



Aloha Sundays Begin Next Week!

Please join us throughout the month of August dressed in your Hawaiian or leisure attire. Let's enjoy these dog days of summer in a little comfort! Please note the following:

- *Please read the instructions carefully before adjusting the thermostat. Do not push the "hold" button ever. Thanks!*
- *Please welcome Pastor Steve Smith on August 6. Communion will be celebrated.*
- *Mark your calendar for Aug 20, our Aloha Fest!*
- *Parkview makes four official requests for special offerings during the year: Thanksgiving, Christmas, Easter, and Aloha. We thank you in advance for your Aloha offering.*



The Celebration of Worship

July 30, 2023 • 9th Sunday after Pentecost

Pastor:	Rev. Dr. Sarah Nave
Worship Leader:	Phillip Chew
Pianist:	Nancy Arata-Fong
Japanese Reader:	Miko Kumagai

Centering Prayer for Worship

Great is your love for us, Welcoming God. When we need support, You give us the companionship of our sisters and brothers in Christ. When we are lonely, You whisper, 'Come closer,' inviting us into Your heart. When we hunger for the crumbs of affirmation the world offers us, You feed us with the fullness of Your joy. As we worship, we open our hearts to receive Your goodness. We lift our lives to You, our glorious Lord!

Prelude Nancy Arata-Fong

*Introit

All: Make us one, Lord, make us one. Holy Spirit make us one. Let Your love flow so the world will know, we are one in You.

Welcome and Announcements Rev. Dr. Sarah Nave

** Those who can, please stand*

Call to Worship

Phillip Chew

Leader: In the birds which rush into the sky from summer-green branches; in the words we are given to offer to the empty-hearted, we see how You love us, Friend of our souls.

People: Creator of life, lift our spirits with Your light.

All: Refresher of weary, worried lives: as we worship You, fill us with Your overflowing grace. Amen.

*Opening Hymn: "O Worship the King, All Glorious Above!" (#476)

O worship the King, all glorious above! O gratefully sing God's power and God's love; Our shield and defender, the Ancient of Days, pavilioned in splendor and girded with praise.

O tell of God's might, O sing of God's grace, Whose robe is the light, Whose canopy space. The chariots of heaven the deep thunderclouds form, and bright is God's path on the wings of the storm.

The earth with its store of wonders untold, Almighty, Thy power has founded of old; Established it fast, by a changeless decree, and round it has cast, like a mantle, the sea.

Thy bountiful care, what tongue can recite? It breathes in the air, it shines in the light; it streams from the hills, it descends to the plain, and sweetly distills in the dew and the rain.

Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail, in Thee do we trust, nor find Thee to fail; Thy mercies, how tender, how firm to the end, our maker, defender, redeemer, and friend.

Invitation to Confession

Phillip Chew

Leader: There is nothing we have done, or left undone, that is not already known by God. This gives us confidence to be fully ourselves as we come to God in confession, that we can be fully forgiven.

Are we weak and heavy laden, cumbered with a load of care?
Precious Savior, still our refuge- take it to the Lord in prayer!
Do thy friends despise, forsake thee? Take it to the Lord in prayer!

In His arms He'll take and shield thee, thou will find a solace there.

Benediction

Rev. Dr. Sarah Nave

*Response: "Shalom"

Sha rom, sha rom, mata a u hi ma de. Sha rom, sha rom, Kami no mi megumi.

(Peace, peace, until we meet again. Peace, peace, may we be blessed with grace from God.)

Sha rom, sha rom, mata a u hi ma de. Sha rom, sha rom, yuta kani, yuta kani, yuta kani.

(Peace, peace, until we meet again. Peace, peace, abundantly, abundantly, abundantly.)

Postlude

Nancy Arata-Fong

We invite you to remain seated during the Postlude as we enjoy the music and God's presence together. If you need to go, please feel free to do so. Go with God's blessings.

In Appreciation:

Greeters:	Luda Wright, Diane Younglove
Online Greeter:	Judy Yee
Ushers:	Luda Wright, Michael Wright
Parking:	Carl Odell
Parking Barriers (Sat)	Dave McGill
Sound System:	Dave McGill
Zoom Moderator:	Aki Kumagai
Altar Flowers:	Kishwer Vikaas

***Doxology**

All: Praise God from Whom all blessings flow; praise God all creatures here below. Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Creator, Christ and Holy Ghost. Amen.

***Prayer of Dedication**

Phillip Chew

Joys & Concerns

Rev. Dr. Sarah Nave

Pastoral Prayer & The Lord's Prayer

Rev. Dr. Sarah Nave

All: Our Parent Who art in heaven, hallowed be Your name. Your kingdom come, Your 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 Yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

***Sending Hymn: "What a Friend We Have in Jesus"
(#403)**

What a friend we have in Jesus, all our sins and griefs to bear!
What a privilege to carry everything to God in prayer!
O what peace we often forfeit, O what needless pain we bear,
all because we do not carry everything to God in prayer!

Have we trials and temptations? Is there trouble anywhere?
We should never be discouraged: take it to the Lord in prayer!
Can we find a friend so faithful who will all our sorrows share?
Jesus knows our every weakness; take it to the Lord in prayer!

Prayer of Confession

Phillip Chew

Leader: Lord Jesus, we are Your family, we are signs of Your presence in the world.

People: But when we're discouraged, we're unable to be signs of joy or hope. Our care for others is marred by jealousy, scarred by envy, limited by selfishness. Help us to be less sensitive to slights, and offer others Your soul-strengthening grace.

Leader: Loving God, You throw open Your doors to the lonely, the marginalized, the powerless.

All: We confess that we're so busy putting up walls to shield ourselves, we can't see the home You are building for all of us. Forgive us. Give us your Spirit of compassion and cooperation, of reconciliation and love.

Time for silent reflection and confession to God

Assurance of God's Grace

Phillip Chew

Leader: As God's children, we are blessed, we are loved, we are forgiven.

All: Our lives are transformed by the abundant grace given to us in Jesus Christ our Lord. Thanks be to God! Amen.

***Response to God's Forgiveness: "Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me" (#582GtG)**

All Sing: Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me,
and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me,
and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free.
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

***Passing of the Peace**

Phillip Chew

Leader: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

All: And also with you.

The Gospel in Story

Ben Pryor

*Hymn of Reflection: “10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord)” by Matt Redman

Chorus.

Bless the Lord O my soul, O my soul. Worship His Holy name.
Sing like never before, O my soul. I worship Your Holy name.

The sun comes up. It's a new day dawning.
It's time to sing Your song again.
Whatever may pass and whatever lies before me,
let me be singing when the evening comes.

Chorus.

You're rich in love, and You're slow to anger.
Your name is great and Your heart is kind.
For all Your goodness I will keep on singing
ten thousand reasons for my heart to find.

Chorus.

And on that day, when my strength is failing,
The end draws near and my time has come,
Still my soul will sing Your praise unending
Ten thousand years and then forevermore.

Chorus.

Unison Prayer of Guidance

All: Now may the words of our mouths, the meditations
of our hearts, the interpretation of our minds, and the
response of our hands be acceptable to You, our Lord and
our Redeemer. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

Japanese Reading: Proverbs 17:17

Miko Kumagai

A friend loves at all times, and a brother is born for adversity.

1st Scripture Reading: John 15:12-13

Phillip Chew

Jesus said, “My command is this: Love each other as I have
loved you. Greater love has no one than this: to lay down one's
life for one's friends.”

Sermon & 2nd Scripture Reading

Rev. Dr. Sarah Nave

Summer Sermon Series: The Spirituality of Friendship

1 Samuel 18:1-4 Jonathan and David-Soul Friends

By the time David had finished reporting to Saul, Jonathan was
deeply impressed with David—an immediate bond was forged
between them. He became totally committed to David. From
that point on he would be David's number-one advocate and
friend.

Saul received David into his own household that day, no more
to return to the home of his father. Jonathan, out of his deep
love for David, made a covenant with him. He formalized it
with solemn gifts: his own royal robe and weapons—armor,
sword, bow, and belt.

Musical Offering

Nancy Arata-Fong

Time for silent reflection

Opportunity To Present Offerings

All: Give thanks with a grateful heart; give thanks to the
Holy One. Give thanks because God's given Jesus Christ,
God's Son. (Repeat) And now let the weak say, “I am
strong,” let the poor say, “I am rich” because of what the
Lord has done for us. (Repeat) Give thanks. Give thanks.