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KIHEI LUTHERAN CHURCH

PASTOR DAVID J. KRUEGER

KiheiLutheran.org

In the coming weeks you will want to regularly visit our website at www.kiheilutheran.org. Coming very soon, we will have a new format, design and lots of new and timely information. We will continue to update the website with recent photos and upcoming events. As we are working on getting the new website online and up to date, please feel free to email us any feedback you have on the new design.



In addition to the new website, our desire is to begin sending out E-News through email so that you do not need to wait for a monthly newsletter to know what is going on in the life of the church.

The E-News will have information on upcoming events, worship volunteers, birthdays, anniversaries and a link to our online calendar. We will have several hard copies printed and available at Sunday services for those who prefer to get their "news" in this format. Watch for this exciting E-News email beginning sometime this Spring.

Healthy Congregations

HEALTHY CONGREGATIONS WORKSHOP

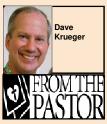
On Saturday & Sunday, January 25-26, you are invited to participate in a "Healthy Congregations" workshop here at KLC, which will be led by Pastor Paul Kirchner, from Lihue Lutheran Church, Kaua'i. The workshop will begin at 9:00 a.m. on Saturday, running until 12:00 noon. On Sunday it will continue from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m.

Why should you attend? As KLC continues to grow and change in many ways, that growth and change can have an impact on how we live, serve, and communicate with each other. Rather than going through that growth in a way that breaks down the relationships we share and ministry we carry out, we want to make sure that we use the healthiest ways possible to talk and work with each other in the midst of differing viewpoints and opinions about how we can best be the church in this place. This workshop will give us the tools and insight needed to be the healthiest congregation we can be.





ALOHA FROM PASTOR DAVE



Each year the World Council of Churches invites congregations around the world to observe a "Week of Prayer for Christian Unity", sometime between the dates of January 18 -25. The purpose of this week is to have Christians from many different denominations recognize the great diversity there is within the Christian faith, even as we all worship the same Triune God. It's an opportunity to learn that our Christian neighbors aren't as different as we sometimes think they are. It's a chance to grow stronger in our grasp of what it means to be part of the Christian Church.

For the past few years the Kihei clergy that meet on a monthly basis have talked about holding such a worship service during this "Week of Prayer for Christian Unity". Such a service has been held among the Christian churches on O'ahu. But to my knowledge, there has never been such a service on Maui. This month, that will change.

On Wednesday, January 22, 7:00 p.m., at St. Theresa Catholic Church, a special worship service will be held as we celebrate the unity we share in Christ Jesus. Plans are in the making to have the choirs from KLC and St. Theresa, along with anyone from Trinity Episcopal Church by—the—Sea who wants to participate, join together to provide a musical anthem for the service. In the same way, conversations are taking place between the choir from the Kihei Tongan United Methodist Mission and the Tongan choir from St. Theresa, to offer a song together. Following the service there will be a reception.

This matter of sharing worship together actually started a handful of years ago when our four Kihei congregations began to do mid-week Lenten services together. The over whelming response from everyone who attended was, "Why haven't we been doing this for years?" It was obvious that most of the people who participated thoroughly enjoyed worshiping with friends and neighbors from the other churches. To have a shared worship service during the "Week of Prayer for Christian Unity" seems like the next natural progression in the process of building relationships and friendships between our congregations.

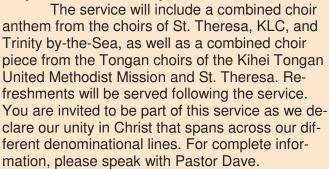
I know that the temptation will be to not attend this service. It's on a Wednesday night. It's at a church other than KLC. But I truly ask that you make the time to join this very special service. It will be one way to grow in our personal understanding of what it means to be a Christian. It will also show our community that the churches in Kihei have a strong and growing connection between them. God be with and bless you as we head into 2014!

Ke Akua me ke Aloha,



CHRISTIAN UNITY

On Wednesday, January 22, 7:00 p.m., at St. Theresa Catholic Church, a special joint worship service will take place as part of the World Council of Church's "Week of Prayer for Christian Unity".





Mahalo nui for the staff gift, as well as the individual gifts, you blessed us with this Christmas. Your kindness always touches our hearts so very deeply. It continues to be an honor and blessing to serve our Lord together with you. Your expression of gratitude for the ministry we carry out with you is greatly appreciated. We look forward to 2014 with all that God has planned for KLC, including the expanded facilities. May God be with and bless you all as together we serve our God and the Maui community!

Pastor Dave & Kathy









ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

Sunday, February 16th, has been choANNUAL sen for the KLC Annual Congregational Meeting, which will take place in-between services, around 9:15 a.m. On that day the different ministry teams of KLC will present their reports, along with the elections of voting members to the 2014 Pacifica Synod Assembly, and the 2014 Nominating Team. Please mark that date on your calendar and plan to attend this important meeting. Watch for further information throughout the month of January.

2014 CONTRIBUTION ENVELOPES

Many of our Members and Associate Members have already picked up their 2014 contribution envelopes. If you have not picked yours up yet, please do so when you go to your next worship service. If you live out of town and would like us to mail the envelopes to you, please email Val Eurton, KLC Office Manager, at KLC@KiheiLutheran.org. If you normally contribute through Vanco or other bill payment system and don't need envelopes, please also email Val. This will reduce the cost of producing the envelopes next year.

Submitted by Tom Rietz, Financial Secretary



DECEMBER ANGELS

Mahalo nui to Jeff & Charlotte Wright for providing the spectacular protea wreaths each week during the season of Advent. The KLC Advent wreath was so very incredible. This is such a gift of love to the congregation, which we are deeply thankful for.

A big mahalo also goes out to Vicki Nelson for making the changes on the KLC sign to reflect the different worship times for our Christmas Eve services. In addition, mahalos go to Keli Nelson and Zel Terluin for purchasing new lights for the Norfolk Pine at the corner of the church property, and then stringing the lights on the tree. The result was beautiful to see from the Pi'ilani Highway at night.

It's also important that we recognize and give thanks to the youth of KLC and Dawn, our Director of Youth & Family Ministry, for the work they put into the 4:00 p.m. worship service for Christmas Eve. They spent a couple of afternoons making all of the props for the "Paper Bag Pageant", which involved the keiki who attended that service.

Back pack Buddies

Backpack Buddies at Kihei Elementary School is a significant program of Kihei Lutheran Church outreach Committee.

It is specifically designed to provide nutritional support for children at Kihei elementary school who have been identified by the teachers as at-risk students. Many come from large families. Starting with 25 students in September our program has grown to serve 64 students in December.

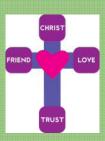
Once or twice a month a team of KLC volunteers meet at the Maui food bank. There we fill back pack bags with 2 breakfasts, 2 lunches, and 2 single serving dinners plus a nutritional snack. These bags are distributed to the children every Friday for the week end. With donations of food and money from the congregation, and the support of the Maui food bank we are able to sustain this program, and encourage its growth.

The THIRD Sunday of the month is designated as BACK PACK Buddy Sunday. We ask the congregation to bring single serving ,child friendly,nutritional food and snacks and place them on the alter. Appropriate for this food drive include single serving cereal, and oatmeal packets, Individual apple sauce and fruit cups,chef Boyardee single serve meals,tuna ,and granola bars. A Flyer is attached to this article

If you have any questions, or would like to volunteer to help, please contact Kathleen Reiser at krrei at earthlink.net.

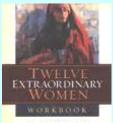
We thank you in advance for you ongoing generous donations and support to aid us in serving the little ones. There are many smiles on their faces as they leave school on Friday

Submitted by Kathleen Reiser









Adult Bible Study in January will begin Kerygma

This is the study of the whole Bible and how it all "hangs together" with one message in 10 themes and 66 books written and translated over a 5000 + year time span. This is an intense program that usually takes 45 weeks to complete. We will do it in 12 weeks. Yes, you read that correctly....cut nearly 3/4 of the time... but not the content.

TOTAL MACABITATION

For those of you who may have completed a Kerygma class in Canada, Australia or New Zealand in the 70's or 80's this will be a refresher course.

Those new to Kerygma will enjoy a complete overview of the Bible. You will be encouraged to learn verses and the names of the 66 books. You will be motivated to learn the stories and their relevance to God's Plan as well as vocabulary words whose meaning currently fly over your head with question marks attached. "Bible Literacy" is the goal of this study.

Keryx in the Greek New Testament means "herald; one who proclaims news. Kerygma pertains to the message that is proclaimed. See Romans 16:25 & 26.

To our beloved "snow birds" please join us whenever you can. This is a course that can be started and finished at home via email. We love to have your insight and experience at our classes. Please contact Jan Porter through the KLC office for the first chapter to be sent via email.

To kick off this class we will have a special presentation by Pat Bergemeister who will perform a one woman show of the life of Katerina Von Bora aka Katie Luther, Martin Luther's wife. Date to be announced.

CHRISTMAS GIFTS FOR KEIKI

Mahalo nui to everyone who so generously donated Christmas gifts for the children
served at the Keolahao Food Pantry. Together
we were able to provide gifts for 125 children! Thank you for making Christmas a little bit
brighter for these children. May the Lord bless
you, and may his light continue to shine through
you. Submitted by Renee Romerdahl

for the Community Assistance & Outreach Team

SOUPER BOWL OF CARING

The Souper Bowl of Caring is a nationwide effort to mobilize youth to care for people in their local communities who are hungry and those in need. Join us in transforming the time around the Super Bowl into the nation's largest celebration of giving and serving.

Bring in your canned food plus dollars on the first Sunday of February, **February 2.** All proceeds will go directly to Keolahou Food Pantry.o

COMMUNITY ASSISTANCE AND OUTREACH

It's our new name for the church committee dedicated to going and growing the outreach ministry of Kihei Lutheran Church. The six members who currently serve agreed at the December meeting to launch four new initiatives in 2014. They include forming new fellowship groups, creating new social experiences, having at least two "each one, bring one" Sundays, and developing a new church brochure to share with visitors and for use by any of you who wish to have a tool to give out introducing KLC. We welcome any new members to the committee who hare our desire to spread the Good News of Jesus Christ with others, especially in our community. Currently, we are overseeing community assistance and outreach to the Keolahou Food Pantry, the Backpack Buddies program for Kihei Elementary school, the Kihei Youth Center, and the Drug Court. We also support Health Ministry and Hospitality activities. These activities are supported by the General Fund of our church and by other generous donations. To learn more or to consider joining us, contact Dave Reader, Chairman at 874-1481

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IMPORTANT STATISTICS

November	2012	2013	
Average Sunday Worship Attend- ance -	694	719	
Offerings For The Month (members & visitors) \$ 21.871.9			
Offerings – Year to Date (members & visitors)	\$253,729.67	\$	

From The Prayer Shawl Hui

Aloha and wishing you a Happy, Healthy and Blessed New Year. Our Prayer Shawl Ministry continues to be strong in its passion to cover dear ones with a gift of a shawl for any occasion. Our next blessing of the Prayer Shawls will be Sunday February 9th. At this blessing we will be celebrating our Seventh Year of this ministry and have given out as of December 20, 2013 -

2,110 prayer shawls. That amounts to 25 Prayer Shawls given per month for 7 years!! We give Glory and Praise to God for this ministry and for all the HANDS that make these shawls week after week with love care and prayer!!!!

If you would like to donate money for yarn please make a check our to KLC and in the MEMO LINE PLEASE MARK - PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY as this is a designated fund and we are NOT part of the general fund.

Mahalo ahead of time for your generosity. Also we ask for your prayers as we carry on this ministry!! All are welcome to join us any Thursday morning at 9AM at the church. God bless you and yours.



REHEARSALS

Thursday - Hula at 5:30 PM Leader: Sally Handley

Sunday - Choir at 10:15 AM

Leader: Kathy Krueger

Monday - 5:30 PM - Chimes

Leader: Beth Wills

The Jutheran Magazine

The Lutheran Magazine, which normally sells for \$19.95, is available to our members at the reduced Cost of \$8.95, up from the \$8.00 we paid last year. We have heard from many members that they no longer want to receive the magazine, and have made the decision to discontinue free distribution to members who previously got this magazine.

If you are still interested in receiving this magazine we need at least 20 members to subscribe to get the reduced rate. Please email Val Eurton ASAP at *klc@kiheiluthan.org* if you would like to pay for and receive this magazine at the reduced rate. If we get 20 subscribers the cost will be \$8.95 as indicated above.



Aloha KLC Ohana.

I would like to invite you to consider joining the adult choir starting January 5th. We are always looking for more people to come and praise our Lord through music. We have a great group in our choir and invite you to come and give it a try. Hope to see some new faces in the New Year!!

As we begin this New Year I thank God for the dedicated singers who come and witness God's love through song. Choir rehearsals are every Sunday at 9:20AM and from January through Easter we sing twice a month, once at early service and once at late service. We are so blessed by our Music Ministry at KLC!!!

In His Love....Kathy

























Keiki

VBS Planning Meeting

Wednesday, Janaury 22nd 5pm Join us in the Education Room as we make plans for July 14-18th VBS outreach.

Keiki Time Volunteers Needed

Do you love kids? Do you want to know the kids at KLC better? Do you have 30 minutes of your time to give twice a year? If you said yes to any of these questions, sign up to be a Keiki Time volunteer. We will be holding training sessions in February for both new and returning volunteers. Contact Dawn for more information or to volunteer at 808.250.3557

During Worship Services

worship bags are located on the back table to assist kids in worshiping God during the service. Inside, your child will find a Keiki Worship Guide, the words to the Lord's Prayer, some crayons, books, pipe cleaners, and other items.

name tags for kids are available at the back table next to the Worship Bags. Please take a moment each Sunday to put a name tag on your child so that our wonderful ohana can learn each child by name!

the keiki message Right before the scripture readings, children under 12 (or older if desired!) are invited to come forward for a children's message.

keiki time immediately follows the Keiki Message. Children age 8 and under are invited to the education room where they have circle time and a short Bible story/lesson. Children return to parents in time to participate in Communion.

Sunday School 9:15 - 10:15am

K-5th grades: meet in Education Room, lead teacher for January: Youth 6th-9th grades: Youth teach K-5th Sunday School during January 10th-12th grades: meet Pastor Dave's Office, teacher: Barbara Rudow Adults: meet in the Front Office, facilitator: Jan Porter







Youth Happenings

Western States

June 25th-July 1st, we will spend the week at California Lutheran University for ELCA's Western States Youth Gathering. We will join hundreds of other ELCA youth for worship gatherings, small group experiences, an immersion experience in Los Angeles, and day at Magic Mountain. We will need a \$100 deposit by January 15th to reserve your spot. The trip is open to all active youth group members & active friends, grades 8th –12th.

Ziplining

Saturday, January 18th, 6:30am - 11:30am or Saturday, February 1st, noon - 5pm

Two opportunities are available for ziplining the Haleakala course with Skyline Eco Adventures. Free passes are available for all who planted trees for Skyline's Arbor Day in November. For others who would like to come, the cost is \$65 per person. Sign up today by calling Dawn at 808.250.3557

Bake Sale & Breakfast Fundraisers

Sunday, January 19th & Sunday, January 26th

Bring your individually wrapped baked goods. Arrive at 8:45am with your aprons ready to cook breakfast for the congregation! All donated monies will go toward our Western States trip. So start baking!







Youth Happenings

Valentines' Dinner & Silent Auction

Saturday, February 15th, 4:00pm

Come ready to serve! The youth (8th –12th grades) will set up, serve, and clean up at the Valentine themed silent auction and dinner youth fundraiser. This will be a really fun event! Anyone who is planning to attend Western States this summer should plan to volunteer. Also, please collect your items to be auctioned off at the dinner. If you need a letter to give local businesses, please let Dawn know.

Starbucks + VBS Planning Meeting

Wednesday, January 22nd, 4:15pm

Be part of the planning process for this summer's VBS (July 14-18). Join other VBS volunteers as we make plans for this fun event for young children in our community. Before the meeting, we'll take a quick trip to Starbuck's for a coffee. After the meeting, we will drive over to the Christian Unity worship service at St. Theresa's where we will sit together as a youth group. If you cannot attend the church service, have your parents pick you up at 6:30pm from KLC.

Questions?

If you have questions about these or other youth happenings, please contact Dawn at dawn@kiheilutheran.org or 808.250.3557.









Under 40ish

July Mission Trip to Fiji

Short Term Mission Team Now Forming!

We will travel to Suva, Fiji where we will serve at Homes of Hope, a residential campus for single mothers who are the most vulnerable to forced sex, sexual exploitation, trafficking, abuse, and violence. We will partner with them in their passion to create a culture of freedom for women and children and to stop the cycles of forced sex. This will be a 8-10 day trip at the end of July.

Weekday Women's Group

Single, Married, Kids, No-Kids... Maybe you're a stay at home mom, work part-time, or are a working woman without the Monday-Friday daytime workday schedule. This group is just for you! If you have two hours each week on a weekday morning to get together with other women for Christian conversation & coffee, please contact Dawn at 808.250.3557 or dawn@kiheilutheran.org.

Dinners & Discussion

We take turns bringing dinner & hosting at our houses. In addition to food and fellowship, we use the Wired Word curriculum where we discuss current events through the lens of our faith.

We currently have two different groups which meet one to two times a month on a weeknight from 5-7pm. Babysitting is provided.

For information on these or other under 40ish happenings, please contact Dawn Fleishman at dawn@kiheilutheran.org or 808.250.3557.









College Care Packages

Thank you so much for your kind words and worm progres. Hearing from home was just what I needed heading in to finals week. It means so much to me hearing from you all and I am constantly greateful knowing I have you as family back home supporting me in my journey through college.

I miss you all so much, and I coult want wont to the home to see you all again! Until then, thank you again for the lovely care package and may Goods blessings be with all of you.

-love, Pendegast

Bailey Pendegast

Mahalo to all who donated notes, cards of encouragement, gift cards, and small gifts to the care packages mailed to KLC's college students. The college kids were very appreciative of your thoughtfulness.

If you missed contributing and would like to do so, we will have another small care package go out to students at the end of March.

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Thank you so much for the care Ackage!

The Package was just what I

needed to get through my first

finals week in college. I am

so blessed to be part of this

wonderful Church!

Thank you!

Love, Ergn Pendergast

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February, Save the Dates!

Valentines' Silent Auction & Dinner 5:30pm Saturday, February 15th

Support our youth and help them raise money to attend the ELCA Western States Youth Gathering in California this summer. Join us for this fun night of Valentine's dinner and silent auction. Limited to 100 people so reserve your seat now by contacting Dawn Fleishman at 808.250.3557 or dawn@kiheilutheran.org.

Whale Watching Adventure 2pm Sunday, February 23rd

Come on a whale watching boat adventure with 100 of your closest friends from KLC. The Pacific Whale Foundation's team of Marine Naturalists will lead this exciting adventure and will explain and interpret the social behavior of humpback whales. \$25 per adult and \$10 per child. Reserve your seat now by contacting Dawn Fleishman at 808.250.3557 or dawn@kiheilutheran.org.

Donations Requested!

The youth group is asking for donations for this February's Silent Auction. Maybe you have a vacation rental that you would donate a weekend stay? Perhaps you are a part of, or have connections to, a local business that could offer us a gift card for their products or services? Whatever your connection might be, we would really appreciate any contributions to the silent auction's success. Also, attention bakers, if you would like to bring individually wrapped baked items for our bake sale between services on January 19 & 26th that would be great! Please contact Dawn Fleishman at 808.250.3557 or dawn@kiheilutheran.org with questions.









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Vanessa Cannon	1/ 1
Loretta Dahlin	1/6
Doak Schoennemann	1/6
Valaida D'Alessio	1/7
Carolin Swanson	1/9
Mark Beyersdorf	1/ 10
Taylor Rudow	1/ 10
Karen Carlson	1/ 13
Ray Benson	1/ 14

Kathy Krueger	1/ 14
Sue Olson	1/ 15
Jerry Kistler	1/ 17
Mike Dennison	1/ 21
Benjamin Schultz	1/ 21
Racheal Turnbull	1/ 27
Steve Moksnes	1/ 29
Elaine Ziegler	1/ 29
Dave Ballaine	1/ 30
Helen Misner	1/ 31



Jerry & Nancy Kistler 1/2

Jerry & Susan embree 1/25

"Women's Hui"

WHEN: TUESDAY JANUARY 28th from 6-8PM. If you cannot make it for dinner please join us for the study at 7PM.

WHERE: 2218 Auina Place, Kihei -

Home phone – 875-7753

BRING: Your favorite DRINK and a PUPU to

share

We share a meal, watch a 25 minute DVD, have some sharing time (not everyone shares, some just listen, whatever is comfortable for you) and close in prayer. This has been an exciting series as we grow in God's Word and in fellowship. Please Join Us...All Are Welcome!!! God bless you.

..In His love..Kathy

ALL ARE WELCOME!



"Men's Hui" will meet on Tuesday, January 28th, 6:00 p.m., at the church

LIKE" US ON FACEBOOK

If you haven't already "liked" our page: http://www.facebook.com/KiheiLutheran,

go ahead and do so to be the most up-to-date on upcoming church events. A link is already on the church website!



Next meeting will be on Tuesday, January 21st at 7:00 p.m.

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Assistants

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12	8:00	Dawn Misner	10:30	Dave Ballaine	
19	8:00	Vicki Nelson	10:30	Roxi Nelson	
26	8:00	Peggy Alexander	10:30	Allie Rudow	
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12	8:00	Paul Emanovsky	10:30	Jeff Wright	
19	8:00	Walter Grotz	10:30	Don Lee	
26	8:00	Peggy Crossen	10:30	David Stoltzfus	
CON	COMMUNION				
5	8:00	Bev & Bert Schifferline, Nels & Renee Romerdahl, Adam Krueger, Nancy Kentz.	10:30	Holly & Bailey Pender- gast, Kelli, Vicki, Roxi, & Jess Nelson	
12	8:00	Donna Smith, Zel Terlu- in, Mike Beyersdorf, Tony & Margaret Luteijn, Keli Nelson	10:30	Linda Hangarter, David, Rhonda, Emma, Morgan, Simon Stoltzfus	
19	8:00	Hula Group	10:30	Billie & Steve Moksness Vicki & Don Lee, Jeanne Vorhes., Hillary Glassel	
26	8:00	Mabel & Darryl Pierson, Brad & Diana Hill Evelyn Kaya, Andrea Harris	10:30	Hula Group	
GREETERS					
5	8:00	Burt Schifferling, Carolyn Rixy-Wagner	10:30	Holly Pendergast, Linda Hangartener	
12	8:00	Donna Smith, Carolyn Rixy-Wagner	10:30	Holly Pendergast, Dave & Peggy Crossen	
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26	8:00	Lynn & Karen Carlson	10:30	Tom & Cheryl Rietz	

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