





SEPTEMBER 2016

KIHEI LUTHERAN CHURCH INTERIM PASTOR DAVID BARBER



CALL COMMITTEE UPDATE

Here we go! This month the Call Committee had three meetings to start preparing for the upcoming interviews. We compiled a comprehensive list of questions for the candidates which corresponds to the Ministry Site Profile (MSP). The MSP was written by the Transition Team (they did an amazing job!) and is used to give the candidates an overview of KLC. The Synod provides a shortened version of this MSP

to potential candidates. The MSP was just released nationally so all interested ELCA pastors can see if KLC might be a good match for them. If a candidate is interested in the position he/she will contact the Bishop. If the Bishop agrees that it might be a good match, he will forward the candidate's profile to the Call Committee for an initial interview. While we wait for the candidates, the Call Committee will be conducting practice interviews, refining questions, and doing all we can to prepare for this important next step.

If you have any questions regarding this process, please feel free to contact a member of the Call Committee. Thank you for your continued support and prayer during this process.

2017 STEWARDSHIP DRIVE SET

Psalm 145: "I will extol you, my God and King, and bless your name forever and ever. One generation shall laud your works to another, and shall declare your mighty acts. On the glorious splendor of your majesty, and on your wondrous works, I will meditate. The might of your awesome deeds shall be proclaimed, and I will declare your greatness. They shall celebrate the fame of your abundant goodness and shall sing aloud of your righteousness."



Drive

The theme for KLC's 2017 stewardship drive is, "Generations of Generosity," with the kickoff on October 30. Pledge cards will be available each week and can be completed at any time.

During this drive, we will be reflecting on the following questions:

What kinds of stories are behind the gifts placed in the offering plate? Do we sometimes get lost along the way in our quest for riches? Did you learn about giving from your parents and do you discuss giving in your family?

Please keep this effort in your prayers and begin thinking about what we have come to value in our homes, places of work, neighborhoods, and communities of faith.

Spiritual Gifts Team





ALOHA FROM PASTOR DAVID

David Barber Because of sin, our age-old rebellion, the gladness of marriage can be overcast and the gift of a family can become a burden. But because God, who established marriage, continues still to bless it with abundant and ever-present support, we can be sustained in our weariness and have our joy restored. (Service of Marriage – ELW)

PASTOR As Kihei Lutheran moves deeper into the call process, I want to devote some time in this newsletter and future newsletters to address some concerns that often rise to the surface with a pastoral transition. Perhaps one of the most obvious as well as challenging is "change." How do we confront change in a healthy and constructive manner? How do we harness change so that it enlivens and empowers us rather than battling change and assuming the role of a victim? With every pastoral transition there will be change. That's a given. Even with the most compatible pastor, there is a period of adjustment. When a new pastor arrives, somethings will be better, somethings won't be accomplished as well as the previous pastor or the interim pastor, but the vast majority of things will just be different – not better, not worse, just different.

This has the potential for conflict because we want to maintain the status quo. We want to preserve our traditions and the "way we've always done it." With change the equilibrium gets destroyed. We feel uncomfortable and off-balance. When our stability or balance can't be regained, conflict may be the consequence.

Conflict, however, doesn't always have to be unhealthy and destructive. Conflict can be that energy that gives life to a congregation. It can be that catalyst that will lift us from our lethargy and indifference. It's like stirring the soup to bring to the surface all the good ingredients that have settled to the bottom. It's that wind that brings life to our sails and causes us to soar.

It's only when sin sticks its claws in us that conflict becomes destructive and tears us apart. The words above not only apply to marriage but to life within a congregation as well. Because of sin, our age-old rebellion, the gladness of a congregation can be overcast and the gift of our brothers and sisters in Jesus Christ can become a burden. Because of my selfishness; because it's all about me; because of my failure to listen; because I simply desire to conserve and uphold the church of the past, I'm not willing to accept where the Holy Spirit might be stirring the pot to bring new life to us.

In marriage, promises and vows are made to each other, and a commitment is established. This commitment provides the framework, and it serves as a manger where love and trust can be born and nurtured within our relationships. The same is true for a congregation and its pastor. In the Service of Installation for a newly-called pastor, vows and promises are pronounced by both the congregation and the pastor to each other. Through this commitment, an environment is created where God's purpose for this faith community will emerge from the soil of love and trust. A commitment to each other is critical because this relationship needs space and time to mature and become whole.

To be sure, we have a role in all of this, but the leading role belongs to God. God is the One who has made a commitment and a promise to every single one of us and to Kihei Lutheran Church. God is the One who leads us, guides us, and loves us come what may. That's why we can join our hearts and hands and make a commitment to each other. That's why we can love and forgive each other as we face the future with all of the change and uncertainty that we will encounter. We trust this promise: Because God, who established this congregation and called this pastor, continues still to bless us with abundant and ever-present support, we can be sustained in our weariness and have our joy restored.

If this is where our lives are centered and our eyes are focused, then we will embrace change, thrive from it, and be that community, called by God, to faithfully witness and serve in the name of our risen Savior, Jesus Christ.

Pastor David







PRESIDENT'S REPORT



"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the LORD, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future." (Jeremiah 29:11)

It has been an interesting August. We started a new council, teams are gearing up, and the call committee is hard at work. This is the month that we get ready for September, and though not quite a new year in the church calendar, we rejoice in the return of our musical groups as well as new offerings for children and adult education. We also are looking forward to the return of our many mainland friends during the next few months. But change is in the air, and we are not alone.

The global church is going through an irreversible change. In the past faith has largely been a cultural and social reality. It no longer has that support. So society's relation to the church is being reinvented, a painful experience but liberating too, if we can see God's hand in all of this. Our parent church, the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA), is also taking a fresh look at what our national church is all about (see, ELCA.org/future). In the July issue of *Living Lutheran* our bishop (Elizabeth A. Eaton) states, "Neither culture nor behavior define what is distinctive about being Lutheran. It's our understanding of the gospel... it's all about God's fierce and tender love that drives us to the cross, and there, at the very point of death gives us life."

Sometime during this next year we will say farewell to Pastor David and Karen and welcome a new permanent pastor to KLC. As the call committee works through the process, council and the committees will be working hard not only to keep existing programs productive but also preparing for our new pastor. We will use this newsletter to keep you informed as we move forward this year. The Scripture quoted above has been one referenced by this congregation many times. We lift it up each time something new appears on our horizon. We are reminded the Holy Spirit is at work guiding us into God's already envisioned future. Let us embrace one another and pray for that future envisioned by God. May the Lord's peace be with you.

With Warmest Aloha, Mark Fornwall

QUARTERLY REPORT

QUARTERLY COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT

The committee chairs or representatives met on Wednesday, August. 17. Mark Fornwall, president of the Council and meeting leader, introduced a new item for the agenda, a discussion time. Each meeting, we'll spend 15-20 minutes talking about any topics attendees bring up. During this first discussion, it was clear that everyone thought the quarterly meetings were very important for dealing with issues and communicating among the committees. The importance of attendance from each committee was also stressed. The committee chair doesn't need to attend all meetings, but it's vital that someone represent each committee every time.

Review of contracts was also raised. When a contractor (e.g., landscaping, cleaning) provides a contract, the Admin and Finance committees or perhaps the Executive Committee needs to review it, in addition to the committee where it originates.

Mark outlined a proposal he brought up at Council to form a small memorial fund task force that will contact donors, help determine how the money will be spent, and define the new process for bringing in money. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact one of the committee chairs. The next meeting is scheduled for November 16 at 7:00 pm at the church.

COUNCIL MEETING SUMMARY

The council met on Tuesday Aug 16th.

Octoberfest is being planned as an Outreach to our community for October 1 and a lot of the food has already been purchased. Other planning is being done and it looks to be an exciting time for all while bringing in some new interests and faces to our church. Tickets are \$20 which includes one beer, a brat, German Potato Salad, beans and Sauerkraut and a lot of fun.

The "God's Work Our Hands" program is progressing and Fire and Police Departments should be in attendance at service on 9/11, 2016 to receive our recognition. They will also be given prayer shawls to hand out as they see a need for comfort and love. We will collect donations at least one Sunday before in addition to our noisy offering last month to support their work.

Because the congregation has an investment in the parsonage, it is important to complete some needed maintenance and repair before the next pastor arrives. Estimates and bids are being gathered at this time and will be shared with the council and the congregation before any work is undertaken. If you have any questions about anything in this report, please contact any council member.

GOD'S WORK. OUR HANDS.



"God's work. Our hands." Sunday is an opportunity to celebrate who we are as the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America – one church, freed in Christ to serve and love our neighbor. This years dedicated day of service is Sunday, Sept. 11.

COUNCIL

This year's dedicated day of service will also mark the 15-year anniversary of the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks on the United States.

The July noisy offering was collected to be given to the Kihei Police Department Relief Fund and Fire Department Relief Fund. On Sunday, September 11, a representative from the police and fire departments will be at our worship service. At that time, we will give each

representative one-half of the money collected along with a collection of prayer shawls to each department for them to give out as they see fit to comfort those they are able to assist.

Realizing that some of our congregation may have missed the noisy offering or might wish to give generously to the Police Relief Fund and Fire Relief Fund, we will offer a second opportunity to donate during the worship service on September 4. There will also be a donation box available on September 11.

We look forward to this opportunity to offer our thanks to the people of these two first response departments who do so much for our community.





BEER!

-Martin Luther

OKTOBERFEST

KIHEI LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Advanced Tickets: \$20

\$25 at the Door

Tickets Available at the Church Office

Stop by or Call: 808-879-7979

Tickets Include: Commemorative Glass, First Fill of Maui Brewing Beer, Authentic German Brat, German Potato Salad, Beans, Sauerkraut, Entertainment, and Costume Contest 5-9 PM



First Annual Oktoberfest October 1St

The KLC Council has approved the Oktoberfest Planning Committee's request to provide an inaugural Oktoberfest at the church on Saturday October 1, 2016 from 5-9 PM. We intend to have this function serve as an outreach to the community and to celebrate Lutheran German heritage. We will serve German food accompanied by beer from a Maui Brewing Company truck. We will limit the number of guest to 200 persons 21 and over.

We intend to make this a festive event and have hired a German Oomph Band, three tents, cocktail tables along with round tables, lighting etc. We encourage all of you to get into the German aloha spirit by dressing up in German attire. We will let you know which online vendor to use later.

The tickets will cost \$20 per person and include one beer, a brat, German Potato Salad, beans and Sauerkraut. I am getting hungry as I write this!

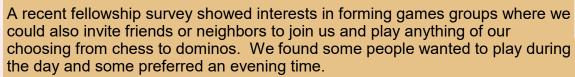
The KLC Prayer Shawl Hui has offered to provide German desserts with all the proceeds going to fund supplies for their group. The Men's Hui has offered to cook the brats. We will need many more volunteers to make this event a success, so please contact Tom Rietz, Staff Assistant to the Oktoberfest Planning Committee if you wish to volunteer. He can be reached at 808-214-5223 (home) or 858-245-9605 (cell).

Please invite friends and relatives to this fun event. We will provide details of the ticketing process in later updates.

Oktoberfest Planning Committee

Rhonda Stoltzfus, Marilyn Fornwall, Cheryl Rietz

KLC FELLOWSHIP GAMES GROUPS





Researching how best to get together, we learned that an evening games group has met for several years where 8 to 20 gather bi-weekly SATURDAY EVENING from 5 to 8 PM. You can learn about them at www.meetup.com/mauiboardgame. So rather than creating a venue where we invite our friends and neighbors not part of KLC to join us, we instill ourselves into their ongoing activity. Doug Nelson coordinates the group. Dee and I met their participants one Saturday and found them very welcoming.

To start a DAYTIME games group, we met the manager at Kalama Heights in Kihei and secured meeting space in their first floor billiard room from 2 to 5 PM each Thursday.

On Sunday, Sept. 11 and 18, after the service, you can sign-up for either games group so we can learn the extent of interest in either or both groups and find out the favorite games you like to play. You can also contact Dee or Dave at 874-1481 or email jand5ds@aol.com

Dave Reader, Outreach Committee

NEW MEMBER ORIENTATION

For those interested in membership at Kihei Lutheran, there will be an orientation on Sunday, September 11 following worship from 10:15 – noon. A nursery attendant will be available for those with young children. On the next Sunday

(September 18) we will host a fellowship luncheon from 11:30 – 1:00 where new members will meet their sponsors. Reception of New Members will be September 25 during worship. Please contact Pastor David if interested or you have questions.

ADULT CLASSES: THURSDAY EVENING AND SUNDAY MORNING

New Member

BIBLE STUDY OPTIONS The Thursday evening class will be reconvening September 8 at 7:00 p.m. in the lower- level classroom. We will be studying the Book of Acts. Please come as we trace the development of the early Christian church and what it means for us today. You are more than welcome and encouraged to attend even if you can't come every Thursday.

The Sunday morning adult class will begin on Sunday, September 18 in the multi-purpose room off the kitchen. We will be studying a number of contemporary as well as Biblical topics. For instance, "Chosen? Reading The Bible Amid The Israeli-Palestinian Conflict," "Saving Jesus" (the relevance of Jesus for today), "Love Your (Muslim) Neighbor as Yourself," and "Paul, Rome, and the Kingdom of God" will be some of the subjects for exploration. Once again, all are welcome to join us for study and discussion at 10:15 a.m.

BEING MORTAL MEDICINE AND WHAT MATTERS IN THE END

FILM and DISCUSSION—Friday October 7, 2016 at 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

This program is presented to Kihei Lutheran Families and the Kihei Community to address end-of-life issues.

We will see a film first screened on PBS featuring Dr. Atuf Gawande. A discussion will follow led by HOSPICE MAUI staff. We encourage all to participate, to start the conversation in your family about decisions to be made when a person is unable to make decisions for themselves. A sign-up sheet will be available after church. See Sanni Tharp for more information, or call the church office during office hours to sign up for this important event.

COMMUNITY ASSISTANCE MEETING

This Team meets on the first Tuesday of the month at 4 p.m. for one hour, at KLC. We are looking for helpers and more volunteers for various projects. This group has been functioning with a few dedicated people and we would love to see some new faces. The projects include Kealahou Food Bank, Kihei Youth Center, Health Ministry, Back Pack Buddies, and special projects for children in need.

The next meeting is Tuesday September 6, 2016 at 4 P.M. SEE YOU THERE!!



INTRODUCING REEF KOLEKONA BOREN

Danny and Sharyl Boren delivered their little boy recently and sent some pictures with information to the church.

Been a bit busy these days. :-) We are so in love with our little bundle! Still cannot believe they let us out of the hospital with him!! We are parents now...so crazy!!!

Meet Reef Kolekona Boren born Friday August 5 at 4:58pm. Kolekona, Hawaiian for Gordon, in memory of Sharyl's dad. Reef was 7lbs 14 oz, 21.5" long at birth! 23 hr labor; mom was exhausted after 3 hrs straight of pushing at the end!! But we could not be more in love; this reward is the BEST ever!!! We are all happy and healthy. Can't wait to have you guys meet our little Reef!!

We are home now and enjoying getting to know our little baby!









SUNDAY SCHOOL

We are planning to start Sunday School for all ages on September 11, 2016.



If you are interested in teaching or assisting with Sunday School, please join us at 10:15am on Sunday, September 4th in the youth room. Even if you do not have experience teaching, we are in need of assistants, planning and putting Sunday Keiki bags together.

If you are interested but not able to attend, please let me know by email or you can contact me via phone at 280-3385.

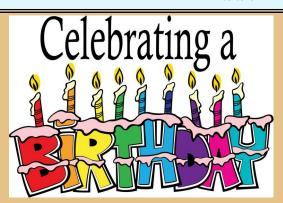
If you know of someone who may be interested, please feel free to invite them.

Thank you!





HAU'OLI LA HANAU! (Happy Birthday!)



Nancy Jorden 9/2 Cheri Beyersdorf	9/17
Tiffany Winn 9/2 Erna Schedler	9/17
Maggie Vorhes 9/6 Derek Elaban	9/18
Sharyl Boren 9/7 Geri Brannon	9/19
Joel Smith 9/7 Nancy Kentz	9/20
Joleen Pilotin 9/11 Angelina Campos	9/21
Todd Lawson 9/12 Alexandra Kennedy	9/21
Syd Dahlin 9/14 Carolyn Rixey-Wagne	9/26
Pam Kamoku 9/14 David Stoltzfus	9/26
Rhonda Stoltzfus 9/14 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
Syd & Loretta Dahlin	September 17, 1955
Zel & Margie Terluin	September 21, 1980
Curt & Gail Holt	September 22, 1973
Greg & Ede Stratton	September 27, 1975



Worship Volunteers September 2016

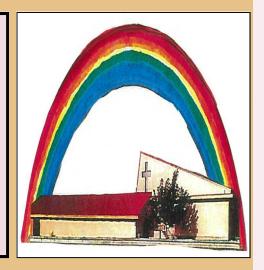
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18	9:00	Andrea Harris
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11	9:00	Zel Terluin, Keli Nelson, Phil Proctor, Mike Beyersdorf, Nancy Kentz & Hilary Glassel
18	9:00	Linda Hangartner, David, Rhonda, Emma, Morgan & Simon Stoltzfus
25	9:00	Hula Ladies
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Important Statistics

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July	2015	2016
Average Sunday Worship Attend- ance -	120	107
Offerings For The Month (members & visitors)	\$16,781.69	\$22,182.50
Offerings – Year to Date (members & visitors)	\$201,361.47	\$190,802.53





The Prayer Shawl Hui has been busy knitting and crocheting. As a result, we now have about 60 prayer shawls in our cupboard. Please help us give these shawls away. If you know any individuals or organizations who would benefit from one or more shawls, please feel free to take one or more on Sunday mornings or talk to one of the members of the Hui. If you take a shawl, or shawls, please put the information in the notebook in the cupboard of who it went to and your name as a KLC contact

delivering the shawls. Thank you for your help. And, as always, the biggest help we can get is prayer for this ministry and for the people who receive the shawls.

God bless,

The Prayer Shawl Hui



Next Meeting will be September 20th, at 7:00 p.m.



September 27th at 6:00 p.m. at the

All are Welcome

Church.

Aloha KLC Ladies

Women's Hui will meet September 27th at 6:00 p.m. in the youth room here at the church. We will enjoy pupu's and fellowship. Please feel free to come and join us.

Administrative Office Hours:

Monday thru Friday: 9:00 AM—5:00 PM

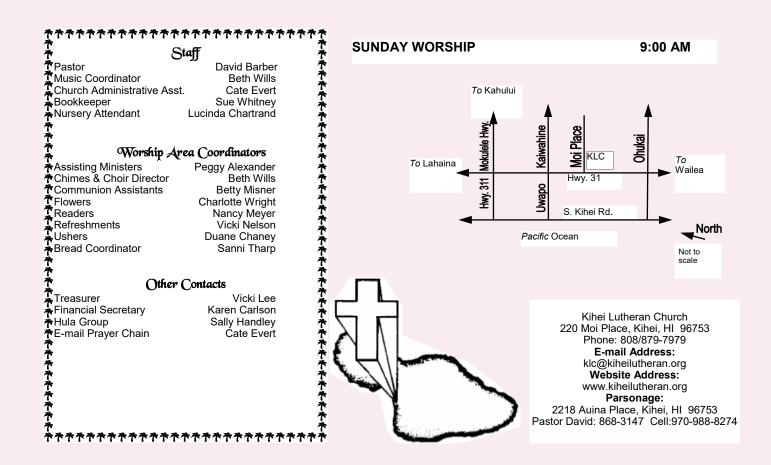
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http://www.facebook.com/KiheiLutheran,
go ahead and do so to be the most up-to-date on upcoming church events. A link is already on the church website!



Kihei Lutheran Church September 2016

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