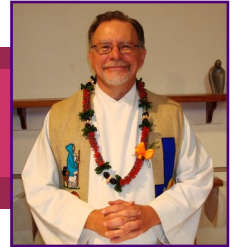


June 2016

Together We Are The Church



Christ Lutheran Church Newsletter

Aloha Kakou,

As I write this article, several topics are running through my head –

- I have just returned from the continent that lies far to the east of the mainland of Hawai'i. Some call it "North America." It's a rather busy, crowded place. Good to be home.
- Speaking of home ... within a week or a wee bit more, I'll be a resident of Mililani. I'm first moving into Doug Stewart's condo for a few weeks (Mahalo, Doug!) while he is back in Michigan. Then, in mid-June I'm moving into the parsonage, that place next door to the church building, where traditionally the "parson" lives. We'll be neighbors!
- I'm thinking and praying for our new, bishop-elect, Andrew Taylor, who was elected on the fifth ballot at our Synod Assembly in Irvine, CA. He outlasted Rev Greg Nagler, 174-165, by a mere nine votes. It were kinda fun to be a part of that. Please pray for Bishop-elect Taylor, whose installation will be on October 23rd, somewhere in California, a state on the West Coast of that continent far to the east of the mainland of Hawai'i. He currently serves as pastor of St Andrew's Lutheran Church, San Diego.
- I'm giving thanks for Bishop Murray Finck, who after eighteen years as bishop of the Pacifica Synod, is retiring at the end of June (or was it July?). Like it or not, Bishop Finck was instrumental in talking me back onto the clergy roster of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in American (ELCA), and so, I personally give thanks for his ministry, especially during difficult times.
- With all of this happening, I'm thinking of "next steps" for us as a parish with two congregations in it – Christ Lutheran and Joy of Christ Lutheran, and now, with me living mui closer, what kine trouble we can make. Not "me," but "we"!
 - ◇ Like alternate worship services – day, time, style;
 - ◇ Like small group Bible or adult education studies;
 - ◇ Like revving up catechism/confirmation for the fall;
 - ◇ Like thinking about what's next for Sunday School;
 - ◇ Like stabilizing the finances, growing membership and tidying up the buildings;
 - ◇ Like reaching out to each other and our communities, asking what God's Spirit would have us hear and to what that divine Spirit would call us to do.
 - ◇ Like what else?

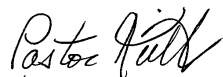
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- So, in all of this, we take up our crosses and follow Jesus, living out our baptismal faith and becoming part of the Crucified One's Servant Reign of mutuality, equal regard and compassion.

I look forward in this summer season of Ordinary Time to pray, reflect and worship with you.

God's Blessings upon you all,



Pr Keith



We will be serving the homeless again on June 4, 2016 so please sign up to help. It is a great experience and so very much needed and appreciated!



Your Prayers and Presence are Requested

Sunday June 5th at 3:00 p.m.

St John Lutheran Church

1004 Kailua Road

Kailua, HI

For the

SERVICE OF INSTALLATION

Of Reverend Katheryn Ray Zurcher

As Pastor of St. John Lutheran Church

Please join us in Grace Hall for the reception to follow.

Light pupus and refreshments will be served.



The Rev. Andrew Taylor Elected Bishop of the Pacifica Synod

The Rev. Andrew A. Taylor was elected as the third bishop of the Pacifica Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America during that church body's synod assembly in Irvine on Friday, May 6, 2016. Rev. Taylor will assume leadership of 106 congregations and 31,000 baptized members in Southern California and Hawaii.

Taylor, 58, was most recently the pastor of St. Andrew's Lutheran Church in San Diego. Previously Rev. Taylor has served Evangelical Lutheran Church in America congregations in Tulare and La Habra, California.

Bishop-Elect Taylor spoke frequently about how the future of the church will require congregations to walk alongside neighbors who may not attend church. He recounted his younger years in Fresno, where his home congregation learned to model their ministry based on the needs of those in their surrounding neighborhood. "My greatest hope for the church is that we transform communities so people can experience the love of God," Rev. Taylor said during a question and answer period among eight candidates. "My greatest fear is that we will stop preaching the gospel and try to rely on ourselves rather than relying on God."

The Evangelical Lutheran Church in America is a Christian denomination known for their emphasis on God's love and grace, expressed through seeking justice and welcome for all people. The Evangelical Lutheran Church in America was established in 1988, and the Rev. Murray Dale Finck, the current bishop, will have served for eighteen years when his term ends on July 31, 2016.

Presiding Bishop Elizabeth Eaton, the leader of the 11,000 congregations and 3.5 million members of the national denomination, presided over the election. Bishops are elected by pastors and members of local Evangelical Lutheran Church in America congregations through a series of ballots. Rev. Taylor was elected on the fifth ballot.



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**Representatives from CLC & JOC at the
Synod Assembly with Bishop Finck.**

39th Annual LeaderLuncheon

Congratulations to CLC member, Marilyn Lee



The graphic features a gradient background from purple to orange. At the top left, it says "39th Annual LeaderLuncheon" in a mix of serif and script fonts. To the right, it lists the date "June 14, 2016", time "12-1:30pm", and location "Sheraton Waikiki". Below this, the text "2016 HONOREES" is centered. Underneath are four portrait photos of women, each with their name printed below: Marilyn Lee, Helen Nakano, Donna Tanoue, and Betty White.

TUESDAY, JUNE 14, 2016

12-1:30 PM

SHERATON WAIKIKI HOTEL & RESORT

Since 1977, YWCA O'ahu has honored women leaders who demonstrate a commitment to or exemplify our mission of eliminating racism and empowering women. We recognize and celebrate them at our signature LeaderLuncheon, the proceeds from which support our programs and community services. These women leaders of Hawai'i are recognized for their talents, compassion and dedication to making this state a better place for us all. We want to thank them for their ongoing commitment to the betterment of our communities. If you are, or know of, a potential LeaderLuncheon Academy member, we would love to hear from you. For tickets, donations, or more information go to <http://www.ywcaoahu.org/leaderluncheon/>

Anniversaries

Happy Birthday

01 Jeff Larson
02 Amy Ulman
07 Trenton Riehle
09 Scott Weaver
10 Ruth Ann Fulton (in memory)
13 Megan Ulman
13 John Yanagida
14 Richard Salboro
15 John Clere
20 Amanda Wally
20 Kanani Lanias
23 Marta Sikkink
28 Sue Weaver



Baptismal Anniversaries

03 Maxwell Pupillo
04 Marilyn Bisquera
09 Naja Hahn
12 Andrew Brabazon
12 Johnathan Brabazon
12 Ryan Falconer
16 Christian Halvorson
13 Joel Sikkink
14 Noah McMann
15 Alex Belcher
16 Nolan Acosta
19 Breana Donahue
19 Kaylee Kerns
19 Kaia Pham
20 Sarah Salboro
23 Pam Lanias

*PBJ's having fun performing at
St Mary's Episcopal Church
May 1, 2016*

Kudos to Nolan Acosta!

Nolan was selected as "Outstanding Student" for Grade 8 at Mililani Middle School this year. He received a certificate and \$25 cash from the Mililani Lions Club. He has also been elected to serve as President of next year's freshman class at Millani High School.





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Summer Worship

10:45 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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