

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

April 5, 2015

**WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD**

**Pre-Service Music – Congregational singing together**

**Words of**

**Latai Loa**

**Pastoral Welcome**

**Rev. Mary Olney-Loyd**

**Prelude: “Low In The Grave He Lay”**

**Kayleen Yuda**

*Based on tune “Christ Arose” by Hughes*

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

**\*Call to Worship**

One: When we are all despairing;  
When the world is full of grief;  
When we see no way ahead,  
And hope has gone away:

**ALL: Roll back the stone.**

One: Although we fear change;  
Although we are not ready;  
Although we’d rather weep  
And run away:

**ALL: Roll back the stone.**

One: Because we’re coming with the women;  
Because we hope where hope is vain;  
Because you call us from the grave  
And show the way:

**ALL: Roll back the stone.**

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

**God of power and might, in the mystery of Christ’s resurrection you rolled back the stone. So too, you are able to remove barriers in our lives by your mysterious power. Open us to your presence this day. Remind us again of the faith we proclaim.**

**\*Easter Acclamation**

One: Christ is risen! Alleluia!

**All: Christ is risen! Alleluia!**

**\*Hymn of Praise: #233 “Christ the Lord Is Risen Today”**

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

**On this morning of Alleluias, we confess we forget: We forget your great gift of new life in Jesus Christ. We may not claim the freedom from sin you provide us. We fail to live out our faith in a daily way. Forgive us. Help us practice our Easter faith each new dawn. For you promise us the living presence Jesus the Christ in our lives. Amen.**

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

**\*Gloria Patri**

### **WE SHARE THE WORD OF GOD**

**Solo “Because He Lives**

**Kait Wilson  
Matt Maher**

**Easter Affirmation:** from Colossians 3:1-4

**We have been raised to life with Christ. Now we set our hearts on what is in heaven, where Christ rules at God’s right side. Let us think about what is up there, not about what is here on earth. Our old lives are dead. Our new lives – which are our real lives are with Christ in God. Christ gives meaning to our lives. We are made new with Jesus the Christ.**

**Hymn of Faith: #242 “The Strife Is O’er”**

**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.**

**Anthem: “I Sing as I Arise Today” *by Tom Vos***

**Na Leo Li’o Lani**

**Scripture:** Mark 16:1-8

**Sermon: When Is the End a Beginning?**

## WE RESPOND IN WORD AND DEED

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

**\*Hymn: He Lives! See insert**

**Invitation to the Offering**

**Offertory: "The Day of Resurrection" by GLYN Kayleen Yuda**

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

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

**We offer our gifts and our lives so that your message of hope, healing, joy and peace may become alive in the world. May our lives proclaim our faith in the Risen Christ who is present and active in the world. May we live out our Easter faith each day. Amen.**

## THE LORD'S SUPPER

**Invitation**

**Hymn of Invitation: #347 "Let Us Talents"**

**Consecrating the Bread and Cup**

**Sharing the Bread and the Cup**

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.

**\*Prayer of Thanksgiving**

**We give you thanks for this sacred meal. We give you thanks that Jesus lives again. We give you thanks for your gift of new hope this day. May our lives proclaim your abundant love. Alleluia! Amen.**

**\*Closing Hymn: #253 "Yours Is the Glory"**

**\*Benediction**

**\*Choral Benediction Response: Refrain He Lives! See insert**

**\*Extinguishing of the Altar Candles**

**Postlude: "Fanfare on Easter Hymn" by Chesterton Kayleen Yuda**



Please join us for refreshments in the Building of Faith



Please write on a butterfly and attach to poster at the rear of the Sanctuary.

“What have you learned during our time together that you want to remember and use?”

Pastor Mary

**Ushers:** Moira Tanaka, Newton Chu,  
Esther Kodani, & Karl Kawahara

**Flowers:** Easter Lilies – Cindy Debus

**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:** Margaret Torigoe

### **Dates to Remember**

**Sunday, April 5<sup>th</sup> Easter Sunday for Keiki @ 9:00 am in Lounge**

**Easter activity and Egg Hunt**

No Sunday School classes that day

(keiki to participate in worship)

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.

**Wednesday, April 8<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 am**

Meet at the Lounge at CHC. We'll car pool to the Church of the Holy Apostle to walk the Labyrinth.

**Wednesday, April 8<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 am**

You are invited to the Life Care Center to share songs with the residents. Please contact JP Thoma for more information.

**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

**Wednesday, April 15<sup>th</sup>**

All who have been part of any Wednesday Bible Study gatherings are invited to share in a farewell lunch. Ask Pastor Mary or a member of the group for more information.

**Sunday, April 19<sup>th</sup>**

**Bread for the World Annual Bake Sale**

Please plan to bake or cook something for the sale and also purchase the many delicious prepared goods.  
We welcome Rev. Yeow our new interim minister.

**Saturday, April 25<sup>th</sup>**

**10:00 am to 2:00 pm**

**Hawaii Island Association - UCC 'Aha Mokupuni**

**Imiola Congregational Church (65-1084 Mamalahoa Highway)**

Agenda includes worship, elections, reports from churches and more.

**Thursday, April 30<sup>th</sup>**

**8:30 am – 4:30 pm**

**Marriott Waikoloa Beach Resort**

**Hawai'i Conference 2015**

**E Malama 'Ola "Caring for Life"**

**"Sustaining Communities, Families, and  
Individuals through Life Promoting Actions"**

Questions? Contact Larry Walter, Conference Chairman

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## **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 30th & April 1st. Please read Mark through Ch. 17. 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 8
- **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

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## **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.

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