

CHURCH OF THE HOLY CROSS
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST – CONGREGATIONAL
440 West Lanikaula Street, Hilo, Hawaii
November 16, 2014

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

Words of Greeting	Bob Smith
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:**

One: In 1888 the Hawaiian Evangelical Association called Jiro Okabe to work among the Japanese immigrants on the island of Hawaii. Rev. Okabe organized the Hilo Japanese Christian Church on January 18, 1891. His mission was evangelical, educational and benevolent.

All: We give thanks for Christ's ministry through this church!

One: Since organizing this congregation in 1891, God has done great things in our midst.

All: We give thanks for Christ's ministry through this church!

One: Through conversation and prayer we have discerned that this church values: compassion, faith in God, Love for God, neighbor and ourselves.

All: We value acceptance as we are, diversity, stewardship of our time, talent & treasure and stewardship of the earth.

One: We value local and global mission, servant leadership, peace, justice and joy.

All: We rejoice in Christ's ministry through Church of the Holy Cross, United Church of Christ! We are blessed by God to be a blessing for others!

*** Hymn of Praise: # 4 "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore You"**

***Unison Prayer for Forgiveness**

Gracious and loving God, remind us that you offer us joy and freedom of spirit.

Forgive us when we refuse to listen for your voice. Draw us close to you that we may

***Prayer of Dedication (Unison)**

Great and good God you have blessed us that we may become a blessing to others.
Use our gifts to bring healing and hope to your people both near and far. In Jesus
name we pray. Amen.

***Closing Hymn: #565 “God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending”**

*** Benediction**

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

Pōmaika`i nā mea āpau
Pōmaika`i nā mea āpau
`Ekolu mea nui ma ka honua
`O ka mana`o `i`o ka mana`o lana
A me ke aloha ke aloha ka i `oi a`e
Pōmaika`i nā mea āpau
Pōmaika`i nā mea āpau
E nā mākua nā keiki
Nā mamo a luda me `Epelaima
E pa`a ka mana`o i ka pono i `oi a`e
Pōmaika`i nā mea apau
Pōmaika`i nā mea apau

*** Extinguishing of the Altar Candles**

Postlude: Kayleen Yuda

Ushers: Ethel Yoshimasu,
Eric Tanouye, Jenny Kondo, Margaret Torigoe
& Woody Kita (sub)

Flowers: Karl Kawahara & Moira Tanaka

Interim Minister: Mary Olney-Loyd

Moderator: Sue Smith

Minister Emeritus: Susumu Yamane

Office Manager: Jodi Enriquez

Interim Choir Director: Katherine Wilson

Choir Accompanist: LaRae K. Mortensen

Organist: Kayleen Yuda

Childcare Coordinator: Evonne Shiohita

Dates to Remember and Reminders

Sunday, November 16
Associate Conference Minister,
Rev. Donald Schmidt, guest speaker
Fellowship to follow in J's Café

Thursday, November 20
Senior Ministry
10 am – 12 pm
Free Luncheon in the Building of Faith
Woody Kita will be speaking

Thursday, November 20
Women's Fellowship
Building of Faith after Senior Ministry
Budget for 2015 will be discussed and voted upon.

Saturday, November 22
Church of the Holy Cross Service Day
We will be doing Carpet Cleaning and Pew Cleaning.
Gather up Volunteers – Let's Pray for a Big Turnout!

Sunday, November 23
Every Member Canvas – Celebration Sunday!
Special Thanksgiving worship service and refreshments following.
Please bring your Pledge card.

Tuesday, November 25 at 7 p.m.
Thanksgiving Celebration Interfaith Community in Action
at First Protestant Church (near hospital).

Thursday, November 27
Happy Thanksgiving
The Church office will be closed on Thurs. & Friday

Saturday, November 29
9 am in the Sanctuary
Hanging of the Greens

Sunday, November 30
Board of Stewardship & Missions
After Service in Lounge

This Week at Church of the Holy Cross

- **Choir Practice**, Sunday at 8:30 am in Sanctuary and Tuesdays at 4:30 pm in the Sanctuary
- **Rhythm & Life exercise class**, BF Tuesdays, 3:30pm
- **Bible Study** every Monday at 6:30 pm in the Pastor's Study and Wednesday in the Lounge at 9:30 am
 - Read Ch. 4 & 5 "Abundance"
- **International Young Adults Association Bible Study** is held each Wednesday evening 7:30 p.m.
- **Qi Goong exercise class** meets Friday morning 9-10:30 a.m. (BF, open to church members)
- **Ballroom Dance class** will meet on Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. in the Building of Faith
- **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** – worships in the BF.
- **Samoan Church** worships at 12pm on Sundays in Sanctuary.
- **Chuukese Church** worships in BF meeting room at 3pm today.
- **First Marshallese Assembly of God**, worships in the Sanctuary today 4pm.

BF=Building of Faith