

iucc Irvine United Congregational Church
*An Open & Affirming, Just Peace, Global Mission, Creation Justice
Congregation of the United Church of Christ*

April 28, 2024 • 9:30am

ASIAN AMERICAN PACIFIC ISLAND SUNDAY

Prelude

Yuyoung Jeong, piano

Gathering Song

As We Gather
by Coomes & Fay

Congregation

As we gather may your Spirit work within us
As we gather may we glorify your name
Knowing well that as our hearts begin to worship
We'll be blessed because we came [repeat]

Welcome

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Rev. Dr. Sarah Halverson-Cano

Gong

Introit

Aloha Oe
by H.M. Queen Liliuokalani

Chancel Choir

Call to Worship

Cesar Sangalang

One: God's kin-dom is bigger than all the nations of the earth:

**Many: Peoples of the Pacific, families on farmlands, on islands and mountaintops,
all connected by God's love.**

One: Peoples throughout the earth coming from Asia and beyond, created in diverse and
beautiful ways.

Many: In our diversity there is also unity, all created in God's image.

One: God of our ancestors and our descendants.

Many: In Jesus, we are connected to one another in a vine of covenant.

One: Bear and share the fruit of Christ's love

Many: That we may proclaim a just world for all!

Hymn

For the Healing of the Nations

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New Century Hymnal #576 (v.1,2,4)

For the healing of the nations,
God, we pray with one accord;
for a just and equal sharing
of the things that earth affords.
To a life of love in action
help us rise and pledge our word.

Lead your people into freedom,
from despair your world release,
that, redeemed from war and hatred,
all may come and go in peace.
Show us how, through care and goodness,
fear will die and hope increase.

You, Creator-God, have written
your great name on humankind;
for our growing in your likeness,
bring the life of Christ to mind;
that by our response and service
earth its destiny may find.

A Fresh Word

Anthem

Nu'oli (Glad Tidings)

Chancel Choir

traditional Hawaiian, arr. by Jace Saplan

Prayers of the Church

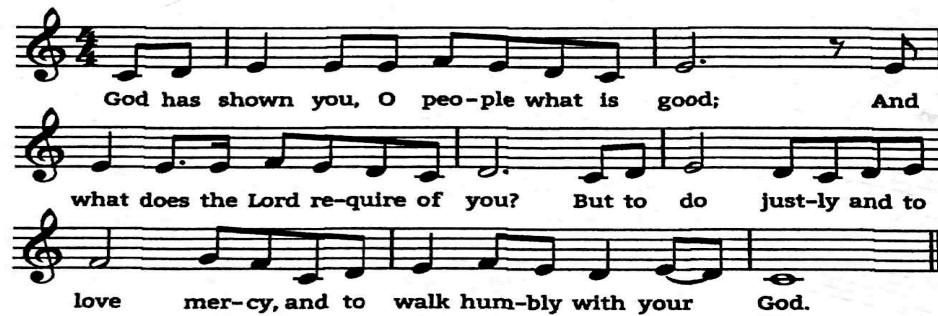
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Our Creator (Father, Mother, or other name as you are comfortable),
which art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.
Thy kin-dom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kin-dom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

Offertory Call

Cesar Sangalang

Song of Thanksgiving • "Micah 6:8"



Prayer of Dedication

Cesar Sangalang

Scripture

John 15:1-8

Cesar Sangalang

“I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinegrower. He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit. You have already been cleansed by the word that I have spoken to you. 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. 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. Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples.

Sermon

Rev. Sam Tialavea

Benediction

Rev. Dr. Sarah Halverson-Cano

Response

Alleluia

Congregation

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

[Repeat]

Postlude

Yuyoung Jeong, piano

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