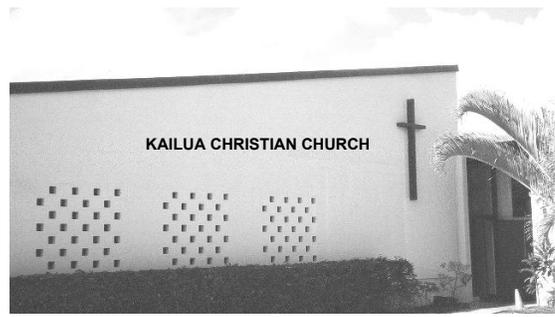


Waves of Faith

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*“For we are God’s handiwork,
created in Christ Jesus to do
good works, which God pre-
pared in advance for us to do.”*
Ephesians 2:10

Dear KCC Ohana,

I can’t believe how quickly time flies! Thanksgiving will be here before we know it and Christmas items have been at Costco for over a month already. As we near the end of 2025 there is much to be done. The council is currently in the midst of preparing for 2026 and needless to say we need your help. How can I help, you ask? The answer is as simple as checking off items on the upcoming Time and Talent checklist. (In the very near future you will receive a stewardship packet which includes the Time and Talent sheet) This checklist invites you to volunteer in a variety of ways. Ask yourself, what talents did God bless me with? Consult with God in prayer and then check the choices that you feel called to assist in. As you go through the packet you will also notice leadership positions that are currently vacant and begging to be filled - Moderator, Christian Education, board members for the Deacons and Trustees. If you’re not sure what these positions entail, they are described in the bylaws. And if you do not have a copy of the bylaws, just contact the church office and ask for one. It’s the go-to document that spells out the operations of KCC.

I strongly encourage everyone to become involved with the runnings of our church. Yes, it involves a lot of work. Yes, it takes time. But working together as members and friends of KCC

to fulfill God’s mission for Kailua Christian Church brings about great joy and fulfillment. As we put our efforts into building up our church, KCC becomes increasingly relevant to fulfill our mission. Which leads to our next question - what is our mission? According to our bylaws the mission of our church is “to proclaim the gospel to all people: ministering to the needs of our Church family; reaching out to the community and the world; exalting the worship of the one true God; and, working for the promotion of justice, the realization of peace and the fellowship of all humanity.” Isn’t this the reason why we joined Kailua Christian Church to begin with? So let us work together with each other to fulfill what our founders had in mind when KCC became a reality in 1959 and was no longer just a hopeful wish. I believe that this is what God wants for our church.

As I facilitate the duties of the moderator I ask for your patience and trust that God will continue to lead us as he always has. I believe that God has great plans for Kailua Christian Church and am looking forward to our next great adventure.

With love,
Debbie Fong



Happy
Thanks Giving



DEACONS CORNER
Stewardship



Kailua Christian Church, along with many other churches, recognizes November as Stewardship Month. Often we think of stewardship simply as providing financial support to the church but stewardship is much more than that. Stewardship in the Bible refers to the responsibility of managing and caring for the resources and gifts that God has entrusted to individuals.

Romans 12:14 says that “each of us has one body with many members and not all members have the same function”. Just as our human bodies have parts that need to work together to allow the body to function, the church is a body with members who are interdependent on each other and need to work harmoniously using their diverse gifts in order to thrive. What are the gifts that you received from God? Leadership? Office skills? Desire to teach? Cook? Serve? Encourage? Art? Music? Clean? Organize?

Recognizing that all that we have is because of God and therefore belongs to God, we are called to manage the time, talents, and resources that we received. So this month when we fill out our pledge cards and our time and talent sheets, let us not be stingy with what God gave us, but let’s be generous because – remember - all that we have are gifts from God. And it’s up to us to manage them and use them wisely to honor Him.

“Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God’s grace in its various forms.” 1 Peter 4:10

In Christ’s Love,
Debbie Fong, Deacon



Sincere Condolences to John S. and family on the passing of his son, Clifford. Clifford died on Fri. Oct. 31st in hospice on the Big Island. Please keep the family in your prayers. Mahalo!
Deepest Sympathy to Nancy A. and family on the loss of Nancy’s daughter Carol S. who passed away on Oct. 19, 2025.

NOVEMBER Birthdays

Diane LP.
Carl N.
Emily P.



& Anniversaries

Winchell & Lily L.
Vernon & Jennifer P.
James & Pua T.



December Birthdays

Myra Y.
Jean M.
Myrtle T.
Paul G.
Sandra S.
Carol S.

Jackie O.
Jennifer Y
Pat O.
Michelle M.



& Anniversaries

Dean & Maureen W.
Matt & Pie Pie W.



PRAYERS & PRAISES

Please keep in your prayers

- ~ Stan and Chris H. for healing
- ~ Kevin L.’s healing of cancer.
- ~ Joe F. palliative cancer care
- ~ Family of Riley Y. ~ Reggie’s healing
- ~ Jennie’s medical condition ~ Grace O.
- ~ Myrtle & Lowell’s health and comfort
- ~ Dean’s co-worker’s muscle damage from years of meds ~ Dean’s health
- ~ Eric M.’s Parkinson’s ~ Dennis F.
- ~ Julia who has cancer ~ Lia & Curtis L.
- ~ Jerry C.’s healing ~ Kathe W.
- ~ Val A. & sister, Claire S.’s healings
- ~ John S. and family healing
- ~ Gary & Susan M. ~ David K.
- ~ Patty and Carrie G.’s healing
- ~ Rev. Howard Y. ~ Sandra S.
- ~ Rev. Nathan K. ~ Jean K.
- ~ Saeko Y. ~ Diane & John M.
- ~ Matt, Pie Pie, & Nora W.



~ Mai's mom w/cancer & father w/ dementia
 ~ Bill C. ~ A. Ooka ohana healing
 ~ Joe w/ brain tumor, cancer & Sue w/ cancer
 ~ Heather, Jake, & family for healing
 ~ Dean's friends, Gary & Greg's recoveries
 ~ Sharon N. ~ Steve H.
 ~ Lisa battling cancer ~ Duane M.
 ~ Winchell & Lily L. ~ Richard T.
 ~ Ruby O.. ~ Sarona D.'s ohana
 ~ Jean M., Alice E., Nani O., Annie S, Nancy
 A., Harry I., Carl N., Sharon M., Dot S., Harri-
 son L., and Hazel M.



TRUSTEES NOTES

Members and Friends of KCC,

KCC Financial Information:

(Balances through 9/30/25)

Income: \$ 133,880.73 (Total Budget
Income)

Expenses: \$ 143,439.23 (Total Operating
Expenses)

Total Cash: \$ 215,167.27 (Total Resources
in the savings and checking accounts)

General Fund: \$ 180,795.55 (Avail. Resources,
excluding special funds and grants)

Based on the above, the Operating Expenses exceed the Budget Income, resulting in a deficit of (\$9,558.50). The General Fund (Available Resources) will be used to cover this shortfall. Our Resources will eventually be depleted unless we generate sufficient income via pledges and offerings to at least cover our major operating expenses. We have been diligently attempting to reduce our operating expenses via our annual budget to a point where if we reduce any further, it will jeopardize the church operations and services it provides.

Stewardship:

November is Stewardship month. This is a time to reflect on our responsibility to God as stewards of our time, talents and resources. Thank you so much for your dedicated service and support

given to KCC through your time, effort and donations in 2025. Your generous contributions have been the cornerstone of achieving and fulfilling our church mission. As we look forward to 2026, we humbly ask for your support again in making financial pledges which will help in planning next year's budget and fulfilling our church mission, vision and the call God has placed on us. Additionally, we ask that you share your time and talent by signing up for various church tasks, activities and events. You will soon receive the annual Stewardship letter which will include the pledge card and time and talent sheet forms. Please review and complete the forms with the understanding that your contribution is the lifeblood that keeps our church moving forward and return the forms to the KCC office by the due date mentioned in the letter. Mahalo!

Foodland's Give Aloha 2025:

We would like to thank all those that participated in the Foodland's Give Aloha 2025 Program. Thanks to your generosity, KCC received \$6,820 in donations. Foodland's matching gift was \$2,525.92. So, the total donations received from this year's Give Aloha program is \$9,345.92. Mahalo!

Church Work Day:

Calling all members and friends of KCC. Volunteers are needed. Come one, come all to the Church Work Day that has been scheduled for **November 8th (Saturday)** from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm. Since cleaning items are in short supply, it would be greatly appreciated if you could provide your own cleaning items, such as cleaning solution (non-toxic), buckets, towels, brushes. See you all on Saturday!

Proverbs 3:9-10 – "Honor the Lord with your wealth, with the firstfruits of all your crops; then your barns will be filled to overflowing, and your vats will brim over with new wine." NIV

God Bless You All!
Board of Trustees



NA ANELA I KA HANA A KE AKUA
(Angels in the Works for God)
Wellness Support Group

LEARNING IS LIFELONG!

Please join us on for Na Anela’s last 2025 event on Saturday, November 15!

Speaker: Rita Madden, MPH, RDN

Topic: Food, Faith and Fasting”

Time/Location: 10-11:30/Sanctuary

“This workshop is geared to those who want to care for their health in a spiritually minded manner. Christians and anyone interested in the wisdom embodied in the ancient Christian tradition as a way to care for modern day health, are welcomed. The workshop addresses ways to care for overall health, and the concepts have been shown to benefit those managing medical conditions such as sustainable weight loss, diabetes, high blood pressure, high cholesterol, gastric reflux, and more.”

Workshop will also be available on Zoom, thanks to Aaron Tanaka. Invite your family and friends! Healthy refreshments to follow the presentation. You are welcome to share your healthy dish with us! Thank you to Pastor Irene for recommending Rita Madden!

Register with Kammy (808)-261-0125; kailuacch@gmail.com or Myra, yamadamyra@hawaii.rr.com.

St. Francis Healthcare System’s program for Wellness classes has dwindled down to one course, Tai Chi. You can register online for Tai Chi (Zoom) by clicking on <https://www.stfrancishawaii.org/classes>. For questions, please contact the Call Center @ (808) 547-6500 (select 0), listen and choose an option.

2025 Free Weekly Classes:

Tai Chi (Zoom) classes are held every Tuesday of each month, from 9 – 10 am.

Sign up for: 11/4, 11/11, 11/18, 11/25, 12/2, 12/9, 12/16, 12/23, 12/30

AARP Hawaii presents “Cooking with Chef Dan Swift” on Tuesdays, Nov 4, 5:30-6:15 and Nov 11, 5:30-6:15 pm. Register online:

Go to: https://events.aarp.org/Dm3xBN?sms=7&cn=UZMYSM3uQTif-rdgHFG_1w (Nov 4 session - Hawaiian Style Oxtail Soup)

Go to:

https://events.aarp.org/nEqBDO?sms=7&cn=UZMYSM3uQTif-rdgHFG_1w (Nov 11 session - Chocolate Haupia Pie)

After you register, you will be sent the recipe. You can follow along at home with the required ingredients. You will also receive the recording of Chef Dan’s cooking session to practice cooking/baking.

Participation in a variety of “wellness” classes will enhance your health journey! Have fun learning!

God Bless you all, Mahalo, Myra

Vision Report from Pastor Noelani Jai

Our Vision Lunches continue to be fruitful and necessary conversations about how to ensure Kailua Christian Church serves Jesus for (at least) another generation. The past 2 months we have looked at intentional baton passing of ministry and leadership, and doing church as an intergenerational team. You may have noticed some small changes made recently to help our services be more kid and family-friendly, such as the Keiki Bulletin, and children's area in the sanctuary (pictured above). The "table talk" times after the message have provided an opportunity for wonderful intergenerational conversations. Our heart is that kupuna will be honored and their 'ike (knowledge) drawn from, while our young people feel trusted with increasing opportunities to participate and even lead ministry at KCC. As your coach, I'm very proud of our KCC 'ohana for engaging in these crucial conversations with so much grace and aloha for one another. Keep it up, KCC! All for Jesus!



Our Fall Schedule of

GUEST PREACHERS
KAILUA CHRISTIAN CHURCH

DEC 2025
REV. CHRIS ENG

OCT 16- NOV 2
REV. DALE VALLEJO-SANDERSON

NOV 23
PASTOR GREIG PORTER

NOV 16&30
CHAPLAIN CANDIDATE JACKSON FEIOCK

NOV 9
PASTOR DANNY HAN



Bio for Pastor Danny Han Sun. Nov. 9th

Pastor Danny Han is an associate pastor at Kaimuki Christian Church, overseeing its various ministries since 2017. As a preacher, he seeks to communicate the truths of the Bible in a relational and expository manner that relates to everyday life, emphasizing the transformative power of Christ’s work in people’s lives. Outside of the pulpit, he is passionate about connecting people in small groups and bringing people together to serve others and one another in the body of Christ. In his free time, he enjoys cooking, learning to cook, sipping coffee with his wife, and tending to his garden.

We are delighted to have Pastor Danny accept our invite for a return visit to worship with us.



Bio for Chaplain Jackson Feiock Nov. 16th & 30th

Jackson Feiock was born and raised in Erie Pennsylvania. He graduated from Mercyhurst University in 2024 and was commissioned into the Army’s Chaplain Candidate Program in May 2024. He currently serves the 322nd Civil Affairs Brigade on the island of Oahu and continues to pursue a Masters in Divinity to gain active-duty status and a full-fledged Chaplaincy in the U.S. Army. He is endorsed by the United Church of Christ.



Bio for Pastor Greig Porter Nov. 23rd

Aloha! My name is Greig Porter, and I’ve been blessed to serve the Lord through teaching and serving in our local churches here on Oahu. I have a passion for helping people see how God’s Word speaks to real life, and for encouraging believers to grow deeper in faith. When I’m not serving in ministry, I work in real estate, which allows me to connect with people and serve families in our community. I also enjoy music, exercising, and spending time with my wife, Yuko, and our 11 and ½ year old Golden Retriever, Elsa.

SPECIAL NOTE: Rev. Chris Eng will be sharing the morning messages in December on the 7th, 21st, 24th, and 28th.



The Altar Flower Sign up Calendar is now posted on the back bulletin board . Please consider signing up to provide flowers for the worship service. Mahalo! Details on sign up sheet.

If you would like to dedicate this floral donation in Memory or in honor of someone, please inform the office with the details. We can post this on our announcements. Mahalo

Special thanks to all who have supported the altar flowers ministry in 2025.

NOVEMBER CALENDAR

- Nov. 1st through 23 Canned Food Drive & Thanksgiving Offering.
- Nov. 08 – KCC Workday 9-1p.m.
- Nov. 09 – Guest Pastor Danny Han
- Nov. 11 – Veteran’s Day Holiday
- Nov. 16 – Guest Chaplain Jackson Feiock
- Nov. 23 – Stewardship Sunday and Guest Pastor Greg Porter
Hanging of the Greens (Decorating the sanctuary for Christmas)
- Nov. 30 – FIRST SUNDAY of Advent
Guest Chaplain Jackson Feiock
Informational Meeting
- Looking ahead: Congregational Mtg 12/7

MISSIONS MINISTRIES

We celebrate Stewardship Season and also Missions month in the Fall. We hope you will join us in celebrating these events with your generous donations for Missions Outreach and Thanksgiving efforts of encouragement to our friends at Bible Institute of Hawaii, Institute of Human Services (IHS) River of Life, UCC Transition Shelter (for victims of domestic violence) and for those of you who remember, our partners in ministry – Ray Uehara with Wycliff Bible Translators, and Ken and Eva Needham with Believer’s Chapel. These faithful servants in ministry, frequently visited to share of their work and generated their own support by partnering with churches. Although we could no longer financially support our friends, we would like to send a warm aloha and mahalo greeting to them this year as Ken & Eva retire from traveling and focus their ministry closer to home in Europe and Ray and Judy continue their ministry of making the Bible more user friendly around the world in new languages, and with more technological advances. All of these ministries have been recipients of KCC financial support and prayers for 15 years or more and continue to be faithful servants of the Lord. Your kind consideration will be a blessing to honor their ongoing ministries.



We welcome your donations of non-perishable foods for our friends in the community who are dealing with some hardships. Please join us as we collect canned goods that will be distributed to our neighbors in need at the end of Nov. Collection at KCC is going on now through Nov. 23. A high plea has been made for protein like corn beef, canned chicken, tuna, and Spam by the distribution center in Kailua at Central Union Windward food pantry. MAHALO for your kokua.



A FUN FELLOWSHIP FOR THE FAMILY

Mahalo to everyone who participated and made this our first of hopefully many community gatherings!





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Thank God: Scriptures to Pray

(1.) "Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise! Give thanks to him; bless his name!" Psalm 100:4 (ESV)

Prayer: *Lord, I bless your holy name. You are matchless and deserve all the glory and honor due your name. I praise you, Lord, with thanksgiving for who you are, my God, and for all your wonderful attributes. In Jesus' name. Amen.*

(2.) "Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, for his steadfast love endures forever." Psalm 136:1 (ESV)

Prayer: *Father, thank you for your goodness to me. You're a good, good Father. Thank you for your love toward me that lasts forever! In Jesus' name. Amen.*

(3.) "Give thanks to the Lord, call upon his name, make known his deeds among the peoples, proclaim that his name is exalted." Isaiah 12:4b (ESV)

Prayer: *Lord, I'm thankful for your wondrous works in my life. Help me exalt your name and share my testimony of salvation and Jesus to everyone who knows me. In Jesus' name. Amen.*



**better
together**

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Worship Service - Sundays at 10:00 a.m.
 Communion on the First Sun. of each month.

King's Company – Jr. Church
 2nd Sun. through last Sun. of each month.
 Children stay in service on Communion Sun.

Official E-Mail for KCC & Office is
kailuacch@gmail.com

If you would like to receive a monthly newsletter via email – please contact the office and give us your current email address. Otherwise you can view it on the website at www.kailuachristian-church.org. Request for a hard copy in the mail can also be arranged by contacting the office.

SPECIAL NOTE;

**Church secretary is available on
 Monday, Thursday, and Fridays
 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
 Ph: 808-261-0125**

**Please call the church office before visiting
 so you will be sure to reach someone who could
 assist you as needed.**

**In case of an emergency, please feel free to
 contact your Deacons or call the church number.**