

CHURCH OF THE HOLY CROSS
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST – CONGREGATIONAL
440 West Lanikaula Street, Hilo, Hawai`i
Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost, August 25, 2019

Rev. Eric S. Anderson, Pastor

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

Pre-Service Music – Congregational singing

Words of Greeting

Carolyn Lum-Bellem

Pastoral Welcome

Rev. Eric S. Anderson

Prelude: Invention No. 8 -- *Bach*

Kanako Okita

Call to Worship *based on Psalm 103*

Leader: Bless the LORD, O my soul, bless the LORD, all God's people.

People: **Bless the LORD, O my soul, and let us remember God's love.**

Leader: God forgives every sin. God comforts those who suffer.

People: **God redeems our failings. God crowns us with love and mercy.**

Leader: Remember that the LORD is gracious and very slow to anger.

People: **We remember that the LORD abounds in steadfast love.**

Leader: Let us worship God!

Hymn #413: By Gracious Powers (v. 1-4)

Invocation *based on Jeremiah 1*

Gracious God, you have always known us. You knew us before our parents met. You knew us through our childhoods. You know us now. You know who we will be. So come and put your word within us, for you know our needs and sorrows. Put your word within us as we come to worship 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: Luke 13:10-17

Sermon: Keeping the Sabbath

Rev. Eric S. Anderson

WE RESPOND IN WORD AND DEED

Pastoral Prayer/Prayers of People

Hymn #518: Father Almighty, Bless Us (v. 1-3)

Invitation to the Offering:

God gave words to Jeremiah. God gave relief to the woman in the synagogue. God has given wonders to every one of us. Let us now give thanks to God in giving. Let our offering now be received.

Offertory: La Fille aux Cheveux de Lin -- *Debussy*

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

With your wisdom, guide the use of these gifts, O God. With your mercy, let these gifts bring relief to your people. With your love, O God, let these gifts renew the world. In Jesus' name, Amen.

Hymn #451: Be Now My Vision (v. 1-3)

Benediction

Choral Benediction Response #451: Be Now My Vision (v. 4)

Extinguishing of the Altar Candles

Postlude: Je te veux -- *Satie*

Kanako Okita

Dates to Remember

Today, August 25 – Deacons Meeting after worship

Today, August 25 – J's Mini Mart

Monday, August 26 – Waxing of floors in the Building of Faith

Monday, August 26 – The Gathering Place. Socialization at 9 a.m. in the Meeting Room

Minister: Rev. Eric S. Anderson

Moderator: Bob Smith

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

Lay Reader: Carolyn Lum Bellem

Flowers: Anne Sadayasu

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 sanctuary
- **IYAA Bible Study**, Wednesdays, 7:30 pm in the Lounge
- **Hand Bell Choir Practice:** Fridays, 2:00 pm in the sanctuary
- **Community Sing:** 2nd & 4th 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