

CHURCH OF THE HOLY CROSS
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST – CONGREGATIONAL
440 West Lanikaula Street, Hilo, Hawai`i
Tenth Sunday after Pentecost, July 24, 2016
Rev. Eric S. Anderson, Pastor

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

Pre-Service Music – Congregational singing

Words of Greeting:

Gloria Kobayashi

Pastoral Welcome:

Rev. Eric S. Anderson

Prelude: Thou Shalt Bring Them In--*Handel*

Kayleen Yuda

Call to Worship:

Leader: We come abounding in thanksgiving:

People: For in Christ we find in all fullness, the holiness, the justice, the hope of God.

Leader: We come abounding in thanksgiving:

People: To feel God’s life in us flowing through our roots in Christ and establishing our faith.

Leader: We come abounding in thanksgiving:

People: To celebrate the mystery of God-with-us: Christ, who lives fully in us and in whom we fully live.

**All: Let us welcome the One who was sent to make us alive in the fullness of God.
Amen.**

Hymn #514: Over My Head

(v. 1-2, 4)

Invocation in Unison

God, we know you will come to us and give us what is good. Let your glory till the landscape of our hearts so that it will yield an increase of love for you. Speak peace to us, your faithful, and to all who yearn for you. For we know that as we ask, it will be given and as we knock, the door will be opened to us. Come, bring your goodness to us your children. Amen.

Gloria Patri

WE SHARE THE WORD OF GOD

Time with Children

Rev. Eric S. 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: *The Prayer by David Foster*

Rachel Edwards & Angie Jara

Accompanied by Kanako Okita

Scriptures: Colossians 2:6-15

Luke 11:1-13

Sermon: "Don't Stop Praying"

WE RESPOND IN WORD AND DEED

Pastoral Prayer/Prayers of People

Rev. Eric S. Anderson

Hymn #508: Prayer Is the Soul's Sincere Desire

(v. 1-3, 5)

Invitation to the Offering:

Jesus said, "Ask, and it will be given you; knock, and the door will be opened for you. God will do the giving; God will open the door; and God also works through us. We build God's realm with our hands and hearts. In this time offering, please consider: What door might you open for someone else? What gift are you giving to answer another's need? The offering will now be received.

Offertory: *Minuet—Handel*

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 in Unison

As we offer these gifts, loving God, we pray once more that your will may come on earth. Through the things we offer, and through our daily living, may your Realm come to be lived, known, and felt in every corner of the world. Amen.

Hymn #473: Blessed Assurance (v. 1-3)

Benediction Rev. Eric S. Anderson

Choral Benediction Response #419: Now Thank We All Our God (v. 1)

Extinguishing of the Altar Candles

Postlude: Allegro Maestoso—*Handel* Kayleen Yuda

Special Announcements

Sr. Ministry Meeting and A Gathering Place

Thursday, July 28, 10 a.m. to 12 noon, Building of Faith. Learn what services are available and exclusive to our senior citizens.

Monday, August 1, 9 a.m. to 12 noon, Building of Faith Meeting Room. Bring a friend and enjoy the fellowship.

Minister: Rev. Eric S. Anderson

Ushers: James Yoshiyama, Carolyn Lum-Bellem, Carol Morioka, Kay Kawachika

Flowers: Lily Inouye

Choir Director: Rachel Edwards

Choir Accompanist: Kanako Okita

Organist: Kayleen Yuda

Childcare Coordinator: Evonne Shioshita

Childcare: Ruth Niino-DuPonte

Moderator: Woody Kita

Minister Emeritus: Susumu Yamane Sensei

Office Manager: Pearl “Momi” Lyman

Web Master: Ruth Niino-DuPonte

Pre-Service Music: Bob and Sue Smith

Projected Imagery: Sue Smith

Dates to Remember

- Today, July 24 – Board of Deacons Meeting
- Today, July 24 – J’s Mini Mart
- Today, July 24 – Board of Stewardship and Mission
- Thursday, July 28 – Sr. Ministry
- Monday, August 1 – A Gathering Place

This week at the Church of the Holy Cross

- **Bible Study with Pastor Eric:**
Sundays, 8:30 am – A Survey of the Bible in J’s Café
Wednesdays, 9:30 am—Lectionary readings for the upcoming Sunday Service in Pastor’s office
Wednesdays, 6:30 pm – resumes August 17th, 2016
- **IYAA Bible Study**, Wednesdays, 7:30 in the Lounge – the Book of James
- **Rhythm & Life Exercise Class**, Tuesdays, 3:00 pm in the Building of Faith
- **Ron Fujiyoshi, Ohana Ho’opakele**, Thursdays, 9 am in The Lounge
- **Qigong**, Fridays, 9:00 am in the Building of Faith
- **Hand Bell Choir** Saturdays, 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, Rev. Henry Wilson
- **Samoan Church** worships at 12 pm in the Sanctuary.
Rev. Take Sunia
- **The Bedesta Church** worships at 1:30 pm in the Building of Faith
Pastor Edmes Edwin
- **First Marshallse Assembly of God**, 4 pm in the Sanctuary.
Rev. Brandy Karben
- **Muslim Community Group** meets Fridays at 1:00 pm in the Building of Faith Meeting Room