

A Bi-Monthly Newsletter of Historic

Lili'uokalani Protestant Church

News

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A Beacon of Hope on Oahu's Northshore
"Celebrating 182 years of Ministry"



E Komo Mai

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

Kahu: David Kieffer
Moderator: John Hirota
Vice Moderator: Eileen Hirota
Secretary: Laurie H. Kauleinamoku
Financial Secretary: Kuulei Kaio
Treasurer: Nicole Andrade

Sunday Schedule:
Sunday School Worship: 8:30 am
Sunday School: 9:00 am
Worship Service: 10:00 am

Our Mission is to encourage a closer walk with our Lord, enlighten with information pertinent to today's Christian and uplift each other.



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A Message From Our Kahu

E Aloha Kakou,

New things are happening here at Lili'uokalani Church. And it all fits into the Easter season as we celebrate our New Life in Jesus Christ. It has been a joy to join you in ministry this very first month. Janet, Jonathan and I want to thank you for your warm welcome to the church and ministry.

I want to say *mahalo a nui loa* for the ways that you minister to this community and beyond. I was awestruck by the way you minister to Skye Yamamoto's family at his Celebration of Life worship. I also admired those that participated in the Easter Cantata and all those who lent their kokua to make the Cantata nights very special for all who attended and for the community. You are indeed a gift to this community.

As we enter this Easter season, our theme will be **Our Living Lord**, as we continue to live with the Easter promise of Jesus' and our resurrection to eternal life. During the month of May we will be exploring what Jesus, as our Living Lord, offers us. Our worship themes will be;

May 4 – **Jesus offers New Sight** – from Luke 24:13-35

May 11 – **Jesus offers Abundant Life** – from John 10:1-10 – a free gift for Mother's Day

May 18 – **Jesus offers Eternal Life** – from John 14:1-14

May 25 – **Jesus offers Love** – John 14:15-21

I hope you can join us as God is "making all things new", (Rev. 21:5) especially the ministry here and also our own lives. It is a joy to worship, pray and study with you.



Photo by Ron Ebright Photography

Aloha Ke Akua,
Kahu Dave



All are welcome to join us for Sunday School at 8:30 every Sunday.



'AHA PAE'AINA

The 192nd 'Aha Pae'aina will be held in June. The 'Aha Iki, June 3-5 and the 'Aha Makua, June 6-7.

Delegates to the 'Aha Pae'aina on June 6-7 will be asked to vote on a proposed amendment to the bylaws of the Hawai'i Conference. A workshop will be held at the 'Aha Pae'aina to explain the proposed change.

Delegate Ipo Gora will be representing us at the Aha Iki and Kahu Dave at the Aha Makua.

EVENTS AND REMINDERS

1 John 4:7-8 Beloved, let us love one another, for love is from God, and whoever loves has been born of God and knows God. Anyone who does not love does not know God, because God is love.



COME SUPPORT OUR QUEEN'S OPEN MARKET

Need a gift for a special occasion, birthday, graduation, omiyage or housewarming? The Queen's Market is the perfect place to go!

Our Queen's Market is open every Sunday from 1:00 - 5:00 pm (weather permitting). Come check out the Huli Huli chicken, smoke meat, art work and much more. Don't forget to stop by our church booth for some ono-licious pork sliders, various jams and jellies, books, note cards and T-shirts. You are sure to find something you like!

Come, support our local farmers and vendors as it is vital to their existence and our "market"

which, in turn is helping this, our Church! As a member you may also be a vendor for profit for a very nominal fee. Donations of baked items and other goodies are always needed and greatly appreciated!

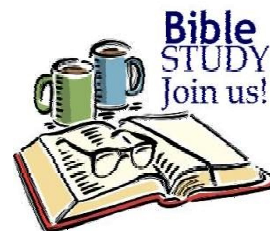
This is a Church event and fundraiser that needs EVERYONE'S KOKUA! Our teens are taking care of both set-up and cleanup. We just need volunteers to "man" the church booth.

Please sign up as your kokua makes a world of difference! Mahalo a nui loa!



GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

A general membership meeting is scheduled for June 8, 2014 following the whorship service. Your mana'o is always welcome and your participation is important. This is your church and each member can help make it the kind of church God intended it to be.



Wednesdays at 6:45 P.M.

Current Study:
The Book of Romans

Family News

Remember in Prayer...

The family of Clara Alameida, Rose Hirota, Judith Asman, Kuualoha Callanan, Richard Chun, Janet Fujimoto, Melissa Fujimoto, Lillian Gilman, Duane Hammerstrom, Eugenie Keanu, Hudson Pak, Dayle Pescaia Sr., Margaret Roy, Dawn Sakai, Jim and Edna Stewart, Dwight Sugai, Kenneth Tsuji, Marilyn Walsh, Albert and Paige Yamamoto and Sarah Young.

Special prayers for both the military and civilians who serve our country both at home and around the world, to the families that have lost loved ones, for those who have been injured, to all those who stand in harm's way, and for all the families of Malaysian Flight No. 370, and for all the men and women helping with all its' rescue efforts, Lord, grant to them much healing, peace and aloha.



PASSING OF OUR MUCH LOVED AND OLDEST CHURCH MEMBER

It is with heavy hearts that we extend our most sincere condolences and much aloha to the family of

Clara Alameida

Who went to be with our Lord on Tuesday April 29, 2014 just five months before her 102nd birthday. Services were held at Mililani Makau Chapel on May 14th and inurnment at Lili'uokalani Church cemetery on the 16th.. A legend of our church, she will truly be missed.



1 Corinthians 15:42-44

It is the same way with the resurrection of the dead. Our earthly bodies are planted in the ground when we die, but they will be raised to live forever. Our bodies are buried in brokenness, but they will be raised in glory. They are buried in weakness, but they will be raised in strength. They are buried as natural human bodies, but they will be raised as spiritual bodies. For just as there are natural bodies, there are also spiritual bodies.

HAUOLI LA HANAU

TO THOSE BORN IN MAY AND JUNE

May

01 Doreen Chun
14 Ty Kaleo Humber
17 Meredith Strong
25 Katie Kaupu
26 Natasha Arzaga-Kaio
26 Honiala Strong
29 Anela Lautalo

June

02 Kuulei Kaio
05 Cypren Kaio
09 Ipo Gora
14 Lewis Ka'ena Humber
28 Cindy Drew

Wishing you all and anyone we may have missed, a very Happy Birthday!

Newsletter

Anyone who wishes to be a part of helping with the Newsletter or contributing to it, please let the Stewardship Committee know.

Website

Kahu Dave and Lane Davey will be working together to restart our website. It promises to be an informative site with links to Facebook, the Newsletter, a place to make donations and more!

E-mail

If you want informative e-mails about what is going on at Lili'uokalani Church, please provide Kahu Dave with your e-mail address. You can e-mail him at : pastordavek56@gmail.com



If you have a desire to become a member, a desire to reactivate your membership, or want to reaffirm your support of the life and services of the Church, please see one of the deacons (Lane Davey, Ipo Gora, Eileen Hirota, Danyl McGarr or Berni Paik-Apau)

Board Chairs

Deacons:

Berni Paik-Apau

Education:

Rachel Navarro

Stewardship:

Jim Frisbie

Committee Chairs

Building & Grounds:

Danyl McGarr

Music:

Meredith Strong

Ad Hoc Committee Chairs

Septic System:

Don Kilmer

Church Delegate

Ipo Gora

Spotlight on our Church...

Our Church History - Part 1

Hale'iwa is part of the Waialua District which was one of six major districts on the island of Oahu. The other districts being Ko'olaupoko, Ko'olaupoko, Kona, Ewa and Waianae. The Waialua District was further divided into several smaller ahupua'a. These ahupua'a from west to east are Ka'ena, Kealia, Kawaihapai, Mokule'i (or Hinakokea), Ka'ala (or Pu'uka'ala), Kamananui, Pa'ala'a, Kawailoa, and Kapaeloa at Waimea Bay. The chief of the Waialua District was La'anui. Chief La'anui built a grass building in Kawailoa for the teaching of the Christian faith. The building held about 1,500 people (Kawailoa is the ahupua'a that Haleiwa is in). Chief Gideon La'anui (whose wife was Chiefess Namahana Kekuwai-Pi'ia) and his Konohiki Ku'okoa, helped propagate the Christian faith in this area well before the arrival of the Emersons in 1832. Christianity in the Waialua District was already in place and flourishing by the time they arrived.

The Reverend John and Ursula Emerson, arrived in the Waialua District aboard the Averick in 1832. The Emersons put in at Waialua Bay at the mouth of the Anahulu River, where the Anahulu (or Hale'iwa) Bridge is found today. They went on to establish Emerson House and a Protestant church in the heart of the village next to the building that La'anui had built.

The first church was a grass building built by Chief La'anui before the Emerson's arrival and held about 1500 people. When Emerson arrived he attended a service in the La'anui building (where La'anui was preaching the gospel in the absence of any clergy. Because several hundred people could not be accommodated, Rev. Emerson had La'anui build another next to the first. This church was a larger grass building on the corner of Kamehameha Highway and Haleiwa Road that could accommodate about 2,000 people. The next building was of adobe and was built about 1840, where

the current cemetery is now. The next building was located on the current church's location and was constructed of wood in 1890. The present building was built in 1961.



Queen Lili'uokalani

The famous clock in the church was donated to the church by Queen Lili'uokalani on Jan. 1, 1892. The clock is 32 inches in diameter, with seven functions and hands, one of which made one revolution every 16 years! The uniqueness of this one-of-a-kind clock, is that the numerals on the clock dial telling the time were replaced with the letters of L-I-L-I-U-O-K-A-L-A-N-I, the queen's name.

The original name of the church was Waialua Protestant Church. Today it is known as the Lili'uokalani Protestant Church, named after Hawaii's last queen who vacationed in Hale'iwa at the royal summer home along the banks of the Anahulu river and worshiped at the church. The Hawaiians of the Church asked the Queen if the Church could be named for her and she gave them her permission to the joy of the members.

WHAT'S NEW



Us on Facebook

We have entered into the age of technology. Kahu Dave has us on facebook! Check it out, like or comment. Great photos of what's going on at Liliu'okalani!

GETTING TO KNOW... OUR KAHU

Kahu David Kieffer began his service at Liliu'okalani Protestant Church on April 1, 2014 after receiving approval of the general membership. "A ten year resident of Hawaii, Kahu Kieffer previously served eight years as Pastor of Christ Lutheran Church in Mililani." Kahu Kieffer is originally from Southern California and says that "I met my wife Janet, at church. We've been married thirty years. Our son Jonathan, is a teenager, a student at Mililani High School, and a heck of a tennis player."

Asked if he was intimidated by the Hawaiian traditions of the

Church, Kahu Kieffer said "No, I'm not uneasy. Lili'uokalani's tradition and heritage are Hawaiian. I don't want to change that. The thing I love about Lili'uokalani is that for almost two hundred years this church didn't stop...that the Kahu and congregation kept the original Christian drive...I want to work to keep Lili'uokalani the best church on the Northshore. Not the best "traditional" church, but the best church period...I just want to take care of this wonderful church the best I can during my season..."

The members, friends and community welcome Kahu Dave!!

REMEMBER WHEN...

There were two mango trees behind Emerson Hall? It was there you could find Manuel Alameida and his "Mango Tree Gang" resting after a hard Saturday of work cleaning the church grounds and cemetery. They certainly deserved the cool refreshments waiting for them.



**Stewardship:
What it
Means to Me**
By Eileen
Hiirota

Investing in the Lord's work should be the main focus in every Christian's life because God created everything and loved us so much that He gave His only son, Jesus. Our faithful and dedicated stewards have provided 182 years of service in our North Shore community. We too can become good Stewards by:

1. Sharing our time in the activities of the church such as teaching Sunday School, Lay Reading, caring for the elderly, helping at the Queen's Market, helping at the Kalua Pig Sale and Luau, help in the maintenance of the Church grounds, cemetery, Emerson Hall and Sanctuary.

2. Sharing our talents. Everyone has some kind of talent (helping in a

nursery, cooking, baking, flower arrangements. Painting, music, cleaning, newsletter, visitations (komo kau hale) etc. What is your talent? Please feel free to offer it because that is what Jesus wants us to do. Be a part of our church by volunteering.

3. Sharing the abundance God has given us to enable the church to grow in its outreach to others. We can not take anything with us when we leave this world so why not use what we have been given freely to help our church grow so that we can help others. Remember that God's greatest Commandment was to LOVE ONE ANOTHER.

Christianity is not a religion, it is a way of life. Religion crucified our Lord. Think about it! God wants us to love one another in spite of our differences. Christianity is the relationship we have with God, each other and the environment.

"And what do you benefit if you gain the whole world but lose your own soul? Is anything worth more than your soul? Mathew 16:25"

YOUTH CORNER



A big Mahalo to our youth bell ringers Ernest Navaro, James Strong, Teara Navaro and Honiala Strong.



Our youth are planning a car wash.! Date to be announced so keep your eyes and ears open for this event!

"A religion that gives nothing, costs nothing, and suffers nothing, is worth nothing."

Martin Luther-

NEWS FROM OUR BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

AD HOC COMMITTEE: Septic System

Don Kilmer reports that the design for the new septic system has been completed and approved by the Board of Health. Bids are currently being taken for the project. Mahalo Don for your hard work on this.

BOARD OF DEACONS

Helping the Homeless: The Board of Deacons will be collecting toiletries items for the homeless in our community. A basket will be placed at the church entry each Sunday in May for anyone wishing to donate. The Deacons will collect and package these and deliver them to the Haleiwa IHS (Institute for Human Services) that provides housing help to the homeless each Wednesday at the Waialua Community Center.

Komo Kau Hale (Visitations): If you or someone you know would like to have Kahu and/or the deacons visit (home or hospital), fellowship, or administer Holy Communion, please call Kahu's office at 637-9364.

STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE

The Stewardship Committee has been working hard to assure the continuation of all the churches activities and future goals, Please support their efforts generously.

June 2014 is the next Stewardship Mission, "Strengthen the Church" which grows the UCC's future by funding new church starts and invigorating existing congregations, nurturing lay and pastoral leadership, and building youth and young adult ministries.

Congratulations to scholarship applicant Natasha Arzaga-Kaio. Natasha has been awarded \$2,000 to begin her graduate work at Pacific University, Oregon. She is completing her undergraduate work in June of this year and will receive a Bachelor of Art in Education.

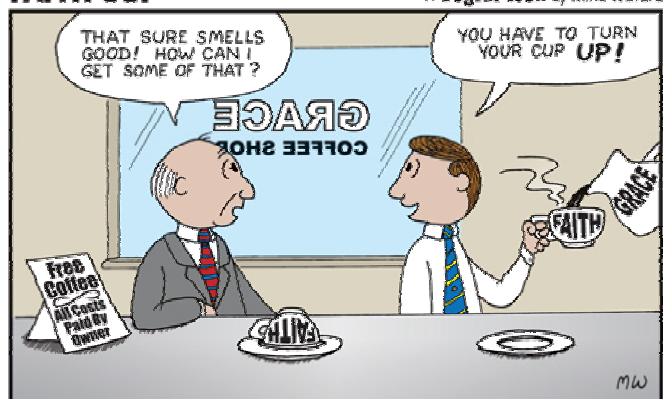
Congratulation to Natasha for her hard work and we hope she will have the opportunity to return to Hawaii and use her excellent skills here at home. Congratulations Natasha. She will begin her Master's work in June after graduation.



We are looking for people who want to take a more active part in the work of our church. Our Boards and Committees still need more members. Let any Executive Board member know if you are interested.

FAITH CUP

A Joyful Toon by Mike Waters



By whom also we have access by faith into this grace wherein we stand, and rejoice in hope of the glory of God.

— ROMANS 5:2 KJV

Snap Shots

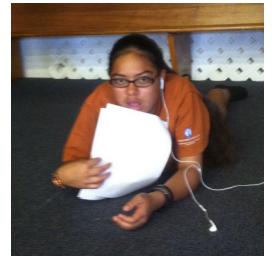
Making Caramel Apples



Coloring Easter Eggs



Kalua Pig Sale



Sunday School Play



May is Military Appreciation month. Keep our military and their families in your prayers. Remember that "Freedom Isn't Free"



There is power in prayer!

If you have a prayer request please let the Kahu or deacons know.

Did you know that Hawaii has an "Aloha Spirit Law"?

There actually is such a law, Hawaii Revised Statutes 5-7.5. All citizens and government officials of Hawaii are obligated by law to conduct themselves in accordance with this law, while performing their duties and obligations, as well as in their day-to-day living. Likewise, those visiting our fair islands are expected to conduct themselves in accordance with this Hawaiian law.

Partial Text of THE ALOHA SPIRIT LAW: HRS §5-7.5 "The Aloha Spirit".

(a) The Aloha Spirit is the coordination of mind and heart within each person. It brings each person to the Self. Each person must think and emote good feelings to others. In the contemplation and presence of the life force, Aloha, the following unuhi laula loa (free translation) may be used:

- Akahai, meaning kindness to be expressed with tenderness;
- Lokahi, meaning unity, to be expressed with harmony;
- Olu`olu, meaning agreeable, to be expressed with pleasantness;
- Ha`aha`a, meaning humility, to be expressed with modesty;
- Ahonui, meaning patience, to be expressed with perseverance.

These are traits of character that express the charm, warmth and sincerity of Hawaii's people. It was the working philosophy of native Hawaiians and was presented as a gift to the people of Hawaii.

Aloha is more than a word of greeting or farewell or a salutation.

- Aloha means mutual regard and affection and extends warmth in caring with no obligation in return.
- Aloha is the essence of relationships in which each person is important to every other person for collective existence.



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UPCOMING EVENTS

May	Military Appreciation Month
May 4	Communion Sunday
May 5	Boys Day
May 11	Mother's Day
May 29	Board of Deacons Mtg. 6:45 PM
June 8	General Membership Mtg.
June	Stewardship Mission, "Strengthen the Church"
August 2	Annual Church Luan

Queen's Open Market every Sunday from 1:00 - 5:00 pm