

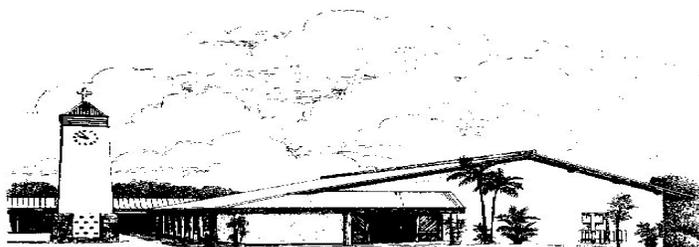
## First United Protestant Church

### United Church of Christ

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# Welcome to First United Protestant Church Hilo, Hawaii

First United Protestant Church of Hilo is part of the greater United Church of Christ and was founded in 1868. We were originally named the First Foreign Church, and were known early on for our hospitality and welcome to sailors who came to the Big Island of Hawaii. Today, as a community of faith we are committed to the person of Jesus Christ, we are committed to being in unity with the Body of Christ, and we are committed to the work Christ calls us to in the world. On Sunday's we have meditation beginning at 9:50am and worship begins shortly after 10:00am. No matter who you are or where you are on life's journey, you are welcome here!!

Sunday Morning Meditation	9:50 am
Sunday Worship Service	10:00 am
Kosraean Mid-Week Service	7:30 pm Wednesdays
Kosraean WCA Service	7:00 pm Fridays
Kosraean Sunday Worship Service	1:30 pm Sundays
Children's Ministry offered during worship Service	

Other education, youth programs, and activities offered throughout the week.  
Weekly schedules are listed in the Sunday worship bulletin.

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**August 2019**

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## *Sermon Themes for August 2019*

\*Sermon themes and Scripture texts may change at the Pastor's discretion.

\*\*Meditation begins every Sunday at 9:50am during the prelude.

**Sunday, August 4th, 10:00 AM** - Guest Speaker Pastor Nixon Jack; Scriptures: 15:9-17. Sermon Title: *"Love One Another."*

On this Sunday our own Nixon Jack, who is the Pastor of the Kosraean Church and a Member in Discernment with the UCC Hawaii Conference, will be preaching. In this text Jesus teaches his disciples that they are to abide in Christ's love in close communion with one another. By doing so, they will keep His commandments and experience spiritual fruitfulness. Jesus teaches that this sacrificial love is a priority and mark of obedience for those who choose to follow him.

**Sunday, August 11th, 10:00 AM** - Scriptures: Isaiah 1:1, 10-20 and Psalm 50:1-8, 22-23. Sermon Title: *"Sacrifices and Offerings that Matter."*

The theme of God as a judge appears throughout the Old Testament. Even the Hebrew Prophets frequently announced God's judgement against Israel for its lack of faithfulness, and against groups or nations who would threaten God's people. These two texts place concern on the Israelite's behaviors and how those effect their social relationships. God is not pleased by the sacrifices, gifts, or praise that is offered and is more concerned about the conduct of justice, compassion, and mercy.

**Sunday, August 18th, 10:00 AM** - Scriptures: Jeremiah 23:23-29 and Psalm 82. Sermon Title: TBA

The Scripture from Jeremiah portrays God's anger at the prophets who are lying to people. The prophets pretend to speak in God's name, but then try to make the people forget God's name. Prophets should tell their dreams, but the only revelation to come should be God's word spoken faithfully. Psalm 82 is a psalm of judgement upon those who have been put in power for having failed to rule justly and to care for the defenseless. God's rebuke is to put people in their place.

**Sunday, August 25th, 10:00 AM** - Altar Cross Dedication Ceremony; Scriptures: Matthew 10:38; Mark 8:34; Luke 14:27; John 19:17. Sermon Title: *"The Cross of First United Protestant Church."*

What does Jesus say about the cross? Join us on this special day to hear more about what Jesus said, and to see the new altar cross that will be dedicated to First United Protestant Church. The cross that will be unveiled has been designed and crafted by Kele Oda, who has done the sign out front and near the road on Waiianuenue Ave. It has been made out of two woods, both koa and mango wood. We hope you will join us this day to hear the story behind this cross and our hope for what the cross will stand for at our church.

# In The Name of Truth, Life, and Love:

## A Monthly Message from the Pastor

Members and Friends of First United Protestant Church,

I hope the summer months have been good to you, and that you have had the opportunity to get away for a short while or possibly have seen something new you have never seen before. I can remember as a young adult going to summer camp with our Boy Scout Troop to places like Indiana and Arkansas. One week out of the summer our scout troop would meet in the morning, pile into several cars, and head out on the road toward our final destination. Along the way I would have my eyes peeled outside the window because I was seeing many things I had never seen before for the first time. And I have to admit, a lot of times what I saw was exciting.



Today, I often think about how God is revealing God's-Self to us in ways we have not yet seen or experienced. When we are willing to go places or into spaces we have never been before, or see something from another perspective we have never thought of, God can be revealed to us in new ways. In other words, God might have something else to say. As I think about the future of our church, I want to invite you into the possibility that God is actively revealing God's-Self to us in new ways. As we look to do and try new things we have never done before, the doors of possibility are being opened to us to experience God differently. When our experience of the God we once knew changes, our life and even how we do church can change too.

On Sunday August 25th, we will be dedicating an altar cross to the church during our worship service that was crafted Kele Oda. As you might already know, but Kele is the husband of our office administrator Chris Oda. He is responsible for the creation of the wooden signs out front and near Waianuenu Road. I am eager to share more about the story of this altar cross, how it came into being, and what the cross will stand for at our church. However, I want you to join us for the ceremony to find out all about the story. Afterward worship, we will look to celebrate with a potluck lunch together.

The church is now in the process of enrolling in the b1 Platform, and getting it up and running. As you might remember, the b1 Platform is a new communications technology that our church will begin using. It will offer us a state-of-the-art website along with options for e-newsletters, electronic giving, a mobile app, text messaging, and the integration with social media platforms so that we can connect better with other people who hold shared values that we do here at First United Protestant Church. We will communicate with you about what is important as we get it up and

running.

We are near completing the church's emergency response procedures, however there are a few things we are still waiting on before finalizing them. One is that we are waiting to hear back on an application that was submitted for an automated external defibrillator or (AED), which would be mounted near the front of the building. Having an AED could possibly help save someone's life here should they go into cardiac arrest. Nonetheless, we have made good headway on this project. We have two new updated first aid kits, and we also have three new mounted fire extinguishers around the church campus.

I will be away in Cleveland Ohio during the first week of August for the Next Generation Leadership Initiative (NGLI) Orientation. During that week Pastor Nixon Jack will be handling pastoral care needs until I return and will preach that Sunday on August 4th. Pastor Nixon Jack's status as a Member in Discernment (MID) with the UCC Hawaii Conference Association was renewed during a meeting in early July. He is now under the care of First United Protestant Church as he discerns pathways toward ordination or recognized standing. Let us work to support and encourage him throughout his discernment.

Pastor Nixon Jack and I have been speaking with a retired pastor named Jack Belson who is working on several strategic initiatives from the Hawaii Conference. Rev. Jack has been assigned the task of creating a Formational Mission Team that will help to develop programs for spiritual formation, theological education, and leadership development. The programs are being developed for everyone: youth, congregations, clergy, lay leaders, etc. The Formational Mission Team will not be looking to establish events or activities, but programs that create long-term change and growth for people and churches. There is a meeting we both hope to attend in late August to hear and learn more.

I want to thank all those who participated in the youth event and church workday on July 20th to help make it such a success. There was a great deal of preparation and planning that took place before that Saturday. Marlo Fontanilla and Nixon Jack were here at the church nearly all day on a Tuesday power washing the rocks in preparation for Saturday. Then on Wednesday morning Deacon Bell and other members from the Kosraean Church showed up to scrub and wire brush the rocks. And also a special thank you to Letti Agag for supporting our youth that day with a much needed lunch! The newly painted rocks make the church pop, and we will soon have two new UCC banners posted near the road for all to see. We are also now talking about fixing and painting the chain-linked fence.

Before I end my monthly newsletter message I want to bring to your attention that other information about our upcoming visioning retreat, book study, confirmation classes, and need for Sunday School Teachers will be posted throughout the newsletter. If you have questions, interest, or want to help please contact the church office or let me know.

Peace and Blessings, Rev. Christopher Czarnecki

## **The Church is Holding a Visioning Retreat Soon!**

The Church Council is planning a visioning retreat on Saturday October 12th from 9:00am to 4:00pm that is open to everyone. During the visioning retreat we will look to discuss short-term and long-term goals we would like to see our church achieve over the next 2-5 years. Before that retreat we want to hear from the voices of everyone, especially if you might be unable to attend. On **Sunday September 8th** and **Sunday September 29th** we will host an open meeting after worship at 11:30pm to hear from folks and share ideas. I want to get you thinking about possibilities, so here are just a few ideas:

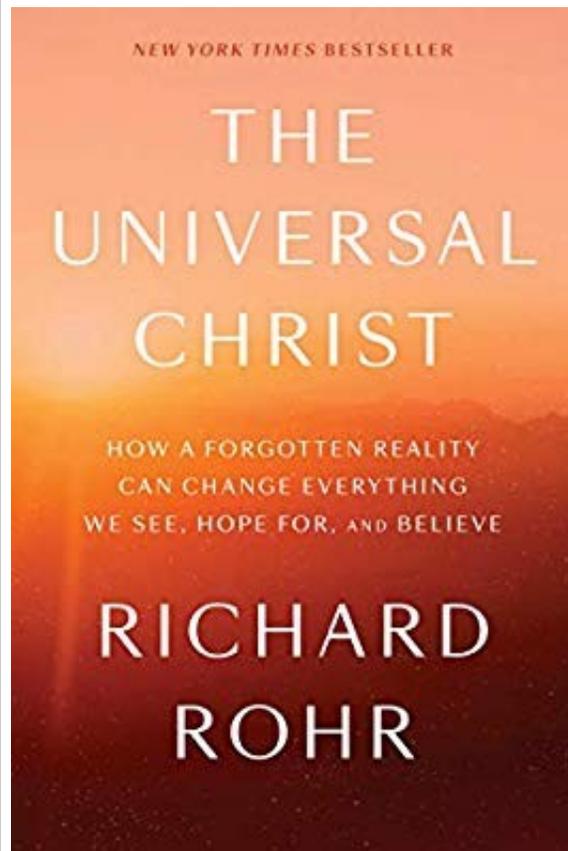
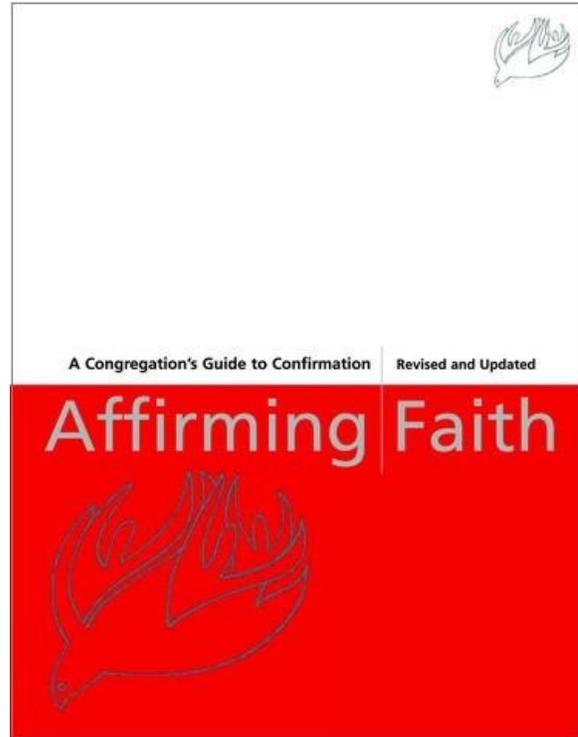
- Create a current mission & vision statement that tells people who we are.
- Become a church that is passionate about Environmental Justice.
- Have a robust music program and see a choir again in worship.
- Explore becoming an “Open & Affirming UCC Church”.
- Build a church garden that supports those who are underfed in our community.
- Purchase a set of Bibles for all the pews.
- Find a church to partner with more for mission projects and worship events.
- Declare ourselves to be a “Multiracial and Multicultural UCC Church”.
- Construct an outside meditation area on our church grounds.
- Have a Vacation Bible School for children during the summer.
- Plan a mission trip to another country.
- Host 2-3 major events that would bring the community together at our church each year.
- Establish a Bible School that teaches Biblical Literacy.

## **Sunday School Teachers Needed**

We are looking for people who would like to serve as a Sunday School Teacher one Sunday a month. This allows for folks to share in the ministry of caring for our children, and still receive spiritual nourishment from our regular worship services the rest of the month. The church is in the process of reviewing and selecting a class curriculum for the children to be taught on Sundays. If you would be interested in the being a Sunday School Teacher or participating in the spiritual formation of our children and youth please contact Rev. Christopher. Mahalo!

## Confirmation Classes Start Soon!

Confirmation Classes will begin on Sunday **September 15, 2019** and will be about an hour from **6:30pm to 7:30pm**. Confirmation is a faith formation program that is designed for children in who are normally in middle school, typically between the ages of 12-16. During confirmation children learn more about their faith, their own spiritual journey, and decide about making a commitment to become full-fledged members of the church. If you have a child that would be interested in signing up for Confirmation please let Rev. Chris know or contact the church office by **Sunday September 1st**.



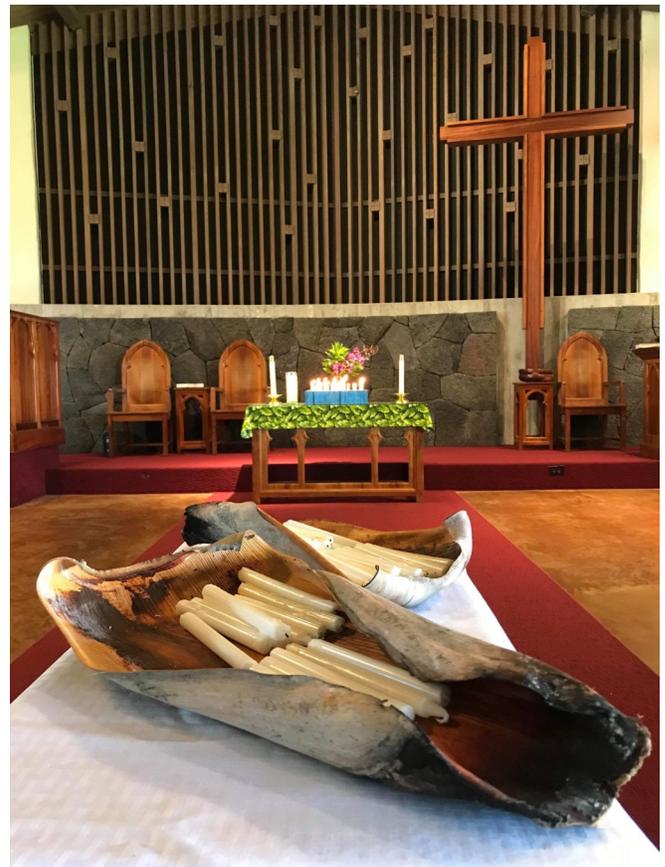
## The Universal Christ Book Study

Starting on **Tuesday September 3, 2019** we will begin an 8-week study on "The Universal Christ" by Richard Rohr. Richard Rohr, comes out of the contemplative tradition of Christianity, and is one of the world's most influential spiritual thinkers. He calls his new book the capstone of all that he has believed and tried to teach throughout a lifetime of ministry. The group will meet from **6:00pm to 7:30pm** in the narthex. The cost of the book and love-offering to help cover utilities over the 8-week period is **\$25.00**. If you are interested please let the church office know and submit payment by **Friday August 16th**.

## First United Protestant Church Happenings

**On Sunday July 14th** a special memorial service was held during worship. The names of family, friends, and prayer concerns were read from the pulpit and remembered. Congregants came forward during the name readings to light a candle and place in the memorial box to honor the memory of their loved ones. It was a moving and touching day of worship. Afterwards the congregation gathered together for fellowship.

(Photos taken by June Dela Cruz)



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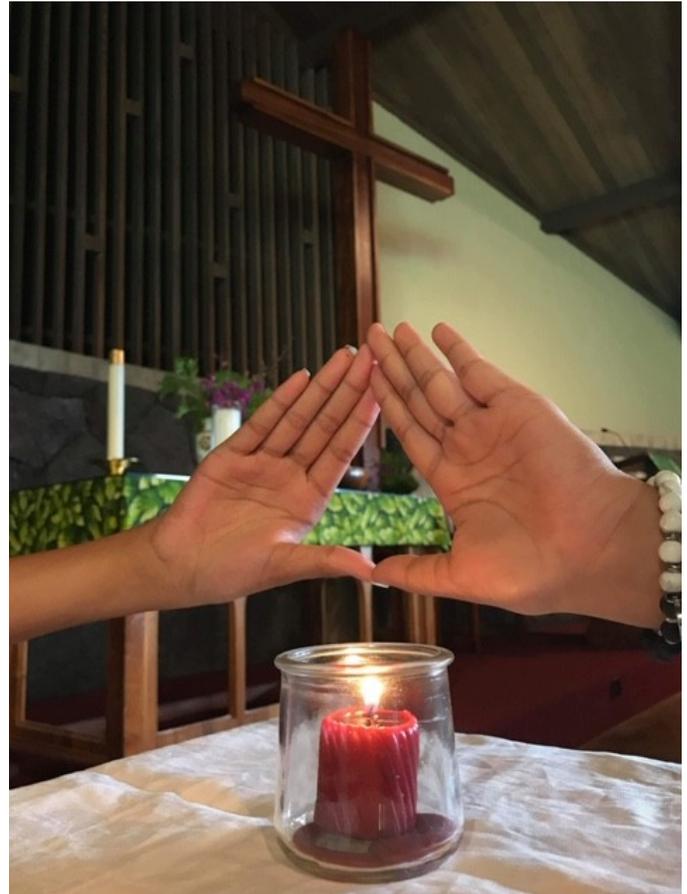
**On Saturday July 20th** the youth and several congregants from the church gathered to repainted 71 stones white. The stones were last painted over tens years ago, and the new look really makes the appearance of the church pop! A special thank you to Marlo Fontanilla and Nixon Jack for their contributions in preparing the church campus for the rock painting on Saturday. A special thank you to Deacon Bell and members of the Kosraean Church for prepping rocks near the road for Sunday. And a special thank you to Letti Agag for supporting the children with snacks and water. (Photos taken by June Dela Cruz and Rev. Christopher)



## First United Protestant Church Happenings



First United Protestant Church is holding in prayer the people of Hawaii and all those involved in the events taking place on Mauna Kea. On July 20th, 2019 the Justice and Witness Missional Team of the United Church of Christ Hawaii Conference released an official statement in opposition of the Thirty Meter Telescope project. On July 21st, 2019 Rev. Christopher signed the "Statement of Solidarity with Kanaka" which was written by the Pacific Justice and Reconciliation Center and other clergy leaders, including leaders from the Hawaii Conference of the United Church of Christ. A candle will continue to be lit each Sunday to raise awareness and hold all involved in prayer. (photo taken by June Dela Cruz)



# **OFFICIAL STATEMENT OF THE JUSTICE & WITNESS MISSIONAL TEAM OF THE HAWAII CONFERENCE UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST ON MAUNAKEA & TMT**

20 Iulai 2019

“Your righteousness is like the mighty mountains, your justice like the ocean depths. Pour out your unfailing love on those who love you; give justice to those with honest hearts.” - Psalm 36:6a, 10 (New Living Translation)

The United Church of Christ affirms its support of the rights of native and indigenous peoples in Hawai'i, the United States, and around the world; and, has throughout its history, joined with native and indigenous peoples in defense of their traditional, cultural, and religious rights, and to protect their sacred spaces and precious natural resources.

The Bible identifies many sacred mountains that are significant to our spiritual journey, such as Ararat, Sinai, Nebo, Tabor, and the Mount of Olives, where Jesus lives out his last days on Earth, prays before his crucifixion, and ascends to heaven. Jesus, during the early days of his ministry, offers the Beatitudes in a well-known Sermon on the Mount.

The Bible also affirms our kūleana as God's human creation to be good stewards of the precious, beautiful, and bountiful earth which God entrusted to our care.

We affirm with our Kanaka Maoli (Native Hawaiian) sisters and brothers that Maunakea is a sacred place; and, a place of cultural, spiritual, and historical importance. We affirm that nā Kanaka Maoli, as descendants of the first human inhabitants of these islands, have the inherent right to have a say on what takes place on their sacred lands and how limited and precious resources are to be protected, preserved, and utilized for the benefit of all. We also affirm the right of nā Kanaka Maoli to actively seek the protection of their sacred spaces, including Maunakea from further degradation, desecration, and irreversible harm.

We recognize wholeheartedly that the passionate struggle to protect Maunakea from further harm results from the collective failure of various public and private entities, including the State of Hawai'i and the University of Hawai'i, to fulfill their moral and constitutional duty to protect and preserve land and natural resources in perpetuity.

We are encouraged that on July 19, 2019, over 100 religious and spiritual leaders, including many clergy and lay leaders of the Hawai'i Conference UCC, the Association of Hawaiian Evangelical Churches, Hawai'i Pacific Islander and Asian American Ministries, and our local churches, joined together to sign a Religious Leaders Statement of Solidarity with Kanaka Maoli Protecting Sacred Mauna Kea in a campaign organized by the Pacific Justice and Reconciliation Center.

In solidarity with nākia'i (protectors) at Maunakea, the native Hawaiian community, and their allies all around the world:

**THE JUSTICE AND WITNESS MISSIONAL TEAM OF THE HAWAI'I CONFERENCE UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST STANDS IN FIRM OPPOSITION TO THIRTY METER TELESCOPE (TMT) PROJECT OPERATIONS IN HAWAI'I AND CALLS FOR AN IMMEDIATE AND INDEFINITE HALT TO ITS CONSTRUCTION ON MAUNAKEA.**

We wholeheartedly commend those who have gathered together at Maunakea on Hawai'i Island and who have conducted themselves in the spirit of kapu aloha, including our kūpuna (elders) on the front line, as well as our law enforcement officers and other public employees, many of whom share family connections. We recognize and commend all UCC clergy, leaders, lay people, partners, and affiliates who have joined the demonstrations at Maunakea.

We strongly oppose the arrest of our respected kupuna and all kia'i whose collective act of nonviolent, peaceful, and civil disobedience serves as a unified display of courage, sacrifice, and commitment to justice. Therefore, we call upon the Honorable David Ige, Governor of the State of Hawai'i, and the Honorable Harry Kim, Mayor of the County of Hawai'i, to stop any future arrest of nākia'i assembled in protection of Maunakea and to remove all law enforcement presence except for the purpose of ensuring public safety.

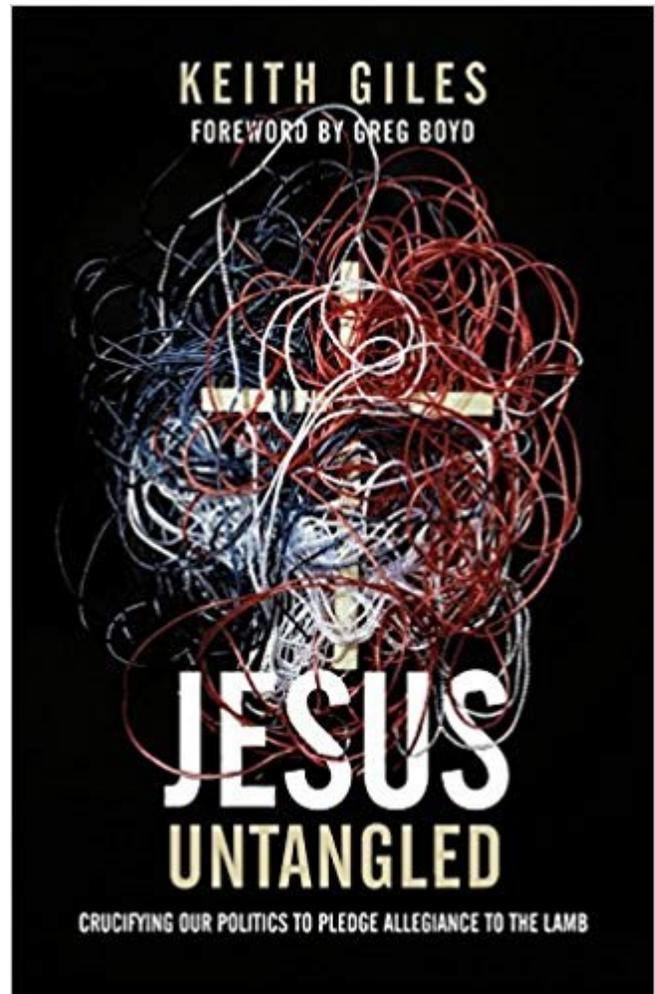
We strongly urge Governor David Ige to rescind his emergency proclamation issued July 17, 2019, which has only served to further escalate tensions; and, we demand he make a formal and public apology to nāKanaka Maoli or continuing to proclaim false narratives about nā kia'i and the situation at Maunakea. Such false narratives proliferate the notion that nā Kanaka Maoli are incapable of organizing and conducting themselves in a non-violent, peaceable, manner; and, those who are actively engaged in defense of their sacred spaces "need to be controlled." Though nā kia'i and nāKānaka Maoli throughout the world have demonstrated otherwise, many in power continue to subject them to this paternalistic attitude which has no place in the twenty-first century.

We encourage all local churches of the Hawai'i Conference of the United Church of Christ to join us in praying for nā kia'i who have gathered together in defense of Maunakea and for their allies around the world and that all parties would continue to conduct themselves in the spirit of kapu aloha; to provide support to them in whatever way possible; to stand with them at Maunakea or at various demonstrations throughout the pae'āina; and, to call for an immediate resolution to this situation by bringing to an immediate and indefinite halt the construction of the Thirty Meter Telescope at Maunakea.

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## What Is Pastor Chris

**Reading Right Now?** Right now I am reading *Jesus Untangled: Crucifying Our Politics to Pledge Allegiance to the Lamb* by Keith Giles. The book looks at the historic journey of how the church, and more specifically American Christianity, has entangled itself with politics. The book challenges the reader to rethink how they exercise their civic responsibilities without compromising their faith. The book also challenges nationalistic approaches to Christian faith, and guides the reader to understand that the way of Jesus was never meant to be the way of Empire.



## Who Will Be Offering Gifts of Special Music This Upcoming Month?

**August 4th** - June Dela Cruz

**August 11th** - Michael Russell &  
Michael Springer

**August. 18th** - Joanne Pocsidio

**August 28th** - Kosraean Church

## What is the Social Gospel Movement & Liberation Theology?

You might have heard me preach in some of my recent sermons about certain themes such as liberation, justice, and social issues. Much of my theology, and the way I interpret Scripture, has been shaped by both the Social Gospel Movement and Liberation Theology, which are two Christian movements that occurred in the last two centuries. I was introduced to these theological perspectives during my time at seminary, and our class curriculums often centered around learning from the theological perspectives of others who had different life experiences than we did. These movements were extremely influential to me because I was able to witness how over-arching biblical principles, and the sacred stories from our scriptures we hold dear, could be used to address the social concerns and every day realities that affect people's lives.

The Social Gospel Movement began around 1860, and was led by a group of Protestant progressives in response to social issues that were raised by rapid industrialization, urbanization, and the immigration surge happening in America. The Social Gospel Movement addressed a wide range of social issues from crime to economic inequality to child labor. The Social Gospel Movement differentiated itself by prioritizing social salvation over individual salvation. The ultimate vision of the Social Gospel Movement was not just a more equitable balance of power in society, but the realization of the kingdom of God as being something that was achievable here on earth right now. People were called by Social Gospellers to emulate the life of Jesus Christ, and honor God by laying aside their own earthly desires so they could help other people, especially those in need. Two of the more prominent figures of the Social Gospel Movement were Washington Gladden and Walter Rauschenbusch.

Liberation Theology began in the 1960's and became widely popular throughout the 1970's. Liberation Theology sought to apply the principles of Christian faith by aiding the poor and oppressed through involvement in social and political affairs. It stressed both a heightened awareness of the "sinfulness" of socio-economic structures that cause social inequities and the call for our active participation to change those structures. Liberation theologians believed that God speaks particularly through the poor and attempts to interpret the life and ministry of Jesus Christ through the lived experiences of oppressed people. Two works that helped this movement flourish were *A Theology of Liberation* (1971) by Gustavo Gutierrez and *Black Theology and Black Power* (1969) by James Cone, who sadly passed away last year. One of my professors at Eden Theological Seminary was a student and dear friend of James Cone. His classes were some of my favorite and the most formative to my faith!

\*The source of this information comes from Britannica Online and Encyclopedia.com.

\*\*This piece was written by Rev. Christopher Czarnecki for the Sundays Bulletins of July 7th & 14th.

## What Would Be Helpful to Know About the Psalms?

The Greek and Latin words for “psalms” have a translated meaning, which is, “a song sung in the accompaniment of stringed instruments.” Each of the individual psalms come from different periods of Israel’s history, but at every stage they served as the songbook of the early Israelites. The psalms made public what was going on in the inner life of the community of early Israel. Some of the psalms are intended to be communal, meaning they were to be sang together as songs of praise or petition. Other psalms offer intimate details of the pain, fears, delights, and hopes of individuals who lived in the Israelite community. Over the centuries these prayers, which were both personal and public, were written down by scribes and collected. The form and order of the Book of Psalms likely occurred during the first or second century.

Since the psalms come from the actual worship and lives of Israel’s community, it is possible to identify the psalms according to a particular category from which the psalm likely arose. This identification has allowed biblical scholars to classify the psalms as hymns or songs of praise, petitions or laments, acts of thanksgiving, psalms of trust and confidence in God, wisdom poems, and blessings. Many of the psalms fit into more than one category. There is debate among biblical scholars as to whether David wrote any, some, many, or all of the psalms. One of the literary features of the psalms is that they are arranged into five books, which resembles the five books of Moses, the *Torah*, held in the Jewish tradition. The end of each section of psalms is marked by a doxology, which is a public praise to God.

The theology found in the psalms reflects the theology that is found throughout the Old Testament, or what is more accurately called the Hebrew Scriptures. We see the presentation of God as a King, God as a Creator, and God as a Redeemer. We even see the character of God revealed in the psalms as a presence that is sometimes transcendent and immanent. The psalms can be seen as a poetic discourse or conversation between God and the people of Israel. Some of these conversations reflect deep pain and distress, while others reflect misery and frustration. The psalms convey speech to God, speech about God, and in some cases speech from God. If we want to know who God is, what God has done, and how our earliest ancestors responded to God, the Book of Psalms is one of the best places to start.

\*The source of this information comes from *The New Interpreter’s Study Bible (NRSV)*, *ESV Global Study Bible*, and *The Reformation Study Bible (ESV)*.

\*\*This piece was written by Rev. Christopher Czarnecki for the Sundays Bulletins of July 21st & 28th.

*Welcome  
to this Sacred  
Prayer Corner*

Light a candle  
to make your prayers  
visible and real.  
Behold the Light and Believe!  
Written prayer requests will be lifted  
in prayer by this Church Ohana.  
May all who hold a prayer in their  
heart find Comfort and Peace!



Please include the following people and situations in your prayers:

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| Doris Toma       | Mike Gardner     |
| Fay Jack         | Cullen Chee      |
| Pedro Queja      | Lei Semana       |
| Michael Russell  | Ella Fontanilla  |
| Maria Valido     | Margo Aguiar     |
| Sheldon Asejo    | Janet Lang       |
| Royal Solmerin   | Fillmore Lorenzo |
| Traveyion Taylor | Gabrielle Marlo  |

*Happy August Birthday to the following Friends and Members*



Maulin Alokoa (3rd)	Danny Dizon (8th)
Rachel Castro (12th)	Jade Iokepa (12th)
Pastor Chris (10th)	Jessie Gacula (11th)
Gwynn Sosa (15th)	Sali Queja ( 23rd)
Shannylen Dayoan (24th)	

# Food & Fun

## Bible Wordsearch

Wordsearch 265

Matt. 14:1-15

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## Death of John the Baptist

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BURIED	BROTHER
CROWD	CARRIED
DANCED	DAUGHTER
DINNER	DISCIPLES
GUESTS	GRANTED
HEALED	LAWFUL
HEROD	MOTHER
JESUS	ORDERED
JOHN	PLATTER
KING	PLEASED
OATH	POWERS
PEOPLE	PROPHET
PLACE	REMOTE
PRISON	REQUEST
RISEN	SAYING
TOWNS	WANTED

After you find all the hidden words the left over letters spell out a Bible verse reading from the top left to the bottom right

WORK

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### MELISSA'S LASAGNE

from the kitchen of the late Clara E. Robinson



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| 1lb. Sweet Italian sausage | 2 lg. cans Italian tomato sauce |
| 1 sm. can tomato paste     | 1 1/2 lbs. mozzarella cheese    |
| 2 cloves garlic            | 1 lb. ricotta cheese            |
| 1 med. onion               | 1 C. grated Parmesan cheese     |
| 1 t. basil                 | 1t. Oregano                     |
| 1/2 lb. mushrooms          | Lasagna noodles                 |

Take skin off sausage. Crumble and brown. Add sauces and mushrooms, garlic and onion. Simmer 2 hours. Add water if needed. In a 9x13-inch pan, layer cooked noodles with cheeses and meat sauce. Bake 1 hour at 350 degrees. Let stand 20 minutes before serving.

# *Please mark your calendar for these upcoming events*

## **August 2019**

Monday July 29th to Friday August 2nd - Rev. Christopher will be in Cleveland Ohio for the Next Generation Leadership Initiative (NGLI).

Sunday August 4th - Pastor Nixon Jack will be preaching.

Saturday August 17th - Church Workday from 9:00am-12:00pm.

Sunday August 18th - Church Council Meeting following worship.

Sunday August 25th - Altar Cross will be dedicated to the church during worship.

## **September 2019**

Sunday September 1st - Give Aloha fundraiser begins! Shop at Foodland & Sack 'N Save.

Tuesday September 3rd - "The Universal Christ" book study begins at 6:00pm -7:30pm.

Sunday September 15th - Church Council Meeting following worship.

Sunday September 15th - Confirmation Classes begin 6:30pm - 7:30pm.

Sunday September 8th - Visioning Retreat "Open Discussion Meeting" after worship.

Sunday September 29th - Visioning Retreat "Open Discussion Meeting" after worship.

## **October 2019**

Saturday October 12th - Church Visioning Retreat from 9:00am to 4:00pm.

Sunday October 20th - Church Council Meeting following worship.

## **November 2019**

Saturday November 2nd - Rev. Christopher's Installation at FUPC at 12:00pm.

Sunday, November 17th—Council Meeting

Sunday November 24th - Annual Congregation Meeting after worship. Annual Thanksgiving luncheon to follow.

Tuesday November 26th - ICIA Community Thanksgiving Celebration at FUPC at 7:00pm

# Worship Participation for August 2019

## Greeters

Aug. 4 Gail Kagawa & Dusty Cardines  
 Aug. 11 Gwynn Sosa & Dusty Cardines  
 Aug. 18 Ben & Phoebe Wyatt  
 Aug. 25 Dusty Cardines & Kosraean Member

## Communion Prep

Aug. 11 Bob Ahia

## Communion Servers

Gail Kagawa	Royalyn Solmerin
Bob Ahia	Davyion Simmons

## Offertory Ushers

Aug. 4 Kathleen Kim & Royalyn Solmerin  
 Aug. 11 Ben & Phoebe Wyatt  
 Aug. 18 Gwynn Sosa & Dusty Cardines  
 Aug. 25 Daveyion Simmons & Kosraean Member

## Sunday School Teachers

Aug. 4 – Fay Jack  
 Aug. 11 – Akeera Czarnecki  
 Aug. 18 – Sunday School Teacher Needed  
 Aug. 25 – Sunday School Teacher Needed

## Special Events & Worship Services

Altar Cross Dedication on August 25th

## Lay Readers

Aug. 4 Jeremy Agag  
 Aug. 11 Tyler Dela Cruz  
 Aug. 18 Daveyion Simmons  
 Aug. 25 Royalyn Solmerin & Kosraean Member

## Altar Decorations

Loose flowers needed to lay cross the altar on August 25<sup>th</sup>.

## Acolyte

Aug. 4 Kayson Asejo  
 Aug. 11 Cori Dela Cruz  
 Aug. 18 Shanel Simmons  
 Aug. 25 Limoliann Asher & Ben Wyatt

If you are unable to be at church on the Sunday you are scheduled to participate, please find a substitute and let the office know as soon as possible so we may print their name in the worship bulletin. Thank you!

## Coffee Hour Teams

Aug. 4 Jane McClean & Gwynn Sosa  
 Aug. 11 Debbie Sasan & Bob Ahia  
 Aug. 18 Joanne Pocsidio & Jeremy Agag  
 Aug. 25 Joint Potluck with both Kosraean Church and First United Protestant Church

