

**CHURCH OF THE HOLY CROSS**  
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST – CONGREGATIONAL  
440 West Lanikaula Street, Hilo, Hawai`i  
Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost, August 14, 2016

Rev. Eric S. Anderson, Pastor

**WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD**

**Pre-Service Music – Congregational singing**

**Words of Greeting:**

Roberta Chu

**Pastoral Welcome:**

Rev. Eric S. Anderson

**Prelude:** Sweet Songs -- Smith

Kayleen Yuda

**Call to Worship:**

Leader: From where do you come?

**People: We come from the mountains and we come from the sea.**

Leader: To where have you come?

**People: We have come to the house of worship and song.**

Leader: Why have you come?

**People: We have come to give thanks for the blessings of God.**

Leader: Then come! Let us worship!

**Hymn #84:** This is the Day

(v. 1-3)

**Invocation – (Unison)**

**God, we come with joys and sorrows, with successes and with failures. We come with hearts divided between temptation and peace of mind. We come with eager youth, and we come with seasoned years. Accept our prayers in music, words, and silence today, for we come to worship you. Amen.**

**Gloria Patri**

**WE SHARE THE WORD OF GOD**

**Time with Children:** “Jesus Loves Amazing Grace”

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:** Holy Spirit, Truth Divine – *Samuel Longfellow*

Na Leo Ni`o Lani

**Scripture:** Hebrews 11:29-12:2

**Sermon****WE RESPOND IN WORD AND DEED**

**Pastoral Prayer/Prayers of People**

Rev. Eric S. Anderson

**Hymn #323:** Little Children, Welcome

(v. 1-4)

**Invitation to the Offering:**

People of faith have given many things to God over the span of time. Something else accompanied each gift: the gifts of other people. Together, and with the help of God, we can make the world a better place. Let our morning offering now be received.

**Offertory:** Duo – *De Cadezon*

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

**Bless these gifts, O God, and bless us as we give them. Together, and with you, May we build your shining city. Amen.**

**Hymn:** Kumbaya

(v. 1-3 and v. 5)

**Benediction**

Rev. Eric S. Anderson

**Choral Benediction Response – #498** Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love (chorus only)

**Extinguishing of the Altar Candles**

**Postlude:** Praise Him, Praise Him – *Hughs*

Kayleen Yuda

**Minister:** Rev. Eric S. Anderson

**Ushers:** Newton Chu, Cindy Debus, Connie Yoshiyama, Jane Kawazoe

**Flowers:** Barbara Iwami & Dr. and Mrs. Bill Chen

**Choir Director:** Rachel Edwards

**Choir Accompanist:** Kanako Okita

**Organist:** Kayleen Yuda

**Childcare Coordinator:** Evonne Shioshita

**Childcare:** Carolyn Lum-Bellem

**Moderator:** Woody Kita

**Minister Emeritus:** Rev. Susumu Yamane

**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, August 14 – Council Meeting
- Sunday, August 21 – Board of Trustees
- Sunday, August 28 – Board of Christian Education
- Sunday, August 28 – J’s Mini-Mart
- Sunday, August 28 – Board of Deacons

### 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 17<sup>th</sup>, 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
- **A Gathering Place**, Mondays 9-12 noon, Building of Faith Main Hall

**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, Rev. Bensis Henry**
- **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 Marshallese 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