

# The Messenger

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## CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Monday, Tuesday,  
Wednesday,  
Thursday & Friday  
9:00 am-01:30pm

Lunch  
11:00 am—11:30 am

## Important Dates to Remember:

**October 5,**  
Congregational  
Gathering  
*What Do We VALUE  
as a Congregation*

**World Wide  
Communion**  
*What are gifts and  
strength of CHC?*

**October 12,**  
Congregational  
Gathering  
*What are gifts and  
strengths of CHC?*

**October 19,**  
Congregational  
Gathering  
*What are we  
learning?*

**October 19,**  
General  
Membership  
Meeting  
*(Budget & Election)*

**October 21,**  
Council Meeting

**October 26,**  
All Saints Day  
and Homecoming  
with Potluck

## In Worship, Sunday, Oct. 5th World Communion Sunday

Please wear colorful ethnic clothing as we  
celebrate Communion with Christians all  
over the Globe.

### Congregational Gatherings October 5, 12, 19

We'll share a simple lunch

(We'll order out! No cooking required.) Conversation over lunch will deepen our community as we get to know each other better! We'll deepen our faith in God also. Pastor Mary will lead several of these events. She wants to hear from YOU! Following lunch we will share in these learning and growing opportunities! Reserve your lunch by calling the church office or signing up in worship.

### Sun Oct 5 "What do we value as a congregation?"

Looking at what we cannot live without as a church. What are the principles and values we consider vitally important to the life and ministry of CHC? What's significant for you?

### Sun Oct 12 "What are gifts and strengths of Church of the Holy Cross?"

Father Moki Hino from Church of the Holy Apostle, Episcopal Church will lead us. There will be time to take a short inventory of your personal talents and strengths. As we look at all our strengths and abilities, we will see more clearly-- what are Church of the Holy Cross's gifts for ministry? his will help us lead with our strengths!

### Oct 19 What are we learning?

We'll reflect on what we've learned from the church timeline and these events in September and October.



**Sunday, Oct. 26th**

## All Saints Candle Lighting Service and Homecoming Potluck



You are invited to the Church's annual All Saints' Candle Lighting Service and Homecoming Pot-luck on Sunday, October 26. We will be lighting candles to honor the memory of those members and friends who have passed away. This solemn observance will be followed by an all-church Homecoming potluck after worship service. Please give Pastor Mary the name of your loved ones so we can call out their name and remember them by ringing our church bell.



## Entered Life Eternal

Laura Nakasone  
October 21, 1920—September 26, 2014  
Memorial Service at CHC on Sat, Oct. 25th  
10 am Visitation  
11 am Memorial Service



## Pastor's Corner

Dear Church,

We are a church together – on Sunday we gather to worship. Other days we are in the world, ministering to and with others – feeding hungry persons, visiting persons who cannot come to worship, doing acts of kindness, working and playing with our families and friends. We live our lives in service of Jesus the Christ. This is our MISSION as individuals.

The word MISSIONAL came up last Sunday in our Congregational Gathering. This is how Rick Meigs, describes MISSIONAL: "Jesus told us to go into all the world and be his ambassadors, but many churches today have inadvertently changed the "go and be" command to a "come and see" appeal. We have grown attached to buildings, programs, staff and a wide variety of goods and services designed to attract and entertain people.

"Missional is a helpful term used to describe what happens when you and I replace the "come to us" invitations with a "go to them" life. A life where "the way of Jesus" informs and radically transforms our existence to one wholly focused on sacrificially living for him and others and where we adopt a missionary stance in relation to our culture. It speaks of the very nature of the Jesus follower." Becoming MISSIONAL then, is about how we live our lives in the world, as servants of Jesus Christ. It's a way of being that we live into. Here's a question for reflection: ***How does your faith in Jesus makes a difference in the way you live each and every day?***

Please enter the conversation at our **Congregational Gatherings – following worship October 5, 12, and 19!**

Peace & Joy,  
Mary

## From the Board of Stewardship and Mission



Just a reminder!

Please join our Church of the Holy Cross team for the "Walk to End Alzheimer's" on Saturday, 10/11 at the Prince Kuhio Plaza. Registration forms are available at the back of the Sanctuary. If you are unable to walk and would like to make a contribution, Please make a check to "Alzheimer's Association" and give it to Woody Kita. For more information, contact Woody at 959-76554/ cel: 987-1734. Thank you.

Also, a contribution of \$200 from J's MiniMart Fund was added to the funds collected from the congregation for the Kalaupapa Project. Funds will be sent to the Conference for this on-going project. Also, \$500 from J's MiniMart Fund will be sent to Kalapana Maunakea Church in Kapoho for their Friday Feed Program. Their food supply had to be given away to keep it from spoiling when they lost their power due to the recent storm. We sincerely thank those who help support our J's MiniMart through your donations and purchases. This allows us to do mission work in our community which we did not budget funds for.



### Announcement

Pastor Mary and I are happy to announce that Jodi Enriquez is now our part time office manager effective October 1. She has done a good job learning the responsibilities of the position and has a great "can do" attitude.

Please stop by the office, introduce yourself and welcome her if you have not had a chance to meet her. Mahalo, Roberta Chu, Treasurer

### UPDATE



Mrs. Carol Melim is now in a care home in Na'alehu. She can be contacted c/o Nelia Blanco at 95-5573 Lokelani Street, Na'alehu, HI 96772 or contacted via telephone at 929-7638.

She would love to receive a card or letters.  
Margaret and Pastor Mary went to visit her recently and she is doing well.



## **Holy Cross Team in the Walk to End Alzheimer's: October 11, 2014 at Prince Kuhio Mall**

The Board of Stewardship and Mission created a team to again walk for Alzheimer's Disease. Funds raised go for research and community support programs. Research continues into the causes of this disease and cures. Community support programs are available in East and West Hawaii by part time staff providing education, counseling and support groups. Make a donation to our walkers to help end Alzheimer's Disease or join the team by signing up on the Stewardship and Mission bulletin board or call Woody Kita at 959-76554/ cell: 987-1734.

### **2014 Neighbors In Need**

**"Imagining Another World Is Possible"**

**Your gifts matter! As a community, we are changing lives.**

**Please place all donations in the provided envelopes in the back of the Sanctuary.**



## **Church of the Holy Cross 2015 budget**

This year the Budget Committee is including 2 formats – the historic annual financial budget and a narrative budget which is based on our Church's mission for 2015. Both formats are included in this week's Messenger. I will be presenting the financial budget at our General Membership meeting on Sunday, October 19 and Sue Smith will be presenting the narrative budget.

Financial Budget - In an effort to provide more information for the congregation's understanding, the Budget Committee and I have included budget versus actual numbers for 2012, 2013 and 2014 along with the 2015 budget. Please note that the 2014 Estimate column is annualized numbers based on year to date Jan – July 2014. The pledge receipts do not include any year end contributions which may cause the number to exceed \$184,771.

2015 budgeted Rental Income assumes increases in the Building of Faith rentals and \$10,000 in Miscellaneous Income is needed to balance the budget. Insurance expense is budgeted for a higher number in light of anticipated premium increases. The Office Manager position is part-time so the Church does not have to provide medical insurance. These items are numbered on the right most column of the budget with corresponding footnotes at the bottom of third page of the budget.

If you have any questions or need further explanation, please call me at 937-8315 (home) or 937-8315 (cell) and I will be happy to discuss or meet with you.

Thank you to Sue Smith and Gloria Kobayashi for creating the Narrative Budget to carry out our mission for 2015. This budget provides a different way of looking at our Church's finances. Sue and I look forward to getting you feedback on October 19 after our Church service.

Roberta Chu, Treasurer

# Church Council proposed slate for 2015 for Officers and Boards

## Officers

Moderator - Woody (Elwood) Kita  
Vice Moderator - Open  
Secretary – Margaret Torigoe  
Treasurer – Roberta Chu  
Auditor – Peter Tadaki  
Historian -Open  
Pasto Moderator – Sue (Suzanne) Smith

The council would welcome nominations for Vice Moderator, Secretary, and Historian. Please contact any member of the Council with your nominations. You can Volunteer to serve or nominate another. Remember if you nominate someone else you must get their permission.

There will be nomination forms in the back of the sanctuary and they can be put in the offering.

## Boards

### The boards welcome additional members

#### Board of Christian Education

Joyce Nakamoto, Gail Wung, Lei Jack, Ruth Farrell, Amy Yamaki, Yoko Hayano

#### Board of Deacons

Eric Tanouye, Karl Kawahara, Jayson Rekis, Jean Pierre Toma, Stuart Mori, Margaret Torigoe, Miyeko Yamane, Gloria Kobayashi, Suzanne Smith

#### Board of Stewardship and Mission

Beverly Dodo, G. Robert Smith, Charity Robert Mori, Barbara Iwami, Merle Okabe, Anne Sadayasu

#### Board of Trustees

Carolyn Lum-Bellem, Herbert Watanabe, Newton Chu, G. Robert Smith, Ben Masutomi, Stefan Tanouye, Raymond Kobayashi, Millie Diakawa.

#### Women's Fellowship

Moira Tanaka



### Search Committee



Aloha Members, the Search Committee has been working diligently and we are pleased to announce that we have completed the Profile of our Church. We are now forwarding the Profile to the Hawaii Conference UCC so that the position for Senior Pastor can be posted. A copy of the Profile will be available in the Church Office during the week. A copy will also be available in sanctuary for the next two Sundays. It feels great to know that we are moving forward in the search for our new Pastor!

### PEACE CRANES ON THEIR WAY

Thanks to many of our congregation that we already sent over 8,000 folded origami cranes to the Honokaa Hongwanji's The "199,000 Cranes Project". The Peace Committee, in collaboration with the Family-Community Education group, is collecting the origami cranes in memory of the casualties of the nuclear bombings in Hiroshima and Nagasaki. Cranes will be sent as a combined "flock" to the memorial.

Lili Inouye's goal to participate in this project was 1,000 cranes! We've exceeded that and we are still collecting the cranes so please bring them to church, anytime. The cranes got a special blessing during the Sept. 21st worship. We thank Lily for encouraging us with this project. Paper for the origami cranes can be picked up in the church office.



*Please share this information with your family,  
friends and colleagues!*

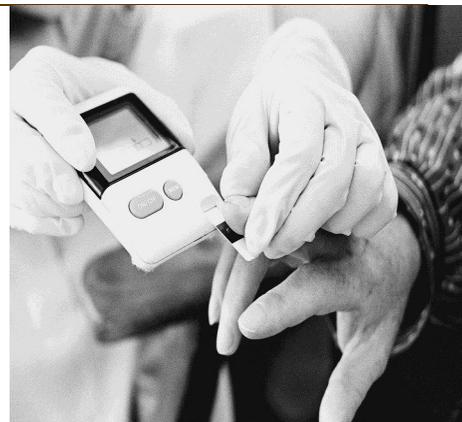
**Mark your calendar**

### Care Givers Meeting

Our next meeting will be on Tuesday, October 14, 2014.

*\*We meet on the second Tuesday of each month at 10 a.m. to 12 noon*

In the building of Faith  
Church of the Holy Cross, 440 West  
Lanikaula Street, Hilo



### All Things Bright and Beautiful

Sunday school classes have been meeting after the Sharing with Children portion in worship. The Seasons of the Spirit curriculum will help lead us as we strive to nurture our children's faith. The older students will be exploring books of the Old Testament; lessons learned from Cain and Abel, Hagar and Ishmael and Joseph. All keikis are welcome - come and join us!

### Senior Ministry Oct. 23rd, Sunday 10 a.m. in the Building of Faith

*The Senior Ministry will be making deliveries for people "shut-In". They will need volunteers to deliver meals and flowers.*



every Monday at 6:30 p.m. in the Pastor's Study and Wednesday in the Lounge at 9:30 am

In October we are studying the Sermon on the Mount in Matthew chapters 5, 6 & 7

### Call For Leis

Our lei supply for visitors to the church is getting low. If you have leis we can greet our visitors with, please bring them to church and leave them in J's Café. Thank you.



### Church of the Holy Cross Membership Directory Update

An insert has been included in the Bulletin for you to update your contact information, birthdates, children, etc. Please place the updated insert into the Bulletin Box.

### The Messenger

The Messenger is a bimonthly newsletter distributed by the Church of the Holy Cross in Hilo. If you have an article please either send it via email in word format to [holycrosshilo@hawaii.rr.com](mailto:holycrosshilo@hawaii.rr.com) or via post. The next issue will be October 8, 2014. All articles should be sent in no later than the Tuesday before.

### October Volunteers

#### October Ushers:

*Ben Masutomi  
Rei Masutomi  
Sets Takemoto  
Dorothy Matsui  
Tammy Nagami*

#### October 5, 2014 Chapel Decorations:

*Michi Enomoto  
Childcare:  
Lolita Tanouye  
Layreader:  
Karl Kawahara*

#### October 12, 2014 Chapel Decorations:

*Amy Shiroma  
Clarice Suzuki  
Childcare:  
Yoko Hayano  
Layreader:  
Molina Rekis*

#### October 19, 2014 Chapel Decorations:

*M/M Mark Sakumoto  
Childcare:  
Carolyn Lum-Bellum  
Layreader:  
Barbara Iwami*

#### October 26, 2014 Chapel Decorations:

*M/M Richard Miyake  
Childcare:  
Joanne Hernandez  
Layreader:  
Lei Cruz*