

CHURCH OF THE HOLY CROSS
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST – CONGREGATIONAL
440 West Lanikaula Street, Hilo, Hawai`i
Twenty-seventh Sunday after Pentecost
Reign of Christ Sunday, November 25, 2018

Rev. Eric S. Anderson, Pastor

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

Pre-Service Music – Congregational singing

Words of Greeting
Pastoral Welcome
Prelude

Reilly Narruhn
Rev. Eric S. Anderson
Kayleen Yuda, pianist
Ai Tahara, Violinist

Call to Worship

Leader: Come, let us worship the One who says, "I am the Alpha and the Omega."

People: Let us follow the One who shows us the way.

Leader: Come, let us worship the One who loves us deeply.

People: Let us follow the One who shows us the way.

Leader: Come, let us worship the One who proclaims the truth.

People: Let us follow the One who shows us the way.

Leader: Come, let us worship the One who acts justly.

People: Let us follow the One who shows us the way.

Leader: Come, let us worship the One who promises peace.

People: Let us follow the One who shows us the way.

Leader: Come, let us worship!

People: Let us worship God!

Hymn #304: All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name (v. 1, 3-4)

Invocation

God of life, thank you for leading us to your way of justice, peace, love, and truth. You have shown us how we can live. You have taught us about truth. You have given us a glimpse of what your reign, of your possibilities, and of your promise. Help us to follow your vision and your way. 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

IYAA

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: 2 Samuel 23:1-7
John 18:33-37

Sermon: To Testify to the Truth

Rev. Eric S. Anderson

WE RESPOND IN WORD AND DEED

Pastoral Prayer/Prayers of People

Hymn #300: Jesus Shall Reign (v. 1, 3-4)

Invitation to the Offering:

Jesus gave his power, his truth, and his life. He gave all of himself – all that the Holy One can give. God asks for less of us. Can we give, now, with our whole hearts? Let our offering now be received.

Offertory: Prayer of Thanks – Mansfield

Kayleen Yuda

Doxology: (Chuukese)

Mwareiti Kot kich meinisin

Pun i echok a manaman

Sipwe mwareiti feilfoilo

Kot Sam, Kot Nau, Kot Ngunmifel—Amen

Prayer of Dedication

God of grace, we offer you these gifts, our time, and our talents for your mission and ministry in the world. Use these gifts, and use us, for your glory. Amen.

Hymn #303: Rejoice, Give Thanks and Sing (v. 1-3)**Benediction****Choral Benediction Response #303:** Rejoice, Give Thanks and Sing (v. 4)**Extinguishing of the Altar Candles****Postlude:** Festive March in D – *Rebikoff-Paxton*

Kayleen Yuda

Dates to Remember

Today, November 25 – J's Mini Mart

Monday, November 26 – Holiday wreath and swag making class

Special Announcement

Learn to create holiday wreaths and swags on Monday, November 26th from 8 a.m. to 12 noon, here in the Building of Faith. Please bring your own supplies of straw form or wire, foliage and wreath florals, decorations, ribbons, etc. and tools such as pliers and cutters.

Minister: Rev. Eric S. Anderson**Moderator:** Gloria Kobayashi**Ushers:** Anne Sadayasu, Eric Tanouye, Stefan & Jennifer Tanouye**Lay Reader:** Reilly Narruhn**Flowers:** Connie Yoshiyama

Choir Director: Rachel Edwards
Choir Accompanist: Kanako Okita
Organist: Kayleen Yuda
Violinist: Ai Tahara
Hand Bell Director: Anna Kennedy
Childcare Coordinator: Evonne Shioshita
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
- **Qi Gong,** Fridays, 9:00 am – Building of Faith

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 12:00 pm.