin' - a trou - ble the wa - ter.

Leader All

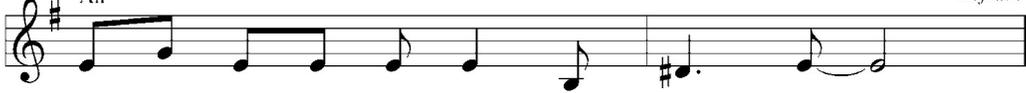


1 See that host all dressed in white,
2 See that band all dressed in red, God's a - goin' - a trou - ble the
3 Look o - ver yon - der, what do I see?
4 If you don't be - lieve I've been re - deemed,



wa - ter; the lead - er looks like the Is - ra - 'lite,
looks like the band that . . . Mo - ses led,
the Ho - ly Ghost a - com - ing on me,
just fol - low me down to . . . Jor - dan's stream,

All *Refrain*



God's a - goin' - a trou - ble the wa - ter.

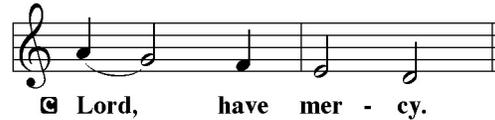
*Apostolic Greeting

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

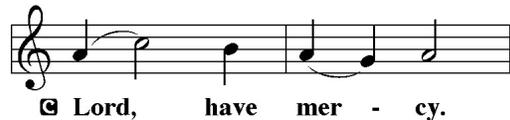
C And also with you.

*Kyrie

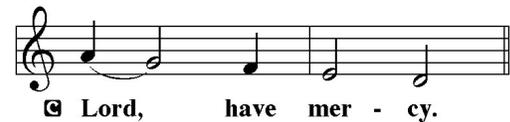
P In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



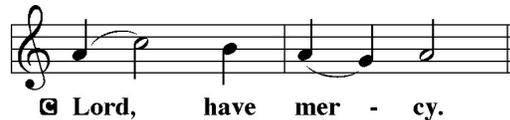
P For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



P For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



P For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.



P Help, save, comfort and defend us, gracious God.



*Prayer of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray.

C Lord God, our strength, the struggle between good and evil rages within and around us, and the devil and all the forces that defy you tempt us with empty promises. Keep us steadfast in your word, and when we fall, raise us again and restore us through your Son, 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

Genesis 2:15-17, 3:1-7

Human beings were formed with great care, to be in relationship with the creator, creation, and one another. The serpent's promise to the first couple that their eyes would be opened led, ironically, to the discovery only that they were naked.

The Lord GOD took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it. And the Lord GOD commanded the man, "You may freely eat of every tree of the garden; but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall die."

Now the serpent was more crafty than any other wild animal that the Lord GOD had made. He said to the woman, "Did God say, 'You shall not eat from any tree in the garden'?" The woman said to the serpent, "We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden; but God said, 'You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the middle of the garden, nor shall you

touch it, or you shall die.'" But the serpent said to the woman, "You will not die; for God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil." So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate; and she also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate. Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made loincloths for themselves.

A The Word of the Lord

C Thanks be to God.

Psalm 32

Happy are they whose transgressions are forgiven, and whose sin is put away!

Happy are they to whom the LORD imputes no guilt, and in whose spirit there is no guile!

While I held my tongue, my bones withered away, because of my groaning all day long.

For your hand was heavy upon me day and night; my moisture was dried up as in the heat of summer.

Then I acknowledged my sin to you, and did not conceal my guilt. I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD." Then you forgave me the guilt of my sin.

Therefore all the faithful will make their prayers to you in time of trouble; when the great waters overflow, they shall not reach them.

You are my hiding-place; you preserve me from trouble; you surround me with shouts of deliverance.

"I will instruct you and teach you in the way that you should go; I will guide you with my eye.

Do not be like horse or mule, which have no understanding; who must be fitted with bit and bridle, or else they will not stay near you."

Great are the tribulations of the wicked; but mercy embraces those who trust in the LORD.

Be glad, you righteous, and rejoice in the LORD;
shout for joy, all who are true of heart.

Second Reading

Romans 5:12-19

Through Adam's disobedience, humanity came under bondage to sin and death, from which we cannot free ourselves. In Christ's obedient death, God graciously showers on us the free gift of liberation and life.

Therefore, just as sin came into the world through one man, and death came through sin, and so death spread to all because all have sinned — sin was indeed in the world before the law, but sin is not reckoned when there is no law. Yet death exercised dominion from Adam to Moses, even over those whose sins were not like the transgression of Adam, who is a type of the one who was to come.

But the free gift is not like the trespass. For if the many died through the one man's trespass, much more surely have the grace of God and the free gift in the grace of the one man, Jesus Christ, abounded for the many. And the free gift is not like the effect of the one man's sin.

For the judgment following one trespass brought condemnation, but the free gift following many trespasses brings justification. If, because of the one man's trespass, death exercised dominion through that one, much more surely will those who receive the abundance of grace and the free gift of righteousness exercise dominion in life through the one man, Jesus Christ.

Therefore just as one man's trespass led to condemnation for all, so one man's act of righteousness leads to justification and life for all. For just as by the one man's disobedience the many were made sinners, so by the one man's obedience the many will be made righteous.

A The Word of the Lord

C Thanks be to God.

*Verse Response



Let your stead - fast love come to us, O Lord.
Save us as you prom-ised; we will trust your word.

*Holy Gospel

Matthew 4:1-11

Jesus experiences anew the temptations that Israel faced in the wilderness. As the Son of God, he endures the testing of the evil one.

P The Holy Gospel according to Saint Matthew, the fourth chapter.



Glo - ry to you, O Lord.

¹ Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tested by the devil. ² He fasted forty days and forty nights, and afterward he was famished. ³ The tempter came and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread." ⁴ But he answered, "It is written,

'One does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.'

⁵ Then the devil took him to the holy city and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, ⁶ saying to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down, for it is written,

'He will command his angels concerning you,'

and 'On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.' "

⁷ Jesus said to him, "Again it is written, 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test.' "

⁸ Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their glory, ⁹ and he said to him, "All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me." ¹⁰ Then Jesus said to him, "Away with you, Satan! for it is written,

'Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him.'

¹¹ Then the devil left him, and suddenly angels came and waited on him.

P The Gospel of the Lord.



Keiki's Sermon

Sermon

*Hymn of the Day

Freely, Freely



1 God for-gave my sin in Je - sus' name, I've been born a - gain in
 2 All . . . pow'r is giv'n in Je - sus' name, in . . . earth and heav'n in



Je - sus' name, and in Je - sus' name I come to you, to share his
 Je - sus' name, and in Je - sus' name I come to you, to share his

Refrain



love as he told me to. He said, "Free - ly, free - ly
 pow'r as he told me to.



you have re-ceived, free - ly, free - ly give. Go in my



name, and be - cause you be - lieve, oth - ers will know that I live."

**Apostles' Creed*

P God has made us God's people through our baptism into Christ. Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith:

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

**Prayers of the Church*

P As God's beloved children, let us pray that the light of Christ shine on the nations, the church, and all those in need.

A Let us pray for the one, holy, catholic church and for all hungering for grace, that through our witness they may be filled. Give us your Word of Life, for we cannot live on bread alone. God of mercy,

C hear our prayer.

A Let us pray for the earth and all the fruits of your creation; for rain forests and deserts; for polar ice caps and wetlands; for wilderness lands and wild animals. God of mercy,

C hear our prayer.

A Let us pray for those in need of angels to wait on them; for the sick and those in prison; for the homeless and destitute; for all for whom we forget to pray. Listen to the names we hold before you . . . God of mercy,

C hear our prayer.

A Be with the guests of our Island. May their stays be restful and renewing, their travels safe, and their homecomings joyous. God of mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Hear these prayers, O God, offered in the name of your Son, who has made your glory and graciousness known to us.

C Amen

*The Queen's Prayer

Piano

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Pno

English lyrics: 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
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

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.

Offering



In response to the many requests we've had, we now have a contactless option for both members and visitors to share their offerings. It is still done over our Vanco church giving platform so it can connect to your stewardship account for record keeping. Mahalo!

Offertory Response

Take, Oh, Take Me As I Am

Take, oh, take me as I am; sum-mon out what I shall be;

set your seal up - on my heart and live in me.

The image shows a musical score for a two-part setting. The top part is in treble clef and the bottom part is in bass clef. Both are in a key with three flats (E-flat major or C minor) and 4/4 time. The lyrics are: 'Take, oh, take me as I am; sum-mon out what I shall be; set your seal up - on my heart and live in me.'

*Offertory Prayer

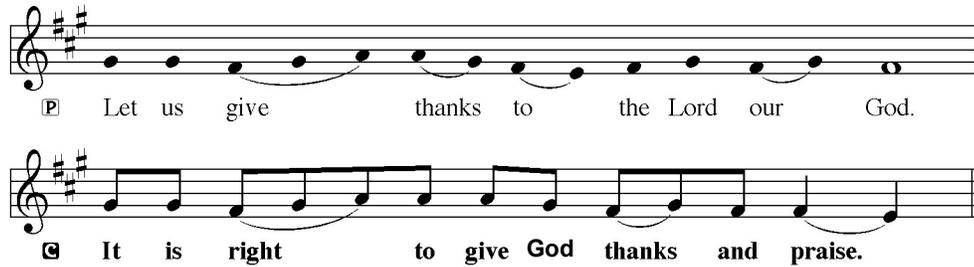
- P** Let us pray, O God, maker of heaven and earth,
C **your steadfast love embraces all creation. You send rain and sunshine to nourish the earth and bring forth its bounty. Through these gifts of bread and wine, draw us into the death and life of your Son, who calls us to bear witness to his saving work. We ask this in Jesus' name. Amen.**

Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

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

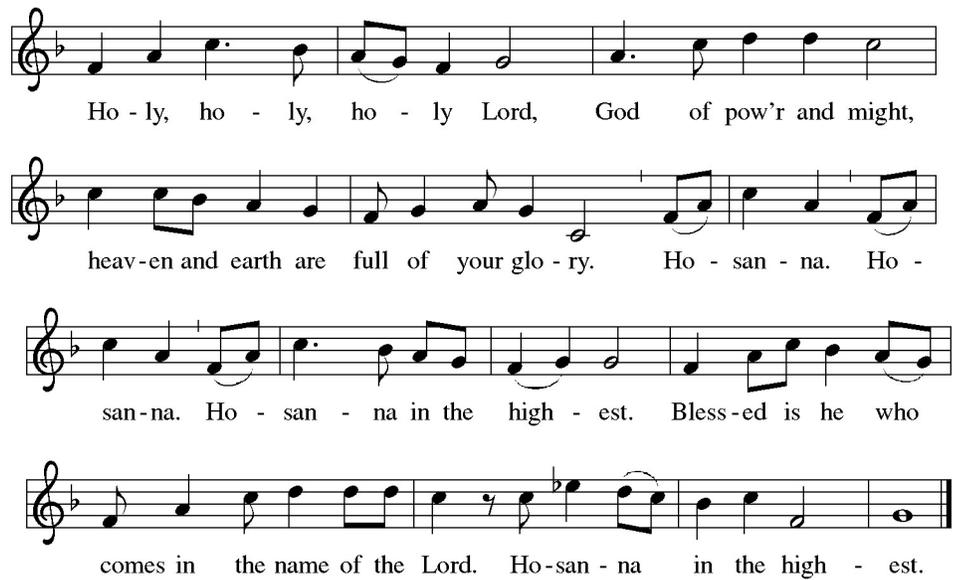
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Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy . . . And join 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.

**Words of Institution*

**The Lord's Prayer*

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

Come to the table. Feast on God's goodness and mercy.

Distribution

All are welcome to share in this meal with us. The wine will be distributed from a chalice with a pouring lip. After receiving the bread, the assistant will present the tray with empty glasses. Please pick up a glass and wait for the Pastor to fill it with wine from the Common Cup. The center circle of cups is pre-filled with grape juice for those who would rather not receive wine.

Communion Hymns

Make Me An Instrument

Make me an in - stru - ment Lord of Thy peace

5
as I Let go as I re - lease
9 as I give love love I re - ceive

13
Make me an in - stru - ment hum - ble and free

18
as I a - wak - en to the liv - ing Christ in me

23
Oo as I a -
wak - en to the liv - ing Christ in me

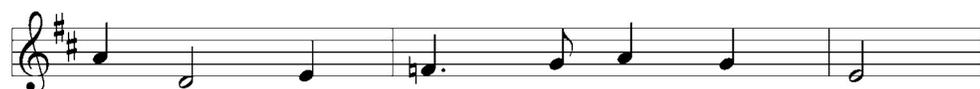
On Eagle's Wings



1 You who dwell in the shel - ter of the Lord, who a -



bide in his shad - ow for life, say to the Lord: "My



ref - uge, my rock in whom I trust!"

Refrain



And he will raise you up on ea - gle's wings,



bear you on the breath on dawn, make you to shine like the



sun, and hold you in the palm of his hand.

*To stanzas
(last time to coda)*



2 The snare of the fowl - er will nev - er cap - ture you, and



fam - ine will bring you no fear; un - der his wings your

Refrain



ref - uge, his faith - ful - ness your shield.



3 You need not fear the ter - ror of the night, nor the



ar - row that flies by day; though thou - sands fall a -

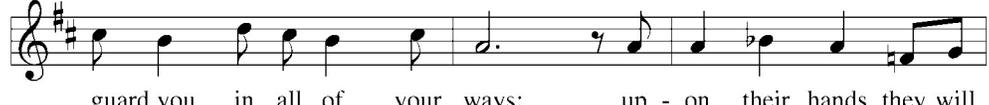
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bout you, near you it shall not come.



4 For to his an - gels he's giv - en a com - mand to



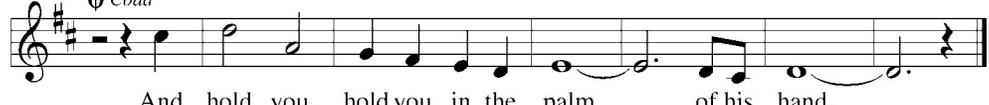
guard you in all of your ways; up - on their hands they will

Refrain



bear you up, lest you dash your foot a - gainst a stone.

♩ *Coda*



And hold you, hold you in the palm of his hand.

The Eyes and Hands of Christ

Where two or three are gath - ered in my name
5 love will be found, life will a - bound.
By name we are called, from wa - ter we are sent:
to be - come the eyes and hands of Christ

- Vs 1 One we become, no longer strangers.
No longer empty or frail.
Filled with the Spirit, ev'ry hunger satisfied.
Christ is the center of our lives.
- Vs 2 One in the Spirit, one in the Lord.
One in the breaking of the bread.
Life-giving witness of our dying and new life.
Held by the promise in our hands.
- Vs 3 Not what we are, but what we become.
Not what we say, but what we do.
Living the challenge as the bearers of lights.
We are the eyes and hands of Christ.

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!

*Blessing

- P** Receive the blessing of the holy Trinity: God, who calls all things into existence, Jesus Christ, who redeems us, and the Holy Spirit, whose breath sustains creation, ✝ bless you now and always.
- C** Amen.

*Post Communion Prayer

P Let us pray, God of our Salvation,

C we give you thanks for this meal that restores our souls, reconciles us to you, and strengthens us for the journey. Through the body and blood of your Son, may we become Christ's body in the world, bearing witness to your love for all creation, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen

*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 Amene.

*Sending Hymn

Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling



1 Soft - ly and ten - der - ly Je - sus is call - ing, call - ing for
2 Why should we tar - ry when Je - sus is plead - ing, plead - ing for
3 Oh, for the won - der - ful love he has prom - ised, prom - ised for



you and for me. See, on the por - tals he's wait - ing and watch - ing,
you and for me? Why should we lin - ger and heed not his mer - cies,
you and for me! Though we have sinned, he has mer - cy and par - don,

Refrain



watch - ing for you and for me.
mer - cies for you and for me? "Come home, come home!
par - don for you and for me.



You who are wea-ry, come home." Ear - nest - ly, ten - der - ly,



Je - sus is call - ing, call - ing, "O sin - ner, come home!"

A Go in peace. Believe the good news. C Thanks be to God!



**You are invited to continue your Lenten Journey with us at
Lihue Lutheran:**

**Wednesday, March 04th
6:00 pm Soup Supper
6:30 pm Study and Reflection
7:00 pm Holden Evening Prayer**

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