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HAPPY EASTER!

Christ the Lord is risen today, Alleluia! Sons of men and angels say, Alleluia!



Raise your joys and triumphs high, Alleluia! Sing, ye heavens, and earth, reply, Alleluia!

This verse is from a familiar song we sing on Easter Sunday. It brings such joy and happiness that Jesus Christ has been resurrected. He Lives! Hallelujah!

"Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In his great mercy he has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, and into an inheritance." (1Peter 3-4).

"...all of us who were baptized in Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? We were therefore buried with him through baptism into death in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too may live a new life." (Romans 6:3-4).

New hope and new life is here for all of us. During this time of transition, let us all make an effort to honor God with our lives each and every day. Let's celebrate together and be joyful for the bountiful blessings in our lives and the wonderful promises made to us. Let us be hopeful for the future of Kailua Christian Church.

Enclosed with this newsletter is our Easter offering envelope. Please consider making an Easter offering to show that KCC continues to have your support and confidence as we look forward to our future together.

Christ the Lord has Risen Indeed! Hallelujah!

Together in His Service!

Dean, your Moderator



OUR GUEST SPEAKERS

Pulpit Supply for April:

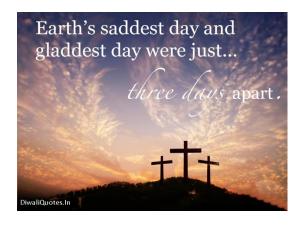
April 1 – Rev. Gabrielle Chavez, Intentional Interim Conference Minister of HCUCC.

April 08 – Rev. Phil Reller, UCC Pastor

April 15 – Rev. Bill Cunningham, KCC friend

April 22 – Rev. Chris Eng, retired UCC pastor and Chaplain at Hospice Hawaii

April 29 – Rev. JP Sabbithi, Director of Counseling Services at Hospice Hawaii



DEACONS MESSAGE

Vernon Pang will be joining the Deacons this month which will bring our total number of Deacons to four. He will be a



welcome addition. We will let you know soon if our Undershepherd Groups will change.

Tony Campolo led several seminars at the HIM conference this year. One was called **Change Agents for God** wherein he made the case that Personal Discipleship, Evangelism and World Justice are all interrelated. The following is a short summary of his presentation.

Evangelism

We diminish the significance of the verbal declaration of the gospel when we say that, "living the life of love and justice is enough." It is not. People must become believers in order to be saved and they cannot become believers unless someone tells them the good news about who Jesus is and what He did on the cross and what He does now in the lives of those who surrender to the indwelling of His presence.

Evangelism is not simply preparing people for death or for the second coming of Christ, evangelism is also a means of recruiting people into the family of God called the church which is committed to participate with Him in changing the world from what it is to what God intends for it to be.

Discipleship

Jesus called upon us to make disciples of all men and women. Society exercises great influence upon us all, especially the new Christian. The Bible calls upon us not to be conformed to this world and its ways of living but to be transformed under the guidance of the Holy Spirit. Christians must be nurtured into a solid methodology of praying as well as given instructions as to how to study to show themselves approved unto God.

Commitment to Justice

John 3:16 says God sent His son into the world to save the world. That verse refers not only to people but to all of creation, the Cosmos. This means everything in the world, not just people but social institutions as well as the physical environment. Jesus came to create a people to establish his kingdom here on earth. Christians should be engaged in rescuing all of creation from the mess that it is in. The world is under the sway of Satan, who Jesus says is the Prince of the World, but the world is waiting for the sons and daughters of God to join God in delivering the world from its sufferings. This is our high calling.

Let Kammy know if anyone would like to obtain Tony's handouts with scripture references or to view the DVD of his seminars and she will provide them to you.

Your Deacon, Paul Grable



PRAYERS & PRAISES

Please keep in your prayers

- ~ Ruth Uyechi
- ~ Myra Yamada and family
- ~ Kiyooko Sproat
- ~ Barney Pilla's friend, Carol
- ~ Diane Lee Pilla's Aunt Florence
- ~ Sharon Mon's daughter in law, Adele
- ∼ Dora Kim∼ Myrtle's Aunt∼ Sats Nemoto∼ Billy Ouye
- ~ Mildred S. Sakamoto
- Ongoing Search for an Interim Pastor and a Settled Pastor

Our sincere condolences go out to the family of Sadie Hayes. Sadie passed away from a heart attack in mid-March. The family has not made arrangements for a Memorial Service yet. Please watch bulletin for more updates.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY



John Halloran Pauline Viloria Hazel Chow09 -Winnie Nakamura Derrick Teruya Vernon Pang Jared Higashi Larry Takumi Stephenie Moderow James Todd Jennie Lee Michael Sakaba **Emily Pang** Fred Eberlein Cleo Nham Carl Takahashi April Jessee Dan Jessee Kammy Grable Wilma Chung

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

Lowell & Myrtle Terada Alan & Linda Umetsu Dr. Cary & Karen Miyahara Richard & Jane Tengan

WORSHIP NEWS

Media Update

Our church has been struggling with Power Point projection issues lately. A brand new laptop was purchased recently, with issues still occurring. A media tech person was called in recently and it was determined that our overhead projector is about to die. There is corrosion, melting crystals, pixels that are blacking out. This projector was purchased in March 2005, that makes it 13 years old. A rough verbal estimate was given in the area of \$1000 for a new projector with installation costs. Should new wiring be needed, that will cost additional money. We are awaiting a written proposal and statement. Once, that is received, a congregational meeting will be called for approval.

June Tom, Worship Chair

KCC SUNDAY WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

Date:	Adults	Children (under 12)	Visitors
03/04	55	05	02
03/11	52	03	02
03/18	57	04	06
03/25	49	04	00

GARAGE SALE 2018

The Council has approved a Garage Sale to be held on Saturday, Sept. 8. Space has been made available in Room 10 upstairs to receive small items from now on. Proceeds will go towards the funding of a new church projector and refurbishing of our Transitional Housing Unit. Please see June, Joan, or Myrtle for details.

A BIG MAHALO FOR ALL OUR SUPPORTERS OF WORKDAY IN MARCH

In spite of the smaller than usual crowd for our first workday of 2018, those who attended came to get the job done. The list was just as long as we normally have with one third the number of helpers to do the job, yet we accomplished much! Thanks to the crew that came and thanks to the Trustees for organizing these events and making sure we have lunch for all the hungry hard working people who come. Special thanks to the men who installed the new Air Conditioner that was donated for the pastor's office. It will come in handy for the summer months especially.



Vernon, Dennis, Paul, and Barney joined forces to install the Pastor's new A/C. Missed a photo opportunity to get a pic of the three ladies who cleaned the entire sanctuary, but, special thanks go out to Dot Suzuki, Nani Oda, and Florence Miyashiro for working so hard wiping down each chair and cleaning all the windows, floors, and counter tops.

mission Update

BIBLE INSTITUTE OF HAWAII IS STARTING THEIR SPRING QUARTER

March 29 - June 5, 2018

Dr. Ruby Ovitt will be offering a class on One Day at A Time, Sunday afternoons, 4 to 6 p.m. at University Baptist Church.

Dr. Bong Ro will offer The Book of Phillipians: Secrets of Joy on Tuesday evenings, 6:30 p.m. at Korean Christian Church on Liliha St.

The Life and Growth of the Church: Touchstone Turns Church History will be offered on Wed. 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.by Pastor Ian McKnight. Class will be held at Community Church of Honolulu (Makai).

Rev. Todd Capen from Trinity Christian Church n Maunawili will offer a class on 2 Corinthians: Freedom and Power for the Christian.

Pastor Ian McKnight will share The Life and Growth of the Church: Touchstone Turns in Church History at the Community Church of Honolulu.

Mr. James Kwong will offer a course in the Gospel of Matthew at First Chinese Church of Christ.

BIH classes are between 6-8 weeks long. Registration is \$40 for the entire class which allows you to bring a friend for free.

Check out the website of Bible Institute of Hawaii to register and for more details of each class.



We are doing our second rotation of **Family Promise Week** at KCC during the week of April 1 through 7. We sincerely appreciate your gracious support to host these homeless families during this time. We invite you to check with Bryan Gomes for an update of food

resources that are still being sought, to feed our guests during the seven days they will be with us. Thank you for your generosity.

The River of Life Outreach on March 1 went well this round. We even had two ringers from California join us at this event. Word has it that this couple (Diane and John Mendenhall) had skills and that they'd be welcomed anytime they came back into town. We were happy to have enough of a crew that we could offer a sit down meal to the guests at the mission rather than a takeout plate. We served around 180 meals. We hope more of our KCC family will feel encouraged to help. Please see Dan or Shane for more details. Great news was heard that Pastor Bob Marchant has returned on staff at the Mission and we are happy to hear the news!

Our **Transitional Housing Ministry** is taking a break as the Homeless Situation brings new opportunities for housing being available... So, given those who would be positive candidates for our program are the first that would be eligible to moving into the new Transitional Housing Units by Sand Island, we are on call for a while and we are good with that. We are excited though for the next family that God will bring our way. Keep the ministry in your prayers please.

Our **One Great Hour of Sharing,** 1 0f 5 UCC Special offerings was received on Sunday, March 1. Thank you for your great support for this offering which received a total of \$1,225.



TRUSTEES NEWS

Mahalo to an anonymous donator for purchasing a large screen TV that will be so helpful for our



viewing of movies and displaying PPT during Bible Studies. We are so grateful for this generous gift that will also be complimented with a surround sound system that was donated by friends of KCC, Stephenie Moderow and Keith Shultz.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

April 2018								
Ø	M	Т	W	T	F	S		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7		
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15	16	17	18	19	20	21		
22	23	24	25	26	27	28		
29	30							

APRIL

01 – Sun. HAPPY EASTER! Rev. Gabrielle Chavez is our special guest pastor. Easter Breakfast, Communion in Worship, and an Egg Hunt following worship. Family Promise Week hosted at KCC

04 – Wed. Wed. Morning Study, 9:00 a.m.

08 – Sun. Guest Pastor: Rev. Phil Reller Congregational Meeting to vote on approving new Projector purchase. Deacons Meeting in Library.

10 – Tues. Four C & KCC meeting, 1:00 p.m.

11 – Wed. Wed. Morning Study, 9:00 a.m.

15 – Sun. Guest Pastor: Rev. Bill Cunningham Missions Meeting.

18 – Wed. Wed. Morning Study, 9:00 a.m.

22 – Sun. Guest Pastor: Rev. Chris Eng.

25 – Wed. Wed. Morning Movie, 9:00 a.m. Council Meeting, 7:00 p.m.

29 – Sun. Guest Pastor: Rev. JP Sabbithi



Palm Sunday Procession



WORSHIP LEADER

Bryan Gomes

AUDIO

Barney Pilla

GREETER/ USHERS

Paul Grable

VISUAL

Diane Lee Pilla & Debbie Fong **LIGHTS & SCREEN**

June Tom & Barney Pilla

PIANO/ORGAN

KING'S COMPANY

Scott Baehrens April Jessee

Flowers:

01 – Michelle & Arcadio Ramos

08 - Paul & Kammy Grable

15 – Jean Kanazawa

22 – Richard & Alice Esaki

29 – Mel & June Tom

MAHALO!!!! GUEST PASTORS:





Rev. Richard Kamanu Rev. Lauren Buck Medeiros







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Return service requested

SUNDAY, APRIL 1, 2018 <u>Happy Easter</u>

Easter Breakfast 8:00 a.m.
Communion
Special Guest Pastor, Rev. Gabrielle Chavez
~ Easter Egg Hunt following worship

WEDNESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY

9:00 a.m. – every Wed. Morning. "Amazing Things God thinks About You" All are welcome to attend.

Last Wed. of Month, April 25 Special Movie: "David and Goliath"

SUNDAY, APRIL 8, 2018

Special Guest Pastor,
Rev. Philip Reller
~ Congregational Meeting
(Vote will be taken on purchase of new projector)
~ Deacons Meeting

TUESDAY, APRIL 10, 2018

4C Church & KCC Meeting 1:00 p.m. All are welcome.

SUNDAY, APRIL 15, 2018

~ Guest Pastor: Rev. Bill Cunningham ~ Missions Meeting following worship

SUNDAY, APRIL 22, 2018

~ Guest Pastor: Rev. Chris Eng Retired UCC Pastor and Chaplain for Hospice Hawaii.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 25, 2018

~ Council Meeting, 7:00 p.m.

SUNDAY, APRIL 29, 2018

~ Guest Pastor: Rev. JP Sabbithi Retired UCC Pastor and Director of Counseling Services – Hospice Hawaii

