

APRIL 2022

KIHEI LUTHERAN CHURCH

Pastor Joel Martyn











WORSHIP SCHEDULE Before you know it we will be in Holy Week. Here is the schedule for the week.

- Sunday April 10—Palm Sunday—Kihei Lutheran Church—9:00 a.m. We will be joined by some members of the Tongan congregation. It will be great to worship with them again.
- Thursday April 14—Maundy Thursday—Kihei Lutheran Church—7:00 p.m.
- Friday April 15—Good Friday—Kihei Lutheran Church—7:00 p.m.
- Sunday April 17—Easter—Kihei Lutheran Church—8:00 & 10:30 a.m.

Holy Week—What to Expect

Palm Sunday

Today's liturgy begins with a palm procession, commemorating Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem. Quickly the tone of the service changes as we meditate upon Jesus' passion and death. Because this story is so central to our faith, we hear Matthew's account of the passion today and John's version on Good Friday. Though Jesus is obedient even unto death on the cross, he is exalted by God. We gather to remember his offering for the life of the world, and to be fed by his life-giving mercy. This holy week will culminate in the celebration of the Three Days of Jesus' suffering, death, and resurrection.

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

Joel Martyn

Aloha KLC and KLC Ohana,

Throughout our lives we are often besought with not only tragedy and trauma, but also joyfulness and gratefulness for all the lessons that life has brought to us. Right now I am experiencing a bit of all of that. The rollercoaster of physical life seems to keep on rolling for me with each peak of the rails where I experience the highest of highs and the dips and valleys bringing uncertainty, fear, pain and grief. We are all riding on our own rollercoasters of life experiencing those peaks and valleys, twists and turns as the tracks of life lead us in an uncertain path. The question is, do we raise our arms upward to the sky, let go of our fears and concerns, surrender to the coaster and potentially enjoy the ride despite the trauma? It could create a depth of character and spirituality that we never before had experienced. Or do we hold on with tight white-knuckle fear, our hands grasping for a safe and secure handle to hold onto? I choose to raise my arms up to the sky, surrendering to the topsy-turvy journey, releasing control and trusting that the "Great Engineer" of all roller-coasters knows where the coaster is going.

Last week I had my first set of follow-up MRI scans on my chest and abdomen. We are supposed to do this every three months for five years and then yearly after that. This set of scans revealed to the doctors that I would benefit from additional treatment. Tests were ordered and there will be more scans coming soon and a treatment plan has been put in place.

The good news:

Just after the big surgery I was given the choice to do a year's worth of immunotherapy infusions just in case there were any cancer cells floating around in there. I opted for the treatment and am grateful that I made that choice because the scans showed evidence that the immunotherapy is doing it's job. The doctors have put me on two more immunotherapy's because I'm young, fit and (ironically) healthy.

Please keep me in you meditations and prayers to diffuse the pain and disintegrate any disease that is there. If you would like to learn more about this type of prayer through meditation and imagination please let me know. I would love love love to teach a class on how to pray that way.

I don't get to know or understand why the rollercoaster is going this way for me. And I'm anticipating some scary tunnels and twists and turns and will grow through them as a deeper person. And what I feel in the deepest quietest places of my soul is that the roller coaster of physical life doesn't end here for me. I have a strong sense of being remolded into something new.

Please understand that I am planning to continue working full time through this. Immunotherapy treatment allows me to work while receiving care. I don't want to go back on disability and be separated from my Ohana. I will continue to be your pastor and uphold all of the pastoral duties that this office requires to the best of my ability. Thank you for your love, support and friendship. I'll see you very soon.

With Blessings, and unspeakable love,

Pastor Joel



Council Secretary's Report from the March 2022 Council Meeting

A regular meeting of the KLC Council was held virtually via Zoom with a quorum present. The meeting was opened with a devotion and prayer by Sarah Dickmeyer.

Pastor Joel was in attendance for the March Council meeting. He reports that his recovery is ongoing. His re-entry into KLC business will be gradual; and mostly right now he will focus on the Sunday worship service.

Renee's report contains many thanks to the people of KLC who continue to 'be the church', even with Pastor Joel's absence.

Cate gave the highlights of Margie's Treasurer's report. KLC has a bank balance of approximately \$43,592. Year-to-date income was \$67,326; and year to date expenses were \$61,607.

The Nominating Committee has asked nineteen people to consider joining the Council, two have graciously accepted the invitation. The committee is seeking two additional nominees. If you would like to serve, please contact any Council member or the office. The new Council members will be voted onto Council at the Congregation Meeting scheduled for April 24, 2022.

The replacement playground equipment and shipping will be purchased using memorial funds.

The next regular virtual meeting will be April 19th at 7:00pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Holly Pendergast

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

GIVING ENVELOPES

Yes, we are just beginning 2022 and definitely do not want to rush the year, but we would like to ask you to think ahead to the coming year and how you would like to give your commitment to the church. Since many of you are either giving online, mailing your checks to the church, or bringing your donations on Sundays, we wish to only order giving envelopes for those who will actually use them. If we order by June, and definitely no later than July, we will get a discount that will greatly help our budget.

Please consider the process that works best for you for giving. If you wish to continue using a giving envelope, we will gladly order for you. If so, send an email or a note to Cate or put a message in the offering bowl when you are at worship.

Blessings and aloha, Marilyn, Financial Secretary



Important Statistics

February	2021	2022
Average Sunday Worship Attendance	111—Including online views	222—Including Streaming Views
Offerings For The Month (members & visitors)	\$21,171	\$20,952.62
Offerings – Year to Date (members & visitors)	\$44,852.60	\$41,823.62

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Your Assistance Needed



The Prayer Shawl Hui is running low on money to buy yarn to make more shawls. If this is a ministry you care about, please consider a donation. We also need your help to give away shawls. Since we don't know all the needs or all the joys, we are asking that you take a shawl to anyone you know who is either having a hard time OR having a wonderful day. A big thank you from all the knitters and crocheters.

God bless, The Prayer Shawl Hui



Next Meeting will be: April 19th at 7:00 p.m. Via Zoom

Administrative Office Hours:

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

Men's Hui



Next Meeting: When Scheduled

All are Welcome

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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
website!





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

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

HAUʻOLI LA HOʻOMANAʻO!

(Happy Anniversary!)



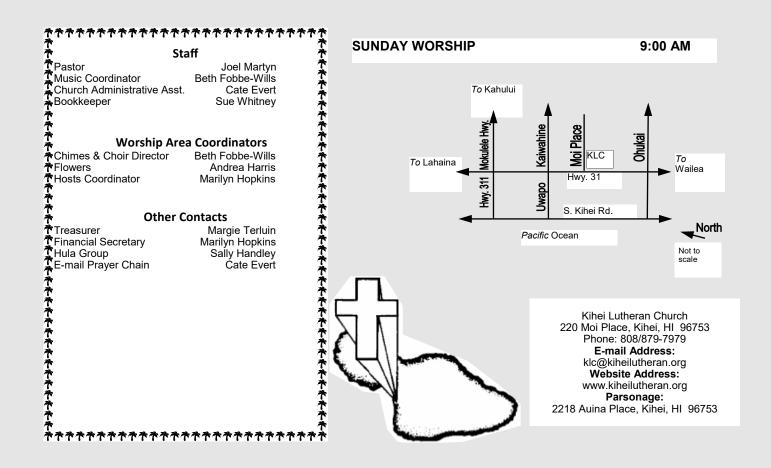
Keli & Vicki Nelson	4/1/1989
Larry & Denise Ankrum	4/6/1963
Ron & Gloria Carlson	4/6/1963
Bryan & Rhonda Taylor	4/8/1989
Joel & Nancy Smith	4/23/1960



Kihei Lutheran Church April 2022



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	28 10am Faith Joumey—Zoom	29 8:15pm AARP Tax Service 12pm Al-Anon	30	31 9am Prayer Shawl Hui 6pm Chimes	1	2 9am Keiki Klothing Exchange
3—Keolahou Food Pantry 9am Worship 5pm Tongan Church	4 10am Faith Joumey—Zoom	5 8:15pm AARP Tax Service	6 11:30am Rotary	7 9am Prayer Shawl Hui 6pm Chimes	8	6
	Don't Forget	to call	People to	check in	on them	
	11—Committee Meeting Day—All Meetings online, over the phone or by email 10am Faith Joumey—Zoom	12 8:15pm AARP Tax Service 5pm Finance Committee Via Zoom	13 11:30am Rotary	14—Maundy Thursday 9am Prayer Shawl Hui 7pm Worship	15—Good Friday— Office Closed 7pm Worship	16
17—Easter Sunday 8am Easter Worship 10:30am Easter Worship 5pm Tongan Church	18—Office Closed 10am Faith Joumey—Zoom	19 7pm Church Council via Zoom	20 11:30am Rotary	21 9am Prayer Shawl Hui 6pm Chimes	22	23
	Don't Forget 25—Newsletter Deadline 10am Faith Journey—Zoom	to call	People to	check in 28 9am Prayer Shawl Hui 6pm Chimes	on them	30



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