

# Christ Lutheran Church Newsletter

September, 2024

Aloha Kakou,

I am writing this in mid-August since I will be taking the last week of August and the first few days of September as vacation and possibly continuing education days. I managed to rack up a few extra weeks of vacation due to the pandemic and not being able to go anywhere. So, I have been slowly chipping away at the days and weeks, and I think I'll be even by the end of next January, which is the anniversary of my arrival at CLC (in 2013).

I am thinking about how much has changed over the last twelve years, not just in the world in general but specifically at CLC. Everything feels "normal," but I will bet that if someone came back after leaving in 2013, they would be surprised at how different everything has become. I'll bet they would be really surprised at how the faces have changed around here, most of all.

And yet one thing remains unchanged – we still declare Jesus Christ and him crucified as the center of our collective faith. (1 Corinthians 2:2) I can embrace the dizzying uncertainty and even all the socio-cultural

and political whiplash if I keep myself grounded in the unconditional love of God as revealed in Jesus' love for us, even to the Cross.

I do not know what the next few months is going to bring, but I am glad we are going through it together, with each other and with the Crucified One whose Spirit guides and protects us.

Blessings,

Pr Keith





## Welcome ~ E Komo Mai!





# You are welcome at the table found at Christ Lutheran Church.

**Welcome** to those of you who come bearing diverse gifts including wisdom regarding sexual orientations, gender identities and gender expressions.



**Welcome** to all of you for your diverse colors, shapes, cultures, backgrounds, and traditions.

**Welcome** to those of you born here and to those of you flown here.

We seek to rejoice, grieve, heal and reconcile together as we gather around Jesus' table, which has been laid out for all.

#### Did You Miss It? CLC Made the News!



Check out the **August 21**, **2024 Voice Central Oahu publication in the Midweek**.

It features our very own Henry Zaffke (Pg.1) and Sally Kino with her dog Hoku (pg.6) showcasing their performances at the CLC 2024 Variety/Talent show which took place on June 29th, 2024.To view a digital copy visit www.midweekhi.newsmemory.com.

Special thanks to Chieko Higuchi who submitted the photos to the Midweek for publication!





# Celebrations - Blessings to All of You



# Happy Birthday

September 10	Vern Kimoto
September 13	Andrew Zaffke
September 14	Otto Vonberg
September 18	Ritter Zaffke
September 19	Leif Vonberg
September 24	Dale Burke
September 29	Tom Koenig
	Esther Mohrman

### Baptismal Anniversaries

Gary Ward
Sally Little
Sally Kino
Zella Zaffke
Meadow Spangler
Paulette Collins
A.J. Striffler
Brian Burke







If we missed your special day, please let the office know (office@clcmililani.org)

# Wedding Anniversaries

September 17 Jefery & Amanda Spangler September 21 Carrie Nelson & Jackie Pang September 22 Eric & Rose Melin



### It's time for us to update our Church Directory!

If you would like to be added, have a change of address or contact info, please notify Shelby in the Church Office at 808-623-9229 or office@clcmililani.org. by **September 30th.** 

Copies of the Directory are available for your review on the welcome table in the Sanctuary.



# Sunday School Rally Day!

### September 22nd, 2024 9:00am

Please join us a we kick off the 2024 –2025 Sunday School Year!

We are looking forward to learning all about God's goodness and love with all our Pre-K through 6th grade church members and non-members.

Bring a friend! Tell your neighbors!





### **Are You Registered to Vote?**

In partnership with the League of Women Voters, **CLC will be hosting a voter** 

registration drive every Saturday throughout the month of September from 9am to 12pm. Come down and register.

Your vote counts!









# SEPTEMBER, 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
* Not a CLC Event: Please contact Al Anon or AA for further information.						
1 15th Sun after Pentecost Pastor Christina Mauntel GIVE ALOHA BEGINS 8 am In-person Worship 10 am In-person Worship & by Zoom invitation	Office Closed Labor Day Holiday	3	Pastor Keith back in Office	5 Men's Prayer Breakfast Rise & Shine Cafe 7:30am	*Al-Anon 7:30 pm *AA 7:30pm	7 Voter Reg. Drive 9am To 12pm
8 16th Sun after Pentecost  **Healing Sunday  8 am In-person Worship  10 am In-person Worship & by Zoom invitation	9	10	11	12	*AI-Anon 7:30 pm *AA 7:30pm	Voter Reg. Drive 9am To 12pm
15 17th Sun after Pentecost 8 am In-person Worship 9:15am Keiki Church 9:15am Sunday Brunch 10 am In-person Worship & by Zoom invitation 11:30 am Chrch.Council Mtg.	16 Morning Prayer	17 Morning Prayer	18 Morning Prayer	19 Morning Prayer	20 Morning Prayer *AI-Anon 7:30 pm * AA 7:30pm	21 Morning Prayer Voter Reg. Drive 9am To 12pm
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29 19th Sun after Pentecost 8 am In-person Worship 9:15 am Keiki Church 10 am In-person Worship & by Zoom invitation	30 Morning Prayer Last Day for Give Aloha	Give 09				

# CLC Pet Blessing Sunday is Back!

# Sunday, October 6th, 2024



\*We ask that you please have your pet on a leash or in a carrier and under your control at all times. Bring your pets to Worship to receive an individual blessing from Pastor Keith!

Prayers of Remembrance will also be said for pets who have died this past year. You may sign up on the clipboard located on the welcome table in the Sanctuary or contact the church office at 623-9229; office@clcmililani.org with the name of your departed pet by Wednesday, October 2nd.

### Men's Prayer Breakfast



All are welcome to join the next CLC men's breakfast, 7:30am at the Rise & Shine Cafe in Mililani on September 5th, 2024.

Come for some quick Christian fellowship to start your day.

If you have questions, please contact Adam Palmer at 808-222-867: adamppalmer@gmail.com or the Church Office at 808-623–9229; office@clcmililani.org

### **IHS Ministry**



Sat. Oct. 5th

IHS needs two volunteers to serve supper from 5:45 to approximately 6:30pm on Oct 5. If you have previously volunteered, please text or email Adam Palmer to confirm if you want to serve again. If you have NOT previously volunteered—you are very welcome to join us! If you are new, please text or call Adam at 808-222-8670. Adam will provide you with the details on what is required to volunteer and location.

You can also help by donating cookies! Just leave cookies in the church kitchen by end of day Friday Oct 4thor drop off to the church office during business hours.



# Give Aloha Returns September 1st



CLC organization code: 77769

Once again CLC is registered to participate in the annual Give Aloha program, sponsored by Foodland/Western Union.

#### How It Works

From **September 1-30**, customers are invited to make donations of up to \$249 to participating Hawaii non-profit organizations at checkout. Donations are accepted at any Foodland, Sack N Save or Foodland Farms checkout. Foodland and the Western Union Foundation will match a portion of each donation. Individuals must use their own Maika'i number to make a donation. Donations made without a Maika'i number will not be matched.

#### How to Donate

At checkout, present your Maika'i card (or provide your number) and inform the cashier that you would like to make a donation to **Christ Lutheran Church**, code number 77769. If you do not have a Maika'i card/number, you may request to establish one. Your donation will be added to your grocery purchase total. You may donate up to \$249 per organization; any portion exceeding \$249 will not be matched. The amount you donate and the name of our organization will appear on your receipt. Donations must be payable to Foodland or Sack N Save.

#### Acknowledgement of Your Donation

Donor names will not be released to our organization. Therefore, if you would like to us to know of your gift, (and include it on your quarterly statement for tax purposes), please contact us directly so that we may properly acknowledge your gift & ask the cashier for a duplicate receipt to submit to us. These gifts are tax deductible to the fullest extent of the law. Keep your receipt for tax purposes.

#### Matching Gift

CLC will receive 100% of all customer donations given to us, plus each donation made with a Maika'I membership will be partially matched by a gift from Foodland and the Western Union Foundation. Matching gifts will be determined at the end of the program.



### September Worship



Sunday Worship 8 am and 10 am

The 8 am service is offered on Facebook and the 10 am service is offered on Zoom.

Both feature on-line Communion.

The Liturgy of Healing is included in each service on the 2nd Sunday of the month.

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