

Makawao Union Church

*No matter who you are,
or where you are on your life's journey,
you are welcome here.*



Journey on the Asphalt Gospel

Fifth Sunday in Lent
March 29, 2020

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Please join us after our Worship for our Virtual Aloha Hour. We are honored in this time of “Sacred Distancing” to be able to share this important time of togetherness.

Mahalo to the following for their talents and service:

To Linda Compian for being our virtual greeter.

To our worship voices: Rick and Lori Busta, Kathy Fletcher and Pastor Robin Lunn.

To David Fisher and Jan Ryan for being our Music Leaders today.

To Martha-Lee Bohn for leading our Children’s Worship today.

To Bill Kepler for being our Reader today.

To Joy Webster for our Call to Offering today.

To our Worship Tech and Design Teams: Jen and Brian Pinter, David Fisher, Lewis Gamble, Liz Gregg, Jay Slaughter, Bill Kepler and Pastor Robin Lunn.



Congregational responses are printed in bold.

We Welcome and Prepare

Aloha and Announcements

Prelude

Just A Closer Walk With Thee

Craig Curry

One: May the peace of Christ be with you.

Many: And also with you.

Leader: I invite you to greet one another in a sign of God's peace.

Gathering Song

Surely the Presence of the Lord

by Lanny Wolfe, 1977

Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place;
I can feel God's mighty power and God's 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.

Call to Worship

Robin: The Wild Goose calls us ever deeper into the wilderness,

Rick: Where we continue our journey to the heart of Love.

Lori: She wings her Wisdom over the barren land, whispering,

Kathy: "Follow me into the fertile void and learn to see from your heart."

Robin: The Wild Goose still beckons us to the center of our soul,

Rick: And we will follow, in faith, with our fear and trembling, and in the truth that God is with us all along the way.

Robin: We are still on our journey to the empty tomb. Let us keep walking the Asphalt Gospel together.

Hymn

Hope of the World

LYRICS: Edward Mote, 1834

TUNE: William Bradbury, 1863

Hope of the world, O Christ of great compassion:
speak to our fearful hearts by conflict rent;
save us, your people, from consuming passion,
who by our own false hopes and aims are spent.

Hope of the world, afoot on dusty highways,
showing to wandering souls the path of light:
walk now beside us lest the tempting byways
lure us away from you to endless night.

Hope of the world, O Christ, o'er death victorious,
who by this sign did conquer grief and pain:
we would be faithful to your gospel glorious;
you are our Lord, and you forever reign!

Gathering and Centering Prayer

Pastor Robin will lead us in a breath 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	<i>Dry Bones</i>	American Folk Song
A Time with Our Keiki		Martha-Lee Bohn
Sacred Texts	Ezekiel 37:1-14, Psalm 130	Bill Kepler

Ezekiel 37:1-14 New Revised Standard Version (NRSV)

37 The hand of the LORD came upon me, and he brought me out by the spirit of the LORD and set me down in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones. ²He led me all around them; there were very many lying in the valley, and they were very dry. ³He said to me, "Mortal, can these bones live?" I answered, "O Lord GOD, you know." ⁴Then he said to me, "Prophecy to these bones, and say to them: O dry bones, hear the word of the LORD. ⁵Thus says the Lord GOD to these bones: I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. ⁶I will lay sinews on you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin,

and put breath in you, and you shall live; and you shall know that I am the LORD.”

⁷ So I prophesied as I had been commanded; and as I prophesied, suddenly there was a noise, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. ⁸ I looked, and there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them; but there was no breath in them. ⁹ Then he said to me, “Prophesy to the breath, prophesy, mortal, and say to the breath: Thus says the Lord GOD: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live.” ¹⁰ I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood on their feet, a vast multitude.

¹¹ Then he said to me, “Mortal, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They say, ‘Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are cut off completely.’

¹² Therefore prophesy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord GOD: I am going to open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people; and I will bring you back to the land of Israel. ¹³ And you shall know that I am the LORD, when I open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people. ¹⁴ I will put my spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you on your own soil; then you shall know that I, the LORD, have spoken and will act, says the LORD.”

Psalm 130 New Revised Standard Version (NRSV)

¹ Out of the depths I cry to you, O LORD.

² Lord, hear my voice!

Let your ears be attentive
to the voice of my supplications!

³ If you, O LORD, should mark iniquities,
Lord, who could stand?

⁴ But there is forgiveness with you,
so that you may be revered.

⁵ I wait for the LORD, my soul waits,
and in his word I hope;

⁶ my soul waits for the Lord
more than those who watch for the morning,
more than those who watch for the morning.

Be still, my soul: the waves and winds still know
his voice who ruled them while he dwelt below.

Be still, my soul: the hour is hast'ning on
when we shall be forever with the Lord,
when disappointment, grief, and fear are gone,
sorrow forgot, love's purest joys restored.
Be still, my soul: when change and tears are past,
all safe and blessed we shall meet at last.

We Continue Living with Thanksgiving

Benediction

The Queen's Prayer by Queen Lili'uokalani

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

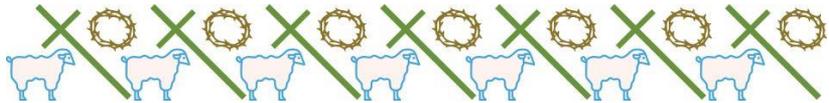
English translation:

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

Postlude

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

Craig Curry



ANNOUNCEMENTS

While our Church doors are closed for the first time in over 100 years due to the COVID-19 pandemic, our ministries are still open. Please continue to send your pledges via US Postal service until we can secure the proper digital giving support mechanism. Our mailing address is:

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Upcoming Events: From the safety of your home

- March 30 Stay healthy and safe at home
March 31 Worship Tech Team @10AM - Zoom
Core Worship Design Team @3PM - Zoom
April 1 Deacons @10AM - Zoom
Narcotics Anonymous, see: <https://na-hawaii.org>
April 2 Fellowship @1PM - Zoom
April 3 Alcoholics Anonymous, see: <https://aamaui.org>
April 4 Worship Tech Team run through @4PM - Zoom
April 5 10:20AM Log/Dial in to Zoom to join our Worship
10:30AM Worship – Palm Sunday with Communion
11:30AM Aloha Hour – stay in Zoom after Worship

