

## ***Second Sunday in Lent***

For God so loved the world that he gave  
his one and only Son, that whoever  
believes in him shall not perish but have  
eternal life. For God did not send his Son  
into the world to condemn the world,  
but to save the world through him.

- John 3:16-17 -



***March 01, 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*  
*Jan Rentz, Greeter ~ Kathy Stack, Lector*  
*Jerry & Laura Nishek, Ushers*  
*Kjera Johnson-Zielazinsk, Acolyte      Keisha Medeiros, Crucifer*

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### *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.

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### *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

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### *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*

During Lent we journey with all those around the world who will be baptized at the Easter Vigil. In today's gospel Jesus tells Nicodemus that he must be born of water and Spirit. At the font we are given a new birth as daughters and sons of God. As God made a covenant with Abraham, in baptism God promises to raise us up with Christ to new life. From worship we are sent forth to proclaim God's love for the all the world.

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### *Lihue Lutheran Spotlight*

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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.

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*Prayer Concerns*

Please remember these people in your prayers during the week: Kecia Darrow (Lolli Hagen's daughter); Mike Kato, Michael Ovalles, Laretta 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), 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.

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*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.

# *Second 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*

*My Faith Looks Up To Thee*



1 My faith looks up to thee, thou Lamb of Cal - va - ry,  
2 May thy rich grace im - part strength to my faint - ing heart,  
3 While life's dark maze I tread and griefs a - round me spread,  
4 When ends life's tran - sient dream, when death's cold, sul - len stream



Sav - ior di - vine! Now hear me while I pray, take all my  
my zeal in - spire; as thou hast died for me, oh, may my  
be thou my guide; bid dark - ness turn to day, wipe sor - row's  
shall o'er me roll; blest Sav - ior, then, in love fear and dis -



guilt a - way, oh, let me from this day be whol - ly thine!  
love to thee pure, warm, and change-less be, a liv - ing fire!  
tears a - way, nor let me ev - er stray from thee a - side.  
trust re-move; oh, bear me safe a - bove, a ran - somed soul!

*\*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.



☩ Lord, have mer - cy.

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

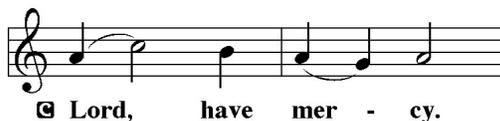


☩ Lord, have mer - cy.

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 O God, our leader and guide, in the waters of baptism you bring us to new birth to live as your children. Strengthen our faith in your promises, that by your Spirit we may lift up your life to all the world through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen**

### *First Reading*

### *Genesis 12:1-4a*

*God's call of Abram and Sarai has a clear purpose—that through them all the families of the earth would gain a blessing. As they set out on their journey they are accompanied by promises of land, nation, and a great reputation.*

The LORD said to Abram, "Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you. I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you, and make your name great, so that you will be a bless-

ing. I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse; and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed."

So Abram went, as the LORD had told him; and Lot went with him.

A The Word of the Lord

**C Thanks be to God.**

## *Psalm 121*

I lift up my eyes to the hills; from where is my help to come?

**My help comes from the LORD, the maker of heaven and earth.**

The LORD will not let your foot be moved nor will the one who watches over you fall asleep.

**Behold, the keeper of Israel will neither slumber nor sleep;**

the LORD watches over you; the LORD is your shade at your right hand;

**the sun will not strike you by day, nor the moon by night.**

The LORD will preserve you from all evil and will keep your life.

**The LORD will watch over your going out and your coming in, from this time forth forevermore.**

## *Second Reading*

## *Romans 4:1-5, 13-17*

*In the person and example of Abraham we discover that a right relationship with God does not involve earning a reward from God but entails trusting God's promises. Abraham is the forebear and model for both Jews and Gentiles, because we too trust that ours is a God who gives life to the dead.*

What then are we to say was gained by Abraham, our ancestor according to the flesh? For if Abraham was justified by works, he has something to boast about, but not before God. For what does the scripture say? "Abraham believed God, and it was reckoned to him as righteousness." Now to one who works, wages are not reckoned as a gift but as something due. But to one who without works trusts him who justifies the ungodly, such faith is reckoned as righteousness.

For the promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. If it is the ad-

herents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation.

For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, as it is written, "I have made you the father of many nations")—in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist.

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

*John 3:1-17*

*A curious Pharisee visits Jesus by night to learn from the teacher his friends reject. Jesus speaks to him about life in the Spirit and the kingdom of God.*

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



Glo - ry to you, O Lord.

<sup>1</sup> Now there was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. <sup>2</sup> He came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God, for no one can do these signs that you do unless God is with that person." <sup>3</sup> Jesus answered him, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above." <sup>4</sup> Nicodemus said to him, "How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother's womb and be born?" <sup>5</sup> Jesus answered, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. <sup>6</sup> What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. <sup>7</sup> Do not be astonished that I said to you, 'You must

be born from above.' <sup>8</sup> The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit." <sup>9</sup> Nicodemus said to him, "How can these things be?" <sup>10</sup> Jesus answered him, "Are you the teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things? <sup>11</sup> "Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen, yet you do not receive our testimony. <sup>12</sup> If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? <sup>13</sup> No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. <sup>14</sup> And just as Moses lifted up the serpent

in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, <sup>15</sup> that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

<sup>16</sup>“For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may

have eternal life.

<sup>17</sup>“Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world but in order that the world might be saved through him.”

P The Gospel of the Lord.



## Keiki's Sermon

### Sermon

### \*Hymn of the Day

### The Old Rugged Cross



1 On a hill far a - way stood an old rug - ged cross,  
 2 Oh, that old rug - ged cross so de - spised by the world,  
 3 In the old rug - ged cross, stained with blood so di - vine,  
 4 To the old rug - ged cross I will ev - er be true,



the em - blem of suf - f'ring and shame;  
 has a won - drous at - trac - tion for me;  
 a won - drous beau - ty I see;  
 its shame and re - proach glad - ly bear;



and I love that old cross where the dear - est and best  
 for the dear Lamb of God left his glo - ry a - bove,  
 for 'twas on that old cross Je - sus suf - fered and died,  
 Christ will call me some day to my home far a - way,



for a world of lost sin - ners was slain.  
to . . . . bear it to dark Cal - va - ry.  
to . . . . par - don and sanc - ti - fy me.  
where his glo - ry for - ev - er I'll share.



So I'll cher - ish the old rug - ged cross, till my



tro - phies at last I lay down; I will cling to the old rug - ged



cross, and ex - change it some day for a crown.

## *\*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** Guide and nurture those drawn to the font of rebirth and all who long for your presence, that we may be strengthened by the unending love of your Son. God of our salvation,

**C** hear our prayer.

**A** Bring understanding and peace to the descendants of Abraham, especially Jewish people, Muslims, and Christians, that we may live together in harmony and work on behalf of the poor. God of our salvation,

**C** hear our prayer.

**A** Help us in our discipline of fasting and abstaining from those things that separate us from you, that we may be renewed by your grace alone and discover your gifts in the wilderness. God of our salvation,

**C** hear our prayer.

**A** Watch over those troubled in mind, body, and spirit, those who are dying and their caregivers, that they may know your help and compassion. Hear the names we hold before you . . . God of our salvation,

**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 our salvation,  
**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*

The musical score is for a piano accompaniment of a prayer. It consists of two systems of music. The first system has five measures, and the second system has six measures. The music is written in 4/4 time. The lyrics are written below the piano part of each system.

**System 1:**  
 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

**System 2:**  
 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.

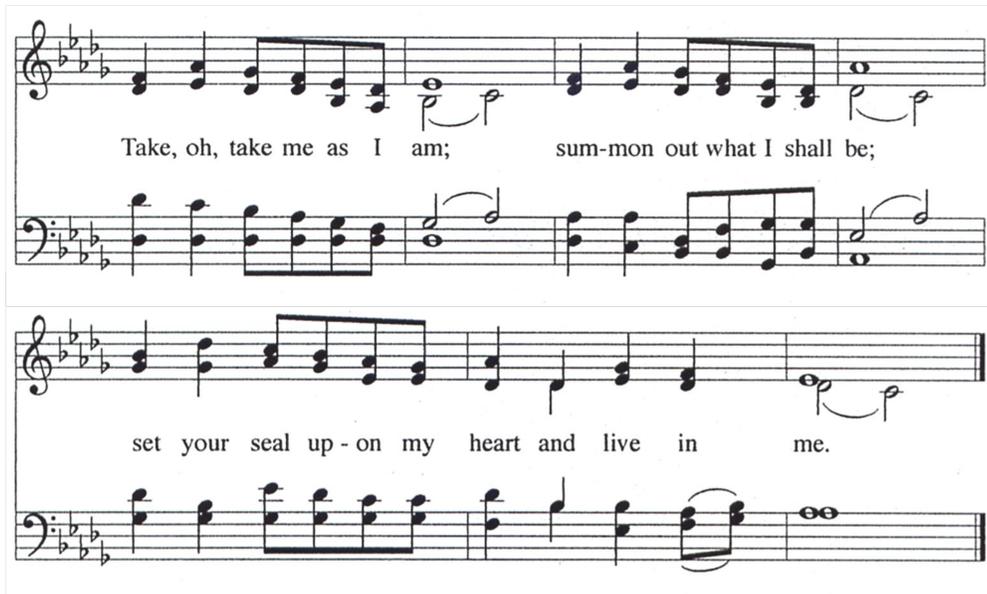
## Offering



*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



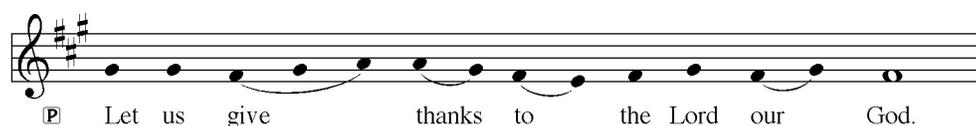
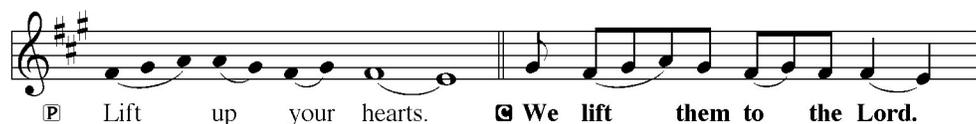
Take, oh, take me as I am;      sum-mon out what I shall be;

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

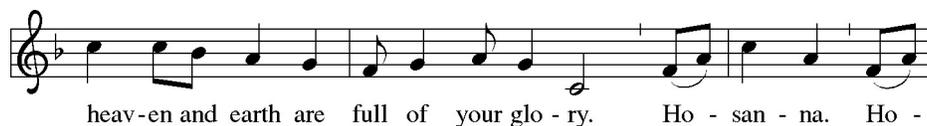
## \*Offertory Prayer

- 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



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



## \*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

## One Bread, One Body

*Refrain*



One bread, one bod-y, one Lord of all; one cup of  
bless-ing which we bless, and we, though man-y  
through-out the earth, we are one bod - y in this one Lord.



1 Gen - tile or Jew, ser - vant or free,  
 2 Man - y the gifts, man - y the works,  
 3 Grain for the fields, scat - tered and grown,



wom - an or man, no more.  
 one in the Lord of all.  
 gath - ered to one for all.

## Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound



1 A - maz - ing grace!— how sweet the sound— that  
 2 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and  
 3 Through man - y dan - gers, toils, and snares I  
 4 The Lord has prom - ised good to me; his  
 5 When we've been there ten thou - sand years, bright



saved a wretch like me! I once was lost, but  
 grace my fears re - lieved; how pre - cious did that  
 have al - read - y come; 'tis grace has brought me  
 word my hope se - cures; he will my shield and  
 shin - ing as the sun, we've no less days to



now am found; was blind, but now I see.  
 grace ap - pear the hour I first be - lieved!  
 safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.  
 por - tion be as long as life en - dures.  
 sing God's praise than when we'd first be - gun.

## Bind Us Together

*Refrain*

Bind us to - geth - er, Lord, bind us to - geth - er with cords that

can - not be bro - ken. Bind us to - geth - er, Lord,

bind us to - geth - er, Lord; bind us to - geth - er in love.

1 There is on - ly one God. There is on - ly one King.

2 You are the fam - 'ly of God. You are the prom - ise di - vine.

*Refrain*

There is on - ly one Bod - y; that is why we can sing.  
You are God's cho - sen de - sire, . . . you are the glo - rious new wine.

## Here Is Bread

1. Here is bread, here is wine, Christ is with us,  
2. Here is grace, here is peace, Christ is with us,  
3. Here we are, joined in one, Christ is with us,

he is with us. Break the bread,  
 he is with us. Know his grace,  
 he is with us. We'll pro - claim

taste the wine, Christ is with us here.  
 find his peace, feast on Je - sus here.  
 till he comes Je - sus cru - ci - fied.

<sup>9</sup> *Refrain*  
 In this bread there is heal-ing, in this cup is life for -ev - er.  
 In this mo-ment, by the Spir-it, Christ is with us here

## *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      *On What Has Now Been Sown*



1 On what has now been sown your bless-ing Lord, be - stow; the  
2 To you our wants are known, from you are all our pow'rs; ac -  
3 Oh, grant that each of us, now met be - fore you here, may



pow'r is yours a - lone to make it sprout and grow. O Lord, in  
cept what is your own and par-don what is ours. Our prais - es,  
meet to - geth - er thus when you and yours ap - pear, and fol - low



grace the har - vest raise, and yours a - lone shall be the praise!  
Lord, and prayers re - ceive and to your word a bless - ing give.  
you to heav'n, our home. E'en so, A - men! Lord Je - sus, come!

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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