

CHURCH OF THE HOLY CROSS
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST – CONGREGATIONAL
440 West Lanikaula Street, Hilo, Hawai`i
Trinity Sunday, May 22, 2016
Rev. Eric S. Anderson, Pastor

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

Pre-Service Music – Congregational singing

Words of Greeting

Millie Daikawa

Pastoral Welcome

Rev. Eric Anderson

Prelude: La Tromba – Couperin

Kayleen Yuda

All those who are able, please rise. (Unison reading in **bold** text)

Call to Worship

Leader: Listen! Wisdom is calling from the open places in our lives.

Singing bowl sounds and rings until silent.

Leader: Listen! Wisdom is calling to all people that live.

Singing bowl sounds and rings until silent.

Leader: Listen! Wisdom is calling to the whole of creation.

Singing bowl sounds and rings until silent.

Leader: Listen: Hear Wisdom’s call for deep understanding.

Wonder at human frailty and experience the grace of truth.

Let us worship God.

Hymn #273: “Praise with Joy the World’s Creator” (v. 1-3)

Invocation – Unison

Creator of all life, wisdom from before the beginning of the world, spirit that delights in Truth, be present with us today. Deepen our capacity to listen for the voice that invites us into greater understanding of who we are and guides us into life in all its fullness, with peace that disturbs our complacency, hope that opens creativity, and love that delights in the whole world. Amen.

Gloria Patri

Please be seated

WE SHARE THE WORD OF GOD

Time with Children Rev. Eric Anderson

Please rise if you are able and join hands in a circle for the
Lord's Prayer 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 the glory forever and ever. Amen.

Anthem: Special Music

Rev. Eric Anderson

Scripture: Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31
John 16:12-15

Sermon: "Where has Wisdom Gone?"

WE RESPOND IN WORD AND DEED

Pastoral Prayer/Prayers of People

Please remain seated for the hymn

Hymn #57: O Holy Spirit, Root of Life (v. 1-3)

Invitation to the Offering:

Leader: Sisters and brothers, the Spirit of truth is with us! Each week we take time to acknowledge the many ways that God continues to bless us with good gifts.

People: We then share what we have with joy and thanksgiving, returning to God a portion of what God has given us.

Offertory: Canon (Saraband) -- *Couperin*

Kayleen Yuda

Doxology:

Praise God from whom all blessings flow
 Praise Him all creatures here below
 Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts
 Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost -- Amen

Prayer of Dedication—Unison

We give thanks, O God, for all that you have given us. Pour out your blessing on these tithes and offerings, that they might be a source of blessing in our church, in our community, and in our world. Through this act of sharing, may we counter fear with hope and transform scarcity through generosity. We offer this prayer in the name of the Creator, the Christ and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Hymn #279: O God in Heaven (v. 1-3)

Benediction

Rev. Eric Anderson

Choral Benediction Response – #277 Holy, Holy, Holy (v. 4)

Extinguishing of the Altar Candles

Postlude: Festival Postlude -- Zipoli

Kayleen Yuda

Minister: Rev. Eric S. Anderson

Ushers: Woody & Jean Kita, Erin Okuda, Mary Ann Katayama, Saeko Hayashi

Flowers: Lily Inouye

Moderator: Woody Kita

Minister Emeritus: Susumu Yamane Sensei

Office Manager: Pearl “Momi” Lyman

Choir Director: Rachel Edwards

Choir Accompanist: Kanako Okita

Organist: Kayleen Yuda

Childcare Coordinator: Evonne Shiohita

Childcare: Gail Wung

Dates to Remember

- Today, Sunday, May 22 – Board of Deacons Meeting
- Today, Sunday, May 22 – J’s Mini Mart
- Thursday, May 26 – Senior Ministry

- Sunday, May 29 – Board of Stewardship and Mission Meeting
- Monday, May 30 – Memorial Day, CHC Office Closed

This week at the Church of the Holy Cross

- **Choir Practice**, 8:30 a.m. Sunday in the Sanctuary
- 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm on Tuesday in the sanctuary
- **Bible Study with Pastor Eric:** Bible studies are held in Pastor Eric's office – you are invited
 - Sundays, 8:30 am – A Survey of the Bible
 - Wednesdays, 9:30 am – Lectionary readings for the upcoming Sunday Service
 - Wednesdays, 6:30 pm – Gospels of Luke and John
- **IYAA Bible Study** Wednesday at 7:30 pm in The Lounge.
- **Rhythm & Life exercise class**, every Tuesday at 3:30 pm in the BoF
- **Ballroom Dance** class meets every Wednesday at 6:30 pm
- **Ron Fujiyoshi, `Ohana Ho`opakele** meets Thursdays at 9 am in The Lounge
- **Qigong** meets every Friday at 9:00-10:30 am in the BoF
- **Hand Bell Choir** every Saturday at 1 pm in J's Café

Other Faith Groups that meet at Church of the Holy Cross

- **The Free Wesleyan Church of Tonga** meets in the Sanctuary on Sunday from 2 pm to 4 pm and Wednesday from 6 to 7 pm
Rev. Stiven Pousima; Assistant to Pastor: Tevita Talanoa
- **The United Church of Christ, Pohnpei** – 10 am in Building of Faith.
Rev. Ichiro Annes
- **Samoan Church** worships at 12 pm in the Sanctuary.
Rev. Take Sunia
- **First Marshallese Assembly of God**, 4 pm in the Sanctuary.
Rev. Brandy Karben
- **Muslim Community Group** meets every Friday at 1:00 pm in the Building of Faith Meeting Room