

CHURCH OF THE HOLY CROSS
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST – CONGREGATIONAL
440 West Lanikaula Street, Hilo, Hawai`i
Second Sunday of Easter, April 8, 2018

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: Voluntary, III in D-flat major—*Croft-McAfee*

Kayleen Yuda

Call to Worship

Leader: We have seen, and we have heard:

All: Christ is risen!

Leader: The cross and the tomb are empty.

All: Christ is risen!

Leader: The disciples saw his hands.

All: Christ is risen!

Leader: They saw his side.

All: Christ is risen!

Leader: Love has come to life.

All: We come to worship the risen Christ. Christ is risen indeed!

Hymn #253: Yours Is the Glory, Resurrected One! (v. 1-3 English)

Invocation:

Redeeming God, Christ commissioned disciples to offer peace and forgiveness in his name. As we celebrate the good news of resurrection, empower us to be better able to testify to the life that is revealed in Christ. May we find forgiveness and peace this day. 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: Majesty--*Jack Hayford*

Rev. Eric S. Anderson
Mikala Thomas, pianist

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 133
John 20:19-31

Sermon: "Forgiving Others for God"

Rev. Eric S. Anderson

WE RESPOND IN WORD AND DEED

Pastoral Prayer/Prayers of People

Hymn #237: I Come to the Garden Alone

(v. 1-3)

Invitation to the Offering

The followers of Jesus are also the messengers of Jesus, the ambassadors of Jesus, and the very body of Jesus acting in the world. Let us bring our gifts today so that grace and forgiveness might be widely shared. Let us bring our love tomorrow, so that grace and forgiveness might be widely known. Let our offering now be received.

Offertory: Fughetta -- *Muffat*

Kayleen Yuda

Doxology:

Ho'onani i ka makua mau
 Ke keiki me ka 'uhane nō
 Ke Akua mau, ho'omaika'i pū
 Ko kēia ao ko kēlā ao. 'Āmene

Prayer of Dedication

We thank you, God, for the gifts we return to you. You asked us to give what we have for the good of all, and so we bring this offering. Guide our daily labors, so that in all we do we bring your word, your peace, and your presence to the world. In the name of Jesus Christ: Amen.

Hymn #337: Draw Us in the Spirit's Tether (v. 1-3)

Benediction

Rev. Eric S. Anderson

Choral Benediction Response #236: Halleluja

Extinguishing of the Altar Candles

Postlude: Finale Jubilante – *Willan*

Kayleen Yuda

Dates to Remember

Today, April 8 – Council meeting after worship

Monday, April 9 – The Gathering Place—Movie: First Wives Club

Minister: Rev. Eric S. Anderson

Moderator: Gloria Kobayashi

Minister Emeritus: Rev. Susumu Yamane

Ushers: Moira Tanaka, Newton & Roberta Chu

Lay Reader: Latai Loa

Flowers: Janet Fujioka

Choir Director: Rachel Edwards

Choir Accompanist: Kanako Okita

Organist: Kayleen Yuda

Hand Bell Director: Anna Kennedy

Childcare Coordinator: Evonne Shiohita

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.