

ST. PETER'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH
Fourth Sunday of Easter, Good Shepherd Sunday
April 26, 2026 7:30am and 10:00am

Aloha and Welcome!

Whoever you are, whatever your story, you are welcome here. We pray that your soul is nourished through worship, the beauty of this sacred space, and the presence of God's love within this community.

We are blessed to have you join us for worship today!



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Holy Eucharist

(Take this time to center your hearts for worship.)

Prelude

Welcome

Processional Hymn

The King of Love

Hymnal 1982, #645

The Word of God

Presider Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People **Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

Presider 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

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Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Let us pray.

O God, whose Son Jesus is the good shepherd of your people: Grant that when we hear his voice we may know him who calls us each by name, and follow where he leads; who, with you and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Please be seated.

The Lessons

The First Reading

Acts 2:42-47

Those who had been baptized devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. Awe came upon everyone, because many wonders and signs were being done by the apostles. All who believed were together and had all things in common; they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds to all, as any had need. Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts, praising God and having the goodwill of all the people. And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

Thanks be to God.

The Psalm

Psalm 23

Congregation to sing the refrain. Lectors to read the verses.

Shepherd Me, O God

Refrain
All

Shep- herd me, O God, be - yond my wants, be - yond my fears, from
death in - to life. life.

- 1 God is my shepherd, so nothing shall I want,
I rest in the meadows of faithfulness and love,
I walk by the quiet waters of peace. *Refrain*
- 2 Gently you raise me and heal my weary soul,
you lead me by pathways of righteousness and truth,
my spirit shall sing the music of your name. *Refrain*
- 3 Though I should wander the valley of death,
I fear no evil, for you are at my side,
your rod and your staff, my comfort and my hope. *Refrain*
- 4 You have set me a banquet of love in the face of hatred,
crowning me with love beyond my pow'r to hold. *Refrain*
- 5 Surely your kindness and mercy follow me all the days of my life;
I will dwell in the house of my God forevermore. *Refrain*

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The Second Reading

1 Peter 2: 19-25

If you invoke as Father the one who judges all people impartially according to their deeds, live in reverent fear during the time of your exile. You know that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your ancestors, not with perishable things like silver or gold, but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without defect or blemish. He was destined before the foundation of the world, but was revealed at the end of the ages for your sake. Through him you have come to trust in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your faith and hope are set on God. Now that you have

purified your souls by your obedience to the truth so that you have genuine mutual love, love one another deeply from the heart. You have been born anew, not of perishable but of imperishable seed, through the living and enduring word of God.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

Thanks be to God.

(Sung before and after the Gospel.)



Verses may be sung by a leader. Then the alleluia is repeated.

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The Holy Gospel

John 10:1-10

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

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, "Very truly, I tell you, anyone who does not enter the sheepfold by the gate but climbs in by another way is a thief and a bandit. The one who enters by the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. The gatekeeper opens the gate for him, and the sheep hear his voice. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. When he has brought out all his own, he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow him because they know his voice. They will not follow a stranger, but they will run from him because they do not know the voice of strangers." Jesus used this figure of speech with them, but they did not understand what he was saying to them. So again Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, I am the gate for the sheep. All who came before me are thieves and bandits; but the sheep did not listen to them. I am the gate. Whoever enters by me will be saved, and will come in and go out and find pasture. The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly."

The Gospel of our Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

The Rev. Ruth Peterson

Music Meditation

(7:30am)
(10:00am)

**Manny Dayao
Dr. Joseph Eppink**

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:**

**by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate
from the Virgin Mary, and was made man.**

**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 and the Son.**

**With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He 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

After each petition, the response is “receive our prayer.”

The Peace

Presider **The peace of Christ be always with you.**

People **And also with you.**

Give a nod, a wave, or a peace sign to those around you. The sharing of The Peace takes place as we prepare to receive communion. It is a sign of

reconciliation, of the forgiveness we receive in Christ and that which we extend to one another with God's help.

Announcements and Birthdays (pg. 830, #50)

Welcome to those of you who are visiting with us today! Please take a moment to sign a pew card and place it in the offering plate so that we can extend a personal welcome to you. We are glad you're here!

Offering *Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God. (Eph. 5:2)*

Offertory Hymn *Shepherd of souls, refresh and bless* **Hymnal 1982, #343**

Offertory Response *The Strife is O'er* **Hymnal 1982, #208**

**The strife is o'er, the battle done,
The victory of life is won.
The song of triumph has begun. Alleluia!**

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer from *Enriching Our Worship*

Presider: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Presider: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them to the Lord.**

Presider: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

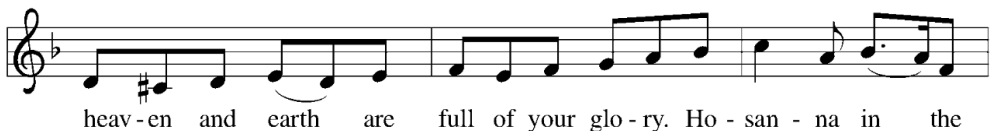
People: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Presider: We praise you and we bless you, holy and gracious God, source of life abundant.....lifting our voices to magnify you as we say...

Sanctus

Holy, Holy, Holy

Harling



high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes in the
name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the
high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

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The Presider continues.

Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God.....Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. **Amen**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,
**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 Breaking of the Bread

We break this bread to share in the Body of Christ.

All respond

We who are many are one body, for we all share in the one bread.

The Gifts of God for the people of God: Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

Communion Distribution

All baptized are welcome to receive Christ's body and blood. Those who are not baptized are encouraged to come forward for a blessing, signaling this by crossing your arms over one's chest.

*Communion may be received by kneeling or standing at the altar rail.
Low gluten wafers are available upon request of the server.
You may partake from the cup by drinking or by intinction (dipping a small portion of the bread, being careful not to touch the wine with your fingers).
If you wish to receive communion in the pew, please let an usher know.
For those joining by live-stream or watching online at a later time, although you are not physically receiving communion, you are invited to spend this time in prayer, acknowledging your desire to be wholly united with Jesus and for your soul to never be separated from him.*

Post Communion Prayer (Standing or kneeling)

Presider: Let us pray.

Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood. Now send us forth a people, forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

The Benediction

God Almighty, who is the beginning and the end, Jesus Christ, the firstborn of the dead, and the Spirit, our advocate and peace, bless you now and forever.
Amen.

Recessional Hymn

Borning cry

See pg. 13

The Dismissal

Presider: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia!

People: **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!**

Organ Postlude

PARISH PRAYER LIST

*Please call or email Tiare Ono, tiare.h.ono@gmail.com if you have a prayer request.
Always ask permission of the person first if you want to add someone's name other than your own. Be sure to provide the church office with updates. Names added by members will remain on our prayer list for one month. After that time, the names will be cycled off the list, unless there is a request for the name to be added for another month.*

Joe & Kathleen C., Sim K., Natalia P., Ralph P., Ediza T., Ron B., Val B., Rosie C., Eduardo C., Melanie C., Jean D., Peter D., LaVerne D., Susan D., Dallis F-N., Gail F-S., Catherine F., Cal G., Debbie H., Iris, Sue J., Jonathan, Hilary K., Roland K., Elise K.,

Taka, Karin & Kimura & family, Charles L., Erin L., Colin L., Judy & Maurice, Bill McK., Lea M., Dara N., Kawai O., Franklin P., Janet P., Sheri P-H., Rodney P., Rachel, Patricia S., Terrence, Bertha U., Jackson VM., Janet VM., Roland W., Ian W., Roy W., Tim Y. Lynette Y.

We also pray for the victims of war in the Middle East, Ukraine and the tornado and wildfire victims on the mainland. If you are interested in providing intentional prayers for those on our prayer list and others for whom we pray, become part of the Prayer Circle. Please contact Tiare Ono, tiare.h.ono@gmail.com or the church office.

TODAY

Children's Christian Adventure (Sunday School) is held between the 7:30am and 10:00am services in the Adventure Room - See ushers for directions.

Electronic Giving - You can give to St. Peter's Church electronically with this QR code, or schedule your pledge for automatic withdrawal by going to the church's website, www.stpetershonolulu.org, and clicking on "Donate." You may also mail your offerings and pledges to the church office. Thank you for your part in making this ministry possible.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

This morning at 9:00am “Bible 101: How to Use the Bible as a Tool” - Fr. Frank Chun is teaching this special study in the Parish Hall. If you need a bible we will extras on hand.

St. Peter's StayCation at Camp Mokuleia now has a Saturday-only option!
Can't stay for the whole weekend? Plan to come out for just the day on Saturday, May 2. \$40.00 to stay for lunch, or \$65.00 for lunch and dinner. Pastor Ruth will lead evening vespers both Friday and Saturday nights. **IMPORTANT! IF YOU WANT TO REGISTER YOU MUST FILL OUT THE FORM BY WEDNESDAY, APRIL 29.** [HERE](#) is the registration form for the Saturday-only option.

For information to stay the entire weekend: <https://www.campmokuleia.org/ohana-stay-cay>. We will be joining other members of Episcopal congregations at Camp Mokule`ia for the “Stay Cation” next weekend May 1 – 3.

Camp Mokule`ia received an enormous amount of damage from the historic flooding over the weekend of March 20-22. Please consider making a generous donation to help support the camp recovery during these challenging times. Go to www.campmokuleia.org/donate. Our hearts and prayers are with everyone

who have been impacted by the storms across all islands. Mahalo for your support!

A Moment with Music: Begin your day with scripture, reflection, and a hymn of hope. This week's theme is "**The Good Shepherd.**" Each 7-minute meditation is available by 6:00 AM on our Facebook page and website, and can also be viewed anytime on YouTube at **@dreppink**.

Non-perishable food still needed! Please bring canned goods to the church on Sundays, and they'll be delivered to the Hawaii Foodbank.

The ministry at Wallyhouse is always in need of travel-sized toiletries for those in need. Donations will be delivered to St. Elizabeth's Church.

Free Hawaii Quilt Guild Show featuring our very own Estelle Inn and her four beautiful creations, April 30-May 10, 2026. Na Lama Kukui, 560 N. Nimitz Highway

Super Typhoon Sinlaku Impacts Guam & Saipan: Prayers & Donations Needed - Our Bishop has been in touch with Cn. Irene Maliaman about the impact of Super Typhoon Sinlaku on Guam and Saipan. They are cleaning up and evaluating the impact. As of last Thursday, much of Guam was without power and with limited contact with Saipan. Bishop Fitzpatrick stated that "conditions are likely worse there". The Bishop has asked the Diocesan Council to send an emergency grant to St. John's Church (including the congregation's preaching station on Saipan, St. Paul's) to help with recovery. You can donate directly to St. John's Church via the church's website:

<https://www.stjohnepiscopalchurchguam.com> or checks can be sent to:

The Episcopal Church of St. John the Divine
911 North Marine Corps Drive
Tamuning, Guam 96913

Please take a copy of the April newsletter and calendar, on the usher's table.

See Newsletter or Website for More Information About.....

⌘ **CORRECTION:** The exclusive dinner on Fri., May 15th is for the clergy ONLY. They will be arriving from the neighbor islands for the special Convention to Elect the new Bishop of our Diocese on Sat. St. Peter's will be hosting the dinner

and we would appreciate a few people to help set up the bentos, serve refreshments, and clean up. Please contact Susan in the office if you can help. Thank you for your service!

- ⌘ **St. Peter's seeking a volunteer representative to the Chinese Christian Association**, which meets quarterly and includes lunch.
- ⌘ **The camp has summer programs with scholarships available too.** To learn more, go to www.campmokuleia.org. Early Bird registration deadline is May 1, 2026.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Wed. Apr. 29, 10:00am – Weekly Bible Study by Zoom. Contact Pr. Ruth at stpetershonolulupastor@gmail.com for the link

Thurs. Apr. 30, 6:00pm, - Jazz Vespers - “in person” and on church Facebook page and website

Lectionary readings for next Sunday:

Acts 7:55-60; Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16; 1 Peter 2:2-10; John 14:1-14

The Book of Common Prayer (BCP) can be found online at www.bcponline.org.



Next week's Coffee Hour Hosts:

7:30am Beth Chang, Lori & Clint Yee
10:30am Haroldwyn Chang
Margaret Chun
Maiesha Stovall-Nakoa

TODAY'S MINISTERS

Presider		The Rev. Ruth Peterson
Deacon		The Rev. Dcn. Peter Wu
Organist		Dr. Joseph Eppink
Lectors	(7:30am)	Maiesha Stovall-Nakoa, Beth Chang
	(10:00am)	Sim Kau
Intercessors	(7:30am)	Chucky Nakoa
	(10:00am)	Mary Ellen Johnson
Eucharistic Ministers	(7:30am)	Ron Kim
	(10:00am)	Gail Haruki
Usher/Greeters	(7:30am)	Fr. Frank & Norma Chun
	(10:00am)	Keith & Velma Lee, Haroldwyn Chang, Cheryl Saito, Barry Wood, Bryan Matsumoto
Live-Streaming	(7:30am)	Terry Dang, Brandon Hayashi
		Maiesha Stovall-Nakoa, Hal Halvorson
Altar Guild		Cheryl Bochentin, Ann Ho
		Suzanne Kagawa, Haroldwyn Chang
Bread for Communion		Barton & Beth Cox

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Custodians	Oriel and Caridad Agcaoili

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Borning Cry



- 1 "I was there to hear your born-ing cry, I'll be there when you are old.
- 2 "When you heard the won - der of the Word I was there to cheer you on;
- 3 "In the mid - dle a - ges of your life, not too old, no lon - ger young,



I re - joiced the day you were bap - tized to see your life un - fold.
you were raised to praise the liv - ing Lord, to whom you now be - long.
I'll be there to guide you through the night, com - plete what I've be - gun.



I was there when you were but a child, with a faith to suit you well;
If you find some - one to share your time and you join your hearts as one,
When the eve - ning gent - ly clos - es in and you shut your wea - ry eyes,



in a blaze of light you wan - dered off to find where de - mons dwell."
I'll be there to make your vers - es rhyme from dusk till ris - ing sun."
I'll be there as I have al - ways been, with just one more sur - prise."



- 4 "I was there to hear your born-ing cry, I'll be there when you are old.



I re - joiced the day you were bap - tized to see your life un - fold."

