

# **Makawao Union Church**



## **Reign of Christ Thanksgiving Sunday**

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***Mahalo to the following for their talents and service:***

**To The Rev. Heather Mueller** for being our supply Pastor.  
**To Diana Dahl, Leah Tinkelman, Judy Anderson, Bill Kepler, Dave Williams, Jay Slaughter, and John Rowehl** for our music.  
**To Donna McCleary** for being our Usher today.  
**To Barbara LaMarca** and the **Deacons** for providing the lovely Thanksgiving Cornucopia today.  
**To Chis Kepler** and **Lewis Gamble** for being our hosts today.  
**To Judi Nakanelua** for being our reader today.  
**To Jay Slaughter** for our Stewardship Moment today.  
**To our Worship Tech and Design Team: David Fisher, Lewis Gamble, John Rowehl, Jay Slaughter, Chris Kepler and Bill Kepler.**

*Congregational responses are printed in bold*



## *We Welcome and Prepare*

Aloha and Announcements

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.

Prelude                      *Prelude on "Simple Gifts"*                      Richard White

### **Prayers to Gather Us In**

*Pastor Heather will lead us in a gathering prayer this morning.*

**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**

## For the Fruit of All Creation

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Fred Pratt Green, 1970

1 For the fruit of all cre - a - tion, thanks be to God.  
 2 In the just re - ward of la - bor, God's will is done.  
 3 For the har - vests of the Spir - it, thanks be to God.

For God's gifts to ev - ery na - tion, thanks be to God.  
 In the help we give our neigh - bor, God's will is done.  
 For the good we all in - her - it, thanks be to God.

For the plow - ing, sow - ing, reap - ing, si - lent growth while we are sleep - ing,  
 In our world - wide task of car - ing for the hun - gry and de - spair - ing,  
 For the won - ders that as - tound us, for the truths that still con - found us,

Fu - ture needs in earth's safe - keep - ing, thanks be to God.  
 In the har - vests we are shar - ing, God's will is done.  
 Most of all that love has found us, thanks be to God.

*This text was written in response to a request for a new harvest hymn for an existing tune. After its publication in England in 1970, it became popular in many countries and can be found in many various tunes.*

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Tune: AR HYD Y NOS 8.4.8.4.8.8.8.4.

Welsh traditional melody  
 Musical Relicks of the Welsh Bards, Dublin, 1784  
 Harm. L. O. Emerson, 1906

For another harmonization, see 82

# *We Listen*

Sacred Texts

Judi Nakanelua

## **Psalm 100 (New Revised Standard Version)**

- <sup>1</sup> Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth.  
<sup>2</sup> Worship the LORD with gladness;  
    come into his presence with singing.  
<sup>3</sup> Know that the LORD is God.  
    It is he that made us, and we are his;  
    we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.  
<sup>4</sup> Enter his gates with thanksgiving,  
    and his courts with praise.  
    Give thanks to him, bless his name.  
<sup>5</sup> For the LORD is good;  
    his steadfast love endures forever,  
    and his faithfulness to all generations.

## **Matthew 25:31-46 (New Revised Standard Version)**

<sup>31</sup> “When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. <sup>32</sup> All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, <sup>33</sup> and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. <sup>34</sup> Then the king will say to those at his right hand, ‘Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; <sup>35</sup> for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, <sup>36</sup> I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.’ <sup>37</sup> Then the righteous will answer him, ‘Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink?’ <sup>38</sup> And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing?’ <sup>39</sup> And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?’ <sup>40</sup> And the king will answer them, ‘Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me.’ <sup>41</sup> Then he will say to those at his left hand, ‘You that are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; <sup>42</sup> for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, <sup>43</sup> I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.’ <sup>44</sup> Then they also will answer, ‘Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not take care of you?’ <sup>45</sup> Then he will answer them, ‘Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.’ <sup>46</sup> And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life.”

**Message**

**“Who is Blessed”**

**Pastor Heather**

Anthem

*Sing to the Lord of Harvest*

Frederick Chatfield

Sing to the Lord of harvest,  
sing songs of love and praise;  
With joyful hearts and voices  
your alleluias raise;

By Him the rolling seasons  
in fruitful order move;  
Sing to the Lord of harvest  
a song of happy love.

By Him the clouds drop fatness,  
the deserts bloom and spring;  
The hills leap up in gladness,  
the valleys laugh and sing.

He filleth with His fulness  
all things with large increase;  
He crowns the year with goodness,  
with plenty, and with peace.

(Text by Rev. John S. B. Monsell)

*We Respond*

Centering into Our Communal Prayer

*Grateful for God's Blessings*

Terry Osman

Prayers for All That Has Been Shared

Stewardship Moment

Jay Slaughter

Hymn

*Take My Gifts*

(The New Century Hymnal #562)

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# Take My Gifts

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*Shirley Erena Murray, 1991*

1 Take my gifts and let me love you, God who first of all loved me,  
2 Take the fruit that I have gath - ered from the tree your Spir - it sowed,  
3 Take what - ev - er I can of - fer— gifts that I have yet to find,

gave me light and food and shel - ter, gave me life and set me free,  
har - vest of your own com - pas - sion, juice that makes the wine of God,  
skills that I am slow to sharp - en, tal - ents of the hand and mind,

now be - cause your love has touched me, I have love to give a - way,  
spiced with hu - mor, laced with laugh - ter— fla - vor of the Je - sus life,  
things made beau - ti - ful for oth - ers in the place where I must be:

now the bread of love is ris - ing, loaves of love to mul - ti - ply!  
tang of risk and new ad - ven - ture, taste and zest be - yond be - lief.  
take my gifts and let me love you, God who first of all loved me.

*Shirley Erena Murray recounted that Colin Gibson composed this tune for her stewardship text "almost instantaneously." Gibson has served as professor at the University of Otago, as well as organist and choir director in Dunedin, New Zealand.*

Tune: TALAVERA TERRACE 8.7.8.7.D.  
*Colin Gibson, 1991*  
Alternate tune: HOLY MANNA

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## *We Go Forth*

Benediction

The Queen's Prayer      Queen Lili'uokalani      # 580  
*'O kou aloha nō, Aia i ka lanī  
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      *Trumpet Tune in C*      Robert Lau

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ◆ **Annual Budget/Election Congregational Meeting is Today,** November 22nd and will be a hybrid, **virtual and in-person** meeting, immediately after worship.
- ◆ **Worship helpers** are needed for December! Let us know if you can assist with your time and talents as a Zoom Host, Usher, or Reader. Our Trustees are working on the training manual for hosting with our new improved sound system. Please email us if you can help: [makawaounion@gmail.com](mailto:makawaounion@gmail.com).
- ◆ **Please continue supporting MUC with your time, talents and treasures.**



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### Upcoming Events:

- Nov. 25            9AM – 2PM Secondhand Heaven  
Narcotics Anonymous, see <https://na-hawaii.org>
- Nov. 26            \*\* Thanksgiving Day \*\*
- Nov. 27?           Sanctuary Christmas decorating (details TBD)  
6:30PM Alcoholics Anonymous, Sanctuary
- Nov. 28            9AM – 2PM Secondhand Heaven
- Nov. 29            10:20AM Log/Dial in – Live or Zoom Worship  
10:30AM Worship – In-Person and Zoom

### End of the Year Planning Dates:

- November 22:** Thanksgiving Celebration Worship Service. Congregational Meeting immediately afterwards.
- November 22, 29, December 6, 13:** Stewardship Drive
- November 27 or 28:** Decorate Sanctuary for Christmas (TBD)
- November 29, December 6, 13, 20:** Advent Worship Sundays 1,2,3,4
- December 13:** Receive Pledges
- December 17:** Soup and Song Night
- December 20:** Advent 4, Christmas Celebration Worship Service
- December 24:** Candlelight Christmas Eve Service, 7:30 PM