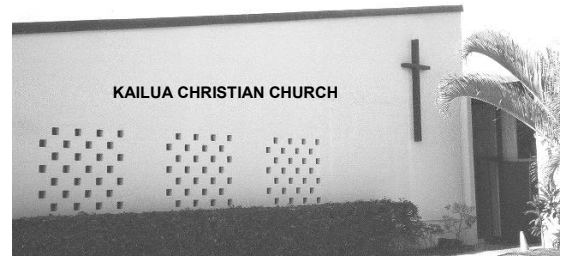


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MODERATOR'S MESSAGE

Finally, all of you, live in harmony with one another; be sympathetic, love as brothers be compassionate and humble. Do not repay evil with evil or insult with insult, but with blessing, because to this you were called so that you may inherit a blessing. 1 Peter 3:8-9

Aloha fellow members and friends of KCC! I have great news to share with you.

Yes, I realize these are the exact two sentences used in September's moderator notes. It is worth repeating as we now have an interim pastor. On Sunday, September 16, a congregational meeting was held to approve a recommendation from Council to hire Pastor Chris Eng as KCC's interim pastor on a part-time basis. 35 members came to the meeting and quorum was established (20% of membership which equated to needing 30 members present). A motion was made, seconded and the vote was taken after asking if there was anyone requesting discussion. The motion passed with 34 voting yes and 1 voting no. I want to thank all the members that were able to come to the meeting and vote. I would also like to thank all members and friends for your patience with your leaders. We, leaders, members and friends, have all been patiently and prayerfully waiting for God to provide us a pastor to guide us through this interim period at KCC. Pastor Chris is looking forward to serving the Lord with us.

There remains one step left to complete the hiring process of Pastor Chris Eng. The trustees are currently developing a contract for Pastor

Chris. They will be working together with him to finalize an agreeable contract. Please continue to pray for this work to be completed in the coming weeks. The hope is to have Pastor Chris start working at KCC in November.

As we enter the last quarter of 2018, it is time to start planning for 2019. Council and the church leaders are currently working on the budget for 2019. Please see any one of the church leaders if you have any budget requests to make or concerns to share about our budget. We will be having an informational meeting in November with a congregational meeting to follow sometime in December to vote on accepting the 2019 budget. We will pass on the dates for these meetings once they are finalized.

Please prayerfully consider your monetary pledges as well as pledges of your time and talent as we plan for 2019. Council will also be establishing a Nominating Committee in Oct. Please prayerfully consider how God wants to use you to serve him and his purposes for KCC in 2019. Is there a leadership role that you feel called to? Please speak to one of your leaders at KCC and they will be glad to discuss this with you. The congregational meeting in December will also be the meeting where we vote in new officers and leaders for 2019.

I am very thankful to all of the pastors that have shared their God inspired messages with us. Recently, Pastor James Kwong provided an inspiring and informative sermon about the type of community we should be in response to scripture from Philippians 2:1-18. Likeminded was presented as a way churches should

be...working together and serving one another...what family ought to be. He mentioned having a culture of humility and offering the best for each other. There was so much to learn including leader meetings being more about the Word than just business, thinking of all children as needing to be trained to be future leaders of our church, protecting the body of the church, how members need to reach out and advocate for the pastor, and much more. I encourage you to listen to a copy of his sermon that was recorded on a cd. Pastor James provided ideas to ponder as we move forward.

Please let me or any church leader know if you wish to serve on a hospitality committee to take care of refreshments after church. This would include both setting up and cleaning up. Council may consider reducing the refreshments to one Sunday a month as our human resources are limited for this important and enjoyable ministry.

As you can see, we have an exciting time ahead of us. There is much work that needs to be done as we move forward with the guidance and leadership of Pastor Chris Eng.

Love in Christ!

Dean Wakuzawa, Moderator

Pulpit Supply for October:



Oct. 07	Rev. Alpha Goto
Oct. 14	Rev. Tom Fujita
Oct. 21	Rev. Alpha Goto
Oct. 28	Rev. Alpha Goto

DEACONS MESSAGE



“But whoever has the world's goods, and sees his brother in need and closes his heart against him, how does the love of God abide in him? Little children, let us not love with word or with tongue, but in deed and truth.”

1 John 3:17-18

The 2006 Board of Deacons (Melvyn Mon, Kenneth Ling, Mary Ann Ishikane, Stella Wakamatsu, Lily Lee, Betty Pang, Emily Peters, Myra Yamada, John Sakamoto, Kammy Grable) was blessed with the foresight to write a Board of Deacons Handbook. Among the many insights was administration of the benevolence fund.

The purpose of the benevolence fund is:

1. To assist with the financial needs of those who are unable to provide for themselves, and
2. To provide resources for ministries that give support and care to individuals or families.

The fund has grown over the years with your generous donations and has enabled many through very difficult times. You may have noticed that there hasn't been a collection for the benevolence fund in a while, and perhaps were wondering why. The benevolence fund currently has a healthy balance, thanks to a generous congregation. When the need arises in the future to replenish the fund then at that time a collection will be held.

Requests for assistance have significantly declined. This may be a blessing. So far this year there have been only 2 requests for assistance, both asking for help with rent. Not surprising, since according to the Star Advertiser on 9/19/18, the latest census data indicated that Hawaii has the highest median monthly housing cost for renters in the nation.

If you know of anyone who is unable to provide for him/herself and is in need of financial assistance please urge them contact the church office to apply for assistance through the benevolence fund.

***Service of Thanksgiving for
The Life of Irene Kanetake***

Saturday, Nov. 3, 2018
9:30 a.m. Visitation
10:30 a.m. Service
Here at KCC

Dr. Paul Brennan officiating
Carpooling encouraged.

PRAYERS & PRAISES

Please keep in your prayers

- ~ Fred Masuda ~ Ruth Uyechi
- ~ Dora Kim ~ Hazel Chow
- ~ Winnie Nakamura
- ~ Kiyooko Sproat ~ Carnation & Reggie C.
- ~ John Sakamoto's son in law, Tony S.
- ~ Bev & Dale Vallejo-Sanderson and family



Sincere Condolences to the family of our dear member, Irene Kanetake. Irene passed away at home, on Mon., Sept. 17, 2018. Services will be held at KCC on Sat. Nov. 3, 2018.

Deepest Sympathies go out to our dear friend, Florence Miyashiro on the loss of her daughter Cheryl, who passed away on Sept. 23rd.

Heartfelt Condolences to Alan Yoneshige and family on the loss of his sister, Carol. Carol passed away on Sept. 6. Private services were held in mid-Sept.

Praise God for his grace in providing

- ~ Interim Pastor, Rev. Chris Eng
- ~ Helpers who step up to fill the needs and support the ongoing ministries of KCC.
- ~ Ongoing Search for a Settled Pastor
- ~ The Give Aloha Fundraiser by Foodland and Western Union
- ~ Guest speakers who bless us with messages



CONGRATULATIONS TO: John Sakamoto on the arrival of his Great Grandson, Finn Teruo Molyneux.

Thanks be to God for this healthy 8 lb. baby boy, (born in early Sept.) who was named after his Great Grandpa John Teruo Sakamoto.



KCC SUNDAY WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

Date:	Adults	Children (under 12)	Visitors
09/02	57	04	00
09/09	51	04	03
09/16	51	03	00
09/23	49	07	00
09/30	42 +55	4+14	01

HAPPY BIRTHDAY



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|--------------------|-----------------|
| Nick Shiroma | Akiko Nakamura |
| Richard Esaki | Jane Shiroma |
| Robert St. John | Jane Masuno |
| Heaven King | Joan Sakaba |
| Sara (Fong) Matsui | Chris Nakamatsu |
| Daniel Oda | Joe Macupa |
| Debbie Glenn | Barbara Gomes |
| Alice Esaki | Lynette Pimenta |
| Pam Morikawa | Jennifer Pang |
| Howard Pang | Kingston Kapua |
| Akiko Nakamura | |

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

- Derek & Debra Martinson
- Nick & Susan Shiroma
- John & Terri Lipps



O'ahu Association, Hawai'i Conference UCC
Course Series on UCC Polity 2018

Rev. Richard Kamanu welcomes lay persons to attend any of the free courses offered to become more informed on the United Church of Christ. These courses are required classes for Pastors who are seeking Privilege Of Call in the UCC and would be helpful for all who want to be more familiar with their denomination. A more detailed list of the Series is posted on the Breezeway Bulletin Board for your convenience. If you would like to attend any of the classes, please contact: Kahu Richard Kamanu at RKamanu@hcucc.org or 808-791-5633

Course Series

- 1) History of the UCC
- 2) Theology of the UCC
- 3) Polity of the UCC
- 4) Ministry of the UCC
- 5) Ethos of the UCC and HCUCC

Hawaii Kai UCC just hosted classes 1 & 5 last weekend. The next class offered will be held here at KCC on Nov. 17, 2018, 9am to 3pm *Double-Header: Two classes in the Theology of the UCC* (Class 2 of the series) *Polity of the UCC* (Class 3 of the series)

NA ANELA SUPPORT GROUP

Na Anela Support Group will not meet for the month of October. Our next bi-monthly meeting will be held on the 3rd Sat. in November.

Please mark your calendars and save the date, Nov 17; 9:30 meeting; 10:30-11:30 presentation in Rooms 3/4.

Our speaker for the Nov 17's Na Anela support group meeting will be Mr. Steve McCall, our longtime friend and excellent speaker from HMSA. His topic will be on Meditation.

Details forthcoming in KCC's Nov bulletin.

Mahalo and God bless!
Myra Yamada



Special thanks to Dr. Ruby Ovitt for the excellent presentation "Overcoming Grief" given in September. The workshop and the potluck that followed will be recorded as one of the top ten favorites shared. It was mentioned that this presentation was offered at a really helpful time for one of the participants as the very next day she experienced the loss of a very dear loved one – and because she had just attended this workshop she could feel comforted and more at peace that God was with her during this difficult time. God is so gracious!



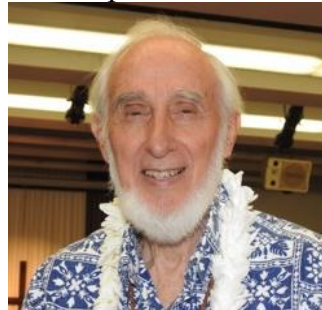
A BIG MAHALO TO ALL OUR WONDERFUL GUEST SPEAKERS for September!



Rev. Alpha Goto



Pastor Sean Okamoto



Rev. Dr. Paul Brennan



Pastor James Kwong



Rev. Tracey Barnowe & Rev. Jonathan Salle

Well Done Good and Faithful Servants!



CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

Still seeking helpers for this vital ministry. Please consider joining us for a gathering and prayer time for this special need. We will be meeting in the library after worship on the 21st of October. We welcome your ideas and feedback for Children's Moments, Nursery, and King's Company. Mahalo for your support.

FAMILY PROMISE UPDATE

Come 2019, Family Promise of Hawaii reports a critical need for additional partners to fulfill its mission of helping families to transition from homelessness into sustainable independence and permanent housing. The Family Promise concept is to rotate families from partner to partner on a weekly basis to help shelter the families in their emergency shelter program. Though as it stands, there are several gaps in the rotation schedule for the 3-4 families to have shelter as there are not enough churches able to assist as sites to provide overnight shelter and sleeping accommodations for these homeless families. Host congregations like ourselves, provide the physical space to sleep and meals to the families enrolled in their emergency shelter. Families arrive around 5:30 p.m. and depart in the morning around 7 p.m. Please keep this ministry in your prayers and if you have friends at other churches, invite them to consider adopting this helpful ministry outreach at their church and have them contact

whitney@familypromisehawaii.org.

Other ways you can support this ministry is by participating in their fundraisers as noted below.

The **Chocolate Extravaganza** is an annual family fun event at Emmanuel Episcopal Church on Oct. 13 for anyone who loves chocolate. This sold out event features a buffet of all-you-can-eat chocolate complete with a chocolate fountain and silent auction. A big mahalo for your support of this fun annual event! Proceeds will benefit both the church and Family promise ministries.

The **6th Annual Family Promise Fun Run/Walk**, presented by Moku and Monkeypod Kitchen, is set for October 27th! This year's event celebrates in the spirit of Halloween and encourages participants to dress in costume! The Fun Run course will start and end at Kailua Intermediate School. A pancake breakfast, as well as a raffle of donated prizes from local sponsors, will follow the race. All proceeds from this event go directly to assisting families experiencing homelessness on Oahu. **Register**

before October 1st to guarantee a t-shirt on race day. All registrants after October 1st will receive a Family Promise tote bag.



UCC TRANSITION HOUSE

UCC Transition House will have it's annual fundraiser on Oct. 18 at Central Union Church. This transition house is a safe house for women and their children who are survivors of domestic violence. The time is 5:30-8:30pm. Tickets are \$45 a person and checks should be made to UCC Transition House. Donations for Silent Auction, baked goods and quality craft items or household items for the Country Store are welcomed. Please support this worthy cause. A flyer is located on the breezeway bulletin board, See June Tom for more information or tickets.



GARAGE SALE REPORT

Our church Garage Sale was held on September 8. Thank you to everyone who donated items for this Garage Sale. Many thanks to all the helping hands that did their part to make this sale possible. Total proceeds to date amounted to \$2067. Food income from hot dog and baked goods amounted to \$390. Proceeds will go towards our Building Fund. There was no Silent Auction this year.

Items of value that were not sold were saved and are to be taken to the UCC Transition House Fundraising Dinner to be held on Oct. 18. The rest of items were donated to Salvation Army, Goodwill Industries, Hale Ola Shelter, and Friends in Waimanalo who care for the homeless.

Thank you everyone for your help, support and participation in this church affair.

June Tom, Garage Sale Chairperson.



SPECIAL PEOPLE - SPECIAL TIMES!



Below is a writing that was part of the membership process of KCC in its start. Those who pledge themselves into the membership of KCC would offer it as their commitment to God and to his church. I pray it will inspire you to renew your commitment as you serve God today. (Offered to Editor for inclusion of Newsletter by charter member).

MY CHURCH AND I

My Church is the place where the word of God is preached, the power of God is felt, the Spirit of God is manifested, the love of God is revealed, and the Unity of God is perceived.

It is the home of my soul, the altar of my devotion, the hearth of my faith, the center of my affections and the foretaste of heaven.

I have united with it in solemn covenant, pledging myself to attend its services, to pray for its members, to give to its support, and to obey its laws.

It claims the first place in my heart, the highest place in my mind, the principal place in my activities, and its unity, peace, and progress concern my life in this world and that which is to come.

I owe it my zeal, my benevolence and my prayers. When I neglect its services, I injure its good name, I lessen its power, I discourage its members, and I chill my own soul.

I have solemnly promised, in the sight of God and men, to advance its interests by my faithful attendance, by reading the Holy Bible, by never neglecting its ordinances, by contributing to its support, by meeting with its fellow members, by watching over their welfare, and by joining with them in prayer and praise and service; and that promise I this day renew, before God my Father, Christ my Redeemer, and the Holy Spirit my Sanctifier.



FOODLAND'S GIVE ALOHA PROGRAM

Big Mahalo for your generous donations to this wonderful program. At last report, there were 35 donations made totaling \$7595 from Family and friends of KCC for 2018. May these funds be used to honor God and further his kingdom.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

October 2018						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			

- 02 – Tues. HolaKeiki Spanish School in session.
- 03 – Wed. Wed. Morning Bible Study, 9 a.m.
- 04 – Thurs. HolaKeiki in session.
Piano Servicing.
- 05 – Fri. BIH class will not be meeting.
- 07 – Sun. Communion Sun.
Guest Pastor, Rev. Alpha Goto
- 08 – Mon. Office closed. Contact Deacons.
- 09 – Tues. HolaKeiki School in session.
- 10 – Wed. Wed. Morning Bible Study, 9 a.m.
- 11 – Thurs. HolaKeiki in session.
- 12 – Fri. BIH Class, 9:00 a.m.
- 14 – Sun. Guest Pastor, Rev. Tom Fujita
Deacons Mtg., Missions Mtg.
- 16 – Tues. HolaKeiki School in session, 8:30 a.m.
- 17 – Wed. Wed. Morning Bible Study, 9 a.m.
- 18 – Thurs. HolaKeiki in session.
- 19 – Fri. BIH Class, 9:00 a.m.
- 21 – Sun. Guest Pastor, Rev. Alpha Goto
Children’s Ministries Mtg. in library following the worship service.
- 23 – Tues. HolaKeiki School in session.
- 24 – Wed. Wed. Morning Bible Study, 9 a.m.
Council Meeting, 7:00 p.m.
- 25 – Thurs. Hola Keiki in session, 8:30 a.m.
- 26 – Fri. BIH Class, 9:00 a.m.
- 28 – Sun. Guest Pastor: Rev. Alpha Goto
- 30 – Tues. HolaKeiki School in session.
- 31 – Wed. Wed. Morning Fellowship Movie – “Risen”, 9:00 a.m.

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

WORSHIP LEADER

Diane Lee Pilla

AUDIO

Barney Pilla

GREETER/ USHERS

Paul Grable, Jennie Lee

VISUAL

Debbie Fong

LIGHTS & SCREEN

Barney Pilla

PIANO/ORGAN

Scott Baehrens

KING’S COMPANY

Leaders sought

Altar Flowers



- 07 - Pam Morikawa
- 14 - Richard & Alice Esaki
- 21 - Michelle & Arcadio Ramos
- 28 - Ruth Masuno

A big Mahalo to our Altar flower providers.



MISSIONS MEETING

Please join us on Sunday, Oct. 14 for our Missions Ministry Committee Meeting. We welcome your participation and insights on our current mission efforts and vision for the future. As we review our budget for 2019 we encourage your sharing and input so we can be effective and honoring to God in our service. We will be meeting in the Pastor’s office.



KCC THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE 2018

November 4 through 18. We encourage you to go through your pantry and share some of those excess supplies that you stocked up for the hurricane season. Join us in our annual Canned Food Drive that will be given to our “Windward Food Bank”, St. Anthony’s Outreach program. Goods will then be disbursed to the needy predominately on the windward side of the island. Mahalo for your kind consideration and generosity.

God has perfect timing; never early, never late. It takes a little patience and a lot of faith. But it's always worth the wait.

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SUNDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2018

Communion
Special Guest Pastor,
Kahu Alpha Goto



SUNDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2018

- ~ Special Guest Pastor, Rev. Tom Fujita
- ~ Deacons Meeting following worship
- ~ Missions Meeting in Office.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 8, 2018

Church office will be closed.
Please contact your Deacon
in case of an emergency.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2018

- ~ Special Guest Pastor, Rev. Alpha Goto
- ~ Children's Ministries Prayer
and Purpose Meeting in the library.

WEDNESDAY MORNING BIBLESTUDY

9:00 a.m. Wed. mornings through month

Last Wed. of Month, Oct. 31, 2018

Movie Fellowship: "RISEN"

In Lieu of Class.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 24, 2018

- ~ Wed. Morning Bible Study, 9:00 a.m.
- ~ Council Meeting, 7:00 p.m.

HOLAKEIKI SPANISH SCHOOL

Now in session on Tues. and Thurs.

Please plan accordingly when
visiting the church and scheduling events.

For the safety of the children, we encourage you
to drive carefully and slowing down while driving
on to the property.



SUNDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2018

- ~ Special Guest Pastor, Rev. Alpha Goto

***Helpers needed to assist with clean-up of
Refreshment Hour after worship each Sunday.
Please contact the office or any of your Council
members to volunteer with this effort.
MAHALO!***