

CHURCH OF THE HOLY CROSS
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST – CONGREGATIONAL
440 West Lanikaula Street, Hilo, Hawai`i
Fifth Sunday in Lent, April 2, 2017

Rev. Eric S. Anderson, Pastor

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

Pre-Service Music – Congregational singing

Words of Greeting

Latai Loa

Pastoral Welcome

Rev. Eric S. Anderson

Prelude: Bread of the World in Mercy Broken -- *Calkins*

Kayleen Yuda

Call to Worship

Leader: Wait and watch for God!

All: Even when we feel in the depths of death and despair?

Leader: Wait and watch for God!

All: Even when life seems like a night that never ends?

Leader: Wait and watch for God! In God there is constant love and kindness.

All: We will wait and watch with hope.

Hymn #546: Jesus, Lover of My Soul (v. 1-3)

Invocation in unison

Gracious God, in the midst of death, you offer life. In the midst of despair, you offer hope. In the midst of confusion and uncertainty, you offer a new way of seeing things, a new way of understanding things. Help us to remember this always. Amen.

Gloria Patri

WE SHARE THE WORD OF GOD

Anthem: De Profundis, *by Eric Anderson*

Na Leo Ni`o Lani

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.**

Scripture: John 11:1-45

Sermon: "When Jesus Wept"

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 #223: What Wondrous Love Is This (v. 1-3)

Invitation to the Offering:

Like Lazarus we awake from sleep at the sound of Jesus' voice.

Like Lazarus, we have a new life in front of us a resurrection life not meant to be hoarded, but to be shared. Like Lazarus, we live in a state of thanksgiving for all that has been and hope for what is to be.

Like Lazarus, we have been given a gift that is meant for all.

So let us make our offerings at this altar, and pray that the wind of God may breathe upon all that lives upon the earth. Let this morning's offering now be received.

Offertory: In the Peaceful Garden – *Batiste-Troutman*

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

Spirit of Life, we breathe our lives upon these gifts that they may become a fertile plain of green life and strengthened hope for all who live in the valley of dry bones. May the wind of your love carry these gifts far beyond us to the places most in need of your compassionate grace. We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

Hymn #331: Come, My Way, My Truth, My Life (v. 1-2)

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

Closing Hymn #342: Be Known to Us in Breaking Bread (v. 1-2)

Benediction

Rev. Eric S. Anderson

Choral Benediction Response #81: God Be with You (v. 1)

Extinguishing of the Altar Candles

Postlude: Come, Ye Faithful -- Broughton

Kayleen Yuda

Dates to Remember

Today, April 2 – Board of Trustees Meeting after worship

Today, April 2 – Continue collection of children's size rubber slippers through April 16.

Sunday, April 9 – Council Meeting

Sunday, April 9 – Palm Sunday

Special Announcements

Rhythm & Life will return on Tuesday April 11th at 3 pm in the Building of Faith. Please join us.

We humbly ask for your signature of support on our Petition “Regarding Our Solidarity With Immigrants.” The Petition is located on the tables at the entrance of the sanctuary. The final day to sign the petition has been extended to Sunday, April 9, 2017.

We are continuing to collect rubber slippers in elementary school sizes through Easter Sunday, April 16 as part of a developing effort to address the needs of homeless families and children in our community. Please join us.

Minister: Rev. Eric S. Anderson

Ushers: Moira Tanaka, Newton Chu, Margaret Torigoe, and Esther Kodani

Lay Reader: Latai Loa

Flowers: Michi Koizumi

Choir Director: Rachel Edwards

Choir Accompanist: Kanako Okita

Organist: Kayleen Yuda

Childcare Coordinator: Evonne Shioshita

Childcare: Margaret Torigoe

Moderator: Gloria Kobayashi

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

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 – Pastor’s office
- **A Gathering Place**, Mondays 9-12 noon, Building of Faith
- **IYAA Bible Study**, Wednesdays, 7:30 pm in the Lounge
- **Ron Fujiyoshi, Ohana Ho’opakele**, Thursdays, 9 am in the Lounge
- **Qigong**, Fridays, 9:30 am in the Building of Faith

Other Faith Groups that meet at Church of the Holy Cross

- **The Free Wesleyan Church of Tonga** worship in the Sanctuary Sundays from 2 to 4 pm and Wednesdays from 6 to 7 pm
Assistant to Pastor: Tevita Talanoa, Stiven Pousima
- **The United Church of Christ, Pohnpei** – worship in the Building of Faith Sundays at 10 am.
Rev. Bensis Henry, Rev. Henry Wilson
- **Congregational Christian Church of American Samoan** worship in the sanctuary, Sundays at 12.
Rev. Ausage Lelili'o and Rev. Rae Lelili'o
- **The Bedesta Church** worship in the Building of Faith, Sundays at 1:30 pm.
Rev. Edmes Edwin
- **Muslim Community Group** worship in the Building of Faith Meeting Room, Fridays at 1:00