

**CHURCH OF THE HOLY CROSS**  
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST – CONGREGATIONAL  
440 West Lanikaula Street, Hilo, Hawai`i  
Tenth Sunday after Pentecost, August 18, 2019

Rev. Eric S. Anderson, Pastor

**WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD**

**Pre-Service Music – Congregational singing**

**Words of Greeting**

Ming Peng

**Pastoral Welcome**

Rev. Eric S. Anderson

**Prelude:** Invention No.1 -- *Bach*

Kanako Okita

**Call to Worship** *based on Hebrews 11*

**Leader:** By faith the people passed through the Red Sea as if it were dry land.

**People:** **By faith the walls of Jericho fell.**

**Leader:** By faith we know the names of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, David, Samuel.

**People:** **By faith they ruled kingdoms, administered justice, obtained promises.**

**Leader:** With the memory of this great cloud of witnesses surrounding us, let us come to worship.

**People:** **Looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, we come to worship.**

**Hymn #398:** Shadow and Substance (v. 1-3)

**Invocation** *based on Jeremiah 23*

**Are you a God near by, O LORD, or a God far off? Can we hide in secret places you do not see? Do you not fill heaven and Earth with your awareness? Then how are we confused on your word? How are we mistaken in your justice? How are we assured in our self-righteousness? Come into our hearts, O God. Set your word within us in the time of worship. In Jesus' name, 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:** There's a Spirit of Love in This Place--*Mark A. Miller*      Na Leo Ni`o Lani

**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:** Luke 12:49-56

**Sermon:** Division

Rev. Eric S. Anderson

**WE RESPOND IN WORD AND DEED**

**Pastoral Prayer/Prayers of People**

**Hymn #388:** Help Us Accept Each Other (v. 1-3)

**Invitation to the Offering:**

We each have our own struggles and sorrows. We each have our own successes and triumphs. We each have our own approach to God. In this moment, from our separateness, let us bring our gifts together. In this moment, let us do things we cannot do alone. Let our offering now be received.

**Offertory:** 2 Sonatinen Op. 13 No. 2-2 – *Kabalevsky*

Kanako Okita

**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**

Accept the united gifts of your divided people, O God. Bless these gifts to the work we do together in Your name. And bless the hearts and hands that brought these offerings, O God. May we share in a deep communion with You. Amen.

**Hymn #403:** My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less (v. 1-3)

**Benediction**

**Choral Benediction Response #403:** My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less (v. 4)

**Extinguishing of the Altar Candles**

**Postlude:** Valse Op. 64 No. 1 – *Chopin*

Kanako Okita

**Dates to Remember**

Today, August 18 – Trustees Meeting after worship

Today, August 18 – Budget Committee Meeting

Today, August 18 – In-service with Lloyd Narimatsu on hoarding

Monday, August 19 – A Gathering Place. Socialization at 9 a.m., pickle ball at 1 p.m.

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

**Moderator:** Bob Smith

**Ushers:** Cheryl Sumida, Julann Sonomura, Cindy Debus & Jane Kawazoe

**Lay Reader:** Ming Peng

**Flowers:** Herb Watanabe

**Choir Accompanist:** Kanako Okita

**Choir Director:** Doug Albertson

**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

- **Pastor's Prayer Group** – 9:00 a.m. on the first Wednesday of every month in Pastor's office
- **Choir Practice** – Tuesdays, 4:30 p.m. in the sanctuary & Sundays, 9 a.m. in the Lounge
- **IYAA Bible Study**, Wednesdays, 7:30 pm in the Lounge
- **Hand Bell Choir Practice:** Fridays, 2:00 pm in the sanctuary
- **Community Sing:** 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Fridays, 6:00 pm in 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 12:30 p.m.

**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**