

October 2017

Together We Are The Church

Christ Lutheran Church Newsletter

Aloha Kakou,

This is it! The month and year that we commemorate and even celebrate the 500th Anniversary of the Reformation! We have all sorts of events scheduled for throughout the month, that are listed elsewhere in this newsletter. I invite you to check them out and heartily encourage you to attend these fine and carefully prepared events.

As you look over these opportunities to worship, reflect and pray with other Protestant, Catholic and Anabaptist Christians, as well as with Jews, Buddhists and Muslims, I invite you to pause and consider what had made the Protestant Reformation what some call the most important religious event of the past one thousand years.

Scholars and pundits will debate this until the end of time, but for us, in Mililani and Central Oahu, at little Christ Lutheran Church, far from Germany and Scandinavia, where the Reformation was born and took early root, I think that the most important takeaway is this: *the justified shall live by grace alone through faith alone in Christ alone.*

When according to folk legend on October 31, 1517 Martin Luther nailed the Ninety Five Theses to the Wittenberg Church door, proposing “academic” discussions for reform of the Roman Catholic Church *on the basis of grace alone through faith alone in Christ alone*, he kicked off a five-hundred year firestorm of controversy that spilled over from theology to politics, to economics, to the social order. The world hasn’t been the same since.

Nowadays, much of what divided that world long ago has been resolved or is being resolved. Indeed, the world itself has changed. There are 3.5 million members of our denomination, the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA); there are 4 million Lutherans in otherwise very Hindu India; there are 5.7 million Lutheran in otherwise very Muslim Indonesia; there are nearly 20 million Lutherans in Ethiopia, Tanzania, and Madagascar combined. There are not so many left in Europe and North America. Lutheranism has shifted south of the equator, to Asia and Africa.

The old cultural Lutheran church is much diminished. Institutions are fading away. So are the old holy wars. But the Lutheran church as *movement, as a dynamic of the Gospel of grace alone through faith alone in Christ alone*, is alive and well. South of the border, you might say and a wee bit above it, in Hawai’i. Thanks be to God for what has come before – and what is coming next.

Blessings,

Pr Keith

Blessing of the Animals

The 23rd Annual Blessing of the Animals is Sunday,
The Feast Day of St. Francis, (October 1, 2017.)

Bring your pets to the 10:45 a.m. worship service
and they will each receive an individual blessing
from Pastor Keith.



We ask that you please have your pet on a leash or in a
carrier and under your control at all times.

Prayers of Remembrance will also be said
for pets who have died this past year.
You may call the church office 623-9229 or
email: office@clcmililani.org
with the name of your departed pet.

All Saints Sunday is November 5th

On All Saints Sunday we remember those who have passed on in the last year. If you would like to include your loved ones in our special prayers on all Saints Sunday, please enter their names in our purple "Book of Remembrance" on the information table, or on the November 5th worship bulletin insert card.



*October is National Breast
Cancer Awareness Month.*



*We pray for safety to
all our military and
continue to pray for
good health to Rose &
Roy, and blessings to
Makana, Justine,
Karen, & Andy, Audry,
Bobby, & Dino.*

Prayer Recipients and Prayer Providers

If you are in need of prayer, let us know and we'll send your requests to our prayer chain.

If you like to pray for others, let us know & we'll add you among our prayer providers.



In Commemoration of the 500th Anniversary of the Protestant Reformation

Luther (the movie)

*With Joseph Fiennes as Martin Luther &
Peter Ustinov as Frederick the Wise*

at Christ Lutheran Church

Sat. October 7, 7-9 p.m.

Pupus at 6 p.m.

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Educational Opportunity for Everyone!

Speaker Rev. Dr. David Lose, also pastor, past seminary president,
and author of several books, will be offering a lecture at
Tenney Theatre at St. Andrew's Cathedral.

Sun. October 15, 2-4 p.m.

*Dr. Lose will talk about the Reformation: its historical importance, how it helped us get to
where we are today, and what it means for us moving into the future.*

There will also be time for questions and discussions.

This is free...and all are welcome.

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NAVE Reformation 500 Concert

at Lutheran Church of Honolulu

1731 Punahou St. Honolulu

Sat. October 21, 7:30 - 9:30 p.m. (with intermission)

Sun. October 22, 5:30 - 7:30 p.m. (with intermission)

Hukilau Ecumenical & Interfaith Reformation Worship

(followed by reception)

with Dr. David Lose



This worship service is for ALL congregations.

VOLUNTEERS WANTED:

*The planning is underway for an incredible Worship service in honor of the 500th Anniversary of the Reformation. We will gather on **Saturday, October 14** at St. Andrews Cathedral, 229 Queen Emma Square, Honolulu. The worship begins at 3:00 pm and we have an amazing preacher coming from the Mainland who will help bring us the Word; there will be a joint choir; and we have invited Bishops and other church leaders from throughout Hawaii to join us on that day. For this celebration to truly be a gift to our community, we are asking members of our Hukilau Congregations to step forward to help in various ways. **We need:***

1. Worship Greeters and Ushers: Please be at the Cathedral by 2:00 pm.
2. Bakers: Following the worship service, we will be serving catered, heavy pupus. We would also like to provide cookies, cupcakes, brownies or other tasty homemade treats. (Please note that Store bought is also OK!) If you can, please bring a dozen of your finest offering to the Cathedral by 2:00 pm.
3. Fellowship Hosts: We are also looking for a few folks willing to come and set up the food or stay after the fellowship time to clean up.

If you can help us be good Hosts to those we have invited to this Reformation Celebration, please contact Pastor Ruth Peterson, Revruthp@gmail.com or [808-236-7814](tel:808-236-7814).

WE NEED YOUR VOICE

Looking for singers to join the festival worship choir for this one time event at 3 PM (call time 1:45 PM) A combined rehearsal will be Thursday Oct. 12th - 6:30 PM @ St. Andrew's Cathedral (229 Queen Emma Sq. Hon.) For more information please contact Scott Fikse, Director of Music & Liturgy at Lutheran Church of Honolulu, scott@lchwelcome.org

INSTITUTE OF HUMAN SERVICES

Mahalo to all who helped serve the homeless at the Institute of Human Services on August 5, 2017!!!

Thanks to Naomi Halvorson, Pua Good and Chieko Higuchi for cooking the chicken. Of course, thanks to Becky Gustafson, Barbara Burke and Judy Halvorson who always prepare the coleslaw.

Mahalo for donation of cookies from Mary Lou Kimoto, Chieko Higuchi, Marilyn Lee, Sally Kino, Karen and Bill Paulus, Alissa Niblick, Kathy Jans, Kathy Maginot, Emily Stanford and Barbara Springer.

Additional thanks goes to those who went and served the food: The Brad family, Kathy Maginot and Andrew and Karen Ausel.

We will be serving the homeless again on **October 7, 2017** so please sign up to help. It is a great experience and so very much needed and appreciated!

Dick Crislip



Bishop Andy Taylor's BAT Blog – NEW LINK!

Bishop Andy has started a blog to share his thoughts and ideas with members of the Pacifica Synod. We invite you to read it and share your comments. We have affectionately titled it "The BAT Blog" (BAT=Bishop Andy Taylor). #BATBlog

<http://www.pacificasynod.org/category/bat-blog/>

Lei Makers Needed - no experience required

Yarn lei are needed for the 2017 Mililani Christmas Parade, which is held on the first Saturday of December. **The time to get started is now!** We will need at least 1,000 lei to handout during the parade. The lei are such a hit and have become a tradition. We always run out before the end of the parade. Attached to each lei is a business card extending an invitation to CLC's Christmas services. Please help by donating your time, (this can be done while watching t.v.). We are also asking for donations of red or green yarn. We have the patterns and will give personal instructions if needed. Help yourself to the yarn that we have on the information table.



How many can we make this year?

Looking Back & Called Forward: ELCA 500 (Washington, D.C.)

Please plan to join ELCA Presiding Bishop Elizabeth Eaton on Tuesday, Oct. 31, 10 a.m.—6 p.m., as she co-hosts a commemoration of the 500th anniversary of the Reformation. The event, which will include speakers and a service, will be at the Lutheran Church of the Reformation on Capitol Hill in Washington, D.C. Bishop Eaton will be joined by co-hosts Indiana-Kentucky Synod Bishop Bill Gafkjen, ELCA Vice President Bill Horne, and Metropolitan Washington, D.C., Synod Bishop Richard Graham. The event, which will meet under the theme “Looking Back and Called Forward,” will be available online via livestream for all to watch. The livestream link is: elca.org/livestream.

Building Committee Update

The CLC Building Committee met again on September 27th with Linda Santos, Russ Kino, Paul Herr, Rhiannon Guevara, April Smith, Bud Jenkins, Collette Wiedemann, & Pr Keith Wolter.



The mission of the BC continues to ensure repairs and modifications to CLC are completed using available funding.

We strive to be transparent and communicative with the congregation; to work with both Rainbow School and CLC schedules; to work together with the vendors and contractors, showing respect, and patience with all.

Priorities remain the same with safety projects accomplished first, followed by gravity projects second. Work from the top down. For instance, replace the roof before painting the exterior of the buildings.

Accomplished so far -

- Deck repairs have been made on Parsonage, (painting to be done later)
- New, more energy efficient Air Conditioner has been installed in the church front office
- Banyan Tree has been removed
- Purchased a refrigerator for the church kitchen
- Clutter has been hauled away from behind the shed
- New projector purchased

Happening now -

- Waiting for Parking lot lights on order – retrofit current & replace.
- Shed door, siding, & back repair scheduled for Oct. 6th
- Roofing: getting specs and bid updates
- Cell Phone Tower analysis and prerequisites in the making

Still needed -

- About \$27,000 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 \$27,000 and the campaign is “accomplished”!

Mahalo to all involved, physically & monetarily!

Anniversaries

Happy Birthday

02 Regan Brady
05 Pam Lantias
09 Marion Thompson
11 Amber Larson
13 Kimo Collins
14 Kyle Kino
15 Matthew Fulton
17 Elaine Vidmar (in memory)
18 Dick Crislip
19 Jackie Pang
20 Tina Cox
21 Rick Myers
23 Linda Santos
24 Autumn Maginot
26 Adam Burke



Baptismal Anniversaries


04 Amy Ulman
13 Dale Burke
17 Tom Ward
27 Chieko Higuchi
27 Mitch McClain
28 John Clere

Wedding Anniversaries

07 Mary Lou & Vern Kimoto
22 Dale & Barb Burke
27 David & Andrea Sikkink

Check out our new website!

www.clcmililani.org

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>1 7am Contemplative, Communion Service</p> <p>9:30am PBJs</p> <p>10:45am Blessing of the Animals</p>	2	3	4	5	6	<p>7</p> <p>I.H.S. Serving Homeless</p> <p>6pm Pupus</p> <p>7pm Luther Movie @ CLC</p>
<p>8 7am Contemplative, Communion, & Healing Service</p> <p>9:30am PBJs</p> <p>10:45am Communion & Healing Service</p>	<p>9</p>  <p><small>shutterstock · 215480947</small></p>	10	11	12	13	<p>14</p> <p>3pm Reformation Worship @ St Andrews</p>
<p>15 7am Contemplative, Communion, Service</p> <p>10:45am Communion Service</p> <p>2pm Reformation Lecture @ St Andrews</p>	16	17	18	19	20	<p>21</p> <p>Newsletter Deadline</p> <p>7pm Reformation Concert @ LCH</p>
<p>22 7am Contemplative, Communion Service</p> <p>9:30am PBJs</p> <p>10:45am Communion Service</p> <p>5:30pm Reformation Concert @ LCH</p>	23	24	25	26	27	<p>28</p> <p>10am OPOH @ Maluhia</p> <p>1:30pm Building Committee Meeting</p> <p>4:30pm Council Meeting</p>
<p>29 Reformation Sunday</p> <p>7am Contemplative, Communion Service</p> <p>9:30am PBJs</p> <p>10:45am Communion Worship Service</p>	30	<p>31</p> 				

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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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