Makawao Union Church



Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

August 15, 2021

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

The Time of Preparation

Prelude Breathe on Me, Breath of God James

James Boeringer

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: I will bless the Lord at all times;

Many: his praise shall continually be in my mouth.

One: O magnify the Lord with me,

Many: and let us exalt God's name together.

#331 (The New Century Hymnal)



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 Bread of Life Lee Barrow

Break Thou the Bread of Life, dear Lord to me, as once You broke the loaves beside the sea. Beyond the sacred page, I seek Thee, Lord; My spirit waits for Thee, O Living Word.

O send Your spirit, Lord, now unto me that You may touch my eyes and make me see. Show me the truth concealed within Your word, for in Your book revealed, I see You, Lord.

Let us break bread together on our knees. When I fall on my knees with my face to the rising sun, Oh, Lord, have mercy on me.

Scripture

I Kings 2:10-12, 3:3-14 (NRSV)

Judy Anderson

¹⁰ Then David slept with his ancestors, and was buried in the city of David. ¹¹ The time that David reigned over Israel was forty years; he reigned seven years in Hebron, and thirty-three years in Jerusalem. ¹² So Solomon sat on the throne of his father David; and his kingdom was firmly established.

³ Solomon loved the LORD, walking in the statutes of his father David; only, he sacrificed and offered incense at the high places. ⁴ The king went to Gibeon to sacrifice there, for that was the principal high place; Solomon used to offer a thousand burnt offerings on that altar. ⁵ At Gibeon the LORD appeared to Solomon in a dream by night; and God said, "Ask what I should give you." ⁶ And Solomon said, "You have shown great and steadfast love to your servant my father David, because he walked before you in faithfulness, in righteousness, and in uprightness of heart toward you; and you have kept for him this great and steadfast love, and have given him a son to sit on his throne today. ⁷ And now, O LORD my God, you have made your servant king

in place of my father David, although I am only a little child; I do not know how to go out or come in. ⁸ And your servant is in the midst of the people whom you have chosen, a great people, so numerous they cannot be numbered or counted. ⁹ Give your servant therefore an understanding mind to govern your people, able to discern between good and evil; for who can govern this your great people?"

¹⁰ It pleased the Lord that Solomon had asked this. ¹¹ God said to him, "Because you have asked this, and have not asked for yourself long life or riches, or for the life of your enemies, but have asked for yourself understanding to discern what is right, ¹² I now do according to your word. Indeed I give you a wise and discerning mind; no one like you has been before you and no one like you shall arise after you. ¹³ I give you also what you have not asked, both riches and honor all your life; no other king shall compare with you. ¹⁴ If you will walk in my ways, keeping my statutes and my commandments, as your father David walked, then I will lengthen your life."

Psalm 111 (NRSV)

Judy Anderson

I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart, in the company of the upright, in the congregation.

² Great are the works of the LORD, studied by all who delight in them.

³ Full of honor and majesty is his work, and his righteousness endures forever.

⁴ He has gained renown by his wonderful deeds; the LORD is gracious and merciful.

⁵ He provides food for those who fear him; he is ever mindful of his covenant.

⁶ He has shown his people the power of his works, in giving them the heritage of the nations.

⁷ The works of his hands are faithful and just; all his precepts are trustworthy.

⁸ They are established forever and ever, to be performed with faithfulness and uprightness.

⁹ He sent redemption to his people; he has commanded his covenant forever.

¹ Praise the LORD!

Holy and awesome is his name.

¹⁰ The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom; all those who practice it have a good understanding. His praise endures forever.

Ephesians 5:15-20 (NRSV)

Jay Slaughter

¹⁵ Be careful then how you live, not as unwise people but as wise, ¹⁶ making the most of the time, because the days are evil. ¹⁷ So do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. ¹⁸ Do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery; but be filled with the Spirit, ¹⁹ as you sing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs among yourselves, singing and making melody to the Lord in your hearts, ²⁰ giving thanks to God the Father at all times and for everything in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

John 6:51-58 (NRSV)

Jay Slaughter

⁵¹ I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh." ⁵² The Jews then disputed among themselves, saying, "How can this man give us his flesh to eat?" ⁵³ So Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. ⁵⁴ Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood have eternal life, and I will raise them up on the last day; ⁵⁵ for my flesh is true food and my blood is true drink. ⁵⁶ Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. ⁵⁷ Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. ⁵⁸ This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live forever."

Sermon

"Permission to Fail"

Rev. B. David Williams

We Respond with Thanksgiving

Prayers of the People

Giving Our Tithes and Offerings

*Prayer of Dedication

Receive these gifts, O God.

May our lives be a fragrant offering that is pleasing to you, in union with Christ's offering for us. Amen.

*Hymn

Rejoice, You Pure in Heart

#55(The New Century Hymnal)



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 Praise Him! Praise Him!

arr. Robert J. Powell

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Upcoming Events:

Aug 20	6:30PM Alcoholics Anonymous, Sanctuary
Aug 22	10:30AM Worship – Zoom

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