

Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

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Church of the Holy Nativity, Honolulu, HI

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We welcome everyone to our on-line worship together today! We are glad to see you!

The Prelude and Procession of Crosses

Lorraine Yamamoto, Organ; Alexander Domecki, Senior Acolyte

“Praludium” by Karl August Kern

The Liturgy of the Word

Opening Acclamation

The people stand in body or in spirit as the Officiant says

Officiant: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People: And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

The Officiant says

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Hymn of Praise: Hymn #400 "All Creatures of our God and King"

The congregation is welcome to join Amie Lawyer in singing this hymn from home.

All creatures of our God and King, lift up your voices, let us
Sing: Alleluia, alleluia! Bright burning
Sun with golden beams, pale silver moon that gently gleams
O praise him, O praise him, Alleluia
Alleluia, alleluia!

Great rushing winds and breezes soft, you clouds that ride the heavens aloft,
Loft, O praise him, Alleluia! Fair rising
Morn, with praise rejoice, stars nightly shining, find a voice,
O praise him, O praise him, Alleluia
Alleluia, alleluia!

Swift flowing water, pure and clear, make music for your Lord to
Hear, Alleluia, alleluia! Fire, so intense
And fiercely bright, you give to us both warmth and light,
O praise him, O praise him, Alleluia
Alleluia, alleluia!

Dear mother earth, you day by day unfold your blessings on our
Way, O praise him, Alleluia! All flowers and
Fruits that in you grow, let them his glory also show:
O praise him, O praise him, Alleluia
Alleluia, alleluia!

Let all things their creator bless, and worship him in humbleness,
O praise him, Alleluia! Praise God the
Father, praise the Son, and praise the Spirit, Three in One:
O praise him, O praise him, Alleluia
Alleluia, alleluia!

The Collect of the Day

Officiant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Officiant Let us pray.

Most high, omnipotent, good Lord, grant your people grace to renounce gladly the vanities of the world; that, following the way of blessed Francis, we may for love of you delight in your whole creation with perfectness of joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

The Lessons

The people are seated for the readings of the day.

First Reading: Jeremiah 22: 13-16

Then God spoke all these words:

Woe to him who builds his house by unrighteousness, and his upper rooms by injustice; who makes his neighbours work for nothing, and does not give them their wages; ¹⁴ who says, 'I will build myself a spacious house with large upper rooms', and who cuts out windows for it, panelling it with cedar, and painting it with vermilion. ¹⁵ Are you a king because you compete in cedar? Did not your father eat and drink and do justice and righteousness? Then it was well with him. ¹⁶ He judged the cause of the poor and needy; then it was well. Is not this to know me? says the Lord.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 148: 7-14

The congregation will join the reader in unison.

7 Praise the LORD from the earth, *
you sea-monsters and all deeps;

8 Fire and hail, snow and fog, *

- tempestuous wind, doing his will;
- 9 Mountains and all hills, *
fruit trees and all cedars;
- 10 Wild beasts and all cattle, *
creeping things and wingèd birds;
- 11 Kings of the earth and all peoples, *
princes and all rulers of the world;
- 12 Young men and maidens, *
old and young together.
- 13 Let them praise the Name of the LORD, *
for his Name only is exalted,
his splendor is over earth and heaven.
- 14 He has raised up strength for his people
and praise for all his loyal servants, *
the children of Israel, a people who are near him.
Hallelujah!

The Gospel

Then, all standing, the Deacon will read the Gospel

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Matthew.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Matthew 6: 25-33

“Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink,^{*} or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? ²⁶Look at the birds of the air; they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? ²⁷And can any of you by worrying add a single hour to your span of life?^{*} ²⁸And why do you worry about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they neither toil nor spin, ²⁹yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these. ³⁰But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you—you of little faith? ³¹Therefore do not worry, saying, “What will we eat?” or “What will we drink?” or “What will we wear?” ³²For it is the Gentiles who strive for all these things; and indeed your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. ³³But strive first for the kingdom of God^{*} and his^{*} righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.

After the Gospel, the Deacon says The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

The Rev. Libby Berman

The Nicene Creed

ICET 1988 Text

The Officiant begins. The people join in.

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,
begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven,

was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary, and became truly human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;

he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified.

who has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Prayers of the People: Form VI

The Leader and People pray responsively

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence

For all people in their daily life and work;

For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

For this community, the nation, and the world;

For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For the just and proper use of your creation;
For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;
For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;
For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

For Michael, our Presiding Bishop, and Robert, our Bishop; and for all
bishops and other ministers;
For all who serve God in the Church.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation. We pray for those on our parish prayer list.
We also pray also for those who have the Corona virus, for caregivers, and for those who are
working toward a vaccine. We pray for those experiencing unemployment or underemployment.

Silence

The People may add their own petitions

Hear us, Lord;
For your mercy is great.

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

Silence

The People may add their own thanksgivings

We will exalt you, O God our King;
And praise your Name for ever and ever.

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom. We continue to
pray for those who have died from senseless violence around the world.

Silence

The People may add their own petitions

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;
Who put their trust in you.

Today, as we come into election season in our nation, state, and city, we offer prayers for “Sound
Government” from our “Book of Common Prayer”:

O Lord our Governor, bless the leaders of our land, that we may be a people at peace among
ourselves and a blessing to other nations of the earth.

To the President and members of the Cabinet, to Governors of States, Mayors of Cities, and to all in administrative authority, grant wisdom and grace in the exercise of their duties.

To Senators and Representatives, and those who make our laws in States, Cities, and Towns, give courage, wisdom, and foresight to provide for the needs of all our people, and to fulfill our obligations in the community of nations.

To the Judges and officers of our Courts give understanding and integrity, that human rights may be safeguarded and justice served.

And finally, teach our people to rely on your strength and to accept their responsibilities to their fellow citizens, that they may elect trustworthy leaders and make wise decisions for the well-being of our society; that we may serve you faithfully in our generation and honor your holy Name.

The officiant continues:

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept

Officiant and People together

Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father,
In your compassion forgive us our sins,
Known and known,
Things done and left undone;
And so uphold us by your Spirit
That we may live and serve you in newness of life,
To the honor and glory of your Name;
Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Priest says

Almighty God, have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit, keep you in eternal life. Amen.

The Peace

The Officiant offers the greeting of peace to the congregation. Members of the congregation are welcome to wave, bow, offer shakas, or take other joyful actions of greeting!

Officiant: The peace of the Lord be always with you!

People: And also with you!



The Offertory Sentence

Officiant: Let us with gladness present the offerings and oblations of our life and labor to the Lord.

The Offertory Anthem: “Light a candle for peace”

Composed by Shelley Murley; played and sung by Amie Lawyer

REFRAIN: Light a candle for peace

Light a candle for love

Light a candle that shines

All the way 'round the world

Light a candle for me

Light a candle for you

That our wish for world peace

Will one day come true. (Sing 2X)

Sing peace around the world,

Sing peace around the world,

Sing peace around the world,

Sing peace around the world.

REFRAIN (1x more)

The Hawaiian Doxology *(Hymn #380 in the 1982 Hymnal)*

The choir will lead this hymn. The congregation may join in quietly.

Ho'o - na-ni i ka Ma-ku-a,
Ke Kei-ki me ka 'U-ha-ne no,

Ke-A-ku-a mau Ho-'o-mai-ka-'i pu
Ko kei-ia ao, ko ke-la ao. A-me-ne.



The Lord's Prayer

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

People and Officiant

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 trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.

The St. Francis Prayer

Today, we remember and pray the prayer of St. Francis of Assisi, Italy:

Lord, make us instruments of your peace. Where there is hatred, let us sow love; where there is injury, pardon; where there is discord, union; where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light; where there is sadness, joy. Grant that we may not so much seek to be consoled as to console; to be understood as to understand; to be loved as to love. For it is in giving that we receive; it is in pardoning that we are pardoned; and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life. *Amen.*

The Announcements

The Blessing of the Animals

The Rev. Libby Berman

Please bring forward the animals you are taking care of for God, and your pictures and drawings of animals, too!

The Dismissal

Deacon Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit!

People Thanks be to God!

The Postlude

Lorraine Yamamoto, Organ

“Lobe den Herren” by Max Reger

At the conclusion of the service, we welcome you to join us for our “virtual coffee hour.”

JOIN US AGAIN ONLINE NEXT SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18 AT 9AM

(Our prayers continue for our tech team and consultants, as we hope and pray to return to concurrent in-person + online worship sometime in November.)

Ministry Team for Today’s Service: thank you!

Officiant and preacher: The Rev. Libby Berman

Deacon: The Rev. Bob Steele

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