

#### Annual Congregational Meeting

The annual congregational meeting is scheduled for February 21st, immediately following the service. The purpose of this meeting is to provide the congregation with annual reports from the various committees, task forces, and ministries. Please make plans to attend. The annual report will published and ready for people to pick up starting Sunday February 7th.





#### 2020 END OF THE YEAR STATEMENTS!!!

The end of the year statements are here and will be mailed out Tuesday, February 2nd. If you have any questions, please contact the office and Cate will direct you to the correct person to talk to. Mahalo.

#### **ASH WEDNESDAY**

As with everything this year, we will be doing Ash Wednesday a little differently. We will have an in-person service starting at 5:00 pm on Wednesday, February 17th. There will be a sign up and both indoor and outdoor seating will be available. For those of you who can't make the 5:00pm time, we will send out the online version a little later in the evening. We will also have communion and ashes available for pickup from the office starting Sunday, February 14th,



and continuing Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday. If you wish to worship from home, stop by and pick up the supplies anytime during that week. If you have any questions, please contact the office. Mahalo.





#### **ALOHA FROM PASTOR JOEL**

Joel Martyn

Aloha my friends. Blessings to you in Christ our Lord.

PROM THE I just recently went on a retreat, by myself, where the goal was to refocus, realign and just take some time to be with God where there were not any distractions that demanded my direct attention. It was beneficial and gave me copious amounts of time to think, vision and pray. I am so grateful to have been able to take a moment to do so.

While I was on this trip, I had a lot of time to think about what we have been through as a congregation over the past year and what I have been through over the past year. The covid-19 pandemic has not been friendly to any of us. Many of us have been directly influenced by the virus in one way or another. We have had friends who have lost their lives or whose lives have been severely altered. We grieve the losses that this pandemic has brought.

The loss of physical relationships with our loved ones and church ohana. The loss of being able to sing exuberantly our praises to God with one another. The loss of being able to grasp one another's hand as we pass the peace. The loss of control or perceived control. The list goes on and on. And we grieve these losses.

For many of us the uncertainty that the pandemic has brought to us and to our congregation has been stressful. It has been emotional, scary, exhausting, confusing... Fear of the unknown as to what the future holds has caused anxiety to rise. It has been an emotional rollercoaster for all of us.

I want to commend you for your graciousness as we/I struggled to figure out how to be church/pastor when we could not be together in person. I want to commend you on your willingness to change and grow and adapt to new ways of being church. Change is painful because of the losses of what we once knew become different. But pain is a sign of growth.

What once was scary and dubious, is now not so scary and dubious. I'm thinking of Zoom meetings, recording worship services, editing video, watching and participating in church through youtube etc. etc. Having to learn all these new skills and new ways of being in relationship was at first painful, but now seem much easier for us all to handle. And that is because we have been forced to change and to grow.

It reminds of the passage from scripture, Revelation 21:5, "And he who was seated on the throne said, 'Behold, I am making all things new." Perhaps, this experience is giving us the chance to really embrace the newness of life and ministry. Perhaps God is leading us into a **new** place and a **new** way of being church. What does that look like? How has God brought about **newness** in your life? What are some **new** ways that we can be church together? Just some questions to provoke some thoughts.

May God's newness abound within you, transforming you into a new creation in Christ Jesus. Amen.

Pastor Joel

#### PRESIDENT'S DEDODT

#### PRESIDENT'S REPORT

As we begin this second month of this new year, I have already observed some changes occurring. One was the election of church council officers who started

their positions in January. Our current officers are Renee Romerdahl, president, Keli Nelson, vice president, Holly Pendergast, secretary, and Margie Terluin who continues to serve as treasurer. Joel Rudow is the current Financial Secretary. Other council members include Janet Harp, Dave Mather, and Sue Moorcroft. I would like to express a thank you to all of them for their willingness to serve our congregation by being on the church council.

Another change this past month is that immunizations began for the Corona Virus for essential workers and those over 75. Many people have already been immunized and more are anxiously awaiting. As a teacher, I have received my immunizations, and I encourage all of you to also get yours to protect your health and the health of others. The state has a chart and schedule for determining when individuals are eligible to get their vaccine. We will help by keeping you informed of what age group Is eligible, how to get an appointment, and where to go. We will also have help available for those who need assistance registering and scheduling an appointment. Please let Pastor or me know if you would like assistance in arranging for your vaccination.

The immunizations give us a ray of light for the future. As more people are immunized and the number of cases decrease, we will start to see the light at the end of the tunnel. We all look forward to the time when we can resume regular worship activities, fellowship, and some form of "normality". As we look forward to this future, we begin to make plans. At the end of January, Phil Proctor and I attended the virtual Bishop's Conversation with Church Council Presidents. We hope that these conversations help to enlighten and inspire us, provide us with guidance, and leadership for our future here at Kihei Lutheran Church. I look forward to what God has planned for us!

"I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life" (John 8:12).

Blessings to you all,

Renee Romerdahl



#### **Council Approved Minutes**

To see a copy of the approved December Council Minutes please click here.

#### **ZOOM GET TOGETHERS**

Because times are still so uncertain it is always a good idea to still stay connected to people any way we can. One way would be through zoom get togethers. Some groups have been Zooming for a couple months. To help gauge the interest in these types of get-togethers, please contact the office at <a href="klc@kiheilutheran.org">klc@kiheilutheran.org</a> with an idea or something you may want to discuss. An example could be a bible study, coffee and conversation, catch up on weekly event, etc. It is also



nice to see each other. It really lifts the spirits of those who have been gathering in this way. For example, the choir has been meeting every week for a Happy 40 minutes. This is not a commitment, it is just another way to connect. If anyone would like to be a part of the choir Happy 40 minutes (this doesn't

mean you have to be part of the choir now ), learn about using Zoom and how easy it is, please contact our Music Coordinator, Beth Fobbe-Wills at beth@willsmaui.com.

#### SERVICE LINKS FOR THE PAST MONTH

Sunday, January 3rd: Aloha everyone. <u>Here is the link to the worship service.</u> Please be safe out there and take all the necessary measures to stay healthy.



Sunday, January 10th: Aloha friends. Here is the link to today's service.

Sunday, January 17th: Aloha. <u>Here is the link for today's worship service.</u> Feel free to share with friends and family. I look forward to seeing you soon.

Sunday, January 24th: Aloha everyone. Here is the link to today's worship service. Enjoy!

Sunday, January 31st: Aloha my friends. Here is the link to the worship service.

#### Mutual Ministry......We are here for you!

The Mutual Ministry Team has 3 main functions:

- 1. We provide pastoral support-professional and personal.
- 2. We are a sounding board for *both* the congregation and the pastor.
- 3. We discuss and provide constructive feedback on ministry issues.

In order for our team to be effective, to best serve *both* the pastor and KLC, we need your feedback. If you have any concerns, suggestions, positive feedback, creative ideas, etc., we would love to hear from you (please contact anyone on the list below). We are here for you! Let's work together to make KLC the best it can be.

#### **Mutual Ministry Team Members:**

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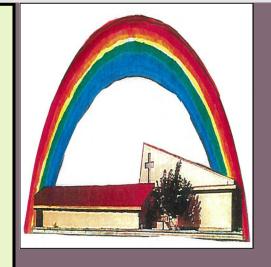
The Prayer Shawl Hui is meeting at KLC on Thursdays from 9:00—11:00. But be aware that there may be times we need to change that. Please join us to make shawls, pick out a shawl to give away (or keep for yourself) or just sit and talk. We would love to see you.

God bless,

The Prayer Shawl Hui

#### Important Statistics

Dec.	2019	2020
Average Sunday Worship Attendance	183	60
Offerings For The Month (members & visitors)	\$41,800.66	\$42,124.83
Offerings – Year to Date (members & visitors)	\$349,040.59	\$337,119.58



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.

#### **WAYS TO GIVE**

This has been an unusual year in many ways. Although we are worshiping inside and outside the church building, we are still unable to spend time with all of you. Through it all, our work as a church continues. Our staff still works, in fact even more hours, to record worship services and handle daily needs. We "visit" our ohana through phone calls and in other creative ways, help with

needs, collect and deliver food, and all the other things it takes to support the congregation and the community.

Without our regular visitors, with some members choosing to move closer to mainland family, and with job loss on the island as across the country, we are now at a point where the gifts coming to KLC are smaller than the expenses we still have to pay. We have gone through the budget to lower or eliminate as many expenses as possible, many resulting from KLC and other groups not being fully open at this time. We received a Payroll Protection Program (PPP) loan from the federal government to cover payroll for a while, but those funds have been used. We now must rely on contributions, which have begun to lag behind expenses.

We are asking for your help if you are able to do so. Please consider making a donation to the continuing life of KLC. Any amount will help. Small contributions blend together to become large blessings. You can give through the church website, www.kiheilutheran.org by clicking on the "Give" button at the top right of the home page. Or you can download the "Givelify" app to your iphone or Android, then search for Kihei Lutheran Church. Both are completely safe and easy to use. Of course, checks in the mail work too.

We look forward to the time when we can all be together again sharing worship and friendship. Until then, our prayers are with all of you. Take care, stay well, and know that you are loved.



Next Meeting will be: February 16th at 7:00 p.m. Via Zoom

#### Men's Hui



**Next Meeting:** When Scheduled

All are Welcome

#### Administrative Office Hours:

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

#### LIKE" US ON FACEBOOK

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 website!

## Our Church Directory is Online! View our church directory online or via the FREE mobile app today.

To view the directory online, go to **members.InstantChurchDirectory.com** and follow the prompts under "Sign In" to "Create a login now." Please remember, you must confirm your email address before you can sign in.

There is also a free mobile app available for download at the Apple® App store in iTunes®, Google Play™ store and the Amazon Fire App Store. Simply search for "Instant Church Directory" to get the download.

You will need to use your email address as listed in our directory to create a log-in the first time you use the directory online and via the mobile app. Please make sure the church has your current email or you won't be able to access the directory. Just email Cate with your name, email, phone number, address, and any other information and she can get you into the directory.

If you would like to update your information, please email Cate with your changes. If you would like a printed version, please let the office know.

Please note that the directory is still a work in progress and is being updated regularly.

### Need help or have questions?

Please contact: Cate at klc@kiheilutheran.org



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



Jeff Wright	2/3
Stephanie Mohr	2/5
Simon Stoltzfus	2/7
Jan McDonald	2/8
Harper Hottendorf	2/9
Betty Misner	2/10
Dave Reader	2/10
Kathleen Reiser	2/10
Jeanie Vance	2/11

Brad Hill	2/14
Carol Wakefield	2/14
Billie Moksnes	2/15
Kayana Kamoku	2/15
Connie Pluchos	2/19
Marilyn Hopkins	2/22
Richard Gesch	2/25
Lanyssa Kennedy	2/27
Jeff Baker	2/27

HAU'OLI LA HO'OMANA'O!

(Happy Anniversary!)

David & Sally Handley	February 14, 1985
Edward & Lindsay Schafer	February 23, 1986
Jack & Nancy Jorden	February 28, 1960
Bryan & Megan Pearl	February 29, 2012





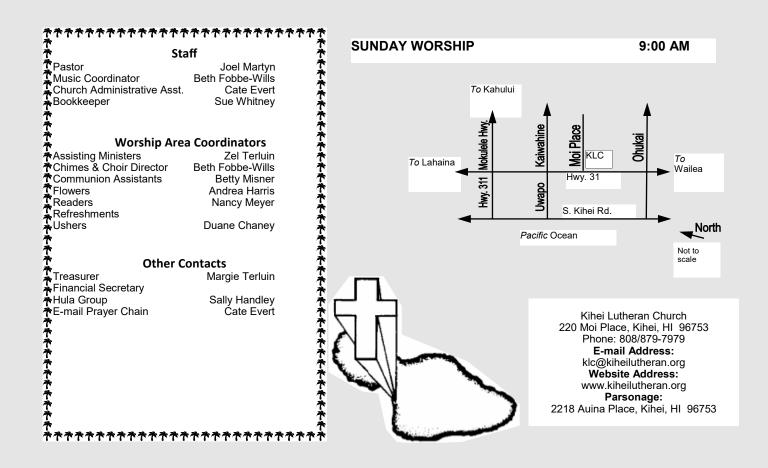




# Kihei Lutheran Church February 2021



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
31 9am Worship 1pm Korean Acts Church	1 10am Faith Journey—Zoom	<b>2</b> 12pm Al-Anon—Outside	3	4 9am Prayer Shawl Hui— Outside	5 12pm Al-Anon— Outside 6pm Korean Acts Church	<b>6</b> 9am KKE
<b>7—Keolahou Food Pantry</b> 9am Worship 1pm Korean Acts Church	8—Committee Meeting Day—All Meetings online, over the phone or by email 10am Faith Journey—Zoom Admin Committee Adult Ed Committee Fellowship Committee Property Committee Worship Committee Vouth & Family Committee	9 12pm Al-Anon—Outside 5pm Finance Committee via Zoom	10 People to	9am Prayer Shawl Hui— Outside 5pm KLC Zoom Happy Hour	12 12pm Al-Anon— Outside 6pm Korean Acts Church	13
<b>14</b> 9am Worship 1pm Korean Acts Church	15 10am Faith Journey—Zoom	<b>16</b> 12pm Al-Anon—Outside 7pm Church Council via Zoom	<b>17</b> —Ash Wednesday 5pm Ash Wednesday Ser- vice	18 9am Prayer Shawl Hui— Outside 5pm KLC Zoom Happy Hour	19 12pm Al-Anon— Outside 6pm Korean Acts Church	<b>20</b> 9am Keolahou <i>f</i> food Pantry Food Drop Off
<b>21</b> 9am Worship 1pm Korean Acts Church	22—Newsletter Deadline 10am Faith Journey—Zoom Don't Forget	23 12pm Al-Anon—Outside <b>to call</b>	People to	25 9am Prayer Shawl Hui— Outside 5pm KLC Zoom Happy Hour	26 12pm Al-Anon— Outside 6pm Korean Acts Church On them	27
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"Where all know they are beloved children of God"

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