



Together We Are The Church

March, 2024

Christ Lutheran Church Newsletter

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Aloha Kakou,

Last month I wrote about how we in the Lutheran – and wider Protestant – movement read the Bible. To summarize, the Bible is a collection of sixty-six books that we understand as the word of God insofar as it points to Jesus, the crucified and resurrected Word of God.

The Bible is not a rule book or a metaphysical world that Christians must strictly adhere to. It is the story of God's rescue of Israel from Egypt and slavery in the Old Testament and the story of God's resurrection of the crucified Jesus from the dead. Pure and simple.

How we live in those stories is what our faith is about. As I have said in sermons recently, the grace of God, and God's call to us to live in that unconditional love, is the absolute we encounter in these biblical narratives. The particulars of that call in every time and place are fluid. How we live in God's grace in Christ depends on our context, our here and now.

We do not use the Bible as specific worldviews for all time and eternity. Instead we listen for the values of the Reign of God that we discern in the stories of scripture ... values such as

- Equal regard for the Other;
- Mutual affection for each other;
- Self-sacrificial love, even for our enemies, especially those who would erase us.

Jesus offers us redemptive suffering in these stories, as opposed to redemptive violence. The Way of the Cross, not the way of violence, is the call of rescue and resurrection. We find our lives in losing them.

In these times of chaos and confusion, anxiety and fear, I invite you to go with me on this Lenten reflection. Easter is March 31st. Please join me on Wednesdays and online throughout the week as we ponder the great narratives and themes of our biblical tradition!

Blessings,

Pr Keith



*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.*



*Lenten Soup Suppers Continue
this Month!*

**Please Join us Every Wednesday evening at 6pm through
March 20th for CLC's Midweek Lenten Service & Soup Supper.**

**We will gather between 6pm and 6:30pm for a light, soup supper
potluck. We will follow that at 7pm with a short Bible study and
worship using Responsive Prayer.**

Feel free to show up for any or all of the above. Let
Pastor Keith know if you are interested in
attending!



Celebrations - Blessings to All of You

Happy Birthday

March 1 Joel Sikkink
March 5 Dale Koenig
March 13 Henry Zaffke
March 17 Steve Peterson
March 19 Kathy Jans
March 20 Guirong Xu-Peterson
March 30 Judy Kaupp

Wedding Anniversaries

March 7 Eileen & Gary Ward
March 19 Steve & Guirong Peterson

Baptismal Anniversaries

March 14 Adam Burke

If we missed your special day, please let the office know (office@clcmililani.org)



Sunday Brunch

The next Sunday Brunch will take place on **Sunday, March 17th** between services (approximately 9:15-9:45am).



Bring whatever you'd like to share or just bring your appetite. All are welcome to this monthly time of fellowship and fun!



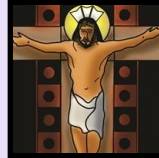
Holy Week Worship Schedule



Palm Sunday Service
March 24th
8:00 am & 10:00 am



Maundy Thursday Service
March 28th
7:00 pm



Good Friday Service
March 29th
7:00 pm



Holy Saturday
Easter Vigil
March 30th, 7:00 pm



Easter Sunday Services
March 31st
8:00 am & 10:00 am

A Special Message from Mary Lou Kimoto

I am so proud of my Teller Teams, Tom & Dale Koenig, DeAnn Acosta, Chieko Higuchi, Kathy Maginot, Jean McMann & Mary Lou Kimoto! They handle their duties with great skill and easily exchange shifts among themselves should there be a need.



If you have an hour to spare on the 4th Sunday of the month after the 10:00am Service, please consider joining the Teller Team. Your service would be so appreciated!

Many thanks for my HUI “Gang”, so very grateful for all of you!

*Mahalo Nui Loa!,
Mary Lou Kimoto, Lead Teller*

*You can sign up to join the Teller Team by clicking on the link to our HUI-Sign up page available in our weekly announcements email blast or on the volunteer page of CLC’s website at clcmililani.org. or just reach out to Mary Lou Kimoto, 808-623-2389 or the Church Office at 808-623-9229;office@clcmililani.org.



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>** Not a CLC Event: Please contact Al Anon or AA for further information.</p>					<p>1 Morning Prayer *Al-Anon 7:30 pm *AA 7:30pm</p>	<p>2 Morning Prayer</p>
<p>3 3rdSun in Lent 8 am - <i>In-person Worship</i> 9:15am - <i>Keiki Church</i> 10 am - <i>In-person Worship & by Zoom invitation</i></p>	<p>4 Morning Prayer</p>	<p>5 Morning Prayer</p>	<p>6 Morning Prayer Lenten Service & Soup Supper 6:00 pm</p>	<p>7 Morning Prayer Confirmation Class 7:00pm</p>	<p>8 Morning Prayer *Al-Anon 7:30 pm *AA 7:30pm</p>	<p>9 Morning Prayer</p>
<p>10 4th Sun in Lent **Healing Sunday 8 am -<i>In-person Worship</i> 9:15 am -<i>Keiki Church</i> 10 am -<i>In-person Worship & by Zoom invitation</i></p>	<p>11 Morning Prayer</p>	<p>12 Morning Prayer</p>	<p>13 Morning Prayer Lenten Service & Soup Supper 6:00 pm</p>	<p>14 Morning Prayer Confirmation Class 7:00pm</p>	<p>15 Morning Prayer *Al-Anon 7:30 pm *AA 7:30pm</p>	<p>16 Morning Prayer</p>
<p>17 5th Sun in Lent 8 am -<i>In-person Worship</i> 9:15 -am <i>Keiki Church</i> 9:15am - Sunday Brunch 10 am - <i>In-person Worship & by Zoom invitation</i> 11:30 am -Chrch.Cncl. Mtg</p>	<p>18 Morning Prayer</p>	<p>19 Morning Prayer</p>	<p>20 Morning Prayer Lenten Service & Soup Supper 6:00 pm</p>	<p>21 Morning Prayer Confirmation Class 7:00pm</p>	<p>22 Morning Prayer *Al-Anon 7:30 pm *AA 7:30pm</p>	<p>23 Morning Prayer</p>
<p>24 Palm Sunday</p> <div data-bbox="122 1101 286 1175" data-label="Image"> </div> <p>8 am - <i>In-person Worship</i> 9:15 am - <i>Keiki Church</i> 10 am - <i>In-person Worship & by Zoom invitation</i></p>	<p>25 Morning Prayer</p>	<p>26 Morning Prayer</p>	<p>27 Morning Prayer</p>	<p>28 Morning Prayer Maundy Thursday Service 7:00 pm</p>	<p>29 Morning Prayer Prayer Vigil 6:30am-6:30pm Good Friday Service 7:00 pm</p>	<p>30 Morning Prayer Easter Vigil Service 7:00pm</p>
<p>31 Easter Sunday 8 am - <i>In-person Worship</i> 9:15 am - <i>Keiki Church</i> 10 am - <i>In-person Worship & by Zoom invitation</i></p> <div data-bbox="436 1336 650 1484" data-label="Image"> </div>						



HUI!



The HUI is back for 2024!

**CLC Needs Your help!
Volunteers are needed to assist
during Worship Services.**



You can sign up by visiting the links below or by contacting the church office at 808-623-9229; office@clcmililani.org.

Links to the HUI sign-up can also be found on the volunteer page of CLC's website at www.clcmililani.org and in our Wednesday weekly announcements email blast.

Not sure what volunteering entails? HUI Brochures can be found on the table in the back of the Sanctuary or on the volunteer page of our website; www.clcmililani.org.

If you currently volunteer for any of the HUI positions, you do not need to sign-up. Your name has already been entered into your designated time slot. You can check the links below to see your assignment. Mahalo!

February

[https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0C4BADA72BABF5C43-47809253-huifebruary - /](https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0C4BADA72BABF5C43-47809253-huifebruary)

March

[https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0C4BADA72BABF5C43-47808368-huimarch - /](https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0C4BADA72BABF5C43-47808368-huimarch)

April

[https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0C4BADA72BABF5C43-47808403-hui - /](https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0C4BADA72BABF5C43-47808403-hui)



Palm Branches Needed!

Palm Sunday is Sunday, March 24th.

Donations are greatly appreciated. You can drop off your donations in the CLC courtyard on Saturday, March 23rd.



IHS Ministry

The February IHS Ministry Team served 347 Meals!



Thank you to everyone who donated cookies and a special Mahalo to Adam, Mark & Teresa for serving the meal!

The April IHS ministry will be held on **Saturday, April 6th**. You can sign up to help with serving the meal or donating cookies at https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0844ABAC2CA7FBC25-48107709-ihscookie#

Good Friday Prayer Vigil



The CLC Annual Good Friday Prayer Vigil, will be held on **March 29th, from 6:30 AM to 6:30 PM** in the CLC Sanctuary.

Come and spend a 1/2 hour or longer in quiet prayer. Look for the sign-up sheet on the information table in the back of the Sanctuary or contact the church office, 808-623-9229; office@clcmililani.org to sign up.

*Prayer resources will be available.



Easter Flowers

Lilies, orchids, or other flowers to festoon our sanctuary for our Easter Worship services, may be brought to the church before the Maundy Thursday or Good Friday services.

You may also bring them to the church office any time between 8:30 am and 12:30 pm on Thursday, March 28th.



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March Worship

Sundays, March 3rd, 10th & 17th
8 am & 10 am

Wednesdays, March 6th, 13th & 20th
Midweek Lenten Soup & Service 7 pm

Sunday, March 24th

Palm Sunday
8 am and 10 am

Thursday, March 28th

7 pm - Maundy Thursday service

Friday, March 29th

7 pm - Good Friday service

Saturday, March 30th

7 pm - Holy Saturday Easter Vigil

Sunday, March 31st,

Easter Sunday
8 am and 10 am

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