

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

March 22, 2015

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

Pre-Service Music – Congregational singing together

Words of Greeting

Ruth Niino-DuPonte

Pastoral Welcome

Rev. Mary Olney-Loyd

Prelude: “Psalm 19” *Arr. Marcello-Broughton*

Kayleen Yuda

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

**\*Call to Worship**

One: We have gathered in the presence of God our creator,  
who sets before us the ways of life and death.

**All: We have gathered in the presence of Jesus the Christ,  
who calls us to accept the cost of discipleship that we may know its joy.**

One: We have gathered in the presence of the Spirit,  
who sustains us in trial and rejoicing.

**All: In our living and in our dying, we belong to God.  
In the shadow of God’s wings, we sing for joy.  
Let us worship God.**

**\*Prayer of Praise (Unison)**

**We gather to worship, O God, under the shadow of the cross, sign of human shame  
and divine wisdom. Like Jesus, we would follow faithfully in your way. Jesus, we  
would live for you. We are your people; we belong to you. We offer you our worship  
and our lives. May your name be glorified in your church as we are open to your  
presence today; through Jesus the Christ. Amen.**

**\* Hymn of Praise: #522 “I Love to Tell the Story”**

**\*Prayer of Confession (Unison)**

God of truth, how difficult it is for us to be truthful before you. We want to hide our anxieties and fears, our resentments and self-centeredness. Cut through our evasions by the truth of your word, and help us to be honest. God of mercy, your hopes for us are greater than our own, yet our failures do not surprise you. Forgive us, we pray, even for the sin we cannot see or find it painful to confess. God of love, accept us as we are, so that we may accept ourselves. Teach us to affirm what is good in our lives, and to put behind us what is unworthy, that by your grace we may live in confidence and joy, in the manner of Jesus our Christ. Amen.

**\*Assurance of God's Love and Forgiveness**

I say to you in the name of Jesus Christ: Your sins are forgiven.  
Your faith has made you free. Anyone who is in Christ Jesus is a new creation;  
Say it with me: **"Anyone who is in Christ Jesus is a new creation"**  
The old has passed away. **"The old has passed away."**  
The new has come. **"The new has come."**  
Thanks be to God!

**\*Gloria Patri**

**WE SHARE THE WORD OF GOD**

**Time 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 glory, forever. Amen.**

**Scripture: 2<sup>nd</sup> Corinthians 4:7-12**

**Anthem: "Prayer for Guidance" by Allen Pote      Na Leo Ni'o Lani**

**Scripture: Mark 10:17-22**

**Sermon:      And He Went Away Sad...**

**WE RESPOND IN WORD AND DEED**

**Pastoral Prayer/Prayers of People** (be seated)

**\*Hymn: #498 “Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love”**

**Invitation to the Offering**

Because Jesus looks on us with great love, and with great compassion we may look on one another with loving compassion. Because we are grateful for Christ’s look of love for us we respond with our tithes and our offerings. We will receive this morning’s offering.

**Offertory: “Prayer” Arr. Blake**

**Kayleen Yuda**

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

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

**We give thanks for Christ’s love which receives us just as we are. We give thanks for Christ’s love which teaches us to love one another. We give thanks and offer these our gifts for the use in this church and beyond. May all these gifts bring Christ’s look of love for each person they touch. In Jesus’ name we pray. Amen.**

**\*Closing Hymn: #193 “In the Cross of Christ I Glory”**

**\*Benediction**

**\*Choral Benediction Response:**

**\*Extinguishing of the Altar Candles**

**Postlude: “Hark! Ten Thousand Harp & Voices” Arr. Denten-Mason Kayleen Yuda**

**Ushers: IYAA & Jayson Rekis**

**Flowers: Goya Family Memorial**

**Interim Minister: Mary Olney-Loyd**

**Moderator: Woody Kita**

**Minister Emeritus: Susumu Yamane**

**Office Manager: Jodi Enriquez**

**Choir Director: Katherine Wilson**

**Choir Accompanist: Mary Cockcroft**

**Organist: Kayleen Yuda**

**Childcare Coordinator: Evonne Shiohita**

**Childcare: Yoko Hayano**

## **Dates to Remember**

**Sunday, March 22<sup>th</sup>**

J's Mini Mart  
Every 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday

**Thursday, March 26<sup>th</sup>**

Senior Ministry  
10:00 am to 12 noon  
Building of Faith

Rev. Enja Enos, President of the UCC Churches in the Marshall Islands will be our guest speaker. His topic will be "Christianity in the Marshall Islands" Sign up on the Sr. Ministry bulletin board or contact Jodi at (808) 935-1283

**Sunday, March 29<sup>th</sup>**

**Palm Sunday**

"Parade of the Palms"

We will celebrate with the parade of palms and hear the story of the final days of Jesus' life. Sacrament of Baptism is offered.

**Thursday, April 2<sup>nd</sup> @ 7:00 pm**

**Maundy Thursday**

Service of Holy Communion in the evening. This quiet, reflective, service commemorates when Jesus shared the bread and cup with his disciples at the Passover. The choir will sing. Other congregations who worship on our campus will worship with us.

**Saturday, April 4<sup>th</sup> @ 9:00 am in J's Cafe**

**Eggcellent Adventure**

**Decorating Easter Eggs**

Parents, please dress children in "junk" clothes for egg coloring.

**Sunday, April 5<sup>th</sup> Egg Hunt**

**Get Time from Joyce**

Each participant will need to bring their own basket to collect eggs.

**Sunday, April 5<sup>th</sup> Easter Worship**

Festive worship celebrating Christ's Resurrection.  
Special Refreshments to follow in the Building of Faith.

**Sunday, April 12<sup>th</sup>**

**Aloha to Pastor Mary & Gary**

Festive worship bidding Aloha to Pastor Mary and Gary. We will welcome other congregations to worship with us.

Potluck to follow in the Building of Faith

**This Week at the Church of the Holy Cross**

- **Choir Practice**, 8:30 a.m. Sun. in the Sanctuary & 4:30 pm on Tues. in the Lounge
- **Bible Study** on March 23<sup>rd</sup> & March 25<sup>th</sup>. Please read Mark through Ch. \_\_. Monday evening 6:30 pm in Pastor's Study and Wednesday 9:30 am meet in the Pastor's Study (near makai parking lot)
- **Rhythm & Life exercise class**, every Tuesdays at 3:30 p.m. in the BF
- **Ballroom Dance** class meets every Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. in the BF
- **Ron Fujiyoshi, Ohana Ho'opakele** meets every Thurs. at 9am in the Lounge
- **IYAA Bible Study** Wednesday at 7:30 pm in the Lounge. Mark chapter 5 continued
- **Qigong** meets every Friday at 9:00 am in the Building of Faith.
- **Muslim Group** meets every Friday at 1:00 pm in the Building of Faith
- **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 9am in the BF.
- **Samoan Church** worships at 12pm in Sanctuary.
- **Chuukese Church** worships 3pm in BF meeting room.
- **First Marshallese Assembly of God**, worships 4 pm in the Sanctuary.

**BF=Building of Faith**