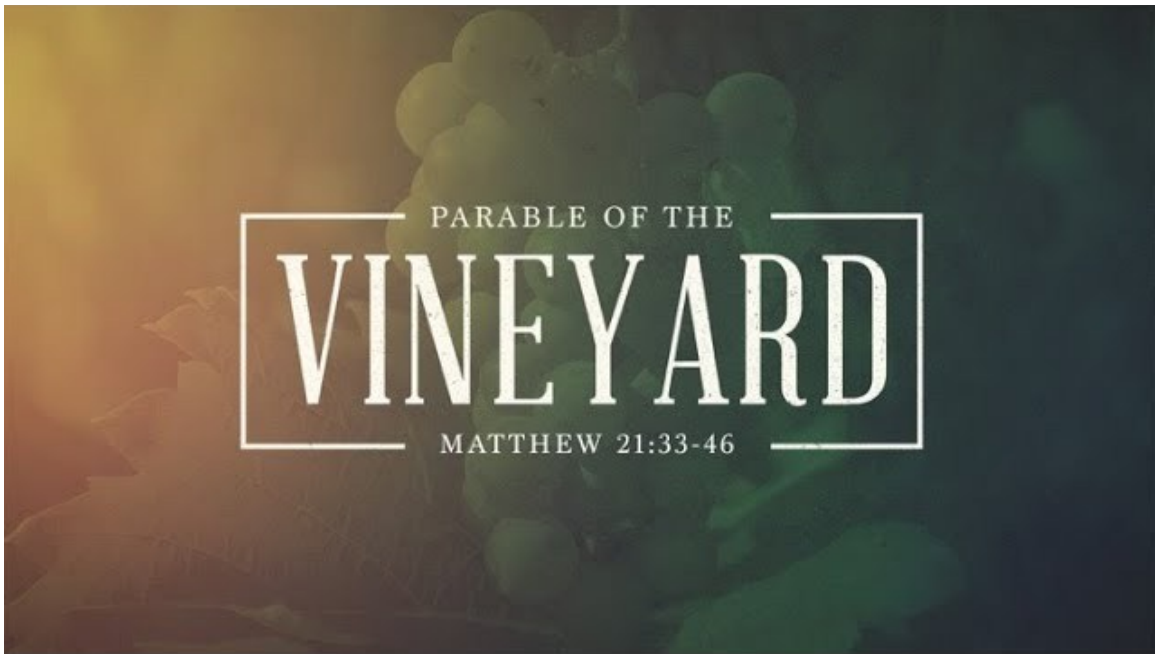


Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost



October 04, 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 ~ Cheryl Claypoole, Lector

Derek L. 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 *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

In today's gospel reading, Jesus tells a parable of the vineyard, an image of Israel, the prophets' mission, and Christ's death. For Christians, the vineyard also speaks of God's love poured out in the blood of Christ, given to us for the forgiveness of sin. Grafted onto Christ the vine at baptism, we are nourished with wine and bread, that we may share Christ's sufferings and know the power of his resurrection.

Lihue Lutheran Spotlight

Hau'oli Lā Hānau to Elise Guirao (10.04); Joy Claypoole (10.04); Dave Hutchinson (10.04); Angela Kirchner (10.05); Elizabeth Hood (10.09); Kasey Fernandez (10.10)

In Loving Memory of

John Sadlowsky (10.05) and Jerry Gilbert (10.06)

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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: ChrysMarie Suby, Kecia Hagen, Renee Tajima and daughter Nicole, Lea Cadiz, Nick Hutson, Shari Ruiz, Cookie & Jay Peters, Roberta Kapuy, Sandi Remata, 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.; 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), 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.

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Order for Worship

*Confession and Forgiveness

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✠ one God, who pours love into our hearts and healing upon the earth.

C Amen.

P Confident that God justifies us by grace through faith, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P Compassionate God,

C **we confess that we struggle to embody your goodness in the world and in our own hearts. Creation groans from overuse. Jealousy and bitterness strain our relationships. Indifference keeps us from seeking justice. Divisions disrupt your call to show genuine love to others. Turn our hearts back to you. Restore our world and reconcile us to one another. Renew us to live as your holy people, following the way of Jesus Christ. Amen.**

P Hear this good news: We have peace with God through ✠ Jesus Christ, in whom there is no condemnation, but only forgiveness and the promise of eternal life. Receive freely this healing gift of grace.

C Amen.

*Gathering Song

Lift Every Voice and Sing



1 Lift ev - 'ry voice and sing till earth and heav - en ring,
2 Ston - y the road we trod, bit - ter the chas - t'ning rod,
3 God of our wea - ry years, God of our si - lent tears,



ring with the har - mo - nies of lib - er - ty.
felt in the days when hope un - born had died;
thou who hast brought us thus far on the way;



Let our re - joic - ing rise high as the lis - t'ning skies,
 yet with a stead - y beat, have not our wea - ry feet
 thou who hast by thy might led us in - to the light,



let it re - sound loud as the roll - ing sea.
 come to the place for which our par - ents sighed?
 keep us for - ev - er in the path, we pray.



Sing a song full of the faith that the dark past has taught us;
 We have come o - ver a way that with tears has been wa - tered;
 Lest our feet stray from the plac - es, our God, where we met thee;



sing a song full of the hope that the pres - ent has brought us;
 we have come, tread - ing our path through the blood of the slaugh - tered,
 lest, our hearts drunk with the wine of the world, we for - get thee;



fac - ing the ris - ing sun of our new day be - gun,
 out from the gloom - y past, till now we stand at last
 shad - owed be - neath thy hand, may we for - ev - er stand,



let us march on till vic - to - ry is won.
 where the white gleam of our bright star is cast.
 true to our God, true to our na - tive land.

*Apostolic Greeting

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



1. We pray for peace from above. We pray for our salvation. (to CHORUS)
2. We pray for peace in the world. We pray for wellness in your church.
We pray for the unity of all. (to CHORUS)
3. We pray for this holy place. We pray for all who gather here. (to CHORUS)
4. Oh Lord, help us, save us. Oh Lord, comfort and defend us. (to AMEN)



*Prayer of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray.

C **Beloved God, from you come all things that are good. Lead us by the inspiration of your Spirit to know those things that are right, and by your merciful guidance, help us to do them, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen**

First Reading

Isaiah 5:1-7

The prophet sings a sad, parable-like love song about the relationship between God and Israel. In this song Israel is compared to a promising vineyard. Despite God's loving care, the vineyard that is Israel has brought forth "wild grapes" of injustice and distress, when fine grapes of justice and righteousness were expected.

Let me sing for my beloved my love-song concerning his vineyard:

My beloved had a vineyard on a very fertile hill. He dug it and cleared it of stones, and planted it with choice vines; he built a watchtower in the midst of it, and hewed out a wine vat in it; he expected it to yield grapes, but it yielded wild grapes.

And now, inhabitants of Jerusalem and people of Judah, judge between me and my vineyard. What more was there to do for my vineyard that I have not done in it? When I expected it to yield grapes, why did it yield wild grapes? And now I

will tell you what I will do to my vineyard. I will remove its hedge, and it shall be devoured; I will break down its wall, and it shall be trampled down. I will make it a waste; it shall not be pruned or hoed, and it shall be overgrown with briars and thorns; I will also command the clouds that they rain no rain upon it.

For the vineyard of the LORD of hosts is the house of Israel, and the people of Judah are his pleasant planting; he expected justice, but saw bloodshed; righteousness, but heard a cry!

A The Word of the Lord

C Thanks be to God.

Psalm 80:7-15

Restore us, O God of hosts; let your face shine upon us, and we shall be saved.

You have brought a vine out of Egypt; you cast out the nations and planted it.

You cleared the ground for it; it took root and filled the land.

The mountains were covered by its shadow and the towering cedar trees by its boughs.

You stretched out its tendrils to the sea and its branches to the river.

Why have you broken down its wall, so that all who pass by pluck off its grapes?

The wild boar of the forest has ravaged it, and the beasts of the field have grazed upon it.

Turn now, O God of hosts, look down from heaven; behold and tend this vine; preserve what your right hand has planted.

Second Reading

Philippians 3: 4b-14

Paul reviews some of his supposed credentials, which no longer have any bearing in comparison to the right relationship he has been given through the death of Christ. The power of Christ's resurrection motivates him to press on toward the ultimate goal, eternal life with Christ.

If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more: circumcised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless.

Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ. More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but one that comes through faith in Christ, the right-

eousness from God based on faith. I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. Beloved, I do not consider that I have made it my own but this one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, I press on toward the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

A The Word of the Lord

C Thanks be to God.

*Gospel Acclamation Lord, Let my Heart be Good Soil

The musical notation is written on three staves in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below each staff.

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,



*Holy Gospel

Matthew 21:33-46

Jesus tells a parable to the religious leaders who are plotting his death, revealing that their plans will, ironically, bring about the fulfillment of scripture.

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-first chapter.



[Jesus said to the people:] ³³“Listen to another parable. There was a landowner who planted a vineyard, put a fence around it, dug a wine press in it, and built a watchtower. Then he leased it to tenants and went to another country.

³⁴When the harvest time had come, he sent his slaves to the tenants to collect his produce. ³⁵But the tenants seized his slaves and beat one, killed another, and stoned another. ³⁶Again he sent other slaves, more than the first; and they treated them in the same way. ³⁷Finally he sent his son to them, saying, ‘They will respect my son.’ ³⁸But when the tenants saw the son, they said to themselves, ‘This is the heir; come, let us kill him and get his inheritance.’ ³⁹So they seized him, threw him out of the vineyard, and killed him. ⁴⁰Now when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?” ⁴¹They said to

him, “He will put those wretches to a miserable death, and lease the vineyard to other tenants who will give him the produce at the harvest time.”

⁴²Jesus said to them, “Have you never read in the scriptures:

‘The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone; this was the Lord’s doing, and it is amazing in our eyes’?

⁴³Therefore I tell you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people that produces the fruits of the kingdom. ⁴⁴The one who falls on this stone will be broken to pieces; and it will crush anyone on whom it falls.”

⁴⁵When the chief priests and the Pharisees heard his parables, they realized that he was speaking about them. ⁴⁶They wanted to arrest him, but they feared the crowds, because they regarded him as a prophet.

P The Gospel of the Lord.



Sermon

Keiki's Sermon

*Hymn of the Day

In the Garden

3 I come to the gar - den a - lone, While the
He speaks, and the sound of His voice Is so
I'd stay in the gar - den with Him Tho the

5 dew is still on the ros - - es; And the
sweet the a - birds hush their sing - - ing; And the
night round me the be sing fall - - ing; And But the He

7 voice I hear, fall - ing on my ear, The
mel - o - dy go that He the gave to of me woe, With -
bids me go thru the voice to of me woe, His

9 Son of God dis - clos - es.
in my heart is ring - ing.
voice to me is call - ing.

9 *Refrain*
And he walks with me, and He talks with me, And He

12 tells me I am His own; And the joy we share as we tar - ry there None oth - er has ev - er known.

*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 the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, let us pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation.

A Tend your vineyard, O God, with love and mercy, so that all who follow you might bear fruit. Lord, in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

A Replenish the earth, O God, with the new soil of your grace. Grant that fields produce plentiful harvests, and that all your creation continue to provide fruit to sustain and nurture life. Lord, in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

A Plant the seeds of justice, O God, by the movement of your Spirit in the nations of this world. Grant that world leaders would seek peace and prosperity for all. Lord, in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

A Sustain all who suffer, O God, with your promise of new life. Strengthen those who are unemployed, marginalized, or persecuted. Renew those who struggle with mental and physical ailments. Listen to the names we bring before you . . . Lord, in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

A Shine your grace, O God, on the ministries of this congregation. Make your love known through the people in this place. Lord, in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

A Be with those who are guests of our Island. May their stays be restful and renewing, their travels safe, and their homecomings joyous. Lord, in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Merciful God, we commend to you all for whom we pray, for the sake of your crucified and risen Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C Amen



*The Queen's Prayer

Piano

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Pno

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.

Offertory



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.

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

*Offertory Prayer

P Let us pray. God of creation,

C you send rain and the earth springs forth abundantly. All blessings are from you; make us generous with what we have. Use our gifts, our abilities, and our hearts in service to you and in love to our neighbors, today and always. Amen.

**The Great Thanksgiving*

L: The Lord be with you.

[L:] Lift up your hearts.

[C:] And al-so with_ you.

[C] We lift them to the Lord.

[L:] Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

[C:] It is right to give God thanks and praise.

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

Ho-ly ho-ly ho-ly Lord, — Lord God of pow'r and might, hea-ven and earth are

Ho-ly ho-ly ho-ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might, hea-ven and earth are

full, _____ full of your glo - ry. _____ Ho - san - na in the high - est. _____

full, _____ full of__ your glo - ry.____ Ho - san-na in the high - est.____

Ho -san-na in the high - est. Bles-sed is he who comes in the name

of the Lord. Ho - san-na in the high - est, ho - san-na in the high - est.

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

Jesus invites you to this table. Come, eat and live.

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 Songs

Lamb of God

Lamb of God you take a - way the sin of the world.

Have mer - cy, mer - cy on us.

(Repeat first two versus)

Lamb of God you take a - way the sin of the world.

Oh grant us peace, Lamb of God.

Christ Be Our Light

Refrain

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

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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.

By Your Hand You Feed Your People

By your hand you feed your peo - ple, food of an - gels, heav-en's bread.
 In this meal we taste your sweet - ness, bread for hun - ger, wine of peace.
 5 Send us now with faith and cour - age to the hun - gry, lost, be - reaved.

For these gifts we did not la - bor, by your grace have we been fed:
 Ho - ly word and ho - ly wis - dom sat - is - fy our deep - est needs.
 In our liv - ing and our dy - ing, we be - come what we re - ceive:

10 *Refrain*

Chirst's own bod - y, blessed and bro - ken, cup o'er - flow - ing, life out -

14 poured, giv-en as a liv-ing to - ken of your world re-deemed, re - stored.

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,

4
 he is with us. Break the bread,
 he is with us. Know his grace,
 he is with us. We'll pro - claim

6
 taste the wine, Christ is with us here.
 find his peace, feast on Je - sus here.
 till he comes Je - sus cru - ci - fied.

9 *Refrain*
 In this bread there is heal-ing, in this cup is life for -ev- er.

13
 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!

**Post Communion Prayer*

P Let us pray, Sustaining God,

C **with this bread and cup, you nourish us with mercy and abundant life. By your Spirit, send us from this table to serve a needy world. Make us living signs of your liberation, healing, and love, following the way of Jesus, in whose name we pray. Amen.**

**Blessing*

P The God of glory, ✠ Jesus Christ, name above all names, and the Spirit who lives in you, bless you now and forever.

C **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 Uthane 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!

P Go out in joy. Be led forth in peace. C Thanks be to God.

Canticle for Departure

Now Lord you_ let your ser-vant go in peace. Your word has been ful -

filled. My eyes have seen the sal-va - tion you have pre-pared in the sight of ev 'ry one. A

light to re-veal you to the na - tions and the glo-ry of your peo-ple Is - ra - el. Now Lord you_

let your ser-vant go in peace. Your word has been ful - filled.



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