

CHURCH OF THE HOLY CROSS
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST – CONGREGATIONAL
440 West Lanikaula Street, Hilo, Hawai`i
7th Sunday after Pentecost, July 3, 2016
Rev. Eric S. Anderson, Pastor

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

Pre-Service Music – Congregational singing

Words of Greeting

Bob Smith

Pastoral Welcome

Rev. Eric S. Anderson

Prelude: Sintonia (God's Time is Best)—*Bach*

Kayleen Yuda

All those who are able, please rise. [Unison reading in **bold text**]

Call to Worship:

Leader: Let us sing praises to God, all you faithful ones,

People: and give thanks to God's holy name.

Leader: God does not abandon us in our distress.

People: God's healing presence restores us to life.

Leader: Weeping may linger for the night, but joy comes with the morning.

**People: Indeed, God turns our mourning into dancing;
God takes off our sackcloth and clothes us with joy.**

Leader: Let the peoples praise you, O God, and not be silent.

People: O Lord, our God, we will give thanks to you forever!

Hymn #347: Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ

Invocation in Unison

Gracious and loving God, we give you thanks for all the blessings we experience—the freedom to worship you without fear, the bounty and diversity of your creation, and the precious gift of unexpected joy. As we draw near to you this hour, may we immerse ourselves in your healing presence. Refresh us and renew us that we might become faithful laborers in your harvest of peace, justice, and joy. Amen.

Gloria Patri

Please be seated

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.

Please be seated

Anthem: Laudamus Te – Vivaldi

Rachel Edwards & Samantha Saiki
Kanako Okita

Scriptures: 2 Kings 5:1-14
Luke 10:1-11, 16-20

Sermon: "Power, Pride, and Prophets"

Rev. Eric S. Anderson

WE RESPOND IN WORD AND DEED

Pastoral Prayer/Prayers of People

Rev. Eric S. Anderson

Please remain seated for the hymn

Hymn #329: Jesus, the Joy of Loving Hearts

(v. 1, 3, 5)

Invitation to the Offering:

When Jesus' disciples went out to heal the sick and proclaim good news to the oppressed, they trusted on the generosity of strangers to sustain them in their work. Today, people trust us to offer what we have so that God's love might be proclaimed in word and action. Let our morning offering now be received.

Offertory: Be Still and Know That I Am God – *Mansfield*

Kayleen Yuda

Please rise if you are able

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

Gracious God, you have called us to bear witness to your love and will in our homes and in our work, in all the settings where we work and play. You have called others to express your love and will in other places, near and far. Accept these gifts we offer you today that your love might be revealed, and bless us every day that we might be a light amidst the darkness. In Jesus' name, Amen.

Hymn #337: Draw Us in the Spirit's Tether

(v. 1-3)

THE LORD'S SUPPER

Invitation

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

Rev. Eric S. Anderson

Closing Hymn #478: I've Got Peace Like a River

(v. 1-4)

Benediction

Rev. Eric S. Anderson

Choral Benediction Response – Bind Us Together (v. 1) (*Praise #43*)

Extinguishing of the Altar Candles

Postlude: Gigue-Scherzo—*Corelli*

Kayleen Yuda

Minister: Rev. Eric S. Anderson
Ushers: James & Connie Yoshiyama, Carolyn Lum-Bellem, Carol Morioka
Flowers: Blanche Maeda
Choir Director: Rachel Edwards
Choir Accompanist: Kanako Okita
Organist: Kayleen Yuda
Childcare Coordinator: Evonne Shioshita
Childcare: Mary Ann Katayama
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 3 – Communion
- Monday, July 4 – Independence Day (CHC office closed)
- Thursday, July 7 – Ramadan ends
- Sunday, July 10 – Church Council Meeting
- Saturday, July 16 – Church Trustees Service Day
- Sunday, July 17 – Boards of Trustees Meeting

This week at the Church of the Holy Cross

- **Bible Study with Pastor Eric:**
 Sundays, 8:30 am – A Survey of the Bible
 Wednesdays, 9:30 am – resumes July 6th, 2016
 Wednesdays, 6:30 pm – resumes August 17th, 2016
 Bible studies are held in Pastor Eric’s office – you are invited
- **IYAA Bible Study** Wednesday at 7:30 pm in The Lounge.
- **Rhythm & Life Exercise Class**, Tuesdays at 3:00 pm in the Building of Faith
- **Ron Fujiyoshi, Ohana Ho’opakele**, Thursdays at 9 am in The Lounge
- **Qigong**, Fridays at 9:00 am in the Building of Faith
- **Hand Bell Choir** Saturdays 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, Rev. Henry Wilson
- **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