

**CHURCH OF THE HOLY CROSS**  
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST – CONGREGATIONAL  
440 West Lanikaula Street, Hilo, Hawaii  
All Saints Day  
November 01, 2015

**WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD**

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

**Words of Greeting**

**Pastoral Welcome**

**Rev. Choo Lak Yeow**

**Prelude**

**\*Call to Worship**

**Leader:** On this All Saints Day, let us remember that, Lord, through all generations you have been our home! Before Mauna Kea and Mauna Loa were created, before the earth was formed, you are God without beginning or end.

**People:** You speak, and man turns back to dust. A thousand years are but as yesterday to you! They are like a single hour.

**Leader:** We glide along the tides of time as swiftly as a racing river, and vanish as quickly as a dream. We are like grass that is green in the morning but moved down and withered before the evening shadows fall.

**People:** Seventy years are given to us! And some may even live to eighty. But even the best of these years are often emptiness and pain; soon they disappear, and are gone. Teach us to number our days and recognize how few they are; help us to spend them as we should.

**ALL:** We recall our saints. In your mercy and compassion, grant them eternal peace. Let your perpetual light shine upon them. Let our children see glorious things. Let the Lord our God favor us and give us success. May God give permanence to all we do.

**\*Hymn: #25 ‘O God, Our Help in Ages Past’ stanzas 1 – 6**

[Both Call to Worship and hymn are based on Psalm 90: 1 - 2, 4 - 5 From **The Living Bible**]

**\*Invocation** [In unison]

**We invoke on the God of our ancestors. To be near the God of our ancestors is our happiness, our hope in God the Lord. God, for all our saints we give you thanks. For great grandparents, for grandparents and godparents, for saints who played a crucial role in our spiritual formation, O Lord, we give you thanks. For our children and grandchildren who have been a source of blessing from you, we give you thanks. For all our saints who are living, Lord, we give you thanks. For all the saints, our loved ones in your presence, God, we give you thanks. Let your perpetual light shine upon them, O Lord, with your Saints there with you for ever, for you are merciful. Amen.**

**\*Gloria Patri**

**WE SHARE THE WORD OF GOD**

Time with Children Great Service [3]

Rev. Choo Lak Yeow

Please rise if you are able and join hands in a circle

**\*Lord's Prayer** (using "debts" and "debtors") [in unison]

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed by 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, forever and ever. A-men.**

After the Lord's Prayer, please pass the peace of Christ to your neighbor on your left and right, after which, please be seated for the Ministry of Music and the children leave for Sunday school.

Anthem

Scripture: Ruth 1: 16 – 19

Scripture: Hebrews 9: 13 - 15

Sermon: Honoring our past, celebrating our present, and cleaving our future [3] Honoring our saints

**WE RESPOND IN WORD AND DEED**

Pastoral Prayer/Prayers of People

Rev. Choo Lak Yeow

**Hymn: #299 'For All the Saints,' stanza 1**

All Saints Day  
Candle Lighting

We remember those Members and Friends of The Church of the Holy Cross who have gone Home to our dear Lord:

**Herman Shiraishi**  
**Esther Suyama**

**Haruko Komine**  
**Leonore Smith Brickner**

**Sumi Tachibana**  
**Mary Alice Smith**

As each name is read our church bell will be tolled and a candle lit in remembrance of each person's life, and in thanks for their new life in Christ. After these names are read the congregation is invited to come forward and light a candle in memory of a loved one[s]. When all have lit candles we will sing together:

**Hymn: #299 'For All the Saints,' stanza 2**

**Invitation to the Offering:**

Loving God, on this All Saints Day, we are mindful of all those everyday, ordinary people who have chosen to live their lives a little differently, to set aside their agenda and ego, and to find new ways to serve you. We accept this invitation to use our gifts and the gifting of our time, talents, and treasury to serve the less fortunate, the ways our saints did in yesteryear in plantation camps.

**Offertory**

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

**\*Prayer of Dedication: [in unison]**

**In days of yore, our saints gave much from their meagre earnings. Each dime they put on the collection plate equaled so many minutes of hard work under the scorching sun. Each dollar they donated to the building of a church spoke of their dedication and devotion. We follow in their train and can do no less. Be pleased to receive these our gifts and the giving of ourselves in your Service. Amen.**

**\*Hymn: #299 'For All the Saints,' stanza 3**

## THE LORD'S SUPPER

Invitation	Rev. Choo Lak Yeow
Consecrating the Bread and Cup	Rev. Choo Lak Yeow
Sharing the Bread and the Cup	Rev. Choo Lak Yeow

Prayer of Thanksgiving

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.

**\*Closing Hymn: #299 'For All the Saints,' stanza 5**

\*Benediction

\*Choral Benediction Response: #81 'God Be with You,' stanza 3

\*Extinguishing of the Altar Candles

\*Postlude

**Ushers:** Anne Sadayasu, Ethel Yoshimasu, Eric Tanouye,  
Jenny Kondo & Margaret Torigoe

**Flowers:** Irene Okada

**Interim Minister:** Rev. Choo Lak Yeow

**Moderator:** Woody Kita

**Minister Emeritus:** Susumu Yamane Sensei

**Office Manager:** Jodi Enriquez

**Choir Director:** Katherine Wilson

**Choir Accompanist:** Kanako Okita

**Organist:** Kayleen Yuda

**Childcare Coordinator:** Evonne Shiohita

**Childcare:** Gloria Kobayashi

### **DATES TO REMEMBER**

**Today, November 1<sup>st</sup>**

**ALL SAINTS' DAY**

Candle Lighting Service begins at 10:00 am

Pot-luck luncheon at 11:30 am

There will be entertainment

Saints will be honored.

**Wednesday, November 4<sup>th</sup>**

Messenger

Please submit articles by Oct. 30<sup>th</sup>

**Sunday, November 8<sup>th</sup>**

Council Meeting

After worship

**Wednesday, November 11<sup>th</sup>**

In honor of Veterans Day

CHC Office will be Closed

**Sunday, November 15<sup>th</sup>**

Trustees Meeting

After worship

**Wednesday, November 18<sup>th</sup>**

Messenger

Please submit articles by November 13<sup>th</sup>

**Thursday, November 19<sup>th</sup>**

Senior Ministry

10 am to 12 pm in the Building of Faith

**Friday, November 20<sup>th</sup>**

**Saturday, November 21<sup>st</sup>**

“Harmony on Tap” an Acapella Peace Concert

7:30 pm at the 1st United Protestant Church - 1350 Waianuenue Avenue

Benefit for the Friends of the Children’s Justice Center

\$5 donation/children under 10 free

Tickets at Basically Books, at the door, or from a group member

**Saturday, November 21<sup>st</sup>**

**SERVICE DAY**

8:30 am Church of the Holy Cross

Bring Family and Friends to beautify our campus

**Sunday, November 22<sup>nd</sup>**

Deacons Meeting

After worship

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

Happy Thanksgiving

CHC Office Closed

**Friday, November 27<sup>th</sup>**

CHC Office Closed

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

First Week of Advent

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

Stewardship & Missions Meeting

After worship

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

- **Bible Study**, Monday at 6:30 pm and Wednesday at 9:30 am in Pastors Study
- **Choir Practice**, 8:30 a.m. Sunday in the Sanctuary & 5:00 pm to 6:00 pm on Tuesday in the Lounge
- **IYAA Bible Study** Wednesday at 7:30 pm in the Lounge. Mark Ch. 12
- **Rhythm & Life exercise class**, every Tuesday 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 Thursday at 9:00 am in the Lounge
- **Qigong** meets every Friday at 9:00 am to 10:30 am in the Building of Faith.
- **Bell Choir** every Saturday at 1pm in J's Café
- **Muslim Community Group** meets every Friday at 1:00 p.m. in the Building of Faith Meeting Room

**Other Congregations that Worship here Today**

- **The Free Wesleyan Church of Tonga** meets in the Sanctuary on Sunday from 2 pm to 4 pm and Wednesday from 6 pm to 7 pm  
**Rev. Stiven Pousima; Assistant to Pastor: Tevita Talanoa**
- **The United Church of Christ, Pohnpei** – worships 10am to noon in the Building of Faith.  
**Rev. Ichiro Annes**
- **Samoan Church** worships at 12pm in Sanctuary.  
**Rev. Take Sunia**
- **Chuukese Church** worships from 1 pm to 3pm in Building of Faith Meeting Room.  
**Rev. Saburo Robert**
- **First Marshallese Assembly of God**, worships 4 pm in the Sanctuary.  
**Rev. Brandy Karben**