

CHURCH OF THE HOLY CROSS
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST – CONGREGATIONAL
440 West Lanikaula Street, Hilo, Hawai`i
Sixth Sunday of Easter, May 21, 2017

Rev. Eric S. Anderson, Pastor
Guest Minister: Rev. Larry Walter

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

Words of Greeting

Margaret Torigoe

Pastoral Welcome

Rev. Larry Walter

Prelude: Sicilienne -- *Archer*

Kayleen Yuda

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

Call to Worship

Leader: God, you know our needs, our wounds, our hurts, our fears even before we can form them into words of prayers.

People: Thank you, God, for your healing taking place in us.

Leader: You are patient with us. You are protective of us. You are present with us before we are even aware of what we need.

People: Thank you, God, for your healing taking place in us.

Leader: Come let us worship

Hymn : # 1 Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise v 1-4

Invocation in unison

Creator God, we are your people. We look to the future with optimism and with faith in you, as we pursue our call to provide justice and fullness of life for all people. We pray that every man, woman and child may develop their potential and meet you in themselves and in one another. May we enjoy a totally welcoming community, with you as our center, joined hand in hand with our sisters and brothers. Amen.

Gloria Patri

WE SHARE THE WORD OF GOD

Anthem: You Are Salt for the Earth – *Mary Haugen*

Na Leo Ni`o Lani

Time with Children

Board of Christian Education

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: Acts 17:22-31

Sermon: Looking Carefully

Rev. Larry Walter

WE RESPOND IN WORD AND DEED

Pastoral Prayer/Prayers of People

Rev. Larry Walter

Hymn: #12 I Sing the Mighty Power of God v. 1-3

Invitation to the Offering

Love is a powerful force in the world, stronger than hatred or fear or greed. The love of Jesus inspires us and makes us able to share generously the gifts we have received from God. Our gifts are one way that we love one another and the world around us, the world God loves. Today's offering will now be received.

Offertory: Melodie -- *Faulkes*

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

Creator, you are the light that is over all things. From you all came forth, and to you all is connected. Accept these offerings as our commitment to continue to search for you in unexpected places, and in unexpected faces. Amen.

Hymn # 303 Rejoice, Give Thanks and Sing v. 1-4

Benediction:

Rev. Larry Walter

Choral Benediction Response #236: Halleluja (sing 2 times)

Extinguishing of the Altar Candles

Postlude: Festival March -- *Warren*

Kayleen Yuda

Dates to Remember

Today, May 21 – Refreshments by IYAA—please join us

Today, May 21 – Advanced Health Care Directive Workshop

Today, May 21 – Deacons Meeting (after workshop in the Building of Faith)

Monday, May 22 – Blood Bank of Hawaii—please donate blood

Tuesday, May 23 – Concert by the Dubuque Choir, 7 p.m.

Thursday, May 25 – Sr. Ministry 10 a.m. to 12 noon

Sunday, May 28 – J’s Mini Mart

Monday, May 29 – Memorial Day -- Office closed

Minister: Rev. Eric S. Anderson

Guest Minister: Rev. Larry Walter

Moderator: Gloria Kobayashi

Minister Emeritus: Rev. Susumu Yamane

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

Lay Reader: Margaret Torigoe

Flowers: Millie Uchima & Millie Kataoka

Choir Director: Rachel Edwards

Choir Accompanist: Kanako Okita

Organist: Kayleen Yuda

Childcare Coordinator: Evonne Shiohita

Childcare: Dorothy Matsui

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

- **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
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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.