

Makawao Union Church



Fifth Sunday of Easter

May 2, 2021



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

The Time of Preparation

Prelude *Through the Love of God, Our Savior* Trad. Welsh melody
arr. Tracey Craig McKibben

Welcome, Announcements, and Greetings

*Gathering Song *Part of the Family*

Come in, come in and sit down, you are a part of the family.
We are lost and we are found, and we are a part of the family.
There's life to be shared in the bread and the wine,
we are the branches, Christ is the vine.
This is God's temple, it's not yours or mine,
but we are a part of the family.

Come in, come in and sit down, you are a part of the family.
We are lost and we are found, and we are a part of the family.

*Call to Worship

The first church came together as people committed
to sharing their journeys with each other.

We too gather to share our journeys of faith.

We live in a world where all are encouraged to stand on their own.

We worship together in a celebration of our faith community.

With Christians of every time, we are People of the Way.

Come, let us share in the worship of God.

Mexican folk song

Transl. The New Century Hymnal, 1995



1 De co - lo - res, de co - lo - res se vis - ten los
 1 Sing of col - ors, sing of col - ors that o - ver the
 2 Sing, re - joic - ing! Ev - ery crea - ture that breathes raise a



cam - pos en la pri - ma - ve - ra. De co -
 hills in pro - fu - sion are spring - ing; Sing of
 song to the God of cre - a - tion. Sing, re -



lo - res, de co - lo - res son los pa - ja - ri - tos que vie - nen de a -
 col - ors of the birds that fly out - side my win - dow their can - ti - cles
 joic - ing! Sing to God who so ear - nest - ly cares, who has of - fered sal -



fue - ra. De co - lo - res, de co -
 sing - ing; Sing of col - ors, in the
 va - tion. Sing the good news! Sing the

lo - res es el ar - co i - ris que ve - mos sa - lir, Y por
rain - bow's bright col - ors God's prom - ise of hope we re - call; Sing of
love of the Sav - ior re - flect - ing the col - ors of all, Man - y

e - so los gran - des a - mo - res de mu - chos co - lo - res me gus - tan a
col - ors that make up the earth and give thanks to the God who cre - at - ed us
col - ors that shine from God's face, man - y col - ors that tell us God's love to re -

mí, Y por e - so los gran - des a - mo - res de mu - chos co -
all. Sing of col - ors that make up the earth and give thanks to the
call. Man - y col - ors that shine from God's face, man - y col - ors that

lo - res me gus - tan a mí.
God who cre - at - ed us all.
tell us God's love to re - call,

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

Come My Way, My Truth, My Life

Eugene Butler

Come, my Way, my Truth, my Life:
Such a way as gives us breath;
Such a truth as ends all strife,
Such a life as killeth death.

Come, my Light, my Feast, my Strength:
Such a light as shows a feast,
Such a feast as mends in length,
Such a strength as makes his guest.

Come, my Joy, my Love, my Heart:
Such a joy as none can move,
Such a love as none can part,
Such a heart as joys in love.

(George Herbert)

Scripture

Acts 8:26-40

Terry Rose

Psalms 22:25-31

Terry Rose

John 15:1-8

Jay Slaughter

1 John 4:7-21

Jay Slaughter

Sermon

Rev. B. David Williams

“The Problem of Loving in General”

We Respond with Thanksgiving

Prayers of the People

Giving Our Tithes and Offerings

Sacrament of Holy Communion

Christ's table is open to all. We ask you to hold your elements so that we all might partake of the bread and cup together.

Invitation

Communion Prayer

Sharing the Bread and the Cup

Prayer of Thanksgiving

We give thanks, O God, because in your own free gift of love you have reached out to us. You have refreshed us at your table, touched our deepest needs, and called to a life shared in memory and hope. Send us forth with courage and joy, that we, too, may become bread and wine and peace for one another and the world. Amen.

*Hymn

When In Our Music God Is Glorified

#561 (The New Century Hymnal)

(See Last Page)

We Go Forth

Benediction

The Queen's Prayer

Queen Lili'uokalani

580

'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 Is of God

Ernest Charles

Music used by permission under CCLI License #1618251
and One License #A-727799.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ◆ **Please continue supporting MUC with your time, talents and treasures.**

To make a donation please visit our website at www.makawaounionchurch.org and look for the **Donate** button at the bottom of the screen or you can send your donations via US Postal service to our mailing address:

Makawao Union Church
PO Box 790071
Paia, HI 96779

- ◆ **Secondhand Heaven** is open Wednesdays and Saturdays from 9AM to 2PM. Come see their gently used and new clothing, dishes, stemware, linen, books, limited furniture and so much more!
- ◆ **Sisterhood** will be on Friday, May 7th (Time TBD) and will be online in order for all our off-island sisters to be able to join us. Stay tuned for more details.
- ◆ **Men's Breakfast** will be on Saturday, May 8th at 8:30AM. Join us at the Kula Bistro – all men are welcome.

Mahalo to the following for their talents and service:

To The Rev. B. David Williams for being our supply Pastor.

To Richard & Terry Rose and Donna McCleary for serving as our Ushers today.

To Maggie Rogers for providing the Altar flowers.

To Terry Rose and Jay Slaughter for being our readers today.

To Judy Anderson, Bill Kepler, John Rowehl, Molly Schad, Jay Slaughter and Leah Tinkelman for our live music today.

To Lewis Gamble for being our Tech host today.

Upcoming Events:

May 5	9AM Secondhand Heaven, Community Hall
May 7	Time TBD Sisterhood, Zoom
	6:30PM Alcoholics Anonymous, Sanctuary

May 8 8:30AM Men’s Breakfast, Kula Bistro
9AM Secondhand Heaven, Community Hall
May 9 10:30AM Worship – In-Person or Zoom

Ministers: **The Whole Congregation**
Church Administrator: Shanna Robidoux
Church Office Hours: Mon – Fr: 9 am to 4 pm
Phone: (808) 579-9261
Email: makawaounion@gmail.com
Web page: www.makawaounionchurch.org
P. O. Box 790071 Paia, HI 96779



Acts 8:26-40 (New Revised Standard Version)

²⁶ Then an angel of the Lord said to Philip, “Get up and go toward the south to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza.” (This is a wilderness road.) ²⁷ So he got up and went. Now there was an Ethiopian eunuch, a court official of the Candace, queen of the Ethiopians, in charge of her entire treasury. He had come to Jerusalem to worship ²⁸ and was returning home; seated in his chariot, he was reading the prophet Isaiah. ²⁹ Then the Spirit said to Philip, “Go over to this chariot and join it.” ³⁰ So Philip ran up to it and heard him reading the prophet Isaiah. He asked, “Do you understand what you are reading?” ³¹ He replied, “How can I, unless someone guides me?” And he invited Philip to get in and sit beside him. ³² Now the passage of the scripture that he was reading was this: “Like a sheep he was led to the slaughter, and like a lamb silent before its shearer, so he does not open his mouth. ³³ In his humiliation justice was denied him. Who can describe his generation? For his life is taken away from the earth.” ³⁴ The eunuch asked Philip, “About whom, may I ask you, does the prophet say this, about himself or about someone else?” ³⁵ Then Philip began to speak, and starting with this scripture, he proclaimed to him the good news about Jesus. ³⁶ As they were going along the road, they came to some water; and the eunuch said, “Look,

here is water! What is to prevent me from being baptized?”³⁸ He commanded the chariot to stop, and both of them, Philip and the eunuch, went down into the water, and Philip baptized him.³⁹ When they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord snatched Philip away; the eunuch saw him no more, and went on his way rejoicing.⁴⁰ But Philip found himself at Azotus, and as he was passing through the region, he proclaimed the good news to all the towns until he came to Caesarea.

Psalm 22:25-31 (New Revised Standard Version)

²⁵ From you comes my praise in the great congregation; my vows I will pay before those who fear him.²⁶ The poor shall eat and be satisfied; those who seek him shall praise the LORD. May your hearts live forever!²⁷ All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the LORD; and all the families of the nations shall worship before him.²⁸ For dominion belongs to the LORD, and he rules over the nations.

²⁹ To him, indeed, shall all who sleep in the earth bow down; before him shall bow all who go down to the dust, and I shall live for him.³⁰ Posterity will serve him; future generations will be told about the Lord,³¹ and proclaim his deliverance to a people yet unborn, saying that he has done it.

John 15:1-8 (New Revised Standard Version)

15 “I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinegrower.² He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit.³ You have already been cleansed by the word that I have spoken to you.⁴ Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me.⁵ I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing.⁶ Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned.⁷ If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you.⁸ My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples.

1 John 4:7-21 (New Revised Standard Version)

⁷ Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God; everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. ⁸ Whoever does not love does not know God, for God is love. ⁹ God's love was revealed among us in this way: God sent his only Son into the world so that we might live through him. ¹⁰ In this is love, not that we loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. ¹¹ Beloved, since God loved us so much, we also ought to love one another. ¹² No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God lives in us, and his love is perfected in us. ¹³ By this we know that we abide in him and he in us, because he has given us of his Spirit. ¹⁴ And we have seen and do testify that the Father has sent his Son as the Savior of the world. ¹⁵ God abides in those who confess that Jesus is the Son of God, and they abide in God. ¹⁶ So we have known and believe the love that God has for us. God is love, and those who abide in love abide in God, and God abides in them. ¹⁷ Love has been perfected among us in this: that we may have boldness on the day of judgment, because as he is, so are we in this world. ¹⁸ There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear; for fear has to do with punishment, and whoever fears has not reached perfection in love. ¹⁹ We love because he first loved us. ²⁰ Those who say, "I love God," and hate their brothers or sisters, are liars; for those who do not love a brother or sister whom they have seen, cannot love God whom they have not seen. ²¹ The commandment we have from him is this: those who love God must love their brothers and sisters also.

2 Chron. 5:11-14

Fred Pratt Green, 1972

1 When in our mu - sic God is glo - ri - fied, and ad - o -
 2 How of - ten, mak - ing mu - sic, we have found a new di -
 3 So has the church, in lit - ur - gy and song, in faith and
 4 Let ev - ery in - stru - ment be tuned for praise! Let all re -

ra - tion leaves no room for pride, It is as though the whole cre -
 men - sion in the world of sound, As wor - ship moved us to a
 love, through cen - tu - ries of wrong, Borne wit - ness to the truth in
 joice who have a voice to raise! And may God give us faith to

a - tion cried: Al - le - lu - ia!
 more pro - found Al - le - lu - ia!
 ev - ery tongue: Al - le - lu - ia!
 sing al - ways: Al - le - lu - ia!

The musical score consists of a vocal line and a piano accompaniment. The key signature is one sharp (F#), and the time signature is 4/4. The score is divided into four systems. The first system contains the first four lines of lyrics. The second system contains the next four lines. The third system contains the final lines of lyrics, including a chorus of 'Alleluia'. The piano accompaniment features a steady bass line and a more active treble line with chords and melodic fragments.