



The Vineyard Laborers
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EUCCHARIST

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Hālau Wa ‘a Episcopal – Honouliuli
West O’ahu Diocesan Land
Kapolei, Hawai’i

Celebrant: The Rev. Gregory Johnson

Oli Aloha

Onaona i ka hala me ka lehua	<i>Fragrant with the breath of hala and lehua</i>
He hale lehua no ia na ka noe	<i>This is the sight I long to see</i>
O ka `u no ia e `ano `i nei	<i>Of this, my present desire</i>
E lia `a nei ho `i o ka hiki mai	<i>Your coming fills me with eagerness</i>
A hiki mai no `oe	<i>Now that you have come</i>
Hiki pu no me ke aloha	<i>Loves comes with you</i>
Aloha e, aloha e	<i>Greetings, greetings</i>

Opening Hymn: That where I am there you may also be

In my Father's house there are many, many rooms (2x)
And I'm going up there now to prepare a place for you
That where I am, there you may also be

If I go prepare a place for you, I will come back again (2x)
And you know I am the Way, the Truth, the Life, keep my command
That where I am, there you may also be

CHORUS That where I am, there you may also be
 Up where the truth, the truth will set you free
 In the world you will have trouble, but I leave you my peace
 That where I am, there you may also be

Remember you did not choose me, no I have chosen you (2x)
The world will show you hatred, the Spirit show you truth
That where I am, there you may also be... and

I've come down from the Father, it's time for me to go back up (2x)
One command I leave you: Love as I have loved
That where I am, there you may also be CHORUS (2X)

The people standing, the Celebrant says

Blessed be God: father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

*People **And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.***

The people standing, the Celebrant 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.**

Gloria: Ekolu

Ekolu me nui maka honua,	<i>Three important things in the world,</i>
O kamana'oi'o, kamana'olana,	<i>Faith, hope, and aloha,</i>
a me kealoha. Kealoha kai oi a'e,	<i>Aloha is the best,</i>
Pomaika'i na mea apau,	<i>And everything is blessed,</i>
Pomaika'i na mea apau.	<i>And everything is blessed.</i>

(2X)

E na makua, na keiki,	<i>O parents, children,</i>
Na mamoa luna me Epelaima.	<i>Descendants of Judah and Ephraim,</i>
E pa'a kamana'o i ka pono i oi ae	<i>Think always that righteousness is best,</i>
Pomaika'i na mea apau,	<i>And everything is blessed,</i>
Pomaika'i na mea apau,	<i>And everything is blessed.</i>

(2X)

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant E pule kā kou. (*Let us pray.*)

The Collect of the Day

Grant us, Lord, not to be anxious about earthly things, but to love things heavenly; and even now, while we are placed among things that are passing away, to hold fast to those that shall endure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The First Lesson: Jonah 3:10 – 4:11

Erik Untalan

The people sit. The Reader first saying:

A Reading from the Prophet Jonah.

When God saw what the people of Nineveh did, how they turned from their evil ways, God changed his mind about the calamity that he had said he would bring upon them; and he did not do it.

But this was very displeasing to Jonah, and he became angry. He prayed to the LORD and said, “O LORD! Is not this what I said while I was still in my own country? That is why I fled to Tarshish at the beginning; for I knew that you are a gracious God and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love, and ready to relent from punishing. And now, O LORD, please take my life from me, for it is better for me to die than to live.” And the LORD said, “Is it right for you to be angry?” Then Jonah went out of the city and sat down east of the city, and made a booth for himself there. He sat under it in the shade, waiting to see what would become of the city.

The LORD God appointed a bush, and made it come up over Jonah, to give shade over his head, to save him from his discomfort; so Jonah was very happy about the bush. But when dawn came up the next day, God appointed a worm that attacked the bush, so that it withered. When the sun rose, God prepared a sultry east wind, and the sun beat down on the head of Jonah so that he was faint and asked that he might die. He said, “It is better for me to die than to live.”

But God said to Jonah, “Is it right for you to be angry about the bush?” And he said, “Yes, angry enough to die.” Then the LORD said, “You are concerned about the bush, for which you did not labor and which you did not grow; it came into being in a night and perished in a night. And should I not be concerned about Nineveh, that great city, in which there are more than a hundred and twenty thousand persons who do not know their right hand from their left, and also many animals?”

The Word of the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.

The Psalm (Psalm 145:1-8; *Exaltabo te, Deus*) Erik Untalan
The Reader first saying

Let us read Psalm 145 responsively, breaking at the asterisk.

- 1 I will exalt you, O God my King, *
 and bless your Name for ever and ever.
- 2 Every day will I bless you *
 and praise your Name for ever and ever.
- 3 Great is the LORD and greatly to be praised; *
 there is no end to his greatness.
- 4 One generation shall praise your works to another *
 and shall declare your power.
- 5 I will ponder the glorious splendor of your majesty *
 and all your marvelous works.
- 6 They shall speak of the might of your wondrous acts, *
 and I will tell of your greatness.
- 7 They shall publish the remembrance of your great
 goodness; *
 they shall sing of your righteous deeds.
- 8 The LORD is gracious and full of compassion, *
 slow to anger and of great kindness.

The Epistle (Philippians 1:21-30) John Paul Edwards
The Reader first saying

A Reading from Paul's Letter to the Philippians.

To me, living is Christ and dying is gain. If I am to live in the flesh, that means fruitful labor for me; and I do not know which I prefer. I am hard pressed between the two: my desire is to depart and be with Christ, for that is far better; but to remain in the flesh is more necessary for you. Since I am convinced of this, I know that I will remain and continue with all of you for your progress and joy in faith, so that I may share abundantly in your boasting in Christ Jesus when I come to you again.

Only, live your life in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that, whether I come and see you or am absent and hear about you, I will know that you are standing firm in one spirit, striving side by side with one mind for the faith of the gospel, and are in no way intimidated by your opponents. For them this is evidence of their destruction, but of your salvation. And this is God's doing. For he has graciously granted you the privilege not only of believing in Christ, but of suffering for him as well~ since you are having the same struggle that you saw I had and now hear that I still have.

The Word of the Lord. *People* Thanks be to God.

Gospel Hymn: Let Em In

CHORUS (2X)

Someone's knockin' at the door, Somebody's ringin' the bell (2x)
Do me a favor, Open the door and let 'em in

Yeah, let 'em in

VERSE 1 (2X)

Sister Suzie, Brother John, Martin Luther, Phil and Don
Brother Michael, Auntie Gin, Open the door and let 'em in, yeah

CHORUS (2X)

Sister Suzie, Brother John, Martin Luther, Phil and Don
Uncle Ernie, Uncle Lin Open the door and let 'em in, yeah

CHORUS (2X)

yeah, yeah, yeah, yeah, yeah

The Gospel: Matthew 20:1-16

Then, all standing, the Deacon or a Priest reads the Gospel, first saying

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

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus said, "The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard. After agreeing with the laborers for the usual daily wage, he sent them into his vineyard. When he went out about nine o'clock, he saw others standing idle in the marketplace; and he said to them, 'You also go into the vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right.' So they went. When he went out again about noon and about three o'clock, he did the same. And about five o'clock he went out and found others standing around; and he said to them, 'Why are you standing here idle all day?' They said to him, 'Because no one has hired us.' He said to them, 'You also go into the vineyard.' When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his manager, 'Call the laborers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and then going to the first.' When those hired about five o'clock came, each of them received the usual daily wage. Now when the first came, they thought they would receive more; but each of them also received the usual daily wage. And when they received it, they grumbled against the landowner, saying, 'These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.' But he replied to one of them, 'Friend, I am doing you no wrong; did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage? Take what belongs to you and go; I choose to give to this last the same as I give to you. Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or are you envious because I am generous?' So the last will be first, and the first will be last." The Gospel of the Lord. *People* **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The Sermon

Rev. Gregory Johnson

The Nicene Creed

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.*

Prayers of the People

Kamuela Abe

In peace, let us pray to the Lord, saying, E ka Haku, e aloha mai (“*Lord, have mercy*”). For the holy Church of God, that it may be filled with truth and love, and be found without fault at the day of your coming, we pray to you, O Lord.

Here and after every petition the *People respond* **E ka Haku, e aloha mai.**

For Michael our Presiding Bishop, for Robert our own Bishop, for all bishops and other ministers, and for all the holy people of God, we pray to you, O Lord.

People **E ka Haku, e aloha mai.**

For all who love God and believe in you, Lord Christ, that our divisions may cease, and that all may be one as you and the Father are one, we pray to you, O Lord.

People **E ka Haku, e aloha mai.**

For the mission of the Church, that in faithful witness it may preach the Gospel to the ends of the earth, we pray to you, O Lord. *People* **E ka Haku, e aloha mai.**

For the peace of the world, that a spirit of respect and forbearance may grow among nations and peoples, we pray to you, O Lord.

People **E ka Haku, e aloha mai.**

For those in positions of public trust, that they may serve the people they are entrusted with, with justice and peace, and promote the dignity and freedom for all, we pray to you, O Lord. *People E ka Haku, e aloha mai.*

For the poor, the persecuted, the sick _____, and all who suffer; for refugees, prisoners, for those who are deployed, for those traveling _____ and all who are in danger; that they may be relieved and protected, we pray to you, O Lord. *People E ka Haku, e aloha mai.*

For this congregation, that we may be delivered from hardness of heart, and show forth your glory in all that we do, we pray to you, O Lord. *People E ka Haku, e aloha mai.*

For all who have commended themselves to our prayers; for those who are in discernment for ministry –Erik and Philip, for those celebrating life events ____, for our friends, and neighbors; that being freed from anxiety, they may live in joy, peace, and health, we pray to you, O Lord. *People E ka Haku, e aloha mai.*

For all who have died in the communion of your Church _____ and those whose faith is known to you alone, that, with all the saints, they may have rest in that place where there is no pain or grief, but life eternal, we pray to you, O Lord. *People E ka Haku, e aloha mai.*

Rejoicing in the fellowship of the ever-blessed Virgin Mary and St. Joseph, King Kamehameha IV and Queen Emma, Queen Lili‘uokalani, Mother Marianne of Moloka‘i, and Father Damien, and all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life to Christ our God.

People Ho'omaika'i iā, e ka Haku. (Praise to you, O Lord.)

The Celebrant adds the following concluding Scripture verse from 1 Tim. 1:17.

I ke Ali'i mua loa, make'ole,	To the King of ages, immortal,
'ike maka 'ole 'ia,	invisible,
ke Akua akamai o'okahi wale nō,	the only God,
ka mahalo, a me ka ho'onani 'ia,	be honor and glory, forever
a mau loa aku.	and ever.
'Āmene.	Amen.

Prayer for Restoration

Celebrant : Recognizing that we all have a part in the hurts done to each other and to the whole creation, we acknowledge our own failings, ask forgiveness, and pray for a new start.

Together

Fount of all mercy, we acknowledge that we have strayed from your way. We ask that you restore us when we lose the way of oneness with you and your creation. Be with us as we wander in that lonely wilderness, strengthen as we return, renew us in the awareness of your ever-present love, and return us to your ways of love, compassion, and service.

Celebrant

By the power of the one great love, your errors are forgiven. May you be made whole and brought anew into the peace of God. ***Amen.***

The Queen's Prayer

'O kou a-lo-ha nō	<i>Your loving mercy</i>
A'i'a i ka lani	<i>Is as high as Heaven</i>
A 'o Kou 'ola 'i 'o	<i>And your truth</i>
He hemolele ho'i	<i>So perfect</i>
Ko'u noho mihi 'ana	<i>I live in sorrow</i>
A pa'a hoa 'ia	<i>Imprisoned</i>
'O 'oe ku 'u lama	<i>You are my light</i>
Kou nani ko'u ko'o	<i>Your glory, my support</i>
Mai nānā 'ino'ino	<i>Behold not with malevolence</i>
Nā hewa o kānaka	<i>The sins of man</i>
Akā e huikala	<i>But forgive</i>
A ma'e ma'e nō	<i>And cleanse</i>

Your loving mercy, Is as high as Heaven, And your truth, So perfect
I live in sorrow, Imprisoned, You are my light, Your glory, my support
Behold not with malevolence, The sins of man, But forgive, And cleanse
And so, o Lord , Protect us beneath your wings, And let peace be our portion,
Now and forever more

No lai la e ka Haku
Ma Lalo o kou 'ēheu
Kō mākoou maluhia
A mau loa a-ku nō
Āmene.

And so, o Lord
Protect us beneath your wings
And let peace be our portion
Now and forever more
Amen.

The Peace

Celebrant : The peace of God be always with you.

People **And also with you.**



Special Prayers and Thanksgivings

Little Canoe Time: Special offerings QR CODE to get to Tithe.ly
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Offertory Hymn: Come just as you are

Come just as you are, Hear the spirit call, Come just as you are,
Come and see, Come receive, Come and live forever (REPEAT)

CHORUS Life Everlasting, Strength for today, Taste the living water
And never thirst again

Come and see, Come receive, Come and live forever CHORUS (2X)

Come just as you are, Don't you hear the spirit call? Come just as you are
Come and see, Christ My King, Come and live forever more

Doxology: Ho'o nani i ka ma kua mau

Ho'onani i ka Makua Mau,
Ke Keiki me ka 'Uhane nō,
Ke Akua Mau ho'omaika'i pū,
Kō kēia ao, kō kēla ao. Āmene.

The Eucharist

The Celebrant, faces them and sings or says

God is with us!

People **We are with God!**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Source.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to our Creator God.

People **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

Then the Celebrant proceeds

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. For you are the source of light and life, you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Celebrant and people together:

From before time you made ready the creation. Your Spirit moved over the deep and brought all things into being: sun, moon, and stars; earth, winds, and waters; rock, fire, and every living thing. You made us creators in your image and taught us to walk in your ways. But we rebelled against you, wandered far away, and used your gifts for evil. And yet, as a mother cares for her children, you would not forget us. Time and again you called us to live in your light and the fullness of your love. So this day we join with all the Earth and heavens in a chorus of praise that rings through eternity, lifting our voices to magnify you as we say: Holy, Holy, Holy God, Source of light and life. Earth and the heavens are filled with your love. Blessed is the one who comes in the name of God. Hosanna in the highest.

Then the Celebrant continues

Holy of Holies, remembering our oneness with all that exists and all that has life, it is a joyful thing to be in your presence with each other, with this land, and with all creation.

Celebrant and people

It is a miracle that we and this whole world are here, made by the Light of all lights, formed from stars that lived, died, and poured forth the elements – hydrogen, oxygen, carbon, iron, gold, and more. Born of the sea and walking on earth, we are miracles, shaped by the forces of life, kin with all beings. This meal of abundance we are about to share is also a miracle – a gift of earth,

water, wind, and fire, and of seeds buried in the earth and cracked open. This bread and this wine, with their many meanings, are gifts of life to the living.

Celebrant

For followers of Jesus, these gifts assume particular meaning. Living among us, Jesus went alone upon the mountain to pray. He loved us, broke bread with outcasts and sinners, healed the sick, and proclaimed good news to the poor. He yearned to draw all the world into the heart of God – but we have not heeded his call to walk in love.

When the time came to complete the offering of his life upon the cross, Jesus was eating supper with his friends. He took bread, gave thanks to you, O God, broke it, offered it to his friends, and said: “Take, eat: This is my Body, offered to heal you and the whole world. Whenever you eat it, remember this.”

As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine. Again he gave thanks to you, offered it to his friends, and said: “Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new covenant – a promise of eternal love poured out for you and for all beings. Whenever you drink it, remember this.”

Celebrant and people

Now gathered at your table, remembering that we are one with you and with all creation, we offer to you from your own Earth these gifts of the land, this bread and wine, and our own bodies – our own living sacrifice. Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ.

Fill us with your Breath, O God, opening our eyes and renewing us in your love. Send your Spirit over this land and over the whole Earth, making everything a new creation.

In the fullness of time bring us, with this good Earth and with all your creatures from every people and tribe and faith and language and nation and species, to feast at the banquet prepared from the foundation of the world.

Celebrant

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all light and life and love are yours, now and forever. *Amen.*

Now together let us pray The Lord's Prayer:

People:

Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name,
thy Kingdome 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,
forever and ever.

Amen.

Mele Kauanui:

E ko mākou Makua i loko o ka lani,
E ho'āno 'ia kou inoa. E hiki mai
kou aupuni; E mālama 'ia kou
makemake ma ka honua nei, E like
me ia i mālama 'ia ma ka lani lā.

E hā'awi mai iā mākou i kēia lā, i 'ai
na mākou no neia lā. E kala mai
ho'i iā mākou, i kā mākou lawehala
'ana, Me mākou e kala nei i ka po'e i
lawehala i kā mākou.

Mai ho'oku'u 'oe iā mākou i ka
ho'owalewale 'ia mai, E ho'opakele
nō na'e iā mākou i ka 'ino; No ka
mea, no uke aupuni, a me ka mana,
a me ka ho'onani 'ia, a mau loa aku.

Amene.

The Breaking of the Bread *(The priest breaks the bread saying)*

Christ is sacrificed for us all! These are gifts of God for all the creatures of God. Remember that Christ came to renew us and the whole world. Feed on him in your hearts and bodies and minds that you may be made new and sent forth in love to heal the world.

Communion Hymn: One Bread, One Body

CHORUS: One bread, one body, one Lord of all, one cup of blessing which we bless. And we, though many, throughout the earth, We are one body in this one Lord.

Gentile or Jew, servant or free, Woman or man, no more. CHORUS

Many the gifts, many the works, One in the Lord of all. CHORUS

Grain for the fields, scattered and grown, Gathered to one for all. CHORUS

After Communion, the Celebrant says

E pule kā kou. (*Let us pray.*)

Celebrant and People

God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and the cup of love. You have reunited us with Christ, with the Earth, and with one another. Now, send us forth in the power of your Spirit that we may proclaim your love and continue forever in the risen life of Christ. Amen.

Celebrant:

Ka Ho'opomaika'i, ana o, Ke Akua Mana Loa, Ka Makua, Ke Keiki, a me Ka'uhane hemolele, Me'oukou, a mau loa aku. The blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be upon all of you and remain forever. **Amen.**

Closing Hymn: God of Wonders

Lord of heaven and earth (Lord of all creation)

Lord of heaven and earth

Lord of all creation, of water, earth and sky, the heavens are your Tabernacle
Glory to the Lord on high!

CHORUS God of wonders beyond our galaxy, You are holy, holy
 The universe declares Your majesty, You are holy, holy
 Lord of heaven and earth, Lord of heaven and earth.

Early in the morning, I will celebrate the light, When I stumble in the darkness
I will call your name by night CHORUS

Hallelujah! To the Lord of heaven and earth (2X)

God of wonders beyond our galaxy. You are holy, holy
Precious Lord, reveal Your heart to me. Father, Lord God Almighty
The universe declares Your majesty. You are holy, holy, holy, holy

Hallelujah! To the Lord of heaven and earth (3X)

Celebrant:

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. *People:* **Thanks be to God!**



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COFFEE HOUR TREATS: As part of DOK Loving Service, coffee and water are provided *every* Sunday. Please sign-up to bring a goodie to share!! **website:** halauwaaepiscopal.org.

CHURCH SET-UP: Consider having your morning coffee and exercise with our Set-Up Team - go to halauwaaepiscopal.org and click on: sign-up!

WA'A – SMALL GROUP MINISTRIES:

- **Wa'a Kumuhonua – Food Drive:** Sundays
- **Wa'a E KOMO MAI!! - Ushers/Greeters:** Sundays
- **Wa'a Kakahiaka na wahine 'o Puamana – Hula,** Sun. & Tues
- **Wa'a Na Opio – Youth Group-** Every other Wed., 7pm
- **Wa'a Nakaikamahine o ke moi Jesu – DOK,** 2nd/4th Weds, 6:30pm
- **Wa'a Mele o ke Kai - Kanikapila –** Fridays, 8:30am
- **Wa'a Walking Prayer;** 1st Saturdays, 8:00 am
- **Wa'a Na Ho'okele Paipala – Bible Study;** Every other Sat., 10:30a
- **Wa'a LISTENING HEARTS;** 2nd Saturdays
- **Wa'a Prayer Shawl Knitting Circle;** 3rd Saturdays
- **Wa'a COMPLINE FRIENDS;** Nightly, 8pm
- **Wa'a BRUNCH&BROTHERHOOD,** last Saturdays

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