

**CHURCH OF THE HOLY CROSS**  
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST – CONGREGATIONAL  
440 West Lanikaula Street, Hilo, Hawai`i  
Sixth Sunday after the Epiphany: Transfiguration Sunday  
February 11, 2018  
Rev. Eric S. Anderson, Pastor

**WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD**

**Pre-Service Music – Congregational singing**

<b>Words of Greeting</b>	Janet Fujioka
<b>Pastoral Welcome</b>	Rev. Eric S. Anderson
<b>Prelude:</b> Children of the Heavenly Father -- <i>Hughes</i>	Kayleen Yuda

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

**Call to Worship**

Leader: God speaks and summons faith.

**People: We see God in the rising sun and in its setting.**

Leader: God shines forth in beauty.

**People: Our God comes in glory and does not keep silent.**

Leader: A devouring fire, a tempest surrounds God.

**People: Divine power unites the heavens above and call Earth to God.**

Leader: God gathers God's faithful and makes a covenant of love.

**People: Let us come together in faithfulness and love to praise the power of God's love for us and all creation.**

**Hymn #182:** We Have Come at Christ's Own Bidding (v. 1-3)

**Invocation**

**Because your presence dazzles us, because your voice speaks to our longing, because your beauty inspires us, because your power gives us hope, because your covenant graces us: we gather around you, O God, seeking your resurrecting love. Amen.**

**Gloria Patri**

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, And to the Holy Ghost;  
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,  
World without end. Amen. Amen.**

**WE SHARE THE WORD OF GOD**

**Anthem:** Ain'a that Good News – *William L. Dawson*

Rachel Edwards and  
Rev. Eric S. Anderson

**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:** Mark 9:2-9

Romans 12:1-2

**Sermon:** Transformed and Always Transforming—Not Just Jesus

Rev. Gabrielle Chavez

**WE RESPOND IN WORD AND DEED**

**Pastoral Prayer/Prayers of People**

**Hymn #490:** I Want Jesus to Go with Me (v. 1-3)

**Invitation to the Offering**

At the mountain's peak, Jesus gleamed like sunlight: God's self-offering to a hurt and broken world. In this moment, let your hearts gleam like sunlight, as we offer our gifts for the healing and renewal of this world in which we live. Let our offering now be received.

**Offertory:** At the Worship Hour -- *Ritter*

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:**

**O God, gather these gift and offerings as you gather our hearts to yourself. May we be a source of love and light in the world. Amen.**

**Hymn #527:** We Offer Christ (v. 1-3)

**Benediction**

**Choral Benediction Response #527:** We Offer Christ (v. 4)

**Extinguishing of the Altar Candles**

**Postlude:** I Sing the Mighty Power of God--*Smith*

Kayleen Yuda

**Dates to Remember**

Today, February 11 – Council Meeting

Today, February 11 – Refreshments by IYAA

Monday, February 12 -- The Gathering Place—Movie: "Sister Act" with  
Whoopi Goldberg

Wednesday, February 14 – Ash Wednesday

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

**Moderator:** Gloria Kobayashi

**Minister Emeritus:** Rev. Susumu Yamane

**Ushers:** Barbara Iwami, Lei Jack, Joyce Nakamoto, Michi Koizumi, Millie Daikawa

**Lay Reader:** Janet Fujioka

**Flowers:** Else Ushijima  
**Choir Director:** Rachel Edwards  
**Choir Accompanist:** Kanako Okita  
**Organist:** Kayleen Yuda  
**Hand Bell Director:** Anna Kennedy  
**Childcare Coordinator:** Evonne Shioshita  
**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
- **Choir Practice:** Tuesdays, 4:30 pm, Sundays, 8:30 am, Sanctuary
- **IYAA Bible Study,** Wednesdays, 7:30 pm in the Lounge
- **Ron Fujiyoshi, Ohana Ho’opakele,** Thursdays, 9 am in the Lounge
- **Hand Bell Choir Practice:** Fridays, 2 pm, in J’s Café

**Other Faith Groups that meet at Church of the Holy Cross**

- **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.