

Christ Lutheran Church Newsletter

Aloha Kakou,

I keep thinking about the “dog days of summer.”

Wikipedia has the following:

The **dog days** or **dog days of summer** are the hot, sultry days of summer. They were historically the period following the heliacal rising of the star Sirius (meaning “scorcher”) which Greek and Roman astrology connected with heat, drought, sudden thunderstorms, lethargy, fever, mad dogs, and bad luck. They are now taken to be the hottest, most uncomfortable part of summer In the Northern Hemisphere.

That’s what’s on my mind as we drift into August – heat, humidity and no trade winds. Ugh!

And yet, August is going to be anything but dog days for us. So much turbulence in The Force, Obi Wan Kenobi! Named for the Roman Emperor Augustus, who as successor of Julius Caesar, established the Pax Romana, the “Roman Peace,” a hot, sultry, scorcher of a peace if there ever was one – enforced with fake honor, real guilt and shame, bloody legions and tortuous crosses.

Into the violent peace, came Jesus, preaching and living a suffering peace, suffering for the sake of the other, building a Kingdom, not of celebrity greatness, not of narcissism and needy self-absorption, but rather a Kingdom of Nobodies and Undesirables, of women and children, the sick and elderly, the possessed and sinful, peasant and pauper. A kingdom of people that no Caesar ever wanted, but that God from the days of the rescue of Israel from Egypt yearned for.

I think that’s important to remember in these trying days, when everywhere I turn, I see people anxious and worried about what’s going to happen next – in their own lives, their spouse and family lives, in their community and state, nation and world – I do think it is important to remember that our peace comes from a God who hung on a tree, endured the anxiety of death, and knew despair. Because he loved us enough not to be violent, macho and abusive but long-suffering, firmly gentle and fiercely healing. There’s something hot and scorching about that love, but in a way that bestows life, quickens it, redeems it.

Enjoy the dog days of August.



Pr Keith



*We wish God's blessings on
the newly baptized,
Ethan Taegeuk Han Kai Pang
&
Veronica Elizabeth Paulus
July 16, 2017*





The Institute for Human Services
Ending the Cycle of Homelessness

Please join us for Founders Day
Saturday August 12, 2017 8:00am - 5:00pm
10 Sand Island Parkway, Honolulu HI 96819

We will be working to expand our Hale Mauiola Housing Navigation Center at Sand Island to prepare for opening day.

Volunteers are needed to assist with the following tasks:

- * *Assembling beds*
- * *Installing racks*
- * *Building and painting picnic benches*
- * *Building planter boxes for landscaping*
- * *Quilting and hanging curtains*
- * *Cleaning up the area*
- * *Installing mini solar electric devices for individual room lighting & electronics*
- * *Other tasks as assigned*

Please Register Today:

www.ihshawaii.org/foundersday2017

If you are unable to join us Saturday, final preparations will continue Sunday August 13. If you would like to join us on Sunday or have any other questions, email info@ihshawaii.org or call 808-447-2827

We look forward to seeing you there!



Building Committee Report

The CLC Building Committee met for the first time on January 26th, 1-3pm @ CLC. Linda Santos, CLC Vice President, chaired the meeting.



The mission of the Building Committee (BC) is to ensure repairs and modifications to CLC are completed using available funding.

Our values: transparency and communication with the congregation; being mindful of both Rainbow School and CLC schedules; work with the vendors and contractors, not over them; show respect, be direct, be patient with each other.

Priorities:

1. Safety first! Ensure that staff, students, church members, contract workers and maybe even the pastor practice and live by this priority through the life of the project.
2. Gravity second! Work from the top down. For instance, replace the roof before painting the exterior of the buildings.

Repairs:

1. Remove Banyan tree on playground; it's diseased and at risk of toppling over.
2. Trim Shower Tree by the parking lot entrance (done! – Mahalo Russ & Paul!)
3. Repair railings, step, and deck at the parsonage – before the pastor completely falls through! (he's working on losing another ten pounds, but don't bet on it.)
4. Parking lot lights – retrofit current & replace.
5. Roof – table until next month's meeting: need specs for bid request updates.

Accomplished:

1. New washer & dryer donated to the parsonage; pastor's green glow-in-the-dark, clergy aloha shirt will no longer smell like scorched wood on Sunday mornings!
2. Monies anonymously donated for new office A/C and new church kitchen fridge.
3. A check for \$153,311.79 received from Mission Investment Fund of the ELCA for refurbishing the church campus and facilities.

Needed:

- About \$30,000 more to complete refurbishments and renovations. Stay tuned for the capital campaign, coming in the fall of 2017!
- Or just write us a check for \$30,000 and the campaign is "accomplished"!

Mahalo,

The Building Committee – Linda Santos, Russ Kino, Paul Herr, Rhiannon Guevara, April Smith, Sally Little, Collette Wiedemann, Pr Keith Wolter

Anniversaries

Baptismal Anniversaries

01 Connie Omo
11 Logan Riehle
11 Trenton Riehle
23 Hannah Lanas
23 Heidi Lanas
24 Sabrina Gustafson



Happy Birthday

01 Lizzy Gustafson
03 Alex Gustafson
06 Anne Myers
06 Maddyn Robinson-Sato
06 Phionah Spangler
07 Michael Walley
09 Beverly Murphy
11 Alena Walley
11 Benjamin Walley
23 Stephen Alcorn
23 Tom Ward
23 Joe Murphy
24 Andy Sikkink
26 Joanna Forbes

Wedding Anniversaries

03 Bill & Marion Thompson
08 Nancy & Tri Pham
17 Dan & Karen Nelson
23 Bill Belcher & Linda Kohlstaedt

A hui hou

*Thank you for
Praying*

*Please continue to pray
for peace and comfort
to Kirk & family.*

We wish Godspeed to our dear friends Jerry and Connie Omo who are moving soon to Virginia. They have worn several hats at CLC being involved in so much, from the hui, to Council Treasurer & Fellowship chairs, to the Handbell choir, Sunday school, to website mastering, Assisting Ministers, Media Shout/sound system, photographer, and more since joining Christ Lutheran eleven years ago. Thank you for sharing your talents and treasures with CLC. God's blessings in your new home. Your CLC family will miss you!

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3	4	5 I.H.S. Day-Serving the homeless
6 7am Contemplative, Communion Service 9:30am PBJs 10:45am Communion Service - Welcome New Members	7	8	9	10	11	12
13 7am Contemplative, Communion, Healing Service 10:45am Communion & Healing Service	14	15	16 1:30pm Building Committee Meeting	17	18	19
20 7am Contemplative, Communion Service 10:45am Communion Service	21	22	23	24	25	26 10am OPOH
27 7am Contemplative, Communion Service 10:45am Communion Worship Service	28 Newsletter Deadline	29	30	31 7pm Parish Council Meeting @ CLC		

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Sunday Worship

7:00 a.m.
Contemplative Communion Service

9:30 a.m.
PBJ's Puppet Team

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

BE A PART OF SUNDAY'S SERVICES

The HUI sign up sheet for our 10:45 worship service is on the information table & posted on the bulletin board across from the water fountain. Due to vacations and moving, summer months are hard to fill. If you can help fill the void we'd appreciate it. A BIG MAHALO to all our regulars!



**Be it Usher, Assisting Minister, Communion Assistant, Reader, Greeter, Set-up, Clean-up,
Altar Guild, Children's Church, or Sound System, there's a place for you!**

See the sign up sheet on the information table and we'll contact you for training.



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