### **Christ Lutheran Church Newsletter**

January, 2023 Aloha Kakou,

Happy New Year! Again! I cannot resist the urge to point out that our liturgical, Christian New Year began with the first Sunday of Advent, back in late November. I suppose two new year's celebrations are better than one. How did/are you celebrating? Going out? Staying in? I am doing the latter, most likely, since my pets are freaked out by the fireworks. I will try to be some reassurance to them.

And after that, we have a busy January, with Chaplain Mark's farewell, dedication of our pledges, catechism, maybe some baptisms, a healing liturgy, pot-luck, council meeting and finally, our January Annual Meeting.

I have noted occasionally that the direction of an organization, including a congregation – maybe especially a congregation – arises out of the local organizing, the interactions between people in and around the congregation. We have varying interests, concerns, and agendas that sort of "bump up" against each other. As they bump up both competitively and cooperatively something new arises – our direction, our sense of purpose, our mission. As we move into 2023, I am excited and eager to see what arises from our work together, including in worship, stewardship, evangelism, education, property management and service. I like to think that often something new arises out of our interactions as the communion of saints here at Christ Lutheran Church, something novel that I like to call "the Surprise of the Spirit."

The Spirit is indeed blowing among us, resurrecting us, encouraging us, sending us off in wonderful and surprising new ways and I look forward to seeing what comes next.

New Year's Blessings,

Pr Keith

God the Creator who delights in you, Jesus the Savior who is born for you, and the lifegiving Spirit who shines on you, bless you and keep you in hope and peace. Bundays and Seasons



Mark Your

Calendar!

You are welcome at the table found at Christ Lutheran Church.

Welcome to those of you who come bearing diverse gifts including wisdom regarding sexual orientations, gender identities and gender expressions.

Welcome to all of you for your diverse colors, shapes, cultures, backgrounds, and traditions.

Welcome to those of you born here and to those of you flown here.



We seek to rejoice, grieve, heal and reconcile together as we gather around Jesus' table, which has been laid out for all.



Sunday, January 29

at 10:30 am



Our primary business item will be final approval of the 2023 budget.

Celebrations - Blessings to All of You

Happy Birthday

January 1	Bud Jenkins
-	Alex Belcher
January 2	Ashley Maginot
-	Ellie Stanford
January 6	Jean McMann
January 10	Milla Hill
January 12	Vern Lee
January 14	Hagen Zaffke
January 15	Marilyn Lee
January 16	Sena Norton
January 20	Jim Collins
January 21	Pua Good
January 25	Nelson Acosta
January 26	DeAnn Acosta

26 DeAnn Acosta Naomi Halvorson

Wedding Anniversaries

January 27 Nelson & DeAnn Acosta January 28 Collette & Neil Wiedemann

Baptismal Anniversaries

January 1	Whitney DePowell
January 5	Russ Kino
January 10	Maddyn Robinson-Sato
January 13	Logan Chong





As often as you did it for one of my lease brothers, you did it for me.



The Institute for Human Services Ending the Cycle of Homelessness

Our next ministry date is **Saturday**, **February 3rd**. You can sign up to help with serving the

meal or donating cookies **at** <u>https://www.signupgenius.com/</u> <u>go/9040F4EA9AA28A5FE3-clcfebruary1</u> or contact Amanda Spangler at 808-7258-9156.



**Table Talk Small Groups** We invite you to join us in a small group setting centered around food and faith journeys. From February to April, meeting at least

once a month, we will connect with around 6 other people from Church. Couples and Singles are invited to join. Signup Sheets are available near the bulletins and online at https:// form.jotform.com/223085236465053.



### **Sunday Brunch**



The next **Sunday brunch** will take place on Sunday, January 15th between services (approximately 9:15-10:30am). Bring whatever you'd like to share or just bring your appetite. All are welcome to this monthly time of fellowship and fun.



#### Catechism Classes Resume

After a break for the Christmas holidays, we shall have back

**Catechism** at it next Thursday, January 5th 7pm. It is not too late to join us - anyone from 6th through 12th grade may come.

For the next few months we will be focusing on the Old Testament and then, the New Testament. After that, we will look at core Lutheran doctrines and modern questions about the meaning of our Christian faith.

If you have any questions, please check with Pr Keith.

# JANUARÝ, 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Name of Jesus 8 am In-person Worship 11 am In-person Worship & by Zoom invitation	2	3	4	5 Morning Prayer	6 Morning Prayer *Al-Anon 7:30 pm	7 Morning Prayer
8 Baptism of Our Lord **Healing Sunday 8 am In-person Worship 11 am In-person Worship &	9 Morning Prayer	10 Morning Prayer	11 Morning Prayer	12 Morning Prayer	13 Morning Prayer *Al-Anon 7:30 pm	14 Morning Prayer
by Zoom invitation 15 2nd Sun after Epiphany 8 am In-person Worship 9:15am Sunday Brunch 11 am In-person Worship & by Zoom invitation 1:30pm Chrch. Council Mtg	16 Morning Prayer Newsletter Deadline	17 Morning Prayer	18 Morning Prayer	19 Morning Prayer	20 Morning Prayer *Al-Anon 7:30 pm	21 Morning Prayer
22 3rd Sun after Epiphany 8 am In-person Worship 11 am In-person Worship & by Zoom invitation	23 Morning Prayer	24 Morning Prayer	25 Morning Prayer	26 Morning Prayer	27 Morning Prayer *Al-Anon 7:30 pm	28 Morning Prayer
<ul> <li>29 4th Sun after Epiphany</li> <li>8 am In-person Worship</li> <li>10:30 am Annual Meeting</li> <li>11 am In-person Worship &amp; by Zoom invitation</li> </ul>	30 Morning Prayer	31 Morning Prayer				



### **Easter Brunch**





# Pastor Dale's 50th Anniversary





### Hukilau Assembly











1st Year Anniversary of Agape Garden

### **New Gazebo**







# **Fence Painting**





# Honolulu Pride Parade







### **IHS Ministry**









### **Eagle Scout Court of Honor**

# Mahalo Carolyn





### New P<u>iano</u>

Mahalo CLC for an eventful year!



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### January Worship

Sunday Worship 8 am and 11 am

Masks not required but encouraged

The 8 am service is offered on Facebook and the 11 am service is offered on Zoom. Both feature on-line Communion.

The Liturgy of Healing is included in each service on the 2nd Sunday of the month. \* \* \* \* \*

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