

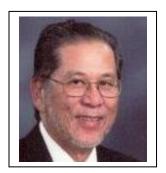
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"REACHING OUT TO NEIGHBORS AND FRIENDS"

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Aloha Kākou! We bring to you the Good News of Lili'uokalani Protestant Church.

Blessings to all of you!



Wally's Window

March 2018

I must admit I had my doubts. When I came on board as your kahu, I soon found out about the cultural festival that was planned for the first Saturday in February. Although the program sounded promising, and the financial support looked solid, I wondered if we could pull it off. I questioned whether we could attract people without a full blown promotional campaign. Would

people really show up? Did we have enough hands to take care of all the many details that make for a successful event? Then when I looked at the ominous clouds that filled the morning skies, a feeling of dread filled the pit of my stomach. Auwe.

In spite of my lack of faith, God made a way where there was no way! What a wonderful event! The parking lot filled up. Curious tourists heard the music and saw the hula and wandered in. The sun smiled God's approval on the event. Church members and others who hold the church in high esteem for what it has done and is doing in the community gave of time and talents to make certain everything was covered. It raised our visibility in the community and will bring new life to our community of faith.

I want to thank all who had the vision for this festival and were willing to put in time and effort to ensure its success. Especially I would thank our new moderator, Eileen Hirota, for her leadership. Although it was a church wide effort, it was her determined efforts that kept us on track. Mahalo, Eileen.

As I look back on the day, I kept thinking of the children's story of the little engine that could. That's us, sisters and brothers. Small as we are, with God's help and guidance, we can accomplish much for the Reign of God in our midst.

God's Call to Community

Many people envision Christianity as an individual's solitary quest to find and enter into a relationship with God. But I have long believed that a relationship with God happens in the context of a community of persons to which God calls us. That ohana, if you will, is one in which I can grow in my spiritual maturity, find support and accountability, and through which we can serve God and others.

You can find that kind of community here at Liliuokalani Protestant Church! If you feel God is calling you to be a part of our ohana, I want to encourage you to join our next series of **NEW MEMBERS CLASSES.** These 3 classes will take place Sundays after services on March 4, 11, and 18. The deacons will serve a lunch, after which you will learn about what it means to be a Christian. You'll find out a bit about the history of our church and the denomination to which we belong, the United Church of Christ. Persons who successfully complete the three classes will be welcomed into membership in the worship service on Easter Sunday, April 1. An individual can become a member in one of three ways:

- 1. By a profession of faith in Jesus as Lord and savior and baptism;
- 2. By transfer of membership from another congregation, either UCC or a church with which we have communion;
- 3. By confession of faith, having been baptized in a Christian church.

Even if you are not certain whether you want to become a member at this time but either are curious or want to learn more about the Christian faith, you are welcome to attend. Please let Kahu or chair of deacons Laurie Kauleinamoku know of your possible interest. You can also call the church office at 637-9364 and let Kuulei know. This will help us plan lunch.

Holy Week and Easter Are Coming Soon

Liliuokalani Protestant Church and Waialua UCC will hold joint services during holy week. On Maundy Thursday, March 29, Waialua UCC will join us for a Tenebrae service at Liliuokalani Protestant Church. On Good Friday, March 30, we will worship at Waialua UCC. Both services will be held at 7 p.m.

For Christians, this is the most important time of the year. It gives us a moment to consider how much God loves us and the cost of our salvation, the sacrifice of Jesus Christ on the cross. Please mark these dates on your calendar.

Need a Visit?

Are you or someone you know in need of someone to talk to? Is there someone in the hospital who would appreciate a visit and prayer? Do you know a homebound member or someone in a nursing facility who would like to receive communion? It would be my privilege to do so. Call Kuulei at the church office (637-9364) and we will make arrangements. If you prefer to call me directly, call me at 440-670-1108.

Kahu Wally



A Message from our Moderator

Aloha members and friends,

Expressing our love for family, friends, community and Jesus is our main Christian goal. As we work together this year, we will focus on the wonderful works of our loving Lord.

Let us set examples of love by bringing our families and friends to worship services and special events that the church sponsors. Working and as us pull together as well as persevering the presence of our historic

praying together helps us pull together as well as persevering the presence of our historic Hawaiian church.

Every one of us plays an important part of our church's life. We all have gifts and should use that gift to glorify our precious Lord! Your help or volunteer work will be greatly appreciated.

As we remember the late Billy Graham, "the day will come when we complete our life on earth. Until then, let's spur each other on, be ready to help and keep pulling together every day." (Quote from 'Our Daily Bread')

HEBREWS 10:24. LET US CONSIDER HOW WE MAY SPUR ONE ANOTHER ON TOWARD LOVE AND GOOD DEEDS.

Let us put God first. Aloha i ke kahi i ke kahi. (Love one another)

Aloha ke Akua, Eileen

"Come Back to Me"

Come back to me with all your heart
Don't let fear keep us apart
Trees do bend though straight and tall
So must we to others' call

Long have I waited for Your coming home to me And living deeply our new life

The wilderness will lead you
To your heart where I will speak
Integrity and justice
With tenderness
You shall know,

Long have I waited for Your coming home to me And living deeply our new life



8:30 a.m. Sunday School

Worship

8:45 a.m. Sunday School

(Preschool to

Makua Class) 9:45 a.m. Singspiration

10:00 a.m. Morning Worship

Service

E Komo Mai!

Please come and fellowship with us as we journey through Ke Akua's words and songs in both English and Hawaiian each Sunday.



Events for the Month of March

04 Mar Holy Communion Sunday

Membership Invitational #1 @ 11:30 a.m.

(light lunch to be served)

11 Mar UCC Mission: One Great Hour of Sharing

Membership Invitational #2 @ 11:30 a.m.

(light lunch to be served)

Ordination and Installation Service for Russell Kirby at Central Union Church @

4:00 p.m.

17 Mar Spring Kalua Pig Fundraiser

18 Mar Membership Invitational #3 @ 11:30 a.m.

(light lunch to be served)

24 Mar Craft Fair on church grounds

25 Mar Palm Sunday

29 Mar Maundy Thursday @ 7:00 p.m. @ LPC

30 Mar Good Friday @ 7:00 p.m. @ Waialua UCC

Malaki (March) Birthdays

07 Kahale Kawahakui

07 Lehua Yates

09 Piilani Oliveira10 Sheila Foster

16 Ernest Navarro

28 Carolyn Williams

Happy Birthday to you To Jesus be true May God's special blessings Be placed upon you.



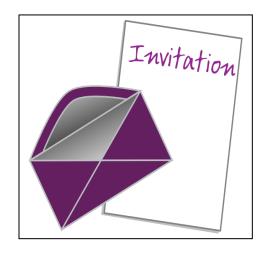
Board of Deacons Message:

Deaconess: Nicole Andrade, Ipo Gora, Eileen Hirota, Kuulei Kaio, Laurie Kauleinamoku, and Sharon Kuntz.

Membership Invitational or Reaffirmation Classes

If you have a desire to serve the Lord, become a member or reactivate your membership, or reaffirm your support of life and services of the church with your talents, time, and treasure, please see Kahu Wally Ryan Kuroiwa or one of the deacons.

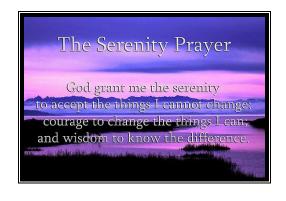
Membership Invitational #1 March 4th
Membership Invitational #2 March 11th
Membership Invitational #3 March 18th



Classes will be offered for both new participants and those who wish to renew their vows starting on Sunday, March 4th at 11:30 a.m. A light lunch to be served.

Consecutive classes to follow on March 11th and March 18th, with participants being received and united with us in this household of faith on Easter Sunday, April 1st.

Come as you are no longer strangers and sojourners, but equally citizens with the saints and members of the household of God.





Komo kauhale (visitations)

If you or someone you know would like to have Kahu Wally Ryan Kuroiwa and/or the deacons visit (home or hospital), fellowship, or administer Holy Communion, please call our church office at 637-9364.

Ke Akua pu (God Be With You).



Prayers are needed for:



May Ke Akua place his healing hands upon the following people and give them comfort and peace:

Steve Ballard, Jerry Benson, Edwina Bush, Ann Cabacungan, Michelle Clarabell, Diane Canon, Yvonne Cox, Carol Custino, Kaipo Dixon, Joe Guyton, Duane Hammerstrom, Daniel Hatchie, Walter Henya, David Heisel, Rose Hirota, Kahale Kawahakui, Vernon Kishinami, Eugene "Boy" Mark, Mama Kahu Rica Merseberg, George Minakami, George Morita, Lopaka Myers, William Nakamura, Suala Navarro, Loren Nelson, Jacob Ng, Susan Niimi, Ryan Normandin, Gary Paracuelles, Lyn Passos, Bill Satterwaite, Neal Satterwaite, Jim and Edna Stewart, Addie Tabije, Ron Toma, Mason Tsujiguchi, Norman Yates, and Sarah Young.

Special prayers for our men and women of both the military and civilians who are serving our country around the world to keep us safe. Our continued prayers for the families that have lost loved ones, for those who are injured, and for those who are in harm's way.

Special prayers to the families of the victims and the injured of the mass shooting at Majory Stoneman Douglas High School in Parkland, Florida:

▼Alyssa Alhadeff (14), ▼Scott Beigel (teacher), ▼Martin Duque (14), ▼Nicholas Dworet (17), ▼Aaron Feis (football coach), ▼Jaime Guttenberg (14), ▼Chris Hixon (athletic director),
▼Cara Loughrin (14), ▼Luke Loyer (15), ▼Gina Montalto (14), ▼Joaquin Oliver (17),
▼Alaina Petty (14), ▼Meadow Pollack (18), ▼Helena Ramsay (17), ▼Alexander Schachter (14),
▼Carmen Schentrup (16), and ▼Peter Wang (15)

Ke Akua, please embrace them into your loving arms

For the shooter, Lord help all of us to forgive him.

Ke Akua, we ask that you grant to them all much healing, peace and Aloha. Amene.

In Memoriam: In Loving Memory

Deepest sympathy and condolences to the family of the late Winogene "Aunty Nana" Eleana Aiu, who passed away on January 19, 2018. She was a member of the Ka Hana O Ke Akua Church in Waianae and the president of the Oahu Council of Hawaiian Congregational Churches. Services are scheduled for Saturday, March 17, 2018 at 2:30 p.m. at Kawaiahao Church.



Music Committee Message:



Members: Eileen Hirota (music director), Sharon Kuntz (Chair), Carolyn Williams

Please come and join us each Sunday at 9:45 a.m. for Singspiration.

Did you know that . . .

Queen Lili'uokalani composed the Queen's Prayer (Ke Aloha O Ka Haku) on March 22, 1895 while she was under house arrest in the Iolani Palace.¹

"Ke Aloha O Ka Haku"

(Queen Lili`uokalani's Prayer ~ NH No. 186)

1.	`O kou aloha no Aia i ka lani A`o kou `oia `i`o, He hemolele ho`i	Your love Is there in heaven And your truth Is filled with sanctity
2.	Ko`u noho mihi `ana A pa`ahao `ia, `O `oe ku`u lama, Kou nani ko`u ko`o	As I reflect on wrongs In my imprisonment You are my light Your glory my support.
3.	Mai nana `ino `ino Na hewa o kanaka Aka, e huikala, A ma`ema`e no.	Look not negatively Upon the sins of men But forgive, That we shall be pure.
4.	No laila e ka haku, Ma lalo o kou `eheu Ko makou maluhia, A mau loa aku no. Amene.	Therefore, O Lord, Beneath your wings Shall be our peace Now and forever. Amen.
	(Translation, Hui Hanai)	

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¹ Huapala.org, Queen's Prayer

Stewardship Message:

Members: Salvie Alfanta, Nicole Andrade, Eileen Hirota, Jennifer Hirota-Tulikihihifo, Meri Peter



UCC Mission: One Great Hour of Sharing (March 11, 2018)

One Great Hour of Sharing is the Lenten Offering of the United Church of Christ that supports disaster, refugee, and development activities.



17 Mar 2018 (Saturday) Spring Kalua Pig Fundraiser 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

A donation of \$8.00 per pound will get you a container of our onolicious, mouth-watering, kalua pig cooked in our very own imu (underground oven) on our church grounds like in the days of our ancestors.

Our food booth will be serving hot plate lunches of kalua pig and cabbage and kalua pig nachos!

We will also have a mini bake sale. If you would like to make a donation to our bake sale, please let us know.

Our famous Lilikoi butter (which sells out fast), jaboticaba and java plum jelly and our other favorites will be on sale too. Just in time for your Easter celebrations.

Any and all donations are greatly appreciated. Please come and join the awesome fellowship!!



If you are planning to attend or are already attending a four-year accredited college or university, you may be eligible to apply for a scholarship sponsored by Lili'uokalani Protestant Church.

For more details, please inquire at our church office. Applications will be available in our church office from February 2, 2018. Deadline to submit your application is April 1, 2008 to our office or postmarked April 1, 2008.

TO GOD BE THE GLORY

It had been raining during the week and all of us were praying that it would stop before Saturday. Saturday February 3, that is...

That morning the skies were gray and the threat of rain was present. There was *ua li`ili`i* (drizzles) on and off, more on for some of us. More praying, more food prep, more coordinating and then just more work everywhere!

We prayed as we worked but were so busy there was no time to feel sorry for all the planning and work that had gone into this event and no time to dwell on our lack of faith.

The volunteers came, then the early-bird vendors, the exhibitors, and the tents for the practitioners were being prepped, placed and pegged into marked areas.

Thank God for our kitchen helpers who stirred the chicken long rice and squid luau so that it did not *papa* `a (burn)! The rice was cooking, the pig being warmed, the poi was bowled, the fruits and lomi salmon chilled, and the rest of the hands were needed in the front for all the coordinating and preparations.

Our church tent was almost the last to be put in its place! The food was trucked from the kitchen, the drinks were iced in large coolers, the kulolo and haupia were displayed for sale with our pickled mangoes, jams and jellies, hymnals, etc!

Wow! We were ready! The bell was rung, Kahu David Kaupu offered the pule, we sang The Queen's Prayer and Doxology with Starr Kalahiki and our Kahu Wally Ryan Kuroiwa did the welcoming. And the people came and came and came....mahalo for your support!

God gave us a beautiful day!!! Mahalo a nui loa ke Akua!

And mahalo a nui loa to the many hands and hearts that continue to come, kokua where it is needed and helped to make this event a success for this our Ekalesia o Lili`uokalani!!!









Noticed all the digging in the church yard adjacent to Emerson Road?

Our friends from DuPont Pioneer Hi-Bred International Inc., has graciously donated a long-awaited sprinkler system! That's their crew installing the system too!

By the time you read this, installation should be complete. The following week we will test the system and make any adjustments to have it up and running just in time for summer and our:

<u>42nd Annual Church Luau (August 4th)</u> Saturday, August 4, 2018

2018-2019 CHURCH COUNCIL OF LILI'UOKALANI PROTESTANT CHURCH

Eileen Hirota, Moderator
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