

PLEASE MAKE SURE TO READ PASTOR'S ARTICLE THE NEXT PAGE

"BY HIS WOUNDS WE ARE HEALED"

Soup & Salad Dinner—6:00-7:00 p.m. Lenten Worship—7:00-8:00 p.m.

- Wednesday, March 4—Kihei Lutheran —220 Moi Place
- Wednesday, March 11—St. Theresa Catholic Church—25 W. Lipoa Street
- Wednesday, March 18—St. Theresa Catholic Church—25 W. Lipoa Street
- Wednesday, March 25—Kihei Lutheran Church—220 Moi Place
- Wednesday, April 1—St. Theresa Catholic Church—25 W. Lipoa Street
 - Host congregation members provide soups, bread, and drinks.
 - Visiting congregation members provide salads.

You are welcome to come for dinner and worship, or just worship if you are unable to make the dinner.

"TRY IT ONCE" OPPORTUNITY

One of the community traditions is for churches to gather one evening each week during Lent for soup and salad, with the host church providing the soup and visiting church friends providing salads.

KLC will host soup and salad night one or two times – **we will be hosting March 4th and 25th**. Are you willing to help? Here are the areas that are needed. You don't have to do it all. It would be great if a few people picked one area to organize.

Call 5 or 6 people to provide a pot of soup for the evening

Set up tables – this includes moving some chairs

Organize the kitchen island buffet-style for guests to serve themselves

Clean-up after the meal

Take down tables – this involves putting back chairs

If you are willing to do any one of these things, please contact Marilyn Hopkins. This is a good opportunity to use some of your time and talent to help the church. No long-term commitment and the project is broken down into small sections. Please give it some thought and be a part of the team.





ALOHA FROM PASTOR JOEL MORTGAGE PRINCIPAL FUNDRAISER



The Finance Ministry Team made a proposal to raise funds to pay down the principal on the church's mortgage. The Stewardship Team is working alongside them and has put together a Lenten appeal to pay down that principal. This is YOUR chance as Kihei FROMTHE Lutheran Church Ohana to make a difference in the life of this congregation and community. Beginning on March 1st and concluding on Easter Sunday, there will be multiple ways in which you can donate outside of your regular giving.

What's really exciting here, is that some anonymous individuals, out of gratitude for all that God has done in their lives and through the ministries of KLC have offered to match up to \$40,000! If we were able to raise \$40,000 during this fund drive, we would have a total of \$80,000 to put toward the principal on the mortgage. THIS WOULD BE HUGE FOR KLC! Let's prayerfully consider making any donations that we can.

Our mortgage is currently about \$470,000 and our budgeted annual payment is \$30,000. Of that \$30,000, approximately \$18,000 goes toward interest. Whenever we lower the principal, we decrease the amount of each monthly payment that goes toward interest, thus allowing us to pay off the mortgage more guickly. In 2022 we will be looking at an increase to the interest rate on the mortgage. All donations are helpful, whether a few dollars or a big check. When we all work together toward the goal, it's amazing what we can accomplish.

Out of gratitude for the abundance that Christ has blessed us with, please consider making a donation **on top of your usual offering** toward the principal of our mortgage. The closer we get to eliminating our mortgage debt, the better we will be able to put our money toward ministries that will help us serve our church and our community. This helps toward fulfilling our purpose, "To share the love and word of God through worship and service to others."

If you would like to make a donation right now using your mobile phone follow this link https:// www.givelify.com/ and install Givelify on to your smartphone. You can also find it in the App Store for Apple IOS mobile devices and in Google Play. Create an account and search for Kihei Lutheran Church. Once you are at KLC's page you can choose the envelope titled "2020 Lenten Appeal" and make your donation there. Everything is 100% safe and secure. Or go ahead and use a check or cash in an envelope and place it in the offering bowl during worship. And remember KLC that,

Together We Can Make A Difference!

GIVELIFY

A NEW WAY TO DONATE

USE THIS NEW MOBILE GIVING METHOD TO GIVE TO THE MORTGAGE PRINCIPLE FUNDRAISER AND ALL YOUR DONATIONS TO KLC

KLC has entered a new era: the age of anytime, anywhere giving. We are now signed up with Givelify, the mobile giving app created specifically for churches and nonprofits.

Givelify gives you an easy giving experience using your smartphone. To make your first mobile donation the best experience possible, we recommend you download the Givelify app for Android or iPhone before you come to church. It's free to download and to use. It's totally safe and secure, and for tax time you have one-tap access to your complete donation records. And if you are technically challenged, take your phone to the office and Cate will help you.

Make your offerings, tithes, and gifts to special envelopes right from the palm of your hand. You can give to KLC wherever you are.

Want to see how it works? Watch the demonstration video that shows you all about how to make and track donations.

Make Your **First Donation**

NEW TO GIVELIFY? START GIVING IN 60 SECONDS!

- Download the free Givelify app
- Locate your place of worship
- Tap Give
- Choose your gift amount
- Select an envelope
- **Tap Give Now**
- Create your account
- Enter your payment information
- Set up recurring giving to your home place of worship by navigating to the home screen, selecting your most recent gift, and selecting Set Recurring.

Leave this slip for the next person to discover, connect, and give



THE JOY OF GIVING FOR HALE KAU KAU SILENT AUCTION



KLC continues to support the Kihei program that every day feeds the hungry, homeless and homebound in Kihei. WE can generously support their program by clicking this link to bid online for one or more of the items generously given by local businesses. This auction provides 40% of Hale Kau Kau's annual budget. They have been doing this for 28 straight years and have served more than 1.5 million meals. 100% of your donation goes directly to help fund the program. Also, don't miss the "Fund a cause" opportunities. Mahalo for your generosity and continues support for Hale Kau Kau.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

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In just a few days from the publishing of this, we will enter the season of Lent. I have found that I appreciate this time of our liturgical year more as I get older.

But to be honest, I have never "given up" anything for Lent. I used to belong to a church where the Lenten focus was to "take on" something: volunteer more during this time, join a ministry team such as choir, chimes or hula, attend the Lenten services or a Bible study, etc. Lent is a time of repentance and self-reflection and time to focus on our relationship with God and to remind ourselves of Jesus' sacrifice and grace that is extended to us as Christians. Regardless of your individual practices, let us all take some time this season to reflect on God's grace and how we at KLC can extend that grace to each other and throughout our community.

This past month, our congregation had a fun fellowship event with the annual whale watch. It was a great time for our ohana to get together to fellowship and see God's creations. It was also great to see many of our members share the experience on social media. This is a great way to share our fun, fellowship and the fact that KLC is an awesome community of believers! I would encourage all KLC friends to "like" our Facebook page and share your photos and experiences.

Mahalo to those of you who were able to attend and participate in our annual meeting on February 9th. If you happened to miss it and would like a copy of the annual report, please contact the church office. A few questions arose during the meeting regarding constitutional issues. Lhave attempted to answer or quote those sections of the constitution here. Hard copies of this information can be requested from the church office.

Our congregation will meet again in April (exact date TBD). The purpose of this meeting will be (mainly) to elect new members to the Congregational Council. Please be sure to read thoroughly all of our KLC publications such as e-blast, newsletter and bulletin to stay informed.

I end by sharing a recent devotional/prayer I came upon for the Lenten season. ~ Phil

Loving creator,

I am not asking to overcome my weakness, but to use it in some way to glorify you. Let me be aware of the many ways you reach out to help me today and let me stand in awe of the power that you use in such loving ways.

Amen.

ADULT EDUCATION

The Adult Education Committee is really excited about our March offerings! We will continue our important discussion on The Council of Nicaea on March 1 and 8. New insights into The Parable of the Prodigal Son will be explored on March 15. Pastor Joel will lead discussion on March 22. And we will conclude our month's studies as we look at the differences and similarities in the various Christian based churches on March 29. Everyone is welcome, even first timers.





FEBRUARY SECRETARY REPORT

Council Meeting of February 18, 2020

The regular meeting of the KLC Council was held at the church at 7:00 p.m. with a quorum present.

Pastor Joel's report showed he visited 24 members and 10 nonmembers and performed 1 wedding.

There is currently \$18,042 in the general fund.

Janet Harp spoke with the auditor who said she will provide a letter to KLC stating that she is withdrawing from her engagement with the church to provide an audit. We will provide more information as it becomes available.

Community/Outreach Committee provided the following list of organizations for noisy offerings in 2020, subject to change if a specific need arises during the year:

March 29 – Women Helping Women

May 31 - Na Keiki O Emalia

August 30 - Maui Rescue Mission

November 29 – Maui Family Support Services

The Property Team has been working with Scout Wright to renovate the ground surface of the playground as an Eagle Scout service project. Property Team will organize a fundraiser to cover the cost of approximately \$3,800.

A member of our ohana recommended a matching funds campaign to pay down the principal of the mortgage. Some members of the KLC ohana challenge the congregation to match their donations up to \$40,000. Look for the Mortgage Principal Fundraiser article in this newsletter for more detail.

Since the KLC credit card in the past needed to be in the name of one person, Vicki Lee graciously agreed to have this as an account in her name. There is now a credit card available through the ELCA Credit Union. We will apply for an unsecured credit card account in the name of Kihei Lutheran Church to be used for purchases pertaining to KLC ministries. These purchases will be arranged through Cate. We will also purchase a \$1,000 prepaid credit card for Cate to use at Costco for supplies.

After approval at the annual meeting to extend the lease agreement with the Little Hoku Montessori School, this extension was finalized by Council for June 1, 2020, through May 31, 2021.

In order to improve communication within the church and between groups, committee meetings will be held on the second Monday of every month. Time will be flexible to accommodate all the people involved. This will allow Pastor Joel, members of Council and members who are on more than one committee to be available on one day rather than coming to KLC multiple times every month.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m. The next regular meeting will be March 17, 2020. Keli closed the meeting with prayer.

Marilyn Hopkins

REPORT OF THE ANNUAL MEETING

The annual meeting of KLC was held on February 9th after worship with a quorum present. Written reports from Pastor Joel, Council President Phil Proctor, the finance team and various committees of KLC had previously been made available to the congregation with extra copies at this meeting. All who attended were invited to ask questions of church leadership for each report. These written reports are available at the church office.

A motion was approved to assure payment of the sewer access manhole required by Maui County and tree trimming service at the church. The manhole project began February 17 and is expected to be completed within 60 days.

The Nominating Committee, tasked with asking people to serve on Council, will be Phil Proctor and Marilyn Hopkins representing Council, and Andrea Harris and Joy Nelson representing the congregation. If you have ever considered being on Council or have any questions, see one of these people. You don't have to wait to be asked to be part of Council or any other committee.

We are still searching for two people to represent KLC at the Pacifica Synod Conference in May. Call the church office or see a Council member if you are interested or if you have any questions about this conference. All expenses are paid by the Synod and KLC.

The Little Hoku Motessori School one-year lease extension was discussed. By paper ballot, the members agreed by a vote of 39 to 13 to extend the lease.

Marilyn Hopkins

LET'S MEET TOGETHER

If you are on any committee at KLC, you probably know it can be difficult to get everyone together on the same day and time. If you are on more than one committee, you know the challenge of getting to the church several times to meet with various groups. If your committee needs information from another committee to make a decision, you know what it's like to plan an additional meeting after you make the contact and get the information.

So, let's remedy this issue and all meet on the same day – the 2nd Monday of every month. The times will be flexible to accommodate those who need to attend several meetings and those who do not want to drive after dark. Council is coordinating with Cate to set times that should work for all regular committee members.

All of this is being done to improve communication at KLC. Committees will easily be able to share information, so we don't have two groups passing different motions on the same topic. Pastor Joel and Council liaisons will be able to cover all committees without coming to the church multiple times. Information can be shared as needed by simply walking to another room.

This will begin March 9, the second Monday. Let's try something new and enjoy the ease of meeting together.

The KLC Youth Group has a new name......

The J-Walkers

(walking with Jesus)

CONTEST – Help us design a logo for our new name! All logo ideas should be sent to Bubba @ mrs.rudow@gmail.com by March 7th. Thanks!

The J-Walkers wanted to do their first Community Service activity close to home, so they helped the Property Committee by washing all the church windows - inside and out!

















HAU'OLI LA HANAU! (Happy Birthday!)



Larry Nelson	3/2
Dave Spencer	3/2
JoAnn Patterson	3/3
Charlotte Wright	3/8
June Benson	3/13
Nels Romerdahl	3/20
Doug Paulson	3/21

Mo Hottendorf	3/21
Nathaniel Bell	3/26
Owen Pendergast	3/26
Peter Vorhes	3/26
Zel Terluin	3/28
Micheala Scibeli	3/28
Teri Ocean	3/31

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

Peter & Jeanne Vorhes	3/1/1991
Larry & Donna Nelson	3/3/1962
Jake & Linda Hangartner	3/4/2006
Romy & Debbie Galindo	3/9/1996
Tom & Cheryl Rietz	3/15/1985
Mike & Gina Johnson	3/24/1990
Joe & Nancy Kentz	3/27/1993
Romy & Debbie Galindo Tom & Cheryl Rietz Mike & Gina Johnson	3/9/1996 3/15/1985 3/24/1990





Worship Volunteers March 2020

ASS	ASSISTING MINISTERS		
1	Zel Terluin		
8	Holly Pendergast		
15	Andrea Harris		
22	Richard Gesch		
29	Vicki Nelson		
READERS			
1	Sandi Martinsen		
8	Nancy Jorden		
15	Jean Raine		
22	Larry Manning		
29	Ed Schafer		
COI	COMMUNION		
1	Brad & Diana Hill, Billie & Steve Moksnes		
8	Marilyn Hopkins, Nancy Jorden, Renee & Nels Romerdahl		
15	Hula Ladies		
22	Holly Pendergast, Andrea Harris, Joy Nelson & Hilary Glassel		
29	Youth		
GRI	EETERS		
1_	Sue Moorcroft & Barbara Rudow		
8	Hilary Glassel & Marcia Stafford		
15	Roberta & Jerry Sieck		
22	Joy Nelson & Ollie Stafford		
29	Billie Moksnes & Gail Holt		

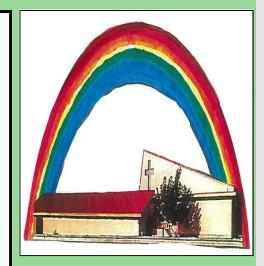


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1	Mark Fornwall & Duane Chaney		
8	Arnie Mastson & Duane Chaney		
15	Mark Fornwall & Duane Chaney		
22	Arnie Mastson & Duane Chaney		
29	Mark Fornwall & Duane Chaney		
ME	MEDIA		
1	Stephanie Mohr		
8	Joel Rudow		
15	Nels Romerdahl		
22	Stephanie Mohr		
29	Nels Romerdahl		
FLO	OWERS		
1			
8			
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29			
RE	REFRESHMENTS		
1	Dori & John Thorngren		
8			
15			
22	Jeane Raine		

Dave & Sandi Martinsen

Important Statistics

January	2019	2020
Average Sunday Worship Attendance	160	140
Offerings For The Month (members & visitors)	\$37,223.00	\$28,142.00
Offerings – Year to Date (members & visitors)	\$37,223.00	\$28,142.00



KLC is a qualified section 501(c)(3) organization. All offerings or donations are tax deductible under section 170 (c)(2) of the IRS regulations. Making an offering/donation constitutes your agreement to relinquish control in accordance with those regulations and KLC policies.



With Lent approaching, we often think about ways to enhance our relationship with God. Consider wrapping yourself, your family and your friends in a prayer shawl. Each shawl is made and blessed with prayer for whomever will receive it. Pick out as many as you need any Sunday.

God bless,

The Prayer Shawl Hui



Women's Hui

The next women's hui will be March 24th at 6pm at the church. All are welcome. Please bring a pupu to share and a beverage of your choice!!!



Next Meeting will be: March 17th, at 7:00 p.m.



Men's Hui

Next Meeting will be: March 24th, at 6pm

All are Welcome

Administrative Office Hours:

Monday thru Thursday: 9:00 AM—5:00 PM Friday: 9:00 AM-4:00 PM



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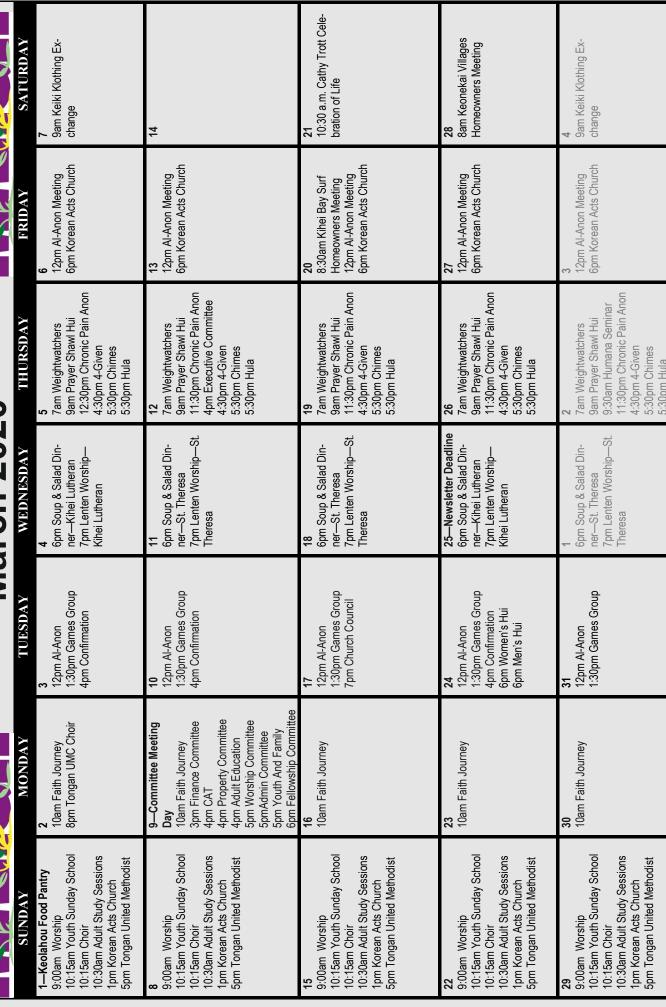
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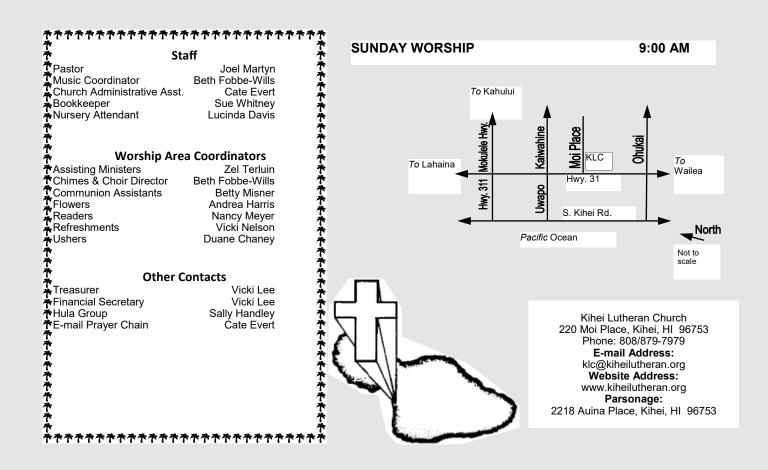
If you haven't already "liked" our page: www.facebook.com/KiheiLutheran go ahead and do so to be the most up-to-date on upcoming church events. A link is already on the church



Kihei Lutheran Church

March 2020





"Where all know they are beloved children of God"

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