Makawao Union Church



Ninth Sunday after Pentecost July 25, 2021

*Please stand in body or in spirit Congregational responses are printed in **bold**

The Time of Preparation

Prelude Jesus Loves Me Christina Harmon

Welcome, Announcements, and Greetings

*Gathering Song Surely the Presence of the Lord

Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place;
I can feel His mighty power and His grace.
I can hear the brush of angels' wings,
I see glory on each face;
Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place.

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*Call to Worship

One: Your creation gives thanks to you, O God.

Many: And we, your faithful, bless you.

One: We shall speak of the glory of your realm

and tell of your power.

Many: We shall let all people know your mighty deeds

and glorious splendor.

Puakenikeni Kepler, soprano, and John Rowehl

Open door, welcome in May you find light within arms enfold with acceptance and faces that hold you with love's tender gaze.

Bless this house safe and warm offering shelter free of harm Sing of joy in this place, sing of peace, hope, and grace.

Sacred space, mindfulness, caring words, openness wisdom found, wisdom shared songs that resonate deep in your heart and your soul.

Bless this house ...

(Words by Michael Woytiuk)

Gathering Prayer
May God be with you.

And also with you....

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

We Hear the Good News

Anthem

Prayer of Julian of Norwich

Carson Cooman

God, of your goodness, give yourself to me. For you are enough for me: Only in you do I have everything. Amen.

(from Julian of Norwich)

Scripture

Bill Kepler

Ephesians 3:14-21 (New Revised Standard Version)

¹⁴ For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, ¹⁵ from whom every family in heaven and on earth takes its name. ¹⁶ I pray that, according to the riches of his glory, he may grant that you may be strengthened in your inner being with power through his Spirit, ¹⁷ and that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith, as you are being rooted and grounded in love. ¹⁸ I pray that you may have the power to comprehend, with all the saints, what is the breadth and length and height and depth, ¹⁹ and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.

²⁰ Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, ²¹ to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

John 6:1-21 (New Revised Standard Version)

6 After this Jesus went to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, also called the Sea of Tiberias. ² A large crowd kept following him, because they saw the signs that he was doing for the sick. ³ Jesus went up the mountain and sat down there with his disciples. ⁴ Now the Passover, the festival of the Jews, was near. ⁵ When he looked up and saw a large crowd coming toward him, Jesus said to Philip, "Where are we to buy bread for these people to eat?" ⁶ He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he was going to do. ⁷ Philip answered him, "Six months' wages would not buy enough bread for each of them to get a little." ⁸ One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to him, ⁹ "There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish. But what are they among so many people?" ¹⁰ Jesus said, "Make the people sit down." Now there was a great deal of grass in the place; so

they sat down, about five thousand in all. 11 Then Jesus took the loaves, and when he had given thanks, he distributed them to those who were seated; so also the fish, as much as they wanted. 12 When they were satisfied, he told his disciples, "Gather up the fragments left over, so that nothing may be lost." ¹³ So they gathered them up, and from the fragments of the five barley loaves, left by those who had eaten, they filled twelve baskets. ¹⁴ When the people saw the sign that he had done, they began to say, "This is indeed the prophet who is to come into the world." ¹⁵ When Jesus realized that they were about to come and take him by force to make him king, he withdrew again to the mountain by himself. ¹⁶When evening came, his disciples went down to the sea, ¹⁷ got into a boat, and started across the sea to Capernaum. It was now dark, and Jesus had not yet come to them. ¹⁸ The sea became rough because a strong wind was blowing. 19 When they had rowed about three or four miles, they saw Jesus walking on the sea and coming near the boat, and they were terrified. ²⁰ But he said to them, "It is I; do not be afraid." ²¹ Then they wanted to take him into the boat, and immediately the boat reached the land toward which they were going.

Sermon

"Blessings Abound"

Rev. Heather Mueller

We Respond with Thanksgiving

Prayers of the People

Giving Our Tithes and Offerings

*Prayer of Dedication (unison)

We rejoice with thanksgiving for all we have received. Multiply these gifts that we give so that the world may more deeply know fullness of life in you. Amen.

*Hymn

Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee

#4 (The New Century Hymnal)

(See Last Page)

We Go Forth

Benediction

'O kou aloha nō, Aia i ka lani A 'o kou 'oiā i'o, He hemolele ho'i. 'Āmene.

English translation:

Your loving mercy is as high as heaven and your truth so perfect.

Postlude

Recessional on Hymn to Joy

Matthew H. Corl

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- ◆ Ka Hale A Ke Ola Shelter Dinner our next shelter dinner will be next month, August 8^{th.} Would you like to help support this important mission by shopping for the supplies and delivering them to the shelter? Please email the office if you can help: makawaounion@gmail.com

• Secondhand Heaven is open Wednesdays and Saturdays from 9AM to 2PM. Looking for inexpensive Office Supplies? Stop in today to see what you can pick up for less.

Mahalo to the following for their talents and service:

To The Rev. Heather Mueller for being our supply Pastor.

To Pat & Allan Shannon for serving as our Greeters today.

To Maggie Rogers for providing the Altar flowers.

To Bill Kepler for being our reader today.

To Judy Anderson, Bill Kepler, Chris Kepler, Kiele Kepler, Pua Kepler, John Rowehl, and Jay Slaughter for our live music today. To Chris Kepler for being our Tech host today.

Upcoming Events:

July 28	9AM Secondhand Heaven, Community Hall
July 30	11AM Private Wedding, Sanctuary
	6:30PM Alcoholics Anonymous, Sanctuary
July 31	9AM Secondhand Heaven, Community Hall
Aug 01	10:30AM Worship – In-Person or Zoom

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Henry van Dyke was a noted church leader, U.S. ambassador, Navy chaplain, and prolific writer. Many people associate this lymn with Beethoven's ninth symphony, but few are aware of the original poem by the German classicist F. Schiller (1759-1805) that inspired Beethoven. Tune: HYMN TO JOY 8.7.8.7.D. Ludwig van Beethoven, 1824 Adapt, and harm. Edward Hodges, 1846