CHURCH OF THE HOLY CROSS

UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST – CONGREGATIONAL 440 West Lanikaula Street, Hilo, Hawaii April 27, 2014

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

Pre-Service Music – Congregational singing together

Words of Greeting, Celebrations & Concerns of the Church
Mary Ann Katayama

Pastoral Welcome Sharing the Peace of Christ

Rev. Mary Olney-Loyd

Prelude Kayleen Yuda

*All who are able, please rise. Please speak in unison where text is bold.

*Call to Worship:

Unlock your hearts—God wants to come in.

Open your lives—God needs a home.

Swing wide all the doors—God's children need shelter

Easter rolls the stone—and nothing can be shut anymore!

*Invocation (UNISON):

God of the Risen Christ, you love us so much that you raise Jesus from death to new life. You grant us peace in Christ. You give us forgiveness of sin. You welcome us back – even when we have

lacked faith. Carry us through our times of doubt. May we receive the peace that the Living Christ offers us! Amen.

* Hymn of Praise: #253 "Yours Is the Glory" vs 1, 2, 3 in English

*Confession:

God who forgives us, we acknowledge: We have doubts; we become anxious. We forget that your Spirit of peace is present and guiding us. You promise to forgive us as Jesus forgave his friends. Help us forgive ourselves. Help us let go of old hurts, forgives one another and accept new life in the Living Christ. In his name we pray. Amen.

*Assurance of God's Love and Forgiveness

*L: It is God's great mercy through the resurrection of Jesus which gives us that hope which lives within us.

*P: Thanks be to God for this precious gift by which we are able to rejoice. Amen.

*Gloria Patri "Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen."

WE SHARE THE WORD OF GOD

Scripture: I Corinthians 12:4-7

Installation of Search Committee Members

Anne Sadayasu Theone Suzuki

Gloria Kobayashi Erin Kita

Newton Chu Stefan Tanouye Janet Fujioka Christian Albano

Address to the Committee Members

Covenant

*Congregational Response

We pledge, as Church of the Holy Cross, to be patient with you and to respect your need to be confidential in your task. We recognize that the work of our search committee as a challenging assignment and will take much effort. We will pray for you and offer our support and words of encouragement throughout this time. These things we promise in the hope and belief that you will be obedient to the guidance of the Spirit as your seek a new pastor to minister with us.

*Closing Prayer

Hymn: #288 "Let It Breathe on Me" vs1

Sharing with Children

Lord's Prayer (using "debts" and "debtors") [in unison]

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from

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

Special Music: IYAA

Scripture: John 20:19-31

Sermon: "Meeting Us Where We Are" Rev. Mary Olney-Loyd

WE RESPOND IN WORD AND DEED

The Prayers

Pastoral Prayer/Prayers of People (be seated)

*Hymn #249 "Peace I Leave with You, My Friends"

Call for Offering:

As Easter people we know the blessings of Christ's presence and peace. We respond by serving God in the world. Here we offer our gifts for the ministry of Christ's church at Church of the Holy Cross.

Offertory Kayleen Yuda

Doxology: # 780 or # 781

*Prayer of Dedication:

God of new life, bless these gifts that they may be shared in the spirit of an Easter people, as we receive Christ's blessings here and now. Amen.

Sung response:

All things come from thee, O Lord, and of thine own have we given thee. Amen.

*Closing Hymn: #77 "Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing" vs 1,2

- * Benediction
- * Choral Benediction Response #252 "Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us" verse in Hawaiian
- * Extinguishing of the Altar Candles

Postlude Kayleen Yuda

Ushers: Moira Tanaka, Esther Kodani, Newton Chu, Karl Kawahara

Flowers: Millie Daikawa Childcare: Clarice Suzuki

Interim Minister: Mary Olney-Loyd

Moderator: Sue Smith

Minister Emeritus: Susumu Yamane

Office Manager: Dennis Lin

Organist: Kayleen Yuda

Choir Director: Pedro Ka'awaloa Choir Accompanist: Katherine Wilson Childcare Coordinator: Evonne Shioshita

This Week at Church of the Holy Cross

- **Choir Practice** is at 8:30am in the Sanctuary on Sundays.
- Sunday School at 8:45am for Children and Youth
- The Free Wesleyan Church of Tonga meets in the sanctuary on Sunday at 1 p.m. and Wednesday at 7 p.m.
- The United Church of Christ, Pohnpei Hilo worships in the BF mtg. room this morning.
- Samoan Church worships at 12pm on Sundays.
- **Chuukese Church** worships in BF meeting room at 1pm today.
- First Marshallese Assembly of God, worships in the Sanctuary today 4pm.
- Gentle Yoga Monday (BF Meeting Room) on break
- **Rhythm & Life exercise class** meets Tuesday at 3:30 p.m. (BF)
- **Bible Study** Monday, 6:30pm April 28, 2014 Acts of the Apostles, place?
- **Bible Study** Wednesday 9:30am in Lounge
- **IYAA Bible Study** is held each Wednesday evening from 7:00 p.m.
- **Qi Goong exercise class** meets Friday morning 9-10:30 a.m. (BF, open to church members)
- **Prostate Cancer Support Group** 2nd Thursday of the month, 12pm in BF.
- Ron Fujiyoshi, Ohana Ho'opakele meets in the Lounge Thursday at 9am.
- Bell Choir every Saturday at 1pm in J's Café

Bible Study, Acts of the Apostles will begin April 28, 2014. Please see insert.