

### **HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE**

We will be having services on Maundy Thursday and Good Friday starting at 5:30. Holy Week will end with the Glorious Resurrection of our Lord on Easter Sunday with worship services at 8:00 am and 10:00 am. The following are all the sign-ups. Remember,

HOLY WEEK







**WORSHIP SCHEDULE** 

there will be limited seating to accommodate county regulations. We look forward to see all of you.

Maundy Thursday Worship sign-up.

Good Friday Worship sign-up.

Easter Sunday Worship sign-up.

### **Holy Week**

### **Maundy Thursday**

With nightfall our Lenten observance comes to an end, and we gather with Christians around the world to celebrate the Three Days of Jesus' death and resurrection. At the heart of the Maundy Thursday liturgy is Jesus' commandment to love one another. As Jesus washed the feet of his disciples, we are called to follow his example as we humbly care for one another, especially the poor and the unloved. At the Lord's table we remember Jesus' sacrifice of his life, even as we are called to offer ourselves in love for the life of the world.

### **Good Friday**

The service is based on the Stations of The Cross-a devotion that was developed in the Middle Ages by the Franciscans as a way of allowing people who could not travel to the Holy Land to walk where Christ walked on the day of his passion. By the end of the 17th century many churches had stations, or stops, arranged at intervals along their walls, each with a cross and beneath that cross a representation of an event in the passion narrative. Nine of the fourteen stations are taken directly from scripture; the other five come out of the earliest traditions of the church. Each station has a devotion wherein a narrator will speak, followed by a meditation or thought. Following the meditation there will be a prayer, after which a candle will be extinguished, signifying the ebb of Christ's life.

### **Easter Sunday**

On this day the Lord has acted! On the first day of the week God began creation, transforming darkness into light. On this, the "eighth day" of the week, Jesus Christ was raised from the dead. We celebrate this new creation in the waters of baptism and in the feast of victory. With great joy we celebrate this day of days, even as we begin the great fifty days of Easter. Filled with hope, we go forth to share the news that Christ is risen!

### **ALOHA FROM PASTOR JOEL**



**Resurrection Greetings!** 

I would not hesitate to say that most, if not all of us are familiar with the song "Amazing Grace," which has been an integral part of Christian worship for years.

While there are many attempts to define "Grace," one definition that often speaks to my heart is God's "unmerited favor." In other words, we have done nothing to earn it, but God extended this Grace to humanity in the person and life of Jesus Christ.

In the time of the Romans, the Cross was regarded as the cruelest way to die. The Cross was reserved for the most hardened of criminals.

While I realize Easter is about the Resurrection of Jesus, without a doubt there could have been no Resurrection without the Cross and the Grace of God extended to a lost world.

While God's Grace WAS amazing, I believe today it is STILL amazing!

Have you ever stopped to think of where you would be without the work Jesus did for you on the Cross and, subsequently, the Resurrection?

While he was on the Cross, He felt the pain spiritually, emotionally, and physically, yet He continued because His love for humanity was without question!

The Resurrection of Jesus was God's validation of all Jesus did and claimed to be while He was here on earth! The Resurrection was God's "stamp of approval," so to speak, on the Grace Jesus displayed both then and now!

As we enter this Easter Season, I pray that not only will you think about the Resurrection of Jesus, but also the event that happened only three short days prior, which we know as the Crucifixion.

Amazing Grace, how sweet the sound, That saved a wretch like me, I once was lost, but now am found, Was blind but now I see!

God's Grace is STILL amazing!

Christ Lives!

Pastor Joel Martyn

Out of an abundance of caution, we <u>must</u> still abide by all KLC and County protocols. There is no immediate concern requiring contact tracing, but please be aware that there have been positive COVID tests within the KLC family. Even with many of us having received vaccinations, there have been cases of people testing positive even after receiving the vaccine. COVID variants exist on Maui.



We intend to remain vigilant in order to continue to worship together. Please help in the following ways.

- 1. When arriving, go to the registration table, remaining with your family group. You will be checked in and a host will take the bulletins and communion for your group and lead you to your seat. Please be patient. Please stay together.
- 2. Remain seated. This is very important since the seats and sanctuary have been sanitized.
- 3. Maintain social distancing
- 4. Of course you can get up to use the rest rooms. Then return directly to your seat.
- 5. At the end of worship, leave as a family group. Go directly to your vehicle. Tempting as it is to get together in the parking lot with friends, don't do it.

# PRESIDENT'S REPORT

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As the world begins to emerge from a challenging year of loss, strife and isolation; this Easter season brings growing hope, strength, resurrection, and new life.

Easter and Spring are a time of newness, freshness, and the beauty of new life arising from darkness and death.

This past month Mutual Ministry has been reaching out to members of our congregation. We are finding that many are missing the socialization of our KLC ohana. I recently saw a quote that said "The Easter egg symbolizes our ability to break out of the hardened, protective shell we've surrounded ourselves with." Perhaps the past year of isolation, personal protection, and safety measures taken for our communities can be symbolized as an egg shell. If so, then it is with hope that we look forward to a time of new life, when we can break out of the protective shell and emerge. Just as a chick emerges from an egg, we too will eventually emerge. My hope is that when we do, we will be stronger than ever, as God guides us to a bright and new future at KLC.

During the past month we negotiated and finalized a year contract with the Little Hoku Preschool which will begin on June 1. We are thankful to be able continue our relationship and to have this monthly income. The financial committee and church council are making recommendations for budget cuts and reductions in efforts to help us balance our monthly income and expenses. Our financial secretary presented the congregation with a challenge of tithing a portion or all of our stimulus checks. I hope that you will seriously consider this challenge. Many members have been vaccinated and we have seen an increase in attendance for in person services. We are all looking forward to a time when we will be able to gather with less restrictions.

The veil of darkness transformed to the brightest light. The most dreadful end became the most beautiful beginning. The depths of despair fade to reveal hope everlasting. The curse of death defeated by eternal life.

In His Service,

Renee Romerdahl

### SERVICE LINKS FOR THE PAST MONTH

Sunday, March 7th: <u>Here is the link to today's worship service.</u> Hope you enjoy it. It starts at the gospel reading because our cameraman (me) forgot to hit record. Someday I will get used to all of this.

Sunday, March14th: Aloha Friends. Here is the link to today's worship service.

Sunday, March 21st: <u>Here is the link to today's worship service.</u> Mahalo to you all for supporting KLC during this time.

Sunday, March 28th: Here is the link to today's Palm Sunday service.





### **KEOLAHOU FOOD PANTRY**

The Next food collection for the Kealahou Food Pantry will be this Saturday, April 17th, from 9am to 10am. You may also bring the food to the church on Sunday, the 21st. There will be a receptacle provided by the door of the old kitchen. Mahalo.



# REPORT OF THE MARCH COUNCIL MEETING

A regular meeting of the KLC Council was held virtually via Zoom with a quorum present. Sue Moorcroft gave the opening devotion and prayer.

Pastor Joel reported that he is conducting confirmation classes via Zoom with 10 young people each Sunday. Pastor has made phone calls to 35 members and 29 non-members in the last month. The state Dept. of Health is asking clergy members to supply them with names of individuals who qualify for the Covid vaccinations. Pastor has been giving them names of KLC members as they become eligible. Pastor attended the Hukilau conference this month. Pastor Joel also informed the Council of his allergic reaction last week that required emergency medical treatment. The photovoltaic system on the parsonage is up and running well.

Renee Romerdahl briefed the Council in her report of the need for KLC to make adjustments to its spending due to budget constraints. The Council was updated on the yearly lease proposal counter offer made to Little Hoku Preschool. We are awaiting their acceptance. Council members will make recommendation to the Finance committee on budget line items that can be reduced, eliminated, or temporarily suspended in order to make up for the \$3,000 monthly budget shortfall.

Margie reported that KLC received \$5,618 for offering in the previous week. Year to date giving is \$64,268, and year to date expenditures are \$73,189. The Financial Committee is awaiting the go ahead to submit the PPP loan forgiveness application. Council members were assigned to serve on various KLC committees with which they are to work and represent on the Council.

The Kekei Klothing Exchange was given approval to increase the number of clients and the time given for 'shopping'.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:50pm, and closed with prayer by Pastor Joel. The next regular virtual meeting will be April 20<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Holly Pendergast

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



The Prayer Shawl Hui is meeting at KLC on Thursdays from 9:00—11:00. 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.

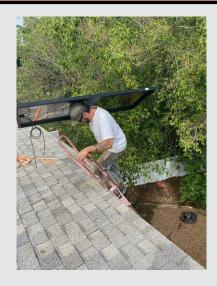
God bless.

The Prayer Shawl Hui

### **NEW PARSONAGE PHOTOVOLTAIC**

We wanted to let everyone one know that, thanks to a generous donation of solar panels and the work of one of pastor Joel's good friends, we now have a working photovoltaic system at the parsonage. We will have more information on how this will help the parsonage electric bill in the coming months. Take a look at all the work that Gabe, pastor Joel, Ezra, & Rowan did to get this up and running.

















### **Important Statistics**

February	2020	2021
Average Sunday Worship Attendance	235	65
Offerings For The Month (members & visitors)	\$39,417	\$23,031
Offerings – Year to Date (members & visitors)	\$67,559	\$48,572.60

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.





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### **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, <a href="www.kiheilutheran.org">www.kiheilutheran.org</a> 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: April 20th 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

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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!)



Fred Trott	4/1
Joshua Gonzalez	4/2
Dawn Misner	4/5
Makena Smith	4/11
Elisabet Jorgenson	4/14
Jami Casey	4/15
Victoria Gonzalez	4/17

Berta Sieck	4/21
Donna Smith	4/22
Vicki Nelson	4/25
Erica Pilotin	4/25
Steve Webb	4/25
Aliyah Spencer	4/30
Bryan Pearl	4/30

HAU'OLI LA HO'OMANA'O!

(Happy Anniversary!)

Keli & Vicki Nelson	4/1/1989
Larry & Denise Ankrum	4/6/1963
Ron & Gloria Carlson	4/6/1963
Bryan & Rhonda Taylor	4/8/1989
Joel & Nancy Smith	4/23/1960



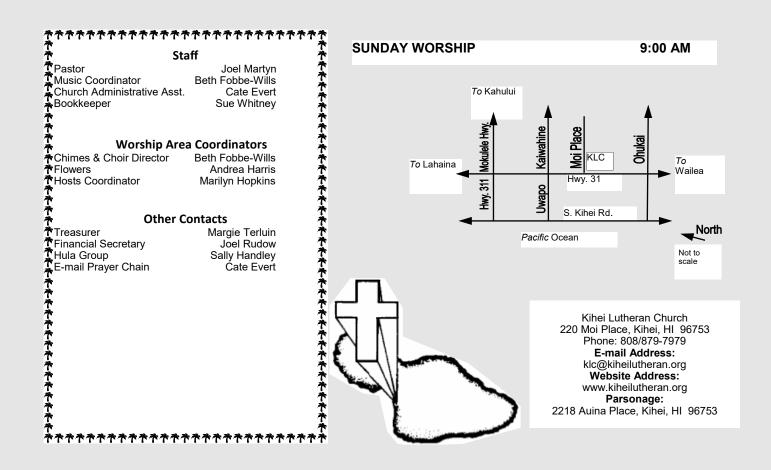






# Kihei Lutheran Church April 2021

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUBSDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<b>28-Palm Sunday</b> 9am Worship 1pm Korean Acts Church	29 10am Faith Journey—Zoom	30 12pm Al-Anon—Outside	31	1—Maundy Thursday 9am Prayer Shawl Hui— Outside 5:30pm Maundy Thursday Wroship	2—Good Friday— Office Closed 12pm Al-Anon— Outside 5:30pm Good Friday Worship	င
4—Easter Sunday Keolahou Food Pantry 8am Easter Worship 10am Easter Worship 1pm Korean Acts Church	5—Office Closed  Don't Forget	12pm Al-Anon—Outside	7 People to	8 9am Prayer Shawl Hui— Outside 530pm KLC Zoom Happy Hour	9 12pm Al-Anon— Outside 6pm Korean Acts Church	10
9am Worship 1pm Korean Acts Church	12—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	13 12pm Al-Anon—Outside 5pm Finance Committee via Zoom	44	9am Prayer Shawl Hui— Outside 530pm KLC Zoom Happy Hour	16 12pm Al-Anon— Outside 6pm Korean Acts Church	9am Keolahou /food Pantry Food Drop Off
<b>18</b> 9am Worship 1pm Korean Acts Church	10am Faith Journey—Zoom  Don't Forget	20 12pm Al-Anon—Outside 7pm Church Council via Zoom <b>to call</b>	People to	92 9am Prayer Shawl Hui— Outside 530pm KLC Zoom Happy Hour	23 12pm Al-Anon— Outside 6pm Korean Acts Church	24
<b>25—Newsletter Deadline</b> 9am Worship 1pm Korean Acts Church	<b>26</b> 10am Faith Journey—Zoom	<b>27</b> 12pm Al-Anon—Outside	28	<b>29</b> 9am Prayer Shawl Hui— Outside	<b>30</b> 12pm Al-Anon— Outside	1 9am KKE



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