

CHURCH OF THE HOLY CROSS
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST – CONGREGATIONAL
440 West Lanikaula Street, Hilo, Hawai`i
Service of Worship June 30, 2024
Sixth Sunday after Pentecost
Rev. Eric S. Anderson, Pastor

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

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Prelude: Prelude in F Major

Kayleen Yuda

Lighting of the Candles

Ringling of the Bell

Welcome

Rev. Eric S. Anderson

* **Call to Worship:** (based on 2 Corinthians 8:7-15)

Anna Kennedy

Leader: Paul praised the faith, speech, knowledge, and eagerness of the Christians to whom he wrote.

People: **He encouraged them to complete the generous task to which they had committed.**

Leader: Jesus came as one who was rich but became poor.

People: **So that we might become rich in spirit and in truth.**

Leader: If the eagerness is there, the gift is acceptable according to what one has.

People: **Let us bring our eagerness and our wealth of spirit to this time of prayer.**

All: Let us worship God!

* **Hymn #43:** Love Divine, All Loves Excelling (v. 1-4)

* **Invocation** (based on Psalm 30)

Anna Kennedy

We praise your name, O LORD, for you have drawn us close to you. We cried to you, and you have healed us. You have restored us to life from the shadows of death. You have turned mourning into dancing; you have bid us shed our sackcloth and clothe

ourselves with joy. Hear our praise today, for we give you thanks forever. In Jesus' name, Amen.

Please be seated

WE SHARE THE WORD OF GOD

Anthem: Twelve Years and a Moment

Eric Anderson

Time with the Children

Scripture: Lamentations 3:22-33

Anna Kennedy

The steadfast love of the LORD never ceases,
his mercies never come to an end;
they are new every morning;
great is your faithfulness.

'The LORD is my portion,' says my soul,
'therefore I will hope in him.'

The LORD is good to those who wait for him,
to the soul that seeks him.

It is good that one should wait quietly
for the salvation of the LORD.

It is good for one to bear
the yoke in youth,
to sit alone in silence

when the Lord has imposed it,
to put one's mouth to the dust
(there may yet be hope),
to give one's cheek to the smiter,
and be filled with insults.

For the Lord will not
reject forever.

Although he causes grief, he will have compassion
according to the abundance of his steadfast love;
for he does not willingly afflict
or grieve anyone.

Mark 5:21-43

When Jesus had crossed again in the boat to the other side, a great crowd gathered round him; and he was by the lake. Then one of the leaders of the synagogue named Jairus came and, when he saw him, fell at his feet and begged him repeatedly, 'My little daughter is at the point of death. Come and lay your hands on her, so that she may be made well, and live.' So he went with him.

And a large crowd followed him and pressed in on him. Now there was a woman who had been suffering from hemorrhages for twelve years. She had endured much under many physicians, and had spent all that she had; and she was no better, but rather grew worse. She had heard about Jesus, and came up behind him in the crowd and touched his cloak, for she said, 'If I but touch his clothes, I will be made well.' Immediately her hemorrhage stopped; and she felt in her body that she was healed of disease. Immediately aware that power had gone forth from him, Jesus turned about in the crowd and said, 'Who touched my clothes?' And his disciples said to him, 'You see the crowd pressing in on you; how can you say, "Who touched me?"' He looked all round to see who had done it. But the woman, knowing what had happened to her, came in fear and trembling, fell down before him, and told him the whole truth. He said to her, 'Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace, and be healed of your disease.'

While he was still speaking, some people came from the leader's house to say, 'Your daughter is dead. Why trouble the teacher any further?' But overhearing what they said, Jesus said to the leader of the synagogue, 'Do not fear, only believe.' He allowed no one to follow him except Peter, James, and John, the brother of James. When they came to the house of the leader of the synagogue, he saw a commotion, people weeping and wailing loudly. When he had entered, he said to them, 'Why do you make a commotion and weep? The child is not dead but sleeping.' And they laughed at him. Then he put them all outside, and took the child's father and mother and those who were with him, and went in where the child was. He took her by the hand and said to her, 'Talitha cum', which means, 'Little girl, get up!' And immediately the girl got up and began to walk about (she was twelve years of age). At this they were overcome with amazement. He strictly ordered them that no one should know this, and told them to give her something to eat.

Sermon: Why Trouble the Teacher?

Rev. Eric S. Anderson

WE RESPOND IN WORD AND DEED

Pastoral Prayer

Please join me in the Lord's Prayer

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

* **Hymn #545:** There was Jesus by the Water (v. 1-4)

Call to Offering

Anna Kennedy

They troubled the Teacher, and Jesus responded with compassion and care. The world's needs trouble us, and this is one opportunity to respond with similar compassion and care. Whether you share your gift here in the church today, through a gift online, or via an envelope in the mail, let the offering now be received.

Offertory: Duet

Kayleen Yuda

*** Doxology**

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
Praise Him all creatures here below
Praise Him above ye heavenly host
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost – Amen**

*** Offertory Prayer**

Anna Kennedy

Accept these gifts of your grateful people and your needy people, O God. Extend your hand to us in love and healing, and extend our gifts to others to bring love and healing to neighbors near and far. Amen.

*** Hymn #327: Jesus Loves Me (v. 1-3 Engl, v. 1 Hwn)**

Announcements

Rev. Eric S. Anderson

Benediction

Rev. Eric S. Anderson

Postlude: Trumpet Finale

Kayleen Yuda

*** Please stand if you are able.**

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Eric S. Anderson

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Today—June 30: Stewardship & Mission

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