

**CHURCH OF THE HOLY CROSS**  
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST – CONGREGATIONAL  
440 West Lanikaula Street, Hilo, Hawai`i  
Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost, November 10, 2019

Rev. Eric S. Anderson, Pastor

**WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD**

**Pre-Service Music – Congregational singing**

**Words of Greeting**

Cindy Debus

**Pastoral Welcome**

Rev. Eric S. Anderson

**Prelude:** O For A Thousand Tongues to Sing – *Hughes-Glaser*

Kayleen Yuda

**Call to Worship** *based on Psalm 145*

**Leader:** O come and praise our God and Ruler. Come and bless God's name.

**People:** **We come to bless the name of Jesus. We come to praise God's name.**

**Leader:** For great and holy is our Savior. Greatness far beyond our ken.

**People:** **We come to bless the name of Jesus. We come to praise God's name.**

**Leader:** The LORD is just in all Creation, the LORD is kind to all created.

**People:** **We come to bless the name of Jesus. We come to praise God's name.**

**Hymn #3:** Wakantanka Taku Nitawa (v. 1 Dakota, v. 1-2 English)

**Invocation** *based on 2 Thessalonians 2:1-5, 13-17*

**O God, our world is filled with terrifying things, things that sound like omens of destruction. People act as if they are gods, subject to none, accountable to none. They proclaim deceit to be the truth. Help us hold to the truth you have given us in Christ; make us early fruits of the Gospel of Love. May our Lord Jesus Christ, with You and the Holy Spirit, comfort our hearts and strengthen us in every good work and word. 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.**

**Scriptures:** Luke 20:27-40

**Sermon:** Since You Asked

Rev. Eric S. Anderson

## **WE RESPOND IN WORD AND DEED**

### **Pastoral Prayer/Prayers of People**

**Hymn #598:** On River Jordan's Banks I Stand (v. 1-3)

### **Invitation to the Offering:**

God does not ask questions of us to catch us – but God asks us the most challenging questions of them all. Will we love our Creator? Will we love one another? Will we love our world? Your gifts today are part of your great answer, "Yes!" Love God, neighbor, and Creation with your gift. Let our offering now be received.

**Offertory:** Blessed Day -- *Scriveyner*

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**

**To you, our God, we present these gifts. To you, our God, we present our lives. To you, our God, we present our hearts. Accept them, we pray, in the name of Jesus. Amen.**

**Hymn #442:** I'm Pressing on the Upward Way (v. 1-3)

**Benediction**

**Choral Benediction Response #442:** I'm Pressing on the Upward Way (v. 4)

**Extinguishing of the Altar Candles**

**Postlude:** Great God of Glory -- *Paxton*

Kayleen Yuda

**Dates to Remember**

Today, November 10 – Council Meeting after Worship  
Today, November 10 – General Membership Meeting after Worship  
Monday, November 11 – Veterans Day, CHC office closed.  
Monday, November 11 -- Pickleball at 1 p.m. in the Building of Faith.

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

**Moderator:** Bob Smith

**Ushers:** Anne Sadayasu, Julann Sonomura, Cheryl Sumida & Henry Nakamoto

**Lay Reader:** Cindy Debus

**Flowers:** Jean Tanouye, Kelley Tanouye, Stefan Tanouye & family

**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 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 study
- **Choir Rehearsal** – Tuesdays, 4:00 p.m. in the lounge & Sundays, 9 a.m. in the lounge
- **Christmas Singers Rehearsal** – Tuesdays, 5:00 p.m. in the sanctuary
- **United Church of Christ Pohnpei Bible Study** – Wednesdays, 6 p.m. in J's Café
- **IYAA Bible Study** -- Wednesdays, 7:00 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