## Christ Lutheran Church Newsletter

Aloha Kakou,

As of this writing, Easter Sunday is over, but the Easter Season is not. We've forty days until Ascension, when we celebrate Jesus going to the Father, so that they might send the Spirit on Pentecost, which is always fifty days after Easter Sunday. We don't celebrate Ascension much because forty days after Easter Sunday always falls on a Thursday. Unlike Thanksgiving Thursday, it has not quite caught the eye of us North American/Hawaiian Christians. Maybe it should. Hmm ....

Still, until such time, if ever, we continue to focus on the resurrection of our crucified Lord and Savior, Jesus. The theme is one of joy – life, love and creativity, even in the midst of tragedies, such as a Cross. The final Word is life, not death; hope, not despair; forgiveness, not judgment; grace, not wrath; meaning, not cynicism. Because Jesus endured the Cross, we can be assured in faith that God now goes with us as we carry our own crosses.

I hope you find those words comforting. I do. I hope you also find them challenging. I do. I am comforted by God's presence in my life through the Spirit of the crucified, now risen, Jesus, bringing me encouraging Gospel, not fearful Law.

Because the framework of our faith is grace, unconditional love, not divine wrath and judgment, I am also challenged to pull myself out of obsessive concern for myself and those like me to focus on others, those in need of Jesus' Gospel Word of life, those not like me. I am free from concern for my future to look to others and their concerns, including the other I meet in myself and among our families, friends and faith-travelers.

I am free to love unconditionally, as best as I can; I am free from fear and hate. In these divisive times, that is an Easter message worth considering – and sharing.

Alleluia, he is risen!

Blessings,

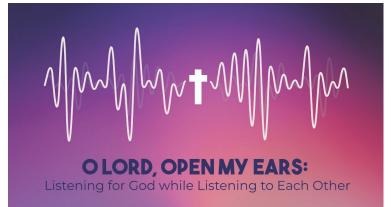
Pastor Hull

#### **Congratulations Confirmands -**

Peter Broberg, Hunter Spangler, Meadow Spangler, Lauren Broberg, Landon Acosta, & Dominic Turinetti, who affirmed their baptismal faith on April 28, 2019

Let your light shine so that others may see God's love!





Annual Synod Assembly May 10 & 11, 2019 Hope Lutheran Church Palm Desert

Pastor Keith & Church Delegates, Kathy & Andrew Jans will be attending.

Join the **church choir** 



Tuesdays at 7:30 PM.

Anyone interested in singing with us will be welcomed.

All voices and levels of experience may join.

Come and give your vocal chords an airing.

For more information contact Tom Koenig

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**CLC Annual Variety Show 2019** 

Hosted by Andy Sikkink







Above: Jane Yanagida & Mary Lou Kimoto leading a sing-along, "The Littlest Worm"

Left: Russ Kino on ukulele with Pastor Keith Wolter on guitar



### A little audience participation



Pastor Dale Burke & Paul Herr in "The Copper Clapper Caper"







Top left: Vern Kimoto playing a little jazz on electric guitar

Top right: Russ Kino singing "Paniolo Country"

Left: Thank you "Behind the Scenes Guy" David Sikkink



Above: The Powered by Jesus (PBJ's) Puppet Ministry Team - Landon Acosta, Nolan Acosta, Anya Broberg, Lauren Broberg, Peter Broberg, Sam Broberg, Kaimana Higa, & Mae Norton, performed "It's a Small World" in black light.



Thank you Sally Kino for another successful Variety Show!

Left: Hoku performing dog tricks assisted by Sally & grandson's Kyson, age 6 & Kaleb age 11



Happy Birthday

07 Kathy Maginot 10 Cliff Lanias 11 Jane Yanagida 12 Brian Burke 17 Gary Ward 21 Hunter Spangler 23 Bill Little 23 Jefery Spangler 31 Mary Lou Kimoto



#### Baptismal Anniversaries

01 Kaimana Higa 18 Janet Ward Riehle

We pray for ...

God's presence to Tom, Rina, Nick & Cal, Audrey, Sherlie, Jack, Nicholas, Jayden, Sierra, Mia, Betsy & Daniel, Hershey, Bob & family, for Nesi, Marjorie, Florentina, Dino, George, Eric, Rose, Mari, Michael, Lisa, Joan, Colin, Cecil, Shane, Mark, & Brenda. Healing for Bobby, Mike, & Naomi.

Godspeed

Godspeed to the Broberg Family, Christin, Ben, Peter, Lauren, Sam, & Anya. We enjoyed your shared talents with the puppet team! We wish you well & hope you come back to visit! Aloha

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3	4
5 7am Contemplative	6	7 7:30pm	8	9	10	11
Service w/communion 10:00am Communion Worship Service		Choir			Synod	Assembly
<ul> <li>12 Mothers Day</li> <li>7am Contemplative Healing Service</li> <li>10:00am Healing Service</li> </ul>	13	<b>14</b> 7:30pm Choir	15	16	17	18
<b>19</b> 7am Contemplative Service w/communion 10:00am Communion Worship Service	20	21 7:30pm Choir	22	23	24 4:30pm Council Meeting	25
26 7am Contemplative Service w/communion 10:00am Communion Worship Service	27 Memorial Day Office Closed	<b>28</b> 7:30pm Choir	29 Newsletter Deadline	30 Recogni- tion Day	31	





#### **Sunday Worship**

7:00 a.m. Contemplative Communion Service

10:00 a.m. Service of Holy Communion With Children's Message and Healing Prayers with Anointing Professional Keiki care Provided

Healing Service - 2nd Sundays

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