

Makawao Union Church



Second Sunday after Christmas

January 2, 2022

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

The Time of Preparation

Prelude *Now the Green Blade Riseth* Marianne Kim

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 your 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

Darkness is banished!
God's light has come to us!
The brightness of the Star leads us!
We come to celebrate God's abiding love!
Glory to God in the Highest!
And on earth, peace forever.

*Hymn *Of the Parent's Heart Begotten*
#118 (The New Century Hymnal)

(See pages 9-10)

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

God Rest Ye Merry, Gentlemen

arr. Georgiann Toole

God rest ye merry, gentlemen, let nothing you dismay,
Remember Christ our Savior was born on Christmas Day,
to save us all from Satan's power when we were gone astray;

Oh, tidings of comfort and joy, comfort and joy,
Oh, tidings of comfort and joy!

From God that is our maker the blessed angels came,
Unto some certain shepherds with tidings of the same,
That there was born in Bethlehem the son of God by name;

Now to the Lord sing praises, all you within this place,
And with true love and harmony each other now embrace.
The merry time of Christmas is drawing on apace;

Scripture

Martha-Lee Bohn

Jeremiah 31:7-14 (New Revised Standard Version)

⁷For thus says the LORD: Sing aloud with gladness for Jacob, and raise shouts for the chief of the nations; proclaim, give praise, and say, "Save, O LORD, your people, the remnant of Israel." ⁸See, I am going to bring them from the land of the north, and gather them from the farthest parts of the earth, among them the blind and the lame,

those with child and those in labor, together; a great company, they shall return here. ⁹ With weeping they shall come, and with consolations I will lead them back, I will let them walk by brooks of water, in a straight path in which they shall not stumble; for I have become a father to Israel, and Ephraim is my firstborn. ¹⁰ Hear the word of the LORD, O nations, and declare it in the coastlands far away; say, “He who scattered Israel will gather him, and will keep him as a shepherd a flock.” ¹¹ For the LORD has ransomed Jacob, and has redeemed him from hands too strong for him. ¹² They shall come and sing aloud on the height of Zion, and they shall be radiant over the goodness of the LORD, over the grain, the wine, and the oil, and over the young of the flock and the herd; their life shall become like a watered garden, and they shall never languish again. ¹³ Then shall the young women rejoice in the dance, and the young men and the old shall be merry. I will turn their mourning into joy, I will comfort them, and give them gladness for sorrow. ¹⁴ I will give the priests their fill of fatness, and my people shall be satisfied with my bounty, says the LORD.

Matthew 2:1-12 (New Revised Standard Version)

2 In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, ² asking, “Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews? For we observed his star at its rising, and have come to pay him homage.” ³ When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him; ⁴ and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born. ⁵ They told him, “In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it has been written by the prophet: ⁶ ‘And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for from you shall come a ruler who is to shepherd my people Israel.’” ⁷ Then Herod secretly called for the wise men and learned from them the exact time when the star had appeared. ⁸ Then he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, “Go and search diligently for the child; and when you have found him, bring me word so that I may also go and pay him homage.” ⁹ When they had heard the king, they set out; and there, ahead of them, went the star that they had seen at its rising, until it stopped over the place where the child was. ¹⁰ When they saw that the star had stopped, they were

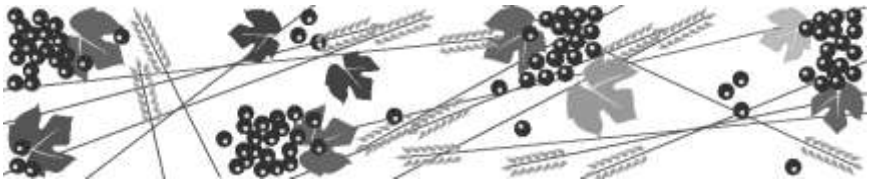
overwhelmed with joy. ¹¹ On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. ¹² And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they left for their own country by another road.

Sermon “Prayers....Angels and dreams” **Rev. Heather Mueller**

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 (unison)

We give thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us at your table by granting us the presence of Jesus Christ. Strengthen our faith, increase our love for one another, and send us forth into the world in courage and peace, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

*Hymn

As With Gladness Those of Old

#159 (The New Century Hymnal)

As with Gladness Those of Old

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William C. Dix, 1861; alt.

Mat. 2:1-12

1 As with glad-ness those of old did the guid-ing star be-hold;
2 As with joy-ful steps they sped to that low-ly man-ger bed,
3 As they of-fered gifts most rare at that man-ger plain and bare,
4 Ho-ly Je-sus, ev-ery day keep us in the nar-row way;

As with joy they hailed its light, lead-ing on-ward, beam-ing bright;
There to bend the knee be-fore One whom heaven and earth a-dore;
So may we with ho-ly joy, pure and free from sin's al-loy,
And when mor-tal things are past, bring our ran-somed souls at last

So, true Morn-ing Star, may we ev-er-more your splen-dor see.
So may we with will-ing feet ev-er seek your mer-cy seat.
All our cost-liest trea-sures bring, Christ, to you from whom they spring.
Where they need no star to guide, where no clouds your glo-ry hide.

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.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

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- ◆ **Please** stay after church today to help take down the Christmas decorations. Many hands make light work! Mahalo.
- ◆ **Men’s Breakfast** will be Saturday, January 8th at 8:30AM at the Pukalani Golf Course. All men are welcome!
- ◆ **Secondhand Heaven** will reopen on Saturday, January 8th from 9AM to 2PM. Stop in and see all the many new items! They will be open on Wednesdays and Saturdays from 9AM to 2PM.

Mahalo to the following for their talents and service:

To The Rev. Heather Mueller for being our supply Pastor.
To The Deacons for being our Greeters today.
To The Deacons for providing the Altar flowers.
To Martha-Lee Bohn for being our reader today.
To Judy Anderson, Dan Hays, Kirsten Hays, Bill Kepler, Jay Slaughter and Leah Tinkelman for our live music today.
To Peter Kim and Martha-Lee Bohn for being our Tech hosts.

Upcoming Events:

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| Jan 07 | Noon | Facilities Use Committee Mtg, SSR |
| | 6:30PM | Alcoholics Anonymous, Sanctuary |
| Jan 08 | 8:30AM | Men's Breakfast, Pukalani Golf Course |
| | 9:00AM | Secondhand Heaven, Community Hall |
| Jan 09 | 9:00AM | Choir Rehearsal |
| | 10:30AM | Worship |
| Jan 11 | 1:00PM | Deacons Meeting, Rose residence |
| Jan 12 | 9:00AM | Secondhand Heaven, Community Hall |
| Jan 14 | 6:30PM | Alcoholics Anonymous, Sanctuary |
| Jan 15 | 9:00AM | Secondhand Heaven, Community Hall |
| Jan 16 | 9:00AM | Choir Rehearsal |
| | 10:30AM | Worship |
| Jan 19 | 9:00AM | Secondhand Heaven, Community Hall |
| Jan 20 | 4:00PM | Council Meeting, Sunday School Room |
| Jan 21 | 6:30PM | Alcoholics Anonymous, Sanctuary |
| Jan 22 | 9:00AM | Secondhand Heaven, Community Hall |
| Jan 23 | 9:00AM | Choir Rehearsal |
| | 10:30AM | Worship |
| Jan 26 | 9:00AM | Secondhand Heaven, Community Hall |
| Jan 28 | 6:30PM | Alcoholics Anonymous, Sanctuary |
| Jan 29 | 9:00AM | Secondhand Heaven, Community Hall |
| Jan 30 | 9:00AM | Choir Rehearsal |
| | 10:30AM | Worship |

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Marcus Aurelius Clemens Prudentius (348-413)
 Transl. The New Century Hymnal, 1993

Col. 1:15-17; John 1:1-5, 14

1 Of the Par - ent's heart be - got - ten when the worlds were yet to be,
 2 By this Word was all cre - a - ted, by this Word were all things done:
 3 Bless - ed dawn - ing of sal - va - tion as the Word is breathed in grace
 4 Now be - hold the One whom proph - ets have fore - told for a - ges long
 5 Depths and heights break forth in sing - ing, an - gels, saints make mel - o - dy,

One there was with no be - gin - ning, One who is e - ter - nal - ly—
 Land and air and deep - est o - cean, har - mo - ny of three in one,
 In - to earth - ly flesh re - ceiv - ing— God in - car - nate tak - ing place;
 On the faith - ful page of scrip - ture, seers and sag - es in their song;
 All do - min - ions, ev - ery power sing, make new psalms of ec - sta - sy,

Source and End - ing of all things that have been,
 And all grow - ing in the lu - - - mi - nance
 Now the light of God re - vealed
 Now the Prom - ised One shines forth!
 Let no heart re - frain from prais - - - ing God,



and all things that are to be, for - ev - er and for - ev - er.
shed forth from the moon and sun, for - ev - er and for - ev - er.
through the Child of hu - man face, for - ev - er and for - ev - er.
Let all earth its praise pro-long for - ev - er and for - ev - er.
cel - e - brate in har - mo - ny, for - ev - er and for - ev - er.

