



# *KLC Ohana News*



SEPTEMBER 2017

KIHEI LUTHERAN CHURCH

Pastor Joel Martyn

## *Kihei Lutheran Church*



### *Installation Of Pastor Joel T. Martyn*

*You are cordially invited to attend the  
Installation of  
Reverend Joel T. Martyn  
As Pastor of Kihei Lutheran Church  
On Saturday, September 16 at 10:00AM  
At Kihei Lutheran Church*

*220 Mo'i Place,  
Kihei, Hawaii  
808-879-7979*

*A Luncheon will follow the Installation Service*

# ALOHA FROM PASTOR JOEL

In the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, Aloha!



Joel  
Martyn



I decided that in this first newsletter article I would not write a small sermonette, but rather use this opportunity to thank you all for welcoming my family and I with so much love, warmth and aloha that it's pretty much overwhelming. Moving to a new place, with new people, new faces, new culture and language even, can be overwhelming. But with your love and support it has proven to be a bit less overwhelming for us. You all are wonderful and I thank God for you!

It's understandable that when a new pastor arrives the congregation often begins to wonder about what exactly the new pastor is doing with his or her time. So I thought that I would use this opportunity to communicate my goals for this first year with you.

As you can imagine, and as many of you have experienced, moving across the ocean can be a bit complicated and tiring. So my goals for the **first two months** are:

1. To become acquainted with the way the office operates in day to day activities within the church.
2. Move in to our house and make sure that my family is adjusting to the new locale and culture.
  - 2a. This means being in the office for only a few hours each day to give me the necessary time to unload and unpack and get a new house in order.
3. Try to make it to each meeting to observe and learn
4. Begin strategizing for the youth ministry program
5. Get to know the island

## Goals for Months 3-6

1. Continue to settle in to our home
2. Begin an every member/household visit starting with our full time island residents. (*Don't worry, I will call to set up these visits ;)*
3. Continue to become acquainted with the Island
4. Continue to work on new youth program

## Goals for Months 6-12

1. Continue visits
2. Continue Youth
3. Begin strategic planning with council (*probably around month 5*)

Of course, this is all aside from the normal everyday business of the church and, as we proceed through time these goals may shift, but at least you have an idea of what is in my mind and you have a picture of how I am spending my time. I aim to be as transparent as possible in order to maintain a healthy style of open and clear communication.

Truly we are grateful for you all and I am excited to be able to learn each of your stories and get to know you all. Continue to pray for me and my family, as well as the church and I will do likewise!

Yours in Christ,  
Pastor Joel

*But commission Joshua, and encourage and strengthen him, for he will lead this people across and will cause them to inherit the land that you will see. (Deuteronomy 3:28)*

*Now therefore, fear the Lord and serve him in sincerity and truth...for me and my house we will serve the Lord. (Joshua 24:14 - 15)*

*...The Lord will provide; as it is said to this day... (Genesis 22:14)*

While these quotes may seem odd, they serve a purpose. I shared the first two verses with the Congregation Council this month as a prelude to considering our role and relationship as a Council with Pastor Martyn. The verses come from a time in Israel's history when they are freed from Egypt and heading to the Promised Land. Deuteronomy is a long pause in that journey, they are on the cusp of entering the land, but are held there. They hear the law (Deuteronomy means "repetition of the law"); but just as important they are in a transition of leadership – from Moses to Joshua and hence the relevance! The book of Joshua chronicles the "move" into the promised land, fulfilling God's promise to the patriarchs. We were cruising along nicely under pastor Dave, then had a "well deserved" time of rest and refreshment with Pastor David, and now we welcome Pastor Joel - our new leader of word and sacrament. Welcome Pastor Joel!

As with Joshua and Israel, Pastor Joel will help us to transition into a new stage on our journey. He will continue to guide us beyond the vestiges of a mission congregation and fully into the more challenging role of an established congregation. I truly look forward to these times and anxiously anticipate this next phase – where will it take us? Only God knows!

The last quote is from the story of Abraham when God directs him to go to the mountains of Moriah and offer a burnt offering. You all know the story, it has a great ending, God provides a needed ram for the sacrifice. Good message – God always provides. This verse came from the first reading on July 2. As I was listening to the sermon that day, the message that God always provides was evident, brought to mind the gift of the Martyn family. God providing the Martyn family, gifts to help us on the journey. Mandy and the boys also bring special gifts to our Congregation. Each will surely contribute wonderful new fellowship and exciting gifts to our KLC ohana. I already learned of Mandy's keen interest in art. I felt the need to share this with the congregation, and this seems the right time.

I hope that each and every one of you are as excited as I am and will open your hearts to them. We should always praise a God that loves us so much!

Your Friend in Christ,

Mark

## REFORMATION CELEBRATION

Pastors and congregations of the Hukilau conference are invited to attend a worship service in observance of the 500th anniversary of the Reformation at St. Andrew's Episcopal Cathedral in Honolulu. This will be held on Saturday, October 14th at 3:00 p.m. The Rev. Dr. David Lose is a well known preacher and he is going to preach that Saturday and also to share a lecture on Sunday afternoon (again at St. Andrew's) for EVERYONE (pastors and lay folks!) on the importance of the Reformation then, now and looking into the future. This is a great way to gather together and prepare for your Reformation worships in your own congregations on Sunday, October 29th.





## NEWS FROM YOUR COUNCIL



KLC Council met on Monday, August 21. Pastor Joel was welcomed to his first Council meeting. A quorum was present.

We continue to pray for the family of Gene Raine as they mourn and heal from Gene's passing.

Celebrations included the wedding anniversary of Ollie and Marcia Stafford. We also pray for Marilyn Hopkins as she travels to Jerusalem on pilgrimage.

Pastor Joel expressed thanks for the big welcome the family received at the airport and all that was done to the parsonage. He also shared short-term goals, including establishing the family on the island, getting to know members, and listening.

The treasurer reported that the finances are in good condition.

Council approved an update to the Facilities Use Policy to include wording that GET taxes are included in fees charged.

Council approved a request received from Vicky Nelson, Sunday School Committee, modify Multi-use Room 1 to better serve our youth Sunday School that included a request to move the library to Multi-use Room 2.

Council approved the Pastor Transition Taskforce as a temporary replacement of the Mutual Ministry Committee. This taskforce will include the members of the Call Committee and Mark Fornwall as Council President.

Council approved a fund drive for the nursery. New or donated clean, usable toys are needed as well as a rocking chair.

Council approved a motion from the Finance Committee that the Records Retention Schedule be adopted as a KLC Records Retention Policy. This was done at the suggestion of the audit team.

The Keiki exchange is celebrating its 1-year anniversary on September 2. There will be banners, free water and donuts, and maybe even cotton candy. Over 175 families attended last month, a very blessed and successful new ministry!

Marilyn Hopkins, Communications Director, reported that all bulletin boards have been thoroughly cleaned and updated information about congregation activities added. She also reported that there will be a welcome to Pastor Joel and his family in the Maui News either Friday, August 25, or Friday, September 1.

The next Council meeting will be Tuesday, September 19.



# The Bulletin Boards

It's wonderful to have all of our bulletin boards filled with color and information about the groups of KLC. Thank you to all involved with making this happen. A special thanks to Susan Embree, Barbara and Allison Rudow for doing a thorough cleaning of all of these boards.

For all of the groups represented, please consider this bulletin board your own to update and change whenever you wish. For those who have something you would like to advertise for a short while, there will be one bulletin board available for current or new events at KLC. Please contact Cate or Marilyn Hopkins if you would like to put something in this space.

## GOD'S WORK OUR HANDS



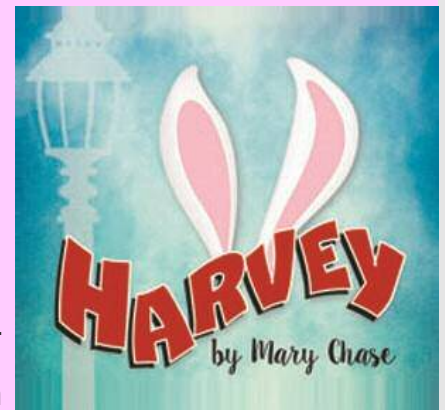
This years God's Work, Our Hands will be held on September 10, 2017. The Community Outreach Team will be collecting Flip-Flops, Slippahs or Thongs, what ever you call them, anything that is island style for kids. The sizes are anything from 1st grade through 8th grade. Any style and any color.

There will be two collection bins with signs placed by the entrance of the church and we will be collecting starting the first Sunday of August and it will go through the middle of September. They will eventually go to kids for the Kihei Youth Center, Keolahou Food Pantry, and Kihei Elementary. If you have any questions please feel free to call Donna Smith at 879-2260 or e-mail her at [donnas4411@gmail.com](mailto:donnas4411@gmail.com).

## THEATER/MOVIE GROUP

The YMCA Group (Youth, Missions, Community and Adults) of the Outreach Committee will bring out its second play "Harvey" at the lao theatre in Wailuku on Sunday October 15 at the 3PM matinee.

This is the Pulitzer Prize winning story of Elwood P. Dowd and his imaginary six foot rabbit Harvey. Elwood insists on including his imaginary rabbit friend in all of his sister Veta's social gatherings. To avoid further embarrassment for Veta's family and especially for her daughter, Myrtle Mae, Veta decides to have Elwood committed to a sanatorium. At the sanatorium, a frantic Veta explains that Elwood's hallucination has caused her to see Harvey too, and so the Doctors mistakenly commit Veta instead of her mild mannered brother Elwood.



The KLC Movie/Theatre Club tickets are discounted to \$18. See Lynn and Karen Carlson or Dave and Dee Reader for information and tickets.

## FROM BISHOP ANDY TAYLOR, PACIFICA SYNOD, ELCA



Dear Friends in Christ,

We have seen on TV the devastation wrought by Hurricane Harvey in the Houston area and throughout the Gulf Coast. We have heard people ask how they can help. Bishop Michael Rinehart of the Texas-Louisiana Gulf Coast Synod recommends the following: **Pray, Give, Serve**.

- 1) **Pray** for the people who have been affected by the hurricane and the resulting floods.
- 2) **Give** financial donations. You can give through one of two different agencies. Donations given to Lutheran Disaster Response will be used to help families, particularly the poorest of the poor, to rebuild their lives.

Donations given to the Texas-Louisiana Gulf Coast Synod help ELCA congregations recover and serve their neighborhoods. Give to "Synod Disaster Fund" by going to the [elca.org](http://elca.org) website. Please specify gifts to be used for Hurricane Harvey.

- 3) **Serve** those who are in need. Volunteers can be utilized, but before you head to Texas, make sure you have housing first. So many are displaced, it is difficult to find hotel and other accommodations. Unskilled labor is needed now, while skilled labor (such as professional contractors) will be needed later.

Thank you for your prayers, financial assistance, and support for the people of Texas in their time of need.

Yours in Christ,

Bishop Andy Taylor  
Pacifica Synod of the ELCA



# PARSONAGE HAWAIIAN BLESSING

Before Pastor Martyn and his family there was a lot of work done on the parsonage to get it ready for them. When it was all completed, we decided that it needed to have a proper Hawaiian Blessing. Mahalo to all of those who were able to come and be there for the blessing. It was a very spiritual event. Once again Mahalo to Sue Moorcroft, Carolyn Rixey-Wagner, Zel for the pictures and anyone else who helped with the renovations.



## Some Stewardship Thoughts



### An Opportunity to Say “Yes”

Life is an opportunity. Life is a journey saying “yes” to God who call us the Beloved. Life is a journey to love, a journey to welcome, a journey to invite, a journey to peace, a journey to generosity.

From the moment we draw our first breath to the moment we breathe our last, we are both receivers and givers. How we move from takers of everything given to us to sharing everything we have is one measure of how we live into saying “yes.”

On our journey to generosity, we learn from our parents and other family members. We learn from friends and church members. We learn through our own actions and from hearing the stories of other generous people.

The gospel stories of Jesus inform, challenge, and inspire us. Whether it's the story of the Good Samaritan, the rich young ruler, or Zacchaeus, Jesus invites us into what the journey to generosity looks like.

The journey is not simply about how we live our lives as the Beloved. Are we generous in our dealings with others? Are we generous when we welcome the stranger and strange to church on Sunday mornings? Are we generous in our forgiveness and in our acceptance of forgiveness?

“Put simply, life is a God-given opportunity to become who we are, to affirm our own true spiritual nature, claim our truth, appropriate and integrate the reality of our being, but most of all to say ‘Yes’ to the One who calls us the Beloved.” Henri J.M. Nouwen

*This article was taken from the Episcopal Network for Stewardship at [tens.org](http://tens.org).*

The Spiritual Gifts Team

## CELEBRATION

We all know how important first birthdays are here in Hawaii. As Congregation President I wanted to let you know that the Keiki Klothing Exchange (KKE) just celebrated its one year birthday this past weekend! Congratulations to Ali and the Community Outreach Committee for their great ministry! In case you are not familiar with the Exchange; it is a free children’s clothing exchange event to help families provide for their keiki. Families bring what they can and take what they need, no donation is required. Not only does it help fill an important need but by recycling clothing, it is also a great way to live green. They also accept toys, books, baby items and shoes (also being in good condition).

KKE is held between 9am-11am on the first Saturday of every month on the lanai. All leftovers are donated to various charities in need. Nothing is ever sold for profit. The event was founded and coordinated by Maui mama Ali Dauler who can be reached via email at [freekeikiexchange@gmail.com](mailto:freekeikiexchange@gmail.com) or you can contact her by checking out their Facebook page Keiki Klothing Exchange - Kihei or just show up - everyone is invited!





## HAU'OLI LA HANAU! (Happy Birthday!)

Nancy Jorden	9/2
Tiffany Winn	9/2
Maggie Vorhes	9/6
Phillip Proctor	9/6
Sharyl Boren	9/7
Joel Smith	9/7
Joleen Pilotin	9/11
Todd Lawson	9/12
Syd Dahlin	9/14
Pam Kamoku	9/14
Rhonda Stoltzfus	9/14

Cheri Beyersdorf	9/17
Erna Schedler	9/17
Derek Elaban	9/18
Geri Brannon	9/19
Nancy Kentz	9/20
Angelina Campos	9/21
Alexandra Kennedy	9/21
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
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 2017

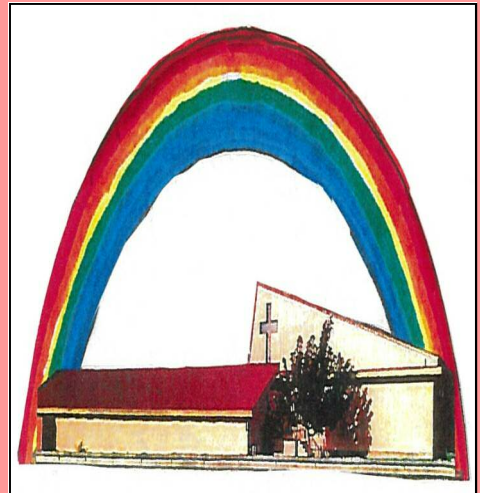
ASSISTING MINISTERS		
3	9:00	Sandi Martinsen
10	9:00	Zel Terluin
17	9:00	Renee Romerdahl
24	9:00	Mark Fornwall
READERS		
3	9:00	Nancy Meyer
10	9:00	Trevor Sim
17	9:00	Darleen Owens
24	9:00	Hilary Glassel
COMMUNION		
3	9:00	Holly Pendergast, Donna Smith, Darleen Owens, Beverly Schifferling, Hilary Glassel, Betty Misner
10	9:00	Zel Terluin, Don Lee, Dori Thorngren, Renee & Nels Romerdahl, Betty Misner
17	9:00	Hula Ladies & Jeff & Charlotte Wright
24	9:00	Nancy Kentz, Marilyn Hopkins, Andrea Harris, Jack Wierzba, Sandi and David Martinsen
GREETERS		
3	9:00	Sue Moorcroft, Barbara Rudow, Carolyn Rixey-Wagner & Holly Pendergast
10	9:00	
17	9:00	
24	9:00	

USHERS		
3	9:00	Tom Rekow & Lynn Carlson
10	9:00	Duane Chaney & Lynn Carlson
17	9:00	Duane Chaney & John Thorngren
24	9:00	Duane Chaney & Lynn Carlson
MEDIA		
3	9:00	Sandi Martinsen/Darleen Owens
10	9:00	Nels Romerdahl
17	9:00	Mike Beyersdorf/Richard Gesch
24	9:00	Owen Pendergast
SUNDAY SCHOOL		
3	9:00	
10	9:00	
17	9:00	
24	9:00	
FLOWERS		
3		
10		
17		
24		
REFRESHMENTS		
3		Mikhaela Galindo
10		David Martinsen
17		Embree's for Erna's 105th Birthday
24		Vicki Nelson



## Important Statistics

July	2016	2017
Average Sunday Worship Attendance	107	102
Offerings For The Month (members & visitors)	\$22,182.50	\$12,734.00
Offerings – Year to Date (members & visitors)	\$190,802.53	\$192,343.50



### Prayer Shawl Ministry

We continue to knit and crochet so members and friends will have a shawl to give away whenever a difficult or happy occasion arrives for our friends and loved ones. Check the closet any Sunday to choose a shawl to give to someone in your life. Please put your name and the name of the recipient in the notebook.

We will always welcome newcomers to the Prayer Shawl Hui. Just show up in the Multi-use Room on Thursdays at 9:00 a.m.

God bless,

The Prayer Shawl Hui



**Church  
Council**

Next Meeting will be:  
To Be Determined

### Men's Hui



**MEN'S GROUP**

September 26th, at  
6:00 p.m. at the  
Church.

*All are Welcome*

### Women's Hui

Women's hui will meet September 26th, at 6:00 p.m. at the Church. We will be share the pupu's and then watch a short video by Sheila Walsh titled "The Storm Inside". We all face storms inside of us. Heartbreak, fear, regret. Insecurity or shame. During this study, we look at eight women of the Bible and see the crucial choices each one made and how God guided them through their storms.



#### Administrative Office Hours:

Monday thru Friday:  
9:00 AM—5:00 PM



#### "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!



# SEPTEMBER

## Kihei Lutheran Church September 2017

# SEPTEMBER

SUNDAY		MONDAY		TUESDAY		WEDNESDAY		THURSDAY		FRIDAY		SATURDAY	
27	9am Worship 10:15am Adult Discussion 10:15am Choir 5pm Tongan United Methodist	28	10am Faith Discussions 5pm Monday's at Manoli's 8pm Tongan UMC Choir	29	12pm Al-Anon 1:30pm Games Group 5pm Chimes	30	5pm Tongan UMC 8pm Tongan UMC Choir	31	7am Weightwatchers 9am Prayer Shawl Hui	1	12pm Al-Anon Meeting	2	9am Keiki Klothing Exchange 10am Music Class 7pm Tongan UMC Choir
<b>3—Keolahou Food Pantry</b>	9am Worship 10:15am Adult Discussion 10:15am Choir 5pm Tongan United Methodist	<b>4—Labor Day Office Closed</b>	10am Faith Discussions 5pm Monday's at Manoli's 8pm Tongan UMC Choir	5	12pm Al-Anon 1:30pm Games Group 5pm Chimes 6pm Property	6	8am CHEM School 5pm Tongan UMC 7:00pm Mutual Ministry 8pm Tongan UMC Choir	7	7am Weightwatchers 9am Prayer Shawl Hui 5:30pm 4-Given 5:30pm Hula	8	12pm Al-Anon Meeting	9	10am Music Class 7pm Tongan UMC Choir
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<b>17—KYC Snack Drive</b>	9am Worship 10:15am Adult Discussion 10:15am Choir 10:15am Jr/Sr High Sunday School 5pm Tongan United Methodist	18	10am Faith Discussions 5pm Monday's at Manoli's 8pm Tongan UMC Choir	19	12pm Al-Anon 1:30pm Games Group 5pm Chimes 6pm Administrative Team	20	8am CHEM School 5pm Tongan UMC 8pm Tongan UMC Choir	21	7am Weightwatchers 9am Prayer Shawl Hui 5:30pm 4-Given 5:30pm Hula 6:45pm Masterworks	22	12pm Al-Anon Meeting	23	7pm Tongan UMC Choir
24	9am Worship 10:15am Adult Discussion 10:15am Choir 10:15am Jr/Sr High Sunday School 5pm Tongan United Methodist	<b>25—Newsletter Deadline</b>	10am Faith Discussions 5pm Monday's at Manoli's 8pm Tongan UMC Choir	26	12pm Al-Anon 1:30pm Games Group 5pm Chimes 6pm Men's Hui 6pm Women's Hui	27	8am CHEM School 5pm Tongan UMC 8pm Tongan UMC Choir	28	7am Weightwatchers 9am Prayer Shawl Hui 5:30pm 4-Given 5:30pm Hula 6:45pm Masterworks	29	12pm Al-Anon Meeting	30	7pm Tongan UMC Choir

**Staff**

Pastor Joel Martyn  
 Music Coordinator Beth Wills  
 Church Administrative Asst. Cate Evert  
 Bookkeeper Sue Whitney  
 Nursery Attendant Lucinda Chartrand

**Worship Area Coordinators**

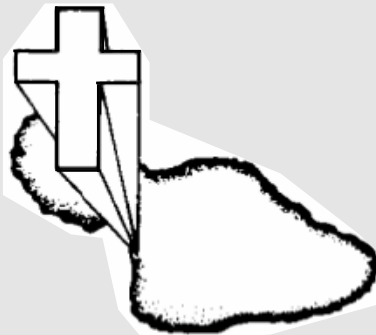
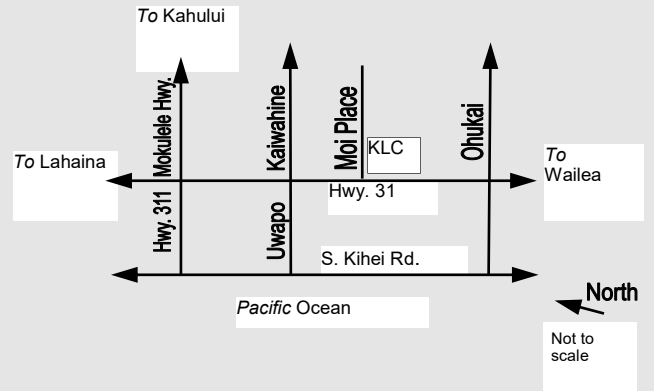
Assisting Ministers Zel Terluin  
 Chimes & Choir Director Beth Wills  
 Communion Assistants Betty Misner  
 Flowers Charlotte Wright  
 Readers Nancy Meyer  
 Refreshments Vicki Nelson  
 Ushers Duane Chaney  
 Bread Coordinator Sanni Tharp

**Other Contacts**

Treasurer Vicki Lee  
 Financial Secretary Tom Rekow  
 Hula Group Sally Handley  
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**SUNDAY WORSHIP**

**9:00 AM**



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