Christ Lutheran Church Newsletter

Aloha Kakou,

Last month I talked about getting together in various ways and talking story, especially about Christ Lutheran Church and the next steps we would like to see us take. I'd still like to see us do that.

Which got me to thinking again about ministry, faith, and the words we use.

I've said it before and I'll say it again – we swim in story and live in language. My calling is to understand words – and not just their official meanings and where they come from, but to comprehend the "grammar and syntax" of words.

That is, to describe and appreciate how they are used in our speaking and how our speaking is delivered. Asking, "What is it that we are actually speaking with each other?"

My calling is to look beyond what is officially being said to the wider processes of human relating – and in, with and under that, how God in Christ is relating to us and us to God.

In other words, what's really going on? There's that "Theology of the Cross" again!

There's a lot of that going on these days, in religion, politics and culture, even just in Hawaii and on Oahu. That is, again, how we are speaking with each other, both those like us and those not like us. How we find our way through all this bewildering "speechifying" is complex, challenging and often bewildering. Asking what's really going on is a way we can open ourselves to the guidance of the Holy Spirit.

I'll probably say it until the day I die: We swim in story and live in language – words, words, words. It's what makes us human. It's what brings us the one incarnate Word that matters most.

Keep talking story.

Blessings,



Property News

It's time for our 39 year old chairs to get a face lift. We are in the process of reupholstering the chairs with new colorful Hawaiian print fabric. We have 150 chairs to cover. While a daunting task it seems, with the help of many, the job can be completed sooner than later. Each chair takes approximately 15 minutes. The cost of the fabric is \$1200. If you would like to help please let someone in our chair covering committee know - Steve Peterson, Barb Burke, & Kathy Jans. Of course any monetary donations are gratefully accepted.



We are In the process of getting a new church sign to replace the old one on our lawn on the corner of Meheula & Lanikuhana. The cost will be approximately \$5000. Any donations for our new sign would be most appreciated.

Come to the Party! BYOB

We are looking for a few volunteers to stain the church fence. It is a BYOB (bring your own brush) painting party. We will have the stain and roller covers. We need 10 inch rollers, brushes, roller pans and volunteers. We are planning to meet at 7:00 a.m. Saturday August 10 and hope to have the street side done by 9:00.

If it rains the day before or on the 10th we will reschedule. The fence needs to be dry when we stain. Contact Steve Peterson at the 7:00 am service if you wish to volunteer or have questions. Contact Kathy Jans or Pastor Keith at the 10:00 service.



Godspeed & Aloha

Unfortunately this time of year is the time for Good-byes. We have had a few families relocate recently, Nick & Ally George; Jim, Monique, & Dominic Turinetti; The Broberg family; and the Witsbergers. We wish them Godspeed. They will be missed!

Keiki Church will be starting up again beginning August 25 during the 10 a.m. service. Thank you Kathy Jans for leading this ministry for our kids! If you like to make crafts with kids & would like to help please see Kathy.





Join our choir!

We meet on Tuesday evenings at 7:30 p.m. beginning August 20.

For more information please contact Tom

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Anniversaries

Happy Birthday

06 Anne Myers

06 Maddyn Robinson-Sato

06 Phionah Spangler

07 Michael Walley

09 Beverly Murphy

11 Alena Walley

11 Benjamin Walley

22 Jia Spangler

23 Tom Ward

23 Joe Murphy

24 Andy Sikkink

28 Charlie Smith



Wedding Anniversaries

08 Nancy & Tri Pham 23 Bill Belcher & Linda Kohlstaedt

Baptismal Anniversaries

11 Logan Riehle

11 Trenton Riehle

We pray for...

God's presence to Tom, Rina, Nick & Cal, Jack,

Audrey, Sherlie, Mia, Nicholas, Jayden, Sierra, 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. Lift up Evelyn, & Laynette, Vicenta, Delores, Amy, Shui-cho, Marcie, Lynne, & Kishta. Comfort to the Lagua family. Strength to the Ramos ohana.



Pastor Keith Wolter with Pacifica Synod Bishop Andy Taylor here for Pastor's (Un)official Installation.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3 Serving the homeless at I.H.S.
7am Contemplative Service w/communion 10am Communion Worship Service	5	6	7	8	9	7am Fence Painting Party
7am Contemplative Healing Service 10am Healing Service	12	13	14	15	16 Admissions Day	17
7am Contemplative Service w/communion 10am Communion Worship Service	19	20 7:30pm Choir	21	22	4:30pm Council Meeting	24
7am Contemplative Service w/communion 10:00am Communion Worship Service w/Keiki Church	26 Bi	7:30pm Choir Newsletter Deadline shop's Retre	28 eat	29	30	31

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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

Healing Service - 2nd Sundays

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