

CHURCH OF THE HOLY CROSS
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST – CONGREGATIONAL
440 West Lanikaula Street, Hilo, Hawaii
June 22, 2014

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

Pre-Service Music – Congregational singing together

Words of Greeting, Celebrations & Concerns of the Church

Barbara Iwami

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**

L: In our daily walk, God comes and says,

“Do not be afraid for I have heard your voice.”

P: Out of the shadows of fear

and into the light of faith we come, O God.

L: When we ask for a sign of love,

God comes and provides all that we need

P: Out of the shadows of fear

and into the light of faith we come, O God.

L: The old ways have been put to death

and we are made alive with Christ.

P: Out of the shadows of fear

and into the light of faith we come, O God.

L: Jesus says, “Those who find their life will lose it,

and those who lose their life for my sake will find it.

P: Out of the shadows of fear

and into the light of faith we come, O God.

L: Come, let us worship in faith our faithful God.

***Prayer of Praise (Unison):**

Turn your ear towards us, O God, and speak comfort to us for we come to you in need. We are completely devoted to you and we trust in you alone to restore us. Extend your grace and make our hearts glad for we know you are good and forgiving and we long to live in your steadfast love forever. Amen.

*** Hymn of Praise: #407 “How Firm a Foundation”**

Prayer of Confession (Unison):

Patient God, we long for peace in our lives and in our world. You promise us peace and challenges. Sometimes we do not wish for you to interrupt our comfort. We’d rather choose the easy way. Help us to remember that we are heard, known, cherished and challenged. Open our hearts to hear your voice so we may truly follow your guiding hand. In Jesus’ name we pray. Amen.

***Assurance of God’s Love and Forgiveness**

God hears our prayers spoken and the ones from deep in our hearts. In Christ, we receive new life. We are free, free to walk in the Light of the Lord. 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."

***Statement of Faith 885**

WE SHARE THE WORD OF GOD

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.**

***Hymn: #423 "Great is Your Faithfulness"**

Scripture: Acts 16:16-32

Special Music International Young Adult Association

Scripture: Mathew 10:24-39

Sermon: "The Cost and Joy of Discipleship" Rev. Mary Olney-Loyd

WE RESPOND IN WORD AND DEED

Pastoral Prayer/Prayers of People (be seated)

***Hymn: #478 "I've Got Peace Like a River"**

Call for Offering

Jesus challenges us to be his followers in the world. He invites us to offer our gifts and ourselves to God. Because we have received the peace and joy Christ gives, we are strengthened to bring our gifts and our lives as offerings to God. Will the ushers now receive our gifts.

Offertory:

Kayleen Yuda

Doxology: # 780 or # 781

***Prayer of Dedication (Unison):**

God of Abundance, these offerings and our words are not enough to say thank you for your many blessings. Please accept what we give today and deepen our trust in you so that we may follow Christ more courageously in our daily lives. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

***Sung response:**

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

***Closing Hymn: #490 "I Want Jesus to Go with Me"**

* **Benediction**

* **Choral Benediction Response: #496 “Ekolu Mea Nui”**

* **Extinguishing of the Altar Candles**

Postlude: Kayleen Yuda

Ushers: Stefan, Jennifer, Lois and Ken Tanouye

Flowers: Jennie Kondo

Childcare: Saeko Hayashi

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

Senior Ministry

Everyone's invited to the June senior ministry luncheon and program on Thursday June 26th, 10 to 12 noon. Lunch will be free, courtesy of Lily Inouye. Chefs Woody & Kay will be preparing Chicken Ala King Peanut Butter Ministry style. Free good food, great company and an interesting and informative program....can't ask for a better bargain anywhere else in town!!! Sign up on the senior ministry bulletin board or call the church office you're able to attend.

This Week at Church of the Holy Cross

- **Choir Practice** is at 8:30am in the Sanctuary on Sundays.
- **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.
- **Samoa Church** worships at 12pm on Sundays in Sanctuary.
- **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, June 23, 6:30pm. We look at Mathew’s Gospel
- **Bible Study** Wednesday June, 25 9:30am
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- **IYAA Bible Study** is held each Wednesday evening 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 Lounge.
- **Ron Fujiyoshi, Ohana Ho’opakele** meets in the Lounge Thursday at 9am.
- **Bell Choir** every Saturday at 1pm in J’s Café

Paper Crane Making for Peace Project

Join us at one of these times in the Lounge or J’s Café: Monday, June 23 from 9-10:30 a.m.; Tuesday, June 24 from 9 to 11; Thursday, June 26 from 9 to 11; or Sunday, June 29 after worship.