

CHURCH OF THE HOLY CROSS
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST – CONGREGATIONAL
440 West Lanikaula Street, Hilo, Hawai`i
Fourth Sunday of Easter
Good Shepherd Sunday, May 7, 2017

Rev. Eric S. Anderson, Pastor

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

Pre-Service Music – Congregational singing

Words of Greeting

Mary Ann Katayama

Pastoral Welcome

Rev. Eric S. Anderson

Prelude: Saraband and Interlude -- *Sumsion*

Kayleen Yuda

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

Call to Worship:

Leader: God, our Shepherd, invites us to this place.

All: God invites us to rest in grassy meadows, and leads us beside restful waters.

Leader: God has set a table for us in the presence of our enemies.

All: God has given us so much, it is as if our cup overflows!

Leader: Come, let us gather in the house of our God.

Hymn #252: Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us (v. 1 English, v. 1 Hawaiian, v. 2-3)

Invocation in unison

Incarnate God, You are the one who comes to us in Jesus Christ. Holy One, You are the one who comes to us in the Holy Spirit. Sovereign of Earth and Heaven, You are the one who calls us to recognize you today and every day as the splendid

***mysterium tremendum*. Gather our hearts and minds this day. Kindle our God-consciousness. Let us worship you in awe and wonder! Amen.**

Gloria Patri

WE SHARE THE WORD OF GOD

Anthem: Et in Terra Pax--*By Greg Gilpin*

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.

Scriptures: Psalm 23

Acts 2:42-47

Sermon: Wonders and Signs

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 #314: Community of Christ (v. 1-4)

Invitation to the Offering

They came together, in those ancient days, for teaching, for service, and for prayer. As we take our meals with glad and generous hearts, let us also help others spread their tables, and so give thanks to God. Let our offering now be received.

Offertory: Meditation -- *Bottenberg*

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

We bring what we have, O God. We know there are many around us who are in need, and while we cannot do everything, we know that you can take what we offer and use it to make a difference. So take these gifts, brought with glad and generous hearts, and use them for your work. Amen.

Hymn #337: Draw Us in the Spirit's Tether (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 #347: Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ (v. 1-3)

Benediction

Choral Benediction Response #236: Halleluja (v. 1 repeated)

Extinguishing of the Altar Candles

Postlude: Allegro Moderato -- *Handel*

Kayleen Yuda

Dates to Remember

Today, May 7 – Communion

Today, May 7 – Council Meeting

Today, May 7 – Commence collection of housewarming kits

Sunday, May 14 – Trustee Meeting

Minister: Rev. Eric S. Anderson

Moderator: Gloria Kobayashi

Minister Emeritus: Rev. Susumu Yamane

Ushers: Woody Ktia, Bev Dodo, Mary Ann Katayama and Ann Kanahele

Lay Reader: Mary Ann Katayama

Flowers: Malia Mattos

Choir Director: Rachel Edwards

Choir Accompanist: Kanako Okita

Organist: Kayleen Yuda

Childcare Coordinator: Evonne Shioshita

Childcare: Eileen Shiraishi

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 – making your own chocolate candy suckers; please join us.
- **Rhythm & Life**, Tuesdays, 3 pm, 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 Meeting Room of the Building of Faith Sundays at 10 am.
Rev. Bensis Henry, Rev. Henry Wilson
- **Congregational Christian Church of American Samoa** - worship in the sanctuary, Sundays at 12 noon.
Rev. Ausage Lelili'o and Rev. Rae Lelili'o
- **The Bedesta Church** worship in the Meeting Room of 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 pm.