

CHURCH OF THE HOLY CROSS
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST – CONGREGATIONAL
440 West Lanikaula Street, Hilo, Hawai`i
Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost, October 13, 2019

Rev. Eric S. Anderson, Pastor

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

Pre-Service Music – Congregational singing

Words of Greeting

Barbara Iwami

Pastoral Welcome

Rev. Eric S. Anderson

Prelude: Courante – *Handel, arr. Kellenbenz*

Kayleen Yuda

Call to Worship *based on Psalm 66*

Leader: Make a joyful noise to God, all the earth;

People: **We sing the glory of God, we lift our voice in praise.**

Leader: Say to God, “How awesome are your deeds!”

People: **All the earth worships you, O God, they sing praises to your name.**

Leader: Come and see what God has done. See wonders created among mortals.

People: **We have come through fire and water, and God has brought us to a spacious place.**

Hymn #38: “Lift Up Your Hearts!” (v. 1-3)

Invocation

Some seek you for healing, O God, and they find health beyond their dreams. Some seek you for healing, O God, and they find your love is with them on the journey. Some seek you for justice, O God, and they receive what they seek. Some seek you for justice, O God, and know that they are not alone. Come to us: where we are, as we are, who we are. Come to us, O God, in our joys and our needs. Remind us that we are not alone. 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

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.

Presentations on the Budget

Board of Trustees

Board of Stewardship and Mission

Scriptures: Jeremiah 29:1, 4-7

Luke 17:11-19

Sermon: The Root of Thanks

Rev. Eric S. Anderson

WE RESPOND IN WORD AND DEED

Pastoral Prayer/Prayers of People

Hymn #32: God of the Sparrow God of the Whale (v. 1-3, 6)

Invitation to the Offering:

It is a simple thing to do: giving thanks. It requires little of time or of effort. It costs very little. It means so much. As you present your gifts today, let your heart give your thanks as well. God will hear it. God will hear you.

Offertory: Recitative – *Nivers, arr. Kellenbenz*

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 praise you, O God, for your wonders of creation. We praise you, O God, for your ever-flowing love. We praise you, O God, for your promise of salvation. We praise you, and we offer you these expressions of our thanks. Amen.

Hymn #562: Take My Gifts (v. 1-3)**Benediction****Choral Benediction Response #419:** Now Thank We All Our God (v. 1)**Extinguishing of the Altar Candles****Postlude:** Chaconne – *Campra, arr. Kellenbenz*

Kayleen Yuda

Dates to Remember

Today, October 13 – Council meeting after worship

Monday, October 14 – The Gathering Place, movie at 9 a.m. pickleball at 1 p.m. in the Building of Faith

Thursday, October 17 – History of the Church, 1:00 p.m. in Pastors Study

Minister: Rev. Eric S. Anderson**Moderator:** Bob Smith**Ushers:** Ben & Reiko Masutomi, Sets Takemoto & Tammy Nagami**Lay Reader:** Barbara Iwami**Flowers:** Amy Shiroma & Clarice Suzuki**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 o study
Thursdays, 1:00 pm – History of the Church – Pastor’s study
- **The Gathering Place** – 9:00 a.m. every Monday with various activities such as singing, socialization, movies, games. Pickleball at 1:00 p.m. in the Building of Faith.
- **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
- **United Church of Christ, Pohnpei Bible Study** – Wednesdays, 6 p.m. in J’s Café
- **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