

CHURCH OF THE HOLY CROSS
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST – CONGREGATIONAL
440 West Lanikaula Street, Hilo, Hawaii
June 29, 2014

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD
Pre-Service Music – Congregational singing together

Words of Greeting Ruth Niino-DuPonte

Pastoral Welcome Rev. Mary Olney-Loyd

Prelude: **“He Leadth Me”** by Bradbury arr. Sikes
Kayleen Yuda and Andrew Ouye

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

***Call to Worship**

One: Welcome to all who are weary, tired, or burned-out.

All: We come to be refreshed and renewed in God’s presence.

One: Welcome all who are anxious, worried, or burdened.

All: We come to be calmed and comforted by the Spirit.

One: Welcome to all who feel complacent, comfortable, or detached.

All: We come to be stirred by Christ’s message for us.

One: All are welcome here. Come as you are.

All: Together, we will rest in God’s presence, be calmed by the Spirit, and be stirred by Christ’s message. Together we will welcome one another as we gather for worship.

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

Christ, you hold us in your warm embrace. You already welcome each of us exactly as we are, and you hold us close to you. Your embrace gathers all of us into a community that you have created. And yet, in your community, there is always room for more. You teach us to welcome one another. We are thankful that with you, each of us has a place, and each one of us can find a welcome home. Amen.

*** Hymn of Praise: #23 “There’s a Wideness in God’s Mercy”**

***Prayer of Confession:**

Christ, even though you have taught us what it means to welcome, you have shown us a beautiful and beloved community where there is room for all, sometimes we create our own closed communities.

Sometimes, we exclude others because of who they are, or what they believe. (Pause)

Sometimes, we think that our way is better than other ways. (Pause)

Sometimes, we don’t want to find things in common with, or love others who are different from us. (Pause)

Sometimes, we become so comfortable in our lives, that we don’t want to be uncomfortable by welcoming people who are beyond our doors. (Pause)

Sometimes, we do not welcome one another as you have welcomed us. (Pause) Forgive us, dear God.

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

Hear the good news—Christ is with us, Christ is always with us. We are forgiven people. We are given new opportunities to become more Christ-like each day. Thanks be to God.

***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

Sharing with Children

The Sacrament of Baptism Brooklyn Ka’ano’iokekaiolohia Teves

Born August 18, 2012

Brought for Baptism by:

Ashley Springer

Stefan and Jennifer Tanouye

Congregational Response: We promise our love, care and support.

***Hymn: #327 “Jesus Loves Me” vs 1, 2, 3**

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.

Scripture: Genesis 18:1-8

Special Music “Adagio, K332”

by Mozart

Performed by Andrew Ouye

Scripture: Mathew 10:40-42

Sermon: “Extravagant Hospitality”

Rev. Mary Olney-Loyd

WE RESPOND IN WORD AND DEED

Pastoral Prayer/Prayers of People (be seated)

***Hymn: #294 “There’s a Spirit in the Air”**

Call for Offering

As forgiven and reconciled persons, let us offer ourselves and our gifts to God.

Offertory:

Kayleen Yuda

***Doxology: # 780 or # 781**

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

Gracious God, because you have welcomed us, forgiven us, and renewed us, we are restored and offer these gifts and ourselves for service in the name of Jesus the Christ. Amen.

*Sung response:

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

***Closing Hymn: #495 “Called as Partners in Christ’s Service”**

*** Benediction**

*** Choral Benediction Response: #327 “Jesus Loves Me”**

**He aloha ko Iesu I ke keiki li’i li’i no,
Nona no ko po’e li’i li’i, Nona wau ka poki’i nei.
Keiki aloha! Keiki aloha! Keiki aloha!
Ke aloha! Iesu!**

*** Extinguishing of the Altar Candles**

Postlude: Kayleen Yuda

Ushers: Stefan, Jennifer, Lois and Ken Tanouye

Flowers: Gloria Kobayashi

Childcare: Malia Mattos

Interim Minister: Mary Olney-Loyd

Moderator: Sue Smith

Minister Emeritus: Susumu Yamane

Office Manager: Dennis Lin

Organist: Kayleen Yuda

Childcare Coordinator: Evonne Shiohita

This Week at Church of the Holy Cross

- **Rhythm & Life exercise class** meets Tuesday at 3:30 p.m. (BF)
- **Bible Study**
 - Monday, June 30, 6:30pm. Please read Mathew Ch. 1-12
- **Bible Study** Wednesday July, 2 9:30am
 - Please read Mathew Ch. 1-12
- **International Young Adults Association 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)
- **Ron Fujiyoshi, Ohana Ho’opakele** meets in the Lounge Thursday at 9am.
- **Bell Choir** every Saturday at 1pm in J’s Café

Other Congregations that Worship here Today

- **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 in Sanctuary.
- **Chuukese Church** worships in BF meeting room at 1pm today.
- **First Marshallese Assembly of God**, worships in the Sanctuary today 4pm.

BF=Building of Faith