

SEPTEMBER 2014

KIHEI LUTHERAN CHURCH

PASTOR DAVID J. KRUEGER

Sunday School Begins for All Ages!

On Sunday, September 7th, we kick off Sunday School for the 2014-2015 School Year. We have changed a few things to make it the most accommodating for families. We hope people of all ages will take an extra hour on Sunday mornings to grow in their faith through these groups.

4th grade and younger will begin in the sanctuary during the 9:00am Worship hour. After the Keiki Message, keiki are invited to the new Classroom in the back of our building for Sunday School. (Keiki will return to their parents at communion.) After a short Bible story video and circle time, keiki will divide into younger and older age groups for lessons, crafts, and prayer. The curriculum we are using this year is Holy Moly! through the ELCA's Augsburg Fortress. Jessica Nelson and Dawn Fleishman will teach these classes with rotating volunteer assistants.

5th-7th graders will meet in the new Classroom behind the sanctuary at 10:30am. They will be exploring faith questions such as "Why do we practice communion?" through the Re:Form Curriculum by ELCA's Augsburg Fortress. If you are interested in co-leading or assisting the teacher in this class please speak with Dawn Fleishman.

8th graders - 12th graders will meet in the Lounge at 10:30am (the corner room of the expansion). The youth class will be going through the entire Bible in a year. Dawn Fleishman will be facilitating this discussion based class.

Family Faith Discussions will be held in lieu of youth Sunday School on the 2nd Sunday of each month. Youth and Parents sit at small tables, watch a short video through the Animate series, and then discuss a series of questions. Join together as a family to learn and grow in your understanding of the Bible and Christian faith. Dawn Fleishman facilitates.





ALOHA FROM PASTOR DAVE

Dave Krueger FROM THE PASTOR

Recently Bishop Finck of our Pacifica Synod contacted me about serving the Hukilau Conference as the conference dean. The reason the bishop did so was because the previous dean of our conference had resigned from the position. Under those circumstances it's the bishop's responsibility to appoint a new dean (as op-

posed to the Hukilau Conference electing the dean at a conference assembly when the dean's regular term has concluded). I agreed to give his request some very prayerful consideration. The reason why I wanted to really give it allot of thought is because I've always believed the dean should not be one of the neighbor island pastors, but a pastor from O'ahu. That's because eight of the eleven ELCA congregations in Hawai'i are on O'ahu. That means that most everything that takes place within the conference happens there, and not on one of the neighbor islands.

Beside the time I took in prayer, I also discussed the matter with the Mutual Ministry Team, as well as with the church council. In each case I received a great deal of helpful feedback, as well as positive support. People felt that I would be able to serve the conference well. I also made contact with the other pastors of the Hukilau Conference where I received encouragement to accept the position. I will also tell you that Bishop Finck and I agreed that if I were to accept the position it would initially be for a one-year term, to see how it would work. The end result of all of this is that I have agreed to serve as the conference dean.

So, what exactly is a conference dean? Simply put, the dean assists the bishop in providing pastoral care and leadership to the congregations, institutions, agencies and rostered leaders within the conference. In addition, the dean confers with the bishop regarding the pastoral care and leadership being provided to the conference, facilitates the interpretation of the mission and ministry of this synod and the ELCA to the congregations, and facilitates the regular convening of groups of rostered leaders.

On the synod level this will involve 5 meetings a year with the deans for me. Three of them I'll be able to attend via a teleconferencing unit. The other two meetings, which take place on the Mainland, I'll have to fly over to California to attend. The first one will take place in conjunction with the Pastor's Conference in Palm Desert in October, which I already plan to attend. The other one is a retreat for the deans in late January / early February. The synod will pay my expenses to attend the retreat. It will definitely take up more time for me. However, with the awesome staff we have at KLC (Dawn, Cate, & Beth), I feel that I'll be able to have the time needed to carry out the extra responsibilities without having to compromise my serving KLC.

I feel that it is a great honor and privilege to serve our conference and synod in this manner. I will tell you that it was a humbling experience to receive the feedback I got from KLC members, as well as my clergy colleagues of the conference. I take on this position with a true sense of servant-hood, just as Christ would want it to be. Mahalo nui for allowing me to do so. I pray that the Holy Spirit would guide all of us together during this next year. May we all take on a servant's heart as we serve our Lord through the life and ministry of KLC!

Ke Akua me ke Aloha,



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MAHALO CONCERT & OPEN HOUSE

On Sunday, September 28, starting at 2:00 p.m., a very special one-hour concert will take place in the KLC sanctuary as the main musical groups of the congregation (Choir, Hula, Chimes, 4-Given) come together to give thanks to God for the continued blessings we have experienced, as well as to give thanks for and to the community in which we live. The concert will be followed by a time of refreshments and an open house so that everyone might be able to see the newly expanded facilities.

All members and friends of KLC are encouraged to make sure the invitation to this concert gets out to the community. Please be sure to ask people you know to join you for this "Mahalo Concert". If you have any questions, or would like a flyer or a jpeg file of the promotional flyer emailed to you, please contact Linda Hangartner (874-8987).



www.Kiheilutheran.org

Backpack Buddies



BackPack Buddies "Blue Hawaii" Benefit Evening

Saturday, September 13th @ 6pm, the Maui Food Bank is presenting a benefit evening for the BackPack Buddies Program that consists of dinner, drinks, live music and silent auction. It is also featuring the entertainment of Burn'n Love with Darren Lee. The Maui Food Bank is financially supported by grants, foundations, local businesses, personal contributions and volunteers. The following statistics from Feeding America, on hunger in America, states that 1 in 7 Americans, including 12 million children, rely on food pantries and meal service programs to feed them. In a typical month 2 million volunteers contribute 8.4 million hours of their time to help provide food. There is more than enough food in America and it will take all of us to help our neighbors in need. Call to purchase tickets:

(808)243.9500 Price: \$125.00 per person

CHALLENGE GRANT FROM THRIVENT

In August, KLC was awarded a \$5,000 grant from Thrivent Financial Foundation, which we will be presenting to the Kihei Youth Center. Attached to the original grant was a challenge grant. For every dollar donated to this grant by members and friends of KLC between now and November 30th, Thrivent will grant 50 cents per \$1.00 raised, up to a total grant of an additional \$5,000. That means that if people donated \$10,000, Thrivent would give us an additional \$5,000. In the end, the Kihei Youth Center would receive a total of \$20,000 to use in their important work with the youth in need of our community.

While this will not be an organized fundraiser of the congregation, the suggestion was made that the challenge grant idea simply be publicized, so that anyone who might be moved to give additional funds to this grant for the Kihei Youth Center might be able to respond. If you would like to participate in this challenge grant, please make out your check to KLC and mark "Thrivent Challenge Grant" in the memo line. As always, you are asked to make any gift something that is over and above your regular giving to the work and ministry of KLC. Mahalo nui! If you have any questions, please contact Pastor Dave.



AUGUST ANGELS



On Saturdays, August 16th & 23rd, members and friends of KLC gathered at the church to help with landscaping the property around the newly expanded worship area building. A huge mahalo nui to the following people who gave of their time and sweat to make this major project happen: Peggy Alexander; Jeff Baker; Cheri Beyersdorf; Paul Emanovsky; Jerry & Susan Embree; Andrew Fleishman; Jake Hangartner; Jim & Andrea Harris; Keek, Mo, & Quinn Hottendorf; Adam Krueger; George & Kaylee Kuzelka; Richard Mealey; Sue Moorcroft; Joy Nelson; Keli, Vicki, Jessica, & Roxi Nelson; Eric, Joleen, & Erica Pilotin; Dave Reader; Ed Schafer; David, Rhonda, & Emma Stoltzfus; Bryan Taylor; Zel Terluin; Connie Pluchos; Jeff & Charlotte Wright. In addition, there were numerous sisters and brothers from the Kihei Tongan United Methodist Mission who joined in on the work. All of you are angels for the great amount of work you accomplished. Again, mahalo nui!!!

A big mahalo also goes out to Keli Nelson & Adam Krueger for moving a refrigerator from the home of Misha Sofianos to the church. Following Misha's death from pancreatic cancer, her sister, Gail, offered the brand new refrigerator to the church. Each time we see it, we will now think of Misha and give thanks to God for her life in our midst.

IN MEMORIUM

Sometime during the early hours of Friday morning, August 8, Marsha "Misha" Sofianos died in her home, following a 3 week battle with pancreatic cancer. A service of celebration of her life was held in the KLC sanctuary on Saturday, August 16.

For the past couple of years Misha's cleaning company had been coming to KLC every Friday to make our facilities look spotless for Sunday worship. In addition, Misha had single-handedly taken on the project of putting a protective coating on the new flooring in the expanded sanctuary and class-rooms. Starting last Easter Sunday, she had begun worshiping at KLC, and was getting to know a number of different people. Misha will be sorely missed. At the same time, we celebrate her victory over death through Christ. Mahalo ke Akua (Thanks be to God) that we had the chance to know and love Misha!



KiheiLutheran.org
KLC's new website
is here!

Check it out!

A HUI HOU!

KLC members, Mickey & Pearl Medeiros, have moved to the Mainland to live with family. Their new address is: 21323 N.W. Cache Road, Indiahoma, OK 73552. We will miss them, but know that at this stage of their lives this is a wise move for them to make. Please feel free to contact them at their address if you'd care to wish them well in their new adventure.

The Prayer Shawl Ministry at KLC continues to thrive. We are so blessed by such faithful ladies who come each week to give of their time, talents, and offer up prayers. Please know you are welcome to



come and join us any Thursday from 9-11AM. All are welcome to receive a prayer shawl for any occasion such as a celebration, illness, devotion time. We would also like to say Mahalo to those who financially support this ministry, as you help supply us with the yarn needed to make a shawl. A special Mahalo to Joe Kentz who updated and organized our list of Prayers Shawls that have been given out. We so appreciate all your time and effort!!

God blessings from the Prayer Shawl Hui

NEW ROOM NAMES

With the expansion of the KLC facilities, the rooms around the church are being renamed in order to identify the different areas. The old Education Room / kitchen will now be the **Youth Room**, while the small room closest to the highway in the expansion will be the **Lounge**, and the large room immediately behind the sanctuary will be the **Class-room**. The room on the mountain side of the expansion will be the new **Kitchen**. The church calendar has been changed to reflect these new names.

Adult Education

There is a saying that the "devil is in the details". But in Kerygma class we are finding that GOD is in the details. Do you find history to be fascinating? Are you confused about the Prophets, both major and minor? How does all of this fit together with Jesus and God's message to His people? and to us?

Please join us on Sunday, September 7, 10:15am for an incredible journey into the past to find the present and the future. We will be meeting in the new newly named youth room (old education room). Materials for each class will be available a week prior. Please see Jan Porter with questions.

Confirmation

If you would like to know more about Christianity and the ELCA traditions and doctrine, consider joining our confirmation class. Confirmation is a two year program for those not yet confirmed who are in seventh—12th grades. Confirmation begins September 7th and will meet throughout the school year after Worship & Sunday School. If you are an adult interested in being confirmed, please speak with Pastor Dave or Dawn Fleishman.

Keiki Helpers

Will you consider helping Dawn out with the keiki classes a couple Sundays this school year. Assist the lead teacher. Your responsibilities include helping the children pay attention & participate and helping to make the class a loving and welcoming place for our keiki. Contact Dawn at 808.250.3557 or dawn@kiheilutheran.org.





HAU'OLI LA HANAU!

(Happy Birthday!)



Nancy Jorden	9/2	Rhonda Stoltzfus	9/14
Tiffany Winn	9/2	Cheri Beyersdorf	9/17
Maggie Vorhes	9/6	Erna Schedler	9/17
Sharyl Boren	9/7	Derek Elaban	9/18
Joel Smith	9/7	Geri Brannon	9/19
Joleen Pilotin	9/11	Nancy Kentz	9/20
Todd Lawson	9/12	Angelina Campos	9/21
Syd Dahlin	9/14	Tanner Axe-Takasaki	9/25
Pam Kamoku	9/14	Carolyn Rixey-Wagner	9/26
	.,	David Stoltzfus	9/26
		Luke Vance	9/27

HAU'OLI LA HO'OMANA'O! (Happy Anniversary!)



Miguel & Lisa Gonzalez	September 2, 2001
Lou & Linda Archer	September 4, 1987
Duane & Linda Chaney	September 10, 1988
Milton & Pearl Medeiros	September 13, 1981
Syd & Loretta Dahlin	September 17, 1955
Zel & Margie Terluin	September 21, 1980
Curt & Gail Holt	September 22, 1973
Greg & Ede Stratton	September 27, 1975
Lloyd & Barbara Amundson	September 29, 1951







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Worship Volunteers

	Septembe	er 201	14
	Assisting Ministers		Media
7	Andrew Fleishman	7	Joel Rudow
14	Mike Beyersdorf	14	Allie Rudow
21	Fred Trott	21	Owen Pendergast
28	Allie Rudow	28	Nels Romerdahl
	Readers		Keiki Sunday School
7	Lynn Carlson	7	
14	Andrea Harris	14	
21	Zel Terluin	21	
28	Holly Pendergast	28	
	Communion		Refreshments
7	Bev & Bert Schifferling, Zel Terluin, Mike Beyers- dorf, Keli Nelson & Holly Pendergast	7	Fred & Cathy Trott
14	Hula Group	14	Jeane Raine
21	Evelyn Kaya, Renee & Nels Romerdahl, Nancy Meyer & Hilary Glassel	21	Dave & Sam Mather
28	Dave, Rhonda & Emma Stoltzfus, Vicki & Don Lee	28	Evelyn Kaya
	Greeters		Flowers
7	Holly Pendergast & Barbara Rudow	7	Dee & Dave Reader
14	Donna Smith & Holly Pendergast	14	Dori & John Thorngren
21	Peggy & Dave Crossen	21	Malysa Scibelli—Happy Birthday Alexandra
28	Karen & Lynn Carlson, Debbie & Paul Emansky & Holly Pendergast	28	Bev & Bert Schifferling
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7	David Stoltzfus & Adam Krueger	• • •	Chanle -
14	David Stoltzfus & Owen Pendergast		(hank)
21	David Stoltzfus & Sanni Tharp		COU! _
28	David Stoltzfus & Mikhaela Galindo		

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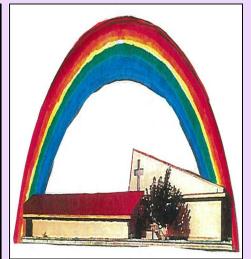
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Important Statistics

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July	2013	2014
Average Sunday Worship Attendance -	111	119
Offerings For The Month (members & visitors)	\$20,108.77	\$12,066.11
Offerings – Year to Date (members & visitors)	\$196,289.30	\$237,087.39





A big MAHALO to Dawn Fleishman and Sanni Tharp who helped me get the library books set up on the book shelves that were donated by Jim and Andrea Harris. There is still some tweaking to be done, but for now books can be viewed and checked out. There is a laminated guide sheet on the tall bookcase that will tell you what the different colors of tape mean on the spine of each book. For example, if you are looking for a novel, the tape will be lavender, red will be on the church development themes.

I still need somebody who has access to a laptop to help classify the new books into the list already started. While the configuration and set up is a work in progress until we get our built-ins, we will see the "leaves" of books grow inside along with the grass outside. Please call Jan Porter if you can help.

Aloha KLC Ladies

September 23rd will be our 1st Women's Hui of the season. This year we will be studying "Becoming a Vessel God Can Use" by Donna Partow. All are encouraged to purchase the book (Kindle \$9.99 or Amazon Prime \$12.37) and read the first chapter before coming on the 23rd. If you don't have the book or can't get to the reading, that's OK. Come anyway for the fellowship! 6:00 - Potluck Dinner and 7:00 Study @ Rhonda Stoltzfus' House. 53 Honuhula St. Kihei. Call Rhonda with any questions: 808-265-6998



Men's Hui

Tuesday, September 23rd, 6pm at KLC

All are Welcome



Tuesday, September 16th, at 7:00 p.m.

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!

Administrative Office Hours:

Monday thru Friday: 9:00 AM—5:00 PM

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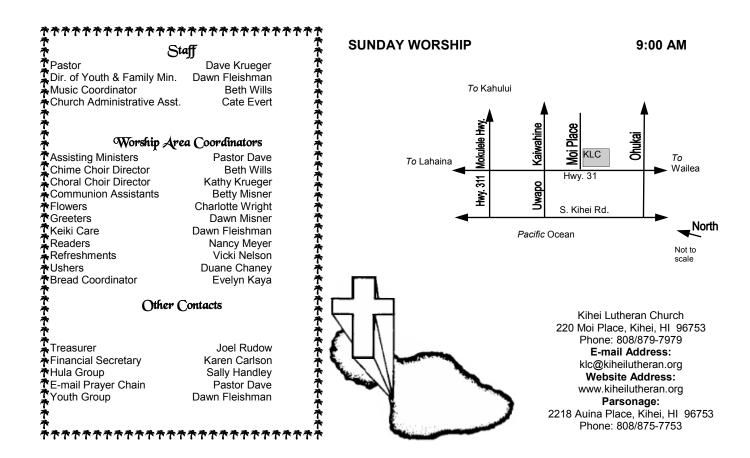


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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
31 9am Worship 10:15am Choir 1pm Korean Presbyterian 5pm Tongan United Methodist	1 Labor Day—Office Closed 5:30pm Chimes 6pm Spiritual Growth Team	2 6pm Property Team 7pm Mutual Ministry	3 7:30am Prayer Hui 5pm Tongan United Methodist Mission	4 7am Weightwatchers 9am Prayer Shawl Hui 5:30pm Hula Practice 7pm Thursday Study Hui 7:30pm Korean Presby- terian	5 7pm SLAA Meeting	9
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