

CHURCH OF THE HOLY CROSS
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST – CONGREGATIONAL
440 West Lanikaula Street, Hilo, Hawai`i
Tenth Sunday after Pentecost, August 13, 2017

Rev. Eric S. Anderson, Pastor

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

Pre-Service Music – Congregational singing

Words of Greeting

John Narruhn

Pastoral Welcome

Rev. Eric S. Anderson

Prelude: Allemanda – *Corelli-Norris*

Kayleen Yuda

Call to Worship

Leader: We are the family of God;

People: and like every family we come in all shapes and sizes.

Leader: We are raucous uncles, annoying cousins,

People: doting grandmothers and flamboyant aunties.

Leader: We are happy toddlers, busy parents,

People: arguing siblings and football loving grandpas.

Leader: We are quiet book lovers and

People: mechanically minded menders of stuff.

Leader: We are knitters and cooks,

People: golfers and gamers.

Leader: We are poets and farmers,

People: pianists and twitchers.

Leader: We are freckled and knock-kneed;

People: we are daredevils and dawdlers.

Leader: Our lives are colourful and creative, and as diverse as wildflowers,

People: and we all belong here.

Hymn #73: Enter, Rejoice, and Come In (v. 1-3, 5)

Invocation in unison:

God of grace, be with us, this extravagant, miscellaneous cluster of people who gather together this day, to encounter you in word and deed, and to worship you as Creator and maker of all. Amen.

Gloria Patri

WE SHARE THE WORD OF GOD

Anthem: All Praise to Thee – *Tallis Marie Pooler*

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: Genesis 37:1-4, 12-28

Matthew 14:22-33

Sermon: The Willing and the Unwilling

Rev. Eric S. Anderson

WE RESPOND IN WORD AND DEED

Pastoral Prayer/Prayers of People

Rev. Eric S. Anderson

Hymn #72: Sekai no Tomo (v. 1 Japanese, v. 1-2, 4 English)

Invitation to the Offering

We bring ourselves to worship – our joys and sorrows, our strengths and not-so-strengths, our riches and our needs. In this moment, let us give from our whole selves, knowing that we offer more to God than what we place in the plates, and praying that

God will bless all our gifts so that the world becomes more loving, giving, and compassionate. Let our morning offering now be received.

Offertory: Chanson – *Galliard-Hegarty*

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:

God, you are the lover of all creation – you love all the earth and all who live within it. We would take on gratitude as our practice, and choose to live graciously without jealousy and fear in this your world. Be with us. Amen.

Hymn #391: In the Midst of New Dimensions (v. 1-4)

Benediction

Rev. Eric S. Anderson

Choral Benediction Response #580: O Kou Aloha No (v. 1)

Extinguishing of the Altar Candles

Postlude: The Soldier of the Lord – *Hughes*

Rev. Eric S. Anderson

Dates to Remember

Today, August 13 – Council Meeting

Today, August 13 – Sunday School resumes

Monday, August 14 – The Gathering Place will be watching the movie, “Grave of Fireflies”. You are invited.

Minister: Rev. Eric S. Anderson

Moderator: Gloria Kobayashi

Minister Emeritus: Rev. Susumu Yamane

Ushers: Kay Kawachika, Newton Chu, Margaret Torigoe, Janet Fujioka

Lay Reader: John Narruhn

Flowers: Barbara Iwami, Dr. and Mrs. Bill Chen

Choir Director: Rachel Edwards

Choir Accompanist: Kanako Okita
Organist: Kayleen Yuda
Hand Bell Director: Anna Kennedy
Childcare Coordinator: Evonne Shioshita
Childcare: Millie Daikawa
Pre-Service Music: Bob and Sue Smith
Projected Imagery: Sue Smith
Web Master: Ruth Niino-DuPonte
Office Manager: Pearl “Momi” Lyman

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
- **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
- **Hand Bell Choir Practice:** Fridays, 2 pm, in J’s Cafe

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
- **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.