

CHURCH OF THE HOLY CROSS
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST – CONGREGATIONAL
440 West Lanikaula Street, Hilo, Hawaii
August 3, 2014

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

Pre-Service Music – Congregational singing together

Words of Greeting Jean Pierre Thoma

Pastoral Welcome Rev. Mary Olney-Loyd

Prelude: Kayleen Yuda

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

***Call to Worship**

Leader: All whose stomach are rumbling, who long for a basic meal that satisfies, enter this space and cry out to God.

People: We come to you, O God, trusting in your all-sufficient love.

Leader: All whose hearts are filled with grief, who seek comfort for sorrow spoken and unspoken, enter this space and cry out to God.

People: We come to you, O God, trusting in your all-sufficient love.

Leader: All who search for justice, who grieve at the unfairness of this world, enter this space and cry out to God.

People: We come to you, O God, trusting in your all-sufficient love.

Leader: All who desire to grow deeper in faith, who want to know and be known by God, enter this space and cry out to God.

People: We come to you, O God, trusting in your all-sufficient love.

***Prayer of Praise (Unison)**

Giftng God, in your grace you set a table of plenty in our midst and invite us to find all that we need for an abundant life. Thank you for your gifts of grace. May we gratefully receive from your hand and extend our hands to one another in return until all are deeply satisfied. Amen.

*** Hymn of Praise: #84 “This is the Day”**

***Prayer for Confession (Unison)**

Most merciful God, we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and follow in your ways, to the glory of your name. Amen.

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

Anyone in Christ becomes a new person altogether; the past is finished and gone, everything has become fresh and new. Friends, believe the good news of the gospel: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

***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

Special Music

Church of Tonga

Sharing with Children

Please pray in your mother tongue,

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 "Minuet and Dance of the Blessed Spirits"

Christoph Gluck
Jean Pierre Thoma

Scripture: Matthew 14:13-21

Sermon: “Table of Plenty”

Rev. Mary Olney-Loyd

WE RESPOND IN WORD AND DEED

Pastoral Prayer/Prayers of People (be seated)

***Hymn: #347 “Let us Talents and Tongues Employ”**

Invitation to the Offering:

Like the meal of abundance, you give us an abundance of gifts in creation. We are opening ourselves to your vast surplus. As we come before you God, we offer our gifts and our tithes. We also offer ourselves in gratitude – our hands, our feet, our voices, our entire selves because you give us life itself. Let us receive our morning offering.

Offertory:

Kayleen Yuda

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

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

Make a miracle with these our gifts, O God. Multiply them so that there is more than enough to do your work in your church, in Hilo, and in our world. In Jesus name we pray. Amen.

***Sung response: #562 Take My Gifts**

THE LORD'S SUPPER

Invitation

Consecrating the Bread and Cup

Rev. Stiven Pousima

Sharing the Bread and the Cup

As you sing, please come forward, as you are able, to share in the bread of life and the cup of salvation. If you wish we will serve you in your seat. Following communion please form a fellowship circle around the sanctuary.

Communion Hymn: #330 “Let Us Break Bread Together”

***Prayer of Thanksgiving**

***Closing Hymn: “Let There Be Peace on Earth”** see insert

*** Benediction**

*** Choral Benediction Response:**

#252 “Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us” in Hawaiian

Iesu no ke Kahuhipa, Kahuhipa ma’ika’i e,

Eia makou ka’o hana ke ho’olohe a hahai:

E aloha, e aloha, alaka’i a hanai mai,

E aloha, e aloha, alaka’i a hanai mai.

*** Extinguishing of the Altar Candles**

Postlude: Kayleen Yuda

Ushers: James Yoshiyama, Connie Yoshiyama, Carolyn Lum-Bellem,
Carol Morioka

Flowers: Margaret Torigoe

Childcare: Kay Kawachika

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**
 - No class, July 29-August 11, Resume August 12
- **Bible Study** Monday, July 28, 6:30pm.
- **Bible Study** Wednesday, July 30 9:30am.
- **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

Back to School Breakfast

Welcome students Pre through High School

Sunday, August 10th at 8:45am

Building of Faith

Church Picnic, August 10 in BF after service.

Mary Olney-Loyd & Gary Loyd will on vacation Monday, Aug 11 – Sunday Aug 17.

We welcome Ron Fujiyoshi, who will preach on Sunday, Aug 17. Rev. Ruth Farrell will be available in case of pastoral emergency while Mary is gone.

Aug 23 Youth event at Captain Cook. Speak to Pastor Mary or James Yoshiyama for more information. Flyers at rear of sanctuary.

SAVE THIS DATE! Sun. AUG 24! Plan to remain after worship for an ALL CHURCH POTLUCK lunch and special program for the ENTIRE CONGREGATION.