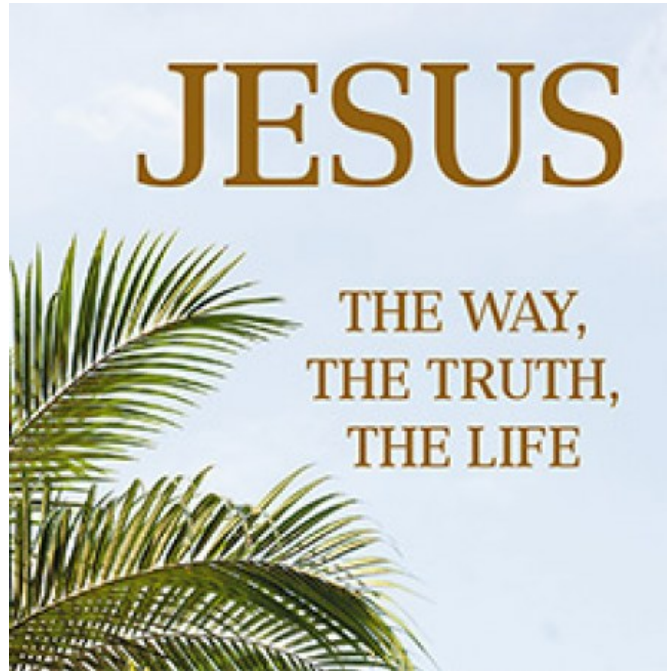


Fifth Sunday of Easter



May 03, 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
Kathy Miller, Greeter ~ Clyde Miller, Lector
Jerry & Laura Nishek, Ushers
Kiera Johnson-Zielazinski, 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 *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

As we continue to celebrate the fifty days of Easter, today's gospel includes Jesus' promise that he goes to prepare a place for his followers in his Father's house. Our baptism commissions us to share Jesus' mission in the world. As First Peter reminds us, we are a holy people, called to proclaim the one who called us out of darkness into light. In words and deeds we bear witness to the risen Christ—our way, our truth, our life.

Lihue Lutheran Spotlight

Hau'oli Lā Hānau to Barbara Holwegner (05.08);
In Loving Memory of Bob Martin (05.04)

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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: Tom Christy, Jonathan Ota; Kecia Darrow (Lolli Hagen's daughter); Mike Kato, Michael Ovalles, Lauretta Geren, Isaac Silva Baker, Larry Arndt, ,Vanessa Fujiyama, Liedeke Bulder, Joyce Obenauer, 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 Giraldo II (Bobby Giraldo'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.

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.

Fifth Sunday of Easter

Order for Worship

**Confession and Forgiveness*

P Alleluia! Christ is risen.

C Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

P Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne and to the Lamb!

C Amen.

P Let us give thanks for the gifts of baptism.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P Merciful God, you are the one who was, who is, and who is to come. You lead us beside still waters. We thank you for the waters of creation: morning dew, gentle rain, roaring waves. We thank you for the waters that nourish us. Blessed are you.

C You guide us to springs of the water of life.

P Jesus Christ, you are the faithful witness who accompanies us on our journeys. We give you thanks for your life-giving death and resurrection. We praise you for joining us in joy and sorrow. Blessed are you.

C You guide us to springs of the water of life.

P Holy Spirit, you anoint our head with oil and our cup overflows. Break down barriers that divide us. Fill us with the breath of peace. Blessed are you.

C You guide us to springs of the water of life.

P Holy One, we thank you for the gifts and grace of baptism, and for making us a new creation. We join with saints and angels, giving you honor and praise, now and forever.

C Amen.

**Gathering Hymn Christ the Lord is Risen Today*



1	Christ the Lord is ris'n to - day;	Al - le - lu - ia!
2	For the sheep the Lamb has bled,	Al - le - lu - ia!
3	Hail, the vic - tim un - de - filed,	Al - le - lu - ia!
4	Chris-tians, on this ho - ly day,	Al - le - lu - ia!



Chris-tians, has - ten on your way; Al - le - lu - ia!
 sin - less in the sin - ner's stead. Al - le - lu - ia!
 God and sin - ners rec - on - ciled, Al - le - lu - ia!
 all your grate - ful hom - age pay; Al - le - lu - ia!



of - fer praise with love re - plete, Al - le - lu - ia!
 Christ the Lord is ris'n on high; Al - le - lu - ia!
 when con - tend - ing death and life, Al - le - lu - ia!
 Christ the Lord is ris'n on high; Al - le - lu - ia!



at the pas - chal vic - tim's feet. Al - le - lu - ia!
 now he lives, no more to die. Al - le - lu - ia!
 met in strange and awe - some strife. Al - le - lu - ia!
 now he lives, no more to die. Al - le - lu - ia!

**Apostolic Greeting*

P Hallelujah! Praise the name of the Lord; give praise you servants of the Lord.

C **You who stand in the house of the Lord, in the courts of the house of our God. Hallelujah!**

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

C **And also with you.**

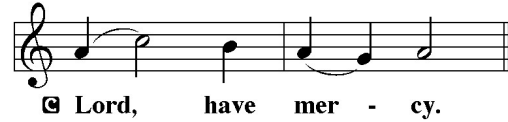
**Kyrie*

P In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

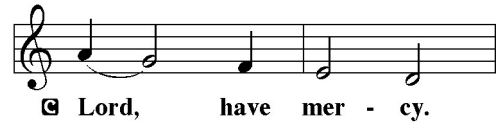


☩ Lord, have mer - cy.

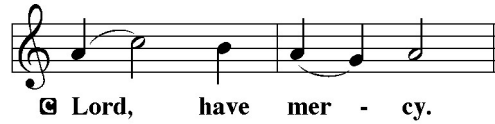
P For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



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 Almighty God, your Son Jesus Christ is the way, the truth, and the life. Give us grace to love one another, to follow in the way of his commandments, and to share his risen life with all the world, for he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

First Reading

Acts 7:55-60

Stephen was one of the seven men chosen by the apostles to serve tables so that the apostles could be free to serve the word (Acts 6:1-6). Stephen does more than distribute food, however. For his preaching of God's word, he becomes the first martyr of the faith.

Filled with the Holy Spirit, [Stephen] gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God and Jesus standing at the right hand of God. "Look," he said, "I see the heavens opened and the Son of Man standing

at the right hand of God!" But they covered their ears, and with a loud shout all rushed together against him. Then they dragged him out of the city and began to stone him; and the witnesses laid their

coats at the feet of a young man named Saul. While they were stoning Stephen, he prayed, "Lord Jesus, receive my spirit." Then he knelt down and cried out in a

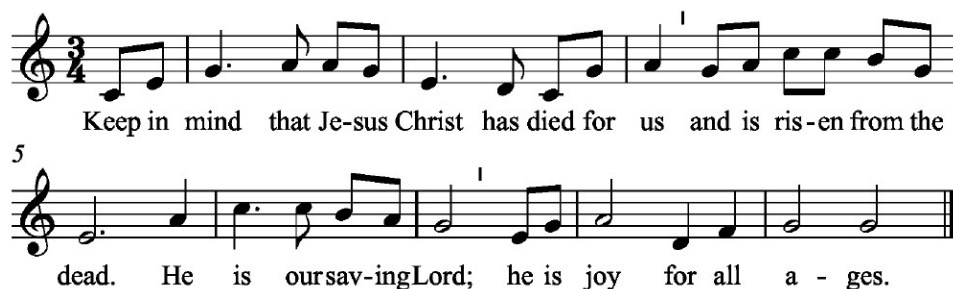
loud voice, "Lord, do not hold this sin against them." When he had said this, he died.

A The Word of the Lord

C Thanks be to God.

Psalmody

Canticle 13



Keep in mind that Je-sus Christ has died for us and is ris-en from the
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 dead. He is oursav-ingLord; he is joy for all a - ges.

Solo

If we die with the Lord, we shall live with the Lord.
 If we endure with the Lord, we shall live with the Lord.

Solo

In him all our sorrow, in him all our joy.
 In him hope of glory, in him all our love.

Solo

In him our redemption, in him all our grace.
 In him our salvation, in him all our peace.

Second Reading

1 Peter 2:2-10

Doing the right things does not guarantee that one will not experience difficulties, hardships, rejection, or even suffering. Here Christ is presented as the model for our path of endurance and loyalty to God, particularly in the midst of adversity.

Like newborn infants, long for the pure, spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow into salvation—if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good.

Come to him, a living stone, though re-

jected by mortals yet chosen and precious in God's sight, and like living stones, let yourselves be built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ.

For it stands in scripture:

"See, I am laying in Zion a stone, a cornerstone chosen and precious; and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame."

To you then who believe, he is precious; but for those who do not believe,

"The stone that the builders rejected has become the very head of the corner,"

and "A stone that makes them stumble, and a rock that makes them fall."

They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do.

But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people, in order that you may proclaim the mighty acts of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

A The Word of the Lord

C Thanks be to God.

**Gospel Acclamation Lord, Let My Heart Be Good Soil*

Lord, let my heart be good soil, o-pen to the seed of your word.

Lord, let my heart be good soil, where love can grow and peace is un-der-stood.

When my heart is hard, break the stone a - way. When my heart is cold,

warm it with the day. When my heart is lost, lead me on your way.

Lord, let my heart, Lord, let my heart, Lord, let my heart be good soil.

**Holy Gospel*

John 14:1-14

On the night that he is to be arrested, Jesus shares final words with his disciples. As the one through whom God is known, he promises to go before them and act on their behalf.

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



[Jesus said to the disciples:] ¹ “Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God; believe also in me. ² In my Father’s house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? ³ And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. ⁴ And you know the way to the place where I am going.” ⁵ Thomas said to him, “Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?” ⁶ Jesus said to him, “I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. ⁷ If you know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him.”

⁸ Philip said to him, “Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied.” ⁹ Jesus

said to him, “Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, ‘Show us the Father’? ¹⁰ Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own, but the Father who dwells in me does his works. ¹¹ Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me, but if you do not, then believe because of the works themselves. ¹² Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. ¹³ I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. ¹⁴ If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.”

P The Gospel of the Lord.

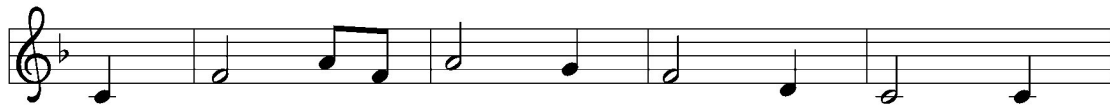


Keiki’s Sermon

Sermon

**Hymn of the Day*

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.



**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 With shouts of Alleluia at Christ's victory over death, let us pray for the church, the world, and all those in need.

A God our salvation: you have made us your living stones in the waters of baptism. We pray for the church and its leaders; for the newly baptized; for missionaries around the world. Lord, in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

A God our home: your Spirit dwells with creation. We pray for the earth; for clean water and air; for the earth's foundation; for the lands all creatures inhabit. Lord, in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

A God our way: you call us to paths of justice. We pray for nations and leaders; for courts and legislatures; for strife-torn communities; for our enemies. Lord, in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

A God our refuge: you deliver us in times of trouble. We pray for the rejected and persecuted; for neglected infants and children; for the sick, and for all in need. Bring to all the promise of life in your name. Hear the names we hold before you . . . Lord, in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

A God our shelter: you draw all people to yourself. We pray for those who are homeless and those with inadequate housing; for all who come to this building seeking a safe haven. Lord, in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

- A God our life: you prepare a place for us. We give thanks for the witness of your saints. Lead us also in Christ's way and truth. Lord, in your mercy,
C hear our prayer.
 P Receive our prayers, merciful God, and dwell in us richly, through Jesus Christ, our life and our redeemer.
C 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

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| <p>1. O Lord thy Loving Mercy,
 Is high as the Heavens.
 It tells us of thy truth.
 And 'tis filled with holiness</p> | <p>3. For thy grace I beseech thee.
 Bring us 'neath thy protection.
 And peace will be thy portion
 Now and forever more. Amen</p> |
|---|---|

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

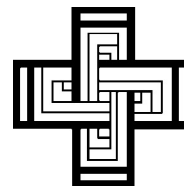
Lord of Aloha

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 - cient and new, Lord of A - lo - ha we wor - ship you.
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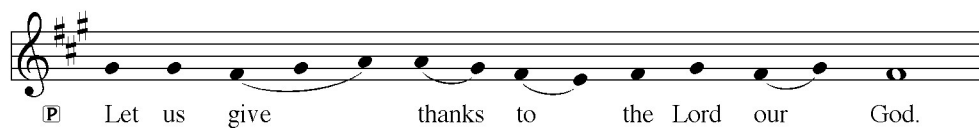
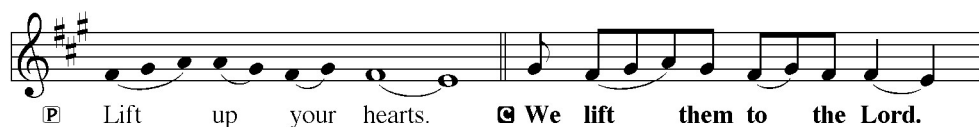
*Offertory Prayer

P Let us pray. Merciful God,

C accept the fruits of our labor, gathered to give you glory. You have set a table before us, a glimpse of that great day when we will hunger and thirst no more. Nourish us with the body and blood of Jesus, that goodness and mercy may follow us and bless the world you love. In the name of Jesus, Amen.



*The Great Thanksgiving



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



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name_ of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est, 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 of new life. Receive the risen Lord.

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

Christ Be Our Light

Refrain

Christ be our light! Shine in our hearts. Shine through the dark - ness.

Christ, be our light! Shine in your church gath-ered to - day.

Vs. 1 Longing for light, we wait in darkness.
 Longing for truth, we turn to you.
 Make us your own, your holy people,
 Light for the world to see.

Vs. 2 Longing for peace, our world is troubled.
 Longing for hope, many despair.
 Your word alone has pow'r to save us.
 Make us your saving voice.

Vs. 3 Longing for food, many are hungry.
 Longing for water, many still thirst.
 Make us your bread, broken for others,
 Shared until all are fed.

Vs. 4 Longing for shelter, many are homeless.
 Longing for warmth, many are cold.
 Make us your building, sheltering others,
 Walls made of living stones.

Vs. 5 Many the gifts, many the people,
 Many the hearts that yearn to belong.
 Let us be servants to one another,
 Signs of your kingdom come.

Christ Is Alive! Let Christians Sing



1 Christ is a - live! Let Chris - tians sing. His cross stands
 2 Christ is a - live! No long - er bound to dis - tant
 3 Not throned a - far, re - mote - ly high, un - touched, un -
 4 In ev - 'ry in - sult, rift, and war, where col - or,
 5 Christ is a - live! As - cend - ed Lord— he rules the



emp - ty to the sky. Let streets and homes with
 years in Pal - es - tine, he comes to claim the
 moved by hu - man pains, but dai - ly, in the
 scorn, or wealth di - vide, he suf - fers still, yet
 world his Fa - ther made, till, in the end, his

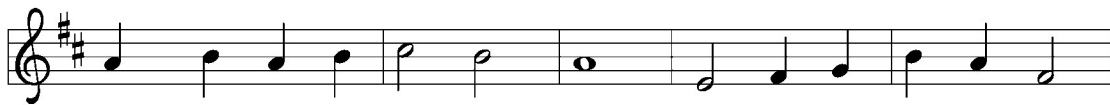


prais - es ring. In death his love shall nev - er die.
 here and now and con - quer ev - 'ry place and time.
 midst of life, our Sav - ior with the Fa - ther reigns.
 loves the more, and lives, though ev - er cru - ci - fied.
 love a - dored shall be to all on earth dis - played.

Break Now the Bread of Life



1 Break now the bread of life, dear Lord, to me, as once you
 2 Bless your own word of truth, dear Lord, to me, as when you
 3 You are the bread of life, dear Lord, to me, your ho - ly



broke the loaves be - side the sea. Be - yond the sa - cred page
 blessed the bread by Gal - i - lee. Then shall all bond-age cease,
 word the truth that res - cues me. Give me to eat and live

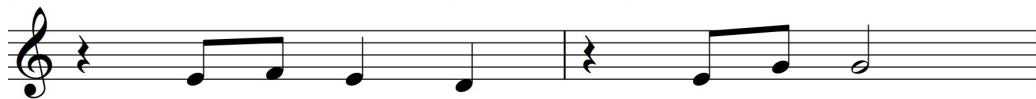


I seek you, Lord; my spir - it waits for you, O liv - ing Word.
 all fet - ters fall; and I shall find my peace, my All - in - All!
 with you a - bove; teach me to love your truth, for you are love.

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.

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 God Almighty, who is the beginning and the end, Jesus Christ, the firstborn of the dead, and the Spirit, our advocate and peace, ✝ bless you now and forever
 C Amen.

**Post Communion Prayer*

P Let us pray, Holy One,
 C **through this meal you have made your home among us and are making all things new. Send us now to speak peace to anxious hearts, to love our enemies, and to bring your healing to the nations. In the name of Jesus, 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

How Great Thou Art



1 O Lord my God, when I in awe - some won - der con - sid - er
2 When through the woods and for - est glades I wan - der, I hear the
3 But when I think that God, his Son not spar - ing, sent him to
4 When Christ shall come, with shout of ac - cla - ma - tion, and take me



all the works thy hand hath made, I see the stars, I hear the might-y
birds sing sweet-ly in the trees; when I look down from loft - y moun-tain
die, I scarce can take it in, that on the cross my bur-den glad-ly
home, what joy shall fill my heart! Then I shall bow in hum-ble ad - o -



thun - der, thy pow'r through-out the u - ni - verse dis - played;
gran - deur and hear the brook and feel the gen - tle breeze;
bear - ing he bled and died to take a - way my sin;
ra - tion and there pro - claim, "My God, how great thou art!"

Refrain



Then sings my soul, my Sav - ior God, to thee, how great thou

art! How great thou art! Then sings my soul, my Sav-ior God, to
thee, how great thou art! How great thou art!

P Go in peace. Praise the Lord. Alleluia! **C** Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

