



# KLC Ohana News



April 2010

KIHEI LUTHERAN CHURCH

PASTOR DAVID J. KRUEGER



## HOLY WEEK / EASTER SCHEDULE

The days of Holy Week and Easter will be observed and celebrated with the following special services and activities:

**Maundy Thursday – April 1<sup>st</sup>, 7:00 p.m.** – KLC will join with Trinity Episcopal Church by the Sea as we recall how Jesus, the night before his crucifixion, gave us a new command to love one another, and instituted the Lord's Supper, with a service that starts at 7:00 p.m., and will include Holy Communion and foot-washing. The service will be held at

Trinity Episcopal Church by the Sea, 100 Kulanihako'i Street in Kihei.

**Good Friday – April 2<sup>nd</sup>, 7:00 p.m.** – Again, we gather with Trinity Church, this night in the KLC sanctuary, to remember our Lord's passion and death. Through scripture readings and the extinguishing of candles we relive the events of Christ's arrest, trial, suffering, and crucifixion. The congregation's choir will sing, along with several soloists.

**Easter Sunday – April 4<sup>th</sup>, 8:00 & 10:30 a.m.** – As the words, "He is risen!" echo through our sanctuary, we celebrate the resurrection of Jesus Christ through our worship. Both services will include Holy Communion, Christian Hula, and our congregation's choir.

**Keiki Resurrection Celebration** – Immediately following our 8:00 a.m. service, a Keiki Resurrection Celebration will take place in the Education Room. Please plan to join us and give your keiki an opportunity to celebrate the resurrection of Jesus Christ.

**Easter Lu'au** – That same day, starting at 12:30 p.m., there will be a congregational lu'au in the courtyard at church. The Fellowship Team will supply beverages and all paper products. You are asked to bring food to share. . Mahalo!

## BIBLE STUDY FOR YOUNG MARRIED COUPLES

Beginning April 10th, there will be a Bible Study geared toward young married couples each Saturday from 4:00-6:00pm that will run for approximately 6 weeks. The discussion will be led by retired Lutheran pastor, Rev. Roy Gesch, and will follow a book he authored entitled, "Made for Each Other". It will be hosted at the home of John and Kristi Bendon, 2381 Waipua Street, in Paia. The goal is to strengthen marriage through God's Word and love, and to provide a forum for fellowship for couples faced with challenges of being newlyweds and, for some, having small children. In order to be able to concentrate on the discussion, couples with children are asked to please coordinate childcare. If you need assistance finding a sitter, please contact Sanni Tharp (268-8524) and she will try to help arrange someone from the church.

## WORSHIP SCHEDULE CHANGE

### PLEASE NOTE:

Starting April 11<sup>th</sup>, we will return to our schedule of only one worship service on Sundays, **beginning at 9:00 a.m.** Christian Education, as well as choir rehearsal, will start at 10:15 a.m. This schedule will continue through the end of December.





Dave Krueger



## ALOHA FROM PASTOR DAVE



Even as we prepare to celebrate the resurrection of Christ on Easter Sunday with shouts of "He is risen!", and what that means to us in terms of the new life we are given, so we continue to see "new life" in things that are happening around KLC.

Shortly after Easter, a new ministry at KLC will start to take shape. Sharon McElroy has agreed to form an after-school program at the church for youth from the church's immediate neighborhood. Frequently we will see numerous kids playing on the lawn or the playground equipment in the afternoons. For the past couple of years we have said that this is a ministry calling out to us. Sharon has recently offered to start with a couple of hours, one afternoon a week, and see what happens. Because she knows many of the kids that hang out here through her teaching music at Kihei Elementary School, she has a head start on building relationships with them. There have also been a handful of other KLC members who have offered to get involved and assist Sharon. Please be praying for this ministry as we attempt, through the guidance of the Holy Spirit, to give it life.

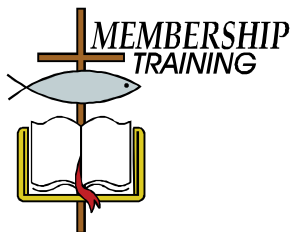
New life has also come to the congregation's website. If you haven't discovered it yet, [www.kiheilutheran.org](http://www.kiheilutheran.org) has a whole new appearance. A monstrous mahalo goes to Karen Carlson, who put in many, many hours working with a professional website builder to produce the new site. Perhaps the biggest addition is the posting of Sunday's sermons as audio files on the site that you can listen to them. This is something that had been requested by a number of the congregation's winter visitors. It will also continue to have an up-to-date calendar of what's going on around the congregation. If you ever need to know the date and time of a meeting or event, just check the KLC website. We want to thank Duane and Judy Houchens for their financial gift that made the building of the new website possible. If you have any ideas for things to be added to the site, or you see anything that needs to be changed/ corrected, please let us know in the church office.

Finally, there is a renewed sense of life in our photovoltaic system at the church. Over the past weeks, preparations for additional solar panels have taken place. All we're waiting for now is the arrival of the panels, which should happen any day. Once those new panels are in place, the system should be capable of producing enough electricity to take care of close to 100% of our use in any given month. What that means is that we'll be producing all of our own electricity from the power of the sun, which is good for the environment, as well as the congregation's budget. Once more we are indebted to Ray & June Benson for the gift that made this expansion of the PV system possible.

In this season of Easter, where we focus on the new life that Christ gives us each day through his death and resurrection, we thank God for all of the additional ways we see new life in and around the congregation. It truly is a blessing that we can know new life in God's forgiveness and promise of grace in our daily lives. It's also a blessing to continue to see all the new things that God is doing through his people in this place. May you live in newness of life through Christ Jesus in these very special days!

Ke Akua me ke Aloha,

*Dave*



### MEMBERSHIP CLASS

On Sunday, April 11<sup>th</sup>, 2:00-6:00 p.m., Pastor Dave will lead an adult membership class for those interested in the possibil-

ity of becoming members of Kihei Lutheran Church. The class will meet at the church, and will be a dialogue-style overview of the Christian faith from a Lutheran standpoint. There will then be a special lunch on the following Sunday, April 18<sup>th</sup>, starting at 11:30 a.m., for those who wish to join the congregation, where they will meet their sponsors. Reception of new members will take place during the worship service on Sunday, April 25<sup>th</sup>. If you would be interested in attending this class, please speak with Pastor Dave (879-7979).

### VERSE ONE IN HAWAIIAN

Once again the Worship Team has planned for the congregation to sing one verse of a hymn in Hawaiian on a Sunday morning in April. This month it will happen on Easter Sunday, April 4<sup>th</sup>. The hymn that will be used is "Jesus Christ is Risen Today!" The first verse will be sung in English, followed by the singing of it in Hawaiian. The remainder of the verses will then be sung in English. In this way we continue to grow in our appreciation of the Hawaiian language and culture. If you have any questions, please speak with the Worship Team Chair, Marilyn Fornwall (242-9282).





## COUNCIL ELECTIONS

Elections for the 2010-2011 church council will take place on Sunday, April 18<sup>th</sup>. On that morning a ballot will be available for each confirmed member of KLC to complete either before or after the service. A box for the collection of ballots will be available as well. The term of office for the new council will begin July 1<sup>st</sup>. Mahalo to the Nominating Team of Cheri Beyersdorf, Sue Moorcroft, Vicki Nelson, and Bert Schifferling, for their work in putting together a slate of nominees. Watch for the names of nominees to be listed in Sunday bulletins in the weeks ahead.

### “Women’s Hui”

Next gathering at  
“Fat Daddy’s”  
(across from  
Foodland, Kihei)

Tuesday,  
April 27,  
6:00 p.m.  
All are  
Welcome!



### Men’s Hui”

Men will meet on  
Tuesday,  
April 27,  
6:00 p.m.  
at church

## FIRST COMMUNION

On Palm Sunday, March 28<sup>th</sup>, four youth received their first communion at KLC. Three of them are KLC members, and met with Pastor Dave for first communion instruction. They are: Andrew Lawson, Owen Pendergast, and John Vorhes. In addition, Anders Birznieks, the grandson of KLC Associate members, Duane & Judy Houchens, also received his first communion, while visiting on Maui. Anders had gone through first communion instruction at his home congregation in Colorado. We celebrate with these boys as they take another important step in their Christian faith. May God’s richest blessings surround them as they continue to grow in the relationship that God started with them in their baptism.



## MAKING PALM CROSSES

w/ Trinity By The Sea  
March 27, 2010





## MARCH ANGELS



A huge mahalo goes to Steve Bostian from North Carolina who spent time while on vacation doing a lot of electrical work around the church. A retired electrician, Steve offers his services every year when he is on Maui. This year he lowered the ceiling fans, installed new fan controls, and fixed the lighting in the sanctuary, as well as replaced two of the exterior motion-sensor flood lights, replaced an exterior electrical outlet on the backside of the church sign, and replaced the fan switch and light controls in the secretary's office. You truly are an angel to KLC, Steve. Mahalo nui for all of your time given!

We would also like to recognize Harvey Strauser, who recently started attending KLC with his wife, Michelle, and daughter, Emily. Harvey is a professional sound technician, who has offered his skills to help get the sanctuary sound and video systems in perfect running order. For the work you've done, and will be doing, we declare Harvey a KLC angel.

During the month, KLC friend from Alaska, Betty Friest, took the time to go through the refrigerator in the kitchen area and give it a good cleaning – something that was truly needed. Insignificant as it may seem, what Betty did was a wonderful gift to KLC. You, too, are a special angel to the congregation for your time and efforts, Betty.

In preparation for the celebration of Easter, a property workday took place on March 20<sup>th</sup>. Mahalo nui to: Gail Caires, Duane Chaney, Syd Dahlin, Evelyn Kaya, Pastor Dave, Doak & Sharon Schoenemann, Gary & Fran Shelley, Zel Terluin, John Thornton, and Carolyn Young for their work around the church grounds and in getting the sanctuary ready for having the floors cleaned and waxed. In addition, a huge mahalo nui goes to the group of members from Kihei United Methodist Mission who also came and spent the morning cleaning the church grounds. In all, it was a very productive day with many angels offering their kokua to make things happen.

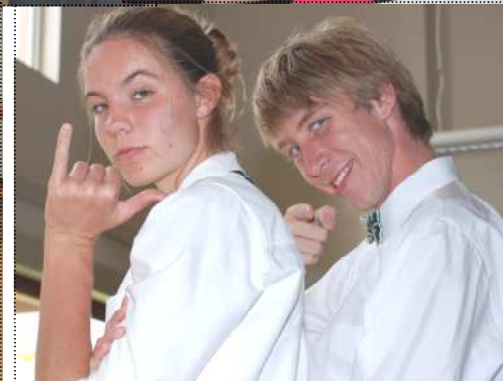
Finally, we say mahalo nui to Keli Nelson & Doak Schoenemann from KLC, and Pole Kepu & Naati Tauili from the Methodist congregation for their landscaping clean-up work at the parsonage. The bougainvilleas were cut back, three coconut palms were trimmed, and a "devil palm" tree was cut down. This was a huge project to undertake, and was done inside of a Friday morning. All four of you are definite angels for all of your hard work!





## YOUTH GROUP NEWS

This month the Youth Group went on a fun hike on the Pali trail where they had a fantastic time. Then the kids had to get to work on the Silent Auction/Dinner. Their hard work paid off as the night was a huge success. The money raised will go toward our summer service trip to Oahu (details TBA). As usual, Tiffany Kidder did a fantastic job on the meal (without an oven!), and Jeff Baker made our mouths water with his cheesecake. A big mahalo to Tiffany and Jeff, as well as to all of you who helped with the dinner, attended, and purchased the wonderful auction items. We will keep you posted on our trip!





## PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

The next blessing of our Prayer Shawls will be on Sunday June 13th. We have had a great month of fellowship and prayer time at our Thursday morning knitting time. About 15 ladies gather each week and we have been blessed with many of our mainland ohana who are on island at this time. Also this month, a group of the ladies went to have lunch with Betty Thayer at Hale Makua. Betty was excited to see everyone and had her prayer shawl with her. Please know that you are welcome to have a Prayer Shawl for any occasion. Just stop by the office Monday - Friday in the morning to pick one up, or on Sunday morning. Mahalo to Heather Baliane who has ordered all the yarn these past months—she has picked such a great selection and such beautiful yarn. The yarn has been purchased with funds from Ann Cassidy's Memorial Fund. Mahalo to Sharon Schoenemann who has worked to type out the list of shawls given over the last 3 years (which is now over 525 shawls) and has put them in a folder. Mahalo to Susan Embree for her lovely new design for the prayer cards that go out with the Prayer Shawls. We ask that you keep this ministry in your prayers as many are touched by God's love through the gift of a shawl. Blessed Easter! He is Risen! HE IS RISEN INDEED!!

—Kathy and Susan



Next meeting will be on  
Tuesday, April 20th,  
7:00 p.m.

## SUNDAY SCHOOL UPDATE

Eggstra Special Easter:

The keiki/youth Sunday School kids have been very busy the last few weeks working on their Outreach Projects for Keolahou Food Pantry. The Sunday School/Spiritual Growth and Community Outreach Teams have collaborated together to donate 70 filled Easter Baskets, and 70 brightly colored reusable grocery bags (decorated with Easter message stick—ons) along with the many donated food items that were delivered to the food pantry for distribution before Easter. Also, the Wednesday Youth Group took time to help tie on a beautiful hand made card with a bible verse and an invitation to both churches Easter Services.

Mahalo to everyone who contributed their time or donation of food items to help make Easter extra special for those in need.





## APRIL WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

### ASSISTING MINISTERS

April 4 8:00—Andrea Harris  
 10:30—Peggy Alexander  
 April 11 9:00—Steve Brauner  
 April 18 9:00—Zel Terluin  
 April 25 9:00—Judy Houchins

### COMMUNION

April 4 8:00—Nelson Ohana  
 10:30—Steve B., Wendi G., Duane & Judy Houchens  
 April 11 9:00—Irene M., Donna S., Pendergast Ohana  
 April 18 9:00—Brad & Diana H., Steve & Billie M., Sharon S.  
 April 25 9:00—Romerdahl Ohana

### GREETERS

April 4 8:00—Bert & Bev Schifferling  
 10:30—Holy Pendergast & Carolyn Rixey-Wagner  
 April 11 9:00—Irene Malory & Donna Smith  
 April 18 9:00—Gail Caires & Nancy Meyer  
 April 25 9:00— Tony & Carol Wakefield

### FLOWERS

April 4 8:00—Easter Cross cuttings  
 10:30—Easter Cross cuttings  
 April 11 9:00—  
 April 18 9:00—Bev Schifferling  
 April 25 9:00—

### KEIKI CARE

April 4 8:00—Glenda Brooks  
 10:30—Eryn & Bailey Pendergast, Taylor Rudow  
 April 11 9:00—Ede Stratton  
 April 18 9:00—Daryl Watson  
 April 25 9:00— Becca Dipersia

### MEDIA

April 4 8:00—Sharyl & Danny Boren  
 10:30—Bert Schifferling  
 April 11 9:00—Joel Rudow  
 April 18 9:00—Roxi Nelson  
 April 25 9:00— Nels Romerdahl

### READERS

April 4 8:00—Steve Brauner  
 10:30—Holly Pendergast  
 April 11 9:00—Andrea Harris  
 April 18 9:00—Glenda Brooks  
 April 25 9:00— Daryl Watson

### REFRESHMENTS

April 4 8:00— Vicki  
 10:30—Lu'au  
 April 11 9:00—Walt & Joan Grotz  
 April 18 9:00—  
 April 25 9:00—Fred & Cathy Trott

### USHERS

April 4 8:00—Sue Moorcroft & Duane Chaney  
 10:30—Duane Chaney & Zel Terluin  
 April 11 9:00—Steve & Billie Moksnes  
 April 18 9:00—Sue Moorcroft & Duane Chaney  
 April 25 9:00—Bert Schifferling & Doak Schoenemann

### **HAU'OLI LA HANOU!**

<b>Fred Trott</b>	<b>4/1</b>
<b>Joshua Gonzalez</b>	<b>4/2</b>
<b>Harvey Rothschild</b>	<b>4/3</b>
<b>Dawn Misner</b>	<b>4/5</b>
<b>Thomas Turnbull</b>	<b>4/10</b>
<b>Patty Shopsky</b>	<b>4/11</b>
<b>Elizebet Jorgenson</b>	<b>4/14</b>
<b>Jami Mohr-Casey</b>	<b>4/15</b>
<b>Donna Smith</b>	<b>4/22</b>
<b>Vicki Nelson</b>	<b>4/25</b>
<b>Steve Webb</b>	<b>4/25</b>
<b>Darin Harrison</b>	<b>4/27</b>



### **HAU'OLI LA HO'OMANA'O**

Larry & Denise Ankrum 4/2



Last month we narrowly missed a Tsunami disaster. However, the drill that resulted was real, and all coastal areas in Hawaii were evacuated. All disaster organizations and volunteers were placed on alert, including CERT-trained volunteers. This crisis alerted KLC to the need to develop a disaster policy. It also provides the

opportunity to encourage your participation in CERT (Community Emergency Response Team) Training. This training is offered by Civil Defense and the Maui Fire Dept. five times a year at different locations around the County. This is a two-week, thirty-two hour course for volunteers who would act as First Responders in their neighborhood communities. It by no means replaces official responders such as the Police or Fire Departments. The next training session will be in Kihei, at the Community Center, starting on May 11, and ending on May 25. You must enroll with Bob Collum at Civil Defense at 270-7285. There is no charge for this training and all supplies are provided by Civil Defense. For more information, please contact Zel Terluin or Sanni Tharp. We will have an information display at KLC on April 18, and 25, about disaster preparation. Hurricane Season starts on June 1. Be safe and be prepared.





### Applying Bible Principles

" . . . ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you" (Luke 11:9). God has a wonderful "system" by which we as His children are to get our needs met. It's a very simple "system," but somehow, we fail to utilize it as we should. Here's the plan: God says we are to ask Him. Is that simple or what? We are to call unto Him, to cry out our needs before Him, to bring our petitions before His throne. But somehow, we must think His plan is too complex, for with most of us, asking God is the last thing we do when we have needs.

Oh, we'll tell our friends. We'll discuss our needs with any and all who have the patience and courtesy to listen. We'll frequently complain about our problems, even to the extent of sometimes holding God responsible for His seeming failure to provide for us. But ask God? Usually we'll do that only as a last resort.

The result is a sad state of affairs among Christians. "You want something but don't get it. . . . You do not have, because you do not ask God. When you ask, you do not receive, because you ask with wrong motives, that you may spend what you get on your pleasures" (James 4:2-3). So our needs go unmet because either we do not ask or we ask with wrong motives.

J. Irvin Overholtzer was a pastor who was greatly used by God as the founder of Child Evangelism Fellowship. His philosophy of providing for the financial needs of this world-wide organization was this: "Ask God . . . and tell His people." Yes, we need to share our needs with others. We ought to make others aware of opportunities for them to get involved in being used of God to meet those needs. But the first step in the entire process is this: "Ask God."

And when we do, we can claim His promise stated so clearly in Jeremiah 33:3 < "Call to me and I will answer you and tell you great and unsearchable things you do not know."

Say, do you have needs in your life today? Why not "ask God"? Why not come boldly to His throne? Why not take Him at His Word and "call" to Him? That's God's plan for His children: " . . . ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you" (Luke 11:9). Or as Eliza Hickock wrote a century ago, "I know not by what methods rare, but this I know: God answers prayer!"

## IMPORTANT STATISTICS

January	2009	2010
Average Sunday Worship Attendance -	310	285
Offerings For The Month (members & visitors)	\$ 24,293.00	Not available
Offerings – Year to Date (members & visitors)	\$ 47,364.00	Not available