

CHURCH OF THE HOLY CROSS
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST – CONGREGATIONAL
440 West Lanikaula Street, Hilo, Hawai`i
Second Sunday after the Epiphany, January 20, 2019

Rev. Eric S. Anderson, Pastor

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

Pre-Service Music – Congregational singing

Words of Greeting

Pastoral Welcome

Rev. Eric S. Anderson

Prelude: Come, Thou Almighty King – *Hughes*

Kayleen Yuda

Call to Worship (*based on 1 Corinthians 12*)

Leader: There are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit;

People: **And there are varieties of services, but the same Lord;**

Leader: And there are varieties of activities, but the same God activates them in each one of us.

People: **Each of us has received the Spirit to serve the common good.**

Leader: Let us worship the One whose Spirit lives within us.

People: **Let us worship the One who inspires us all.**

Hymn #459: Come, O Fount of Every Blessing (v. 1-3)

Invocation (*based on Psalm 36*)

Your steadfast love, O Lord, extends to the heavens, your faithfulness to the clouds. Let your love descend as well to Earth, to us, to this place and this time. For with you is the fountain of life; in your light we see light. Embrace us here, and delight in us as we delight in you. 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

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: John 2:1-11

Sermon: What God is Like

Rev. Eric S. Anderson

WE RESPOND IN WORD AND DEED

Pastoral Prayer/Prayers of People

Hymn #498: Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love (v. 1-3)

Invitation to the Offering:

Our God is the source of joy, of joys that spread so far around the world that no one could identify the source – yet we know. We know. Because we know of God's deep love, we give today, so that others' joys may overflow. Let our offering now be received.

Offertory: Devotion – *Paxton*

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

As at Cana, gracious God, show a sign. Show a sign of joy's increase, of celebration magnified, of overflowing love. Show us a sign: in the ways you transform these our gifts into the blessings you design. In Jesus' name, Amen.

Hymn #177: God of Change and Glory (v. 1-3)

Benediction

Choral Benediction Response #161: Amen, Amen (v. 3, 6)

Extinguishing of the Altar Candles

Postlude: Flourish – Saxton

Kayleen Yuda

Dates to Remember

Today, January 20 – Stewardship & Mission meeting after worship

Today, January 20 – Usher's meeting after worship

Monday, January 21 – The Gathering Place will play pickle ball at 1 pm

Monday, January 21 – Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday. Office closed.

Minister: Rev. Eric S. Anderson

Moderator: Bob Smith

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

Lay Reader: Barbara Iwami

Flowers: Joyce Nakamoto

Choir Director: Iese Wilson

Choir Accompanist: Kanako Okita

Organist: Kayleen Yuda

Hand Bell Director: Anna Kennedy

Childcare Coordinator: Evonne Shiohita

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
- **Gathering Place:** Mondays, 9:00 am in the Building of Faith
- **Rhythm & Life:** Tuesdays, 3:00 pm, Building of Faith
- **Choir Practice:** Tuesdays, 4:30 pm, Sundays, 8:30 am, sanctuary
- **UCCP Bible Study:** Wednesdays, 6:00 pm in J's Cafe
- **IYAA Bible Study,** Wednesdays, 7:30 pm in the Lounge
- **Hand Bell Choir Practice:** Fridays, 2:00 pm in J's Café, sanctuary

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
- **Islamic Center of Hawaii** worship in the Meeting Room, Fridays at 12 noon.
Dr. Shawon Rahman