



# KLC 'Ohana News

To Share the love and word of God through worship and service to others.



OCTOBER 2022

KIHEI LUTHERAN CHURCH

Pastor Joel Martyn

## An Evening of Remembrance

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Please mark your calendars for Saturday, October 22 at 5:00PM when we will all be gathering at the church for a special evening of remembrance.

Everyone is invited and encouraged to attend; members and friends, long time members, new members, young and old. It has been a long time since we've had a large social gathering, so let's make this a night to remember!

We will have a potluck dinner, share stories and memories, remembering significant events and activities and what has made KLC such a special place. We will also remember the many losses we have experienced as a congregation as well as traditions we would like to bring back.

Your voice and experiences are important to all of us. We recognize that everyone has a voice and needs the opportunity to share. We want to hear what you remember, what is important to you, and what you miss.

You won't want to miss this special evening, and we won't want to miss you. So please mark your calendars and plan to attend An Evening of Remembrance. **SATURDAY, OCTOBER 22 AT 5PM.**



## God's Work Our Hands (and Feet)

We celebrated God's Work Our Hands (and Feet) Sunday, September 11th. 6 decorated baskets of slippers were blessed by Pastor Joel to be distributed to Kihei Elementary, Kihei Charter Grades K-12, Kahului Elementary, Kihei Youth Center and the recipients at the Keolahou Food Pantry. Each basket contained over 50 assorted sized slippers. This



ministry was originally started by Donna Smith and many of the slippers were those she purchased and brought back to Maui before her passing. It is in her memory that we continue a slipper drive with many of the congregation donating colorful new slippers this year.

The Community Outreach and Assistance team had special ELCA themed GWOH t-shirts made to show their support of the annual call to service day. Mahalo to the team and our congregation for their continuing support of this worthwhile ministry.

Also, a special mahalo to Beth Fobbe-Wills for adding the God's Work Our Hands music for everyone to sing, so we all could be part of the special day.

Margie Terluin, Co-Chair COAT



## ALOHA FROM PASTOR JOEL



Joel  
Martyn

Aloha ohana,



These past two-and-a-half years have been rough, not only on us as individuals and as a community, but also on the entire church and our KLC congregation. Covid brought about such devastation to the world and to our local community that when I look back I can barely believe we went through such a thing. The loss that has been experienced has been huge.

Because of all of the losses we have had over the course of those two-and-a-half years, many of us have a lot of emotions, concerns, and maybe even some confusion as to how to deal with it all. When I counsel individuals who have lost a loved one or experienced a great trauma in their lives, I speak to them about the importance of grieving the loss. If it's the death of a loved one, understanding the grief of not having that person around anymore is very important especially in the process of healing. If it's surviving trauma, it's important to unpack that trauma, recognize the loss, grieve the losses, and move toward healing. When we remain in the place of the past, how things used to be, we remain in the trauma/loss, and we fail to move forward in our healing. Doing the work to healing ourselves is vitally important in the healing process.

Like those who have lost loved ones or experienced trauma, we as a community who follows the way of Jesus have experienced collective losses over the years especially due to Covid-19. It's time that we as a community experience healing by beginning the grieving process. On October 22 the community of KLC, members, associate members, visitors, guests, youth, whoever wants to participate, will gather for a potluck and for a time of remembrance.

The Evening of Remembrance, as we're calling it, will be a time where we can remember the history of our congregation. The good times and bad times. Times of growth and times of recession. Significant events in the life of our church as well as the many losses that we have experienced over the years, as well as traditions that we wish to bring back.

Your voice and participation in this event are very important to us. This is the first step that KLC is making toward healing and reinventing ourselves, finding our new identity in mission and ministry and vision as well as our values. Please join us in this event. All are welcome.

Blessings and love,

Pastor Joel Martyn

## Let your Change, BE THE CHANGE

Starting Sunday, October 2<sup>nd</sup>, there will be a specially decorated box on the Greeter's Table. If you have "pocket change" or "spare change" please drop it in the box each Sunday from now until the end of the year. The Stewardship Task Force has been brain storming alternative ways to increase our General Fund account, so it was determined to start small with extra coins (or bills) you may have. This is in no way meant to take away from your current offering, but a fun way to add a bit extra each week. There will be some guessing games at the end of the year for small prizes.

So...Remember to bring your change, to Be The Change!!

Be  
the  
Change

## PRESIDENT'S REPORT

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We are starting to see some changes occurring within the life of Kihei Lutheran Church. More people are beginning to attend church again, we have many joining us for on line services, hospitality coffee hour and Men's Hui are back, and we even had our first potluck! We have missed so much during the past couple of years due to the pandemic.

Now is the perfect time to reflect on our past history, the highlights, the challenges, our losses, and what makes Kihei Lutheran such a special place. We will be having an Evening of Remembrance on Saturday, October 22 at 5PM at our church. It will be an evening filled with fellowship, conversation, memories, laments, and good food. We have special activities planned including a slide show of the past, a potluck dinner, memorabilia, a timeline, and even a fire pit! It is important for us to remember our past and reflect on what has occurred since the start of our church until the present day. It is equally important to share our sense of loss with one another over what we miss, who we miss, things we wish we could change, and traditions we'd like to bring back. It is important that we recognize these losses and have an opportunity to mourn for them.

I would like everyone to attend; members and friends, long time members, new members, young and old, those on island and those off island (we will provide a virtual option to join us). Your voice and experiences are important to all of us. We recognize that everyone has a voice and needs the opportunity to share. We want to hear what you remember, what is important to you, and what you miss. It doesn't matter if you have been here since the beginning of the church or if you have just recently started attending KLC.

An Evening of Remembrance is our first step to embracing God's future for us. It will help us by remembering and valuing our past, mourning for our losses, acknowledge them, recognizing changes, and using them to assist us in move forward. This will be the first of three special events. In November we plan to have a time of thanksgiving to recognize our congregation's strengths and gifts. Then in January we plan to have an evening to celebrate "A New Year, A New Day, A New Way", as we begin to work on our vision and mission for the future of Kihei Lutheran Church.

I can't wait to see what God has planned for us!

Renee Romerdahl



### Needed Items

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Handmade items have been requested for VA patients on Oahu. This would include blankets or 1/2 blankets, pillows, hats or any other cozy thing you think they would like. They can be quilted, knitted, crocheted or any other way you wish. These items will be given to people in both the ICU and the Center for Aging on the Tripler Campus to the VA ACC Sparks Matsunaga Clinic. Between 15 and 75 people are in and out on

a regular basis. I have been in contact with the Chief of this unit and he is requesting personal, non-institutional items that will be given to the patients while they are at the hospital and sent home with them when they leave.

If this is something you would like to help with, please complete whatever you wish to make (1 or more things) by October 31st. We will send whatever we have in early November. If you have questions, please contact Marilyn Hopkins.

Thank you!



## Council Secretary's Report from the September 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 Renee Romerdahl.

Pastor Joel reports that he made home visits or calls to twelve church members and seven non-members. He also performed two baptisms and one funeral in the past month. He worked with the Stewardship Task Force. He prepared for the Bishop's visit, and spent time with him. He is planning the Evening of Remembrance. He participated in the Hukilau Conference via Zoom.

Renee reports that she prepared for Bishop Nagler's visit, and met with him. She has been exploring signage options for our church, helped with God's Work Our Hands, and worked on the 2023 budget. She is looking forward to our Evening of Remembrance which will occur in October. "This will be a very special evening for our congregation and friends to share memories of KLC, express our grief over losses and lament. This will be a very important step for our congregation as we have experienced a tremendous amount of losses during the past few years and need to acknowledge them and begin to heal as a congregation."

The Treasurer's report states that KLC has a bank balance of approximately \$25,636. Year to date income was \$192,433; and year to date expenses were \$212,788. Weekly giving last week was \$1,505.

The next regular virtual meeting will be October 18 at 7:00pm via Zoom.

### KLC Council Members:

- President - Renee Romerdahl
- Vice President - Sarah Dickmeyer
- Treasure (voice only) - Margie Terluin
- Secretary - Holly Pendergast
- At Large - Janet Harp, Keli Nelson, Sue Moorcroft, Mark Haley, Zel Terluin, and Don Sauer.

### KLC Mutual Ministry Team:

- Renee Romerdahl
- Phil Proctor
- Marilyn Hopkins

Respectfully Submitted,

Holly Pendergast

To see a copy of the approved August Council Minutes please [Click Here.](#)

## HYGIENE BAGS

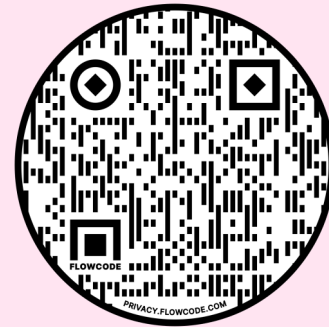
The COAT (Community Outreach and Assistance Team) is asking you to please consider adding hygiene items to your monthly donations to the food pantry, to help with the Christmas Hygiene bags. The items could be: a tube of toothpaste, tooth brushes, VO 5 shampoo, a bath individually wrapped bar of soap, individually wrapped Kleenex, liquid hand soap and hand sanitizer. Anything received will be set aside and used towards making 75 hygiene bags to be given to the recipients at the food pantry. We have residual funds and funds from the grant we received; however, each bag now costs between 15-20 dollars, so all donations help us continue the Outreach ministries going. Mahalo for your support.



## Important Statistics

August	2021	2022
Average Sunday Worship Attendance	38—In Person 16—Streaming Views	32—In Person 247—Streaming Views
Total Attendance In Person and Streaming Views	192—In Person 84—Streaming	128—In Person 987—Streaming
Offerings For The Month (members & visitors)	\$19,603.50	\$24,795
Offerings – Year to Date (members & visitors)	\$179,546.99	\$168,406.62

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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### Prayer Shawl Ministry



### Prayer Shawl

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

The Prayer Shawl Ladies



Next Meeting will be:  
October 18th 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



**MEN'S GROUP**

Next Meeting:  
When Scheduled

*All are Welcome*



### "LIKE" US ON FACEBOOK

If you haven't already "liked" our page: [www.facebook.com/KiheiLutheran](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!

HAU'OLI LA HANAU! (Happy Birthday!)



Stacie Proctor	10/3
Karen Gucci	10/5
Marcia Stafford	10/7
Bev Schifferling	10/9
Nicholas Scibelli	10/10
Gail Caires	10/15
Paul Emanovsky	10/21

Sanni Tharp	10/25
Dave Krueger	10/26
Dave Mather	10/27
Bob Nelson	10/28
Jake Hangartner	10/30
Brooke Cuomo	10/31

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



Lynn & Karen Carlson	October 2, 1965
Mark Haley & Larry Manning	October 4, 1986
John & Kristi Bendon	October 9, 2004



# Kihei Lutheran Church October 2022



SUNDAY		MONDAY		TUESDAY		WEDNESDAY		THURSDAY		FRIDAY		SATURDAY	
25—Newsletter Deadline 9am Worship 5pm Tongan Church	26 10am Faith Journey— Zoom	27 12pm AI-Anon	28	29 9am Prayer Shawl Hui 6pm Chimes	30 12pm AI-Anon	1 9am Ohana & Keiki Exchange	2 10am Faith Journey— Zoom	3 9am HMSA Seminar 10am Faith Journey— Zoom	4 12pm AI-Anon	5 11:30am Rotary	6 9am HMSA Seminar 9am Prayer Shawl Hui 6pm Chimes	7 12pm AI-Anon	8 9am Ohana & Keiki Exchange
2—Kealahou Food Pantry Sunday 9am Worship 10am Brunch Potluck and Clean- ing 3pm Tongan Church	3 9am HMSA Seminar 10am Faith Journey— Zoom	4 12pm AI-Anon	5 11:30am Rotary	6 9am HMSA Seminar 9am Prayer Shawl Hui 6pm Chimes	7 12pm AI-Anon	8 9am Ohana & Keiki Exchange	9 9am HMSA Seminar 10am Faith Journey— Zoom	10—Committee Meeting Day—All Meetings online, over the phone or by email 10am Faith Journey— Zoom 5:30pm Potluck Dinner with Bishop Nagler	11 12pm AI-Anon 5pm Finance Committee Via Zoom	12 11:30am Rotary	13 9am Prayer Shawl Hui 6pm Chimes	14 9am HMSA Seminar 12pm AI-Anon	15 9am Ohana & Keiki Exchange
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**Staff**

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 ↑ Music Coordinator Beth Fobbe-Wills  
 ↑ Church Administrative Asst. Cate Evert  
 ↑ Bookkeeper Sue Whitney

**Worship Area Coordinators**

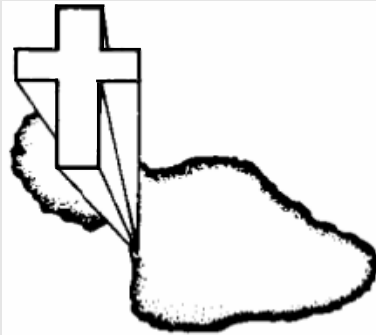
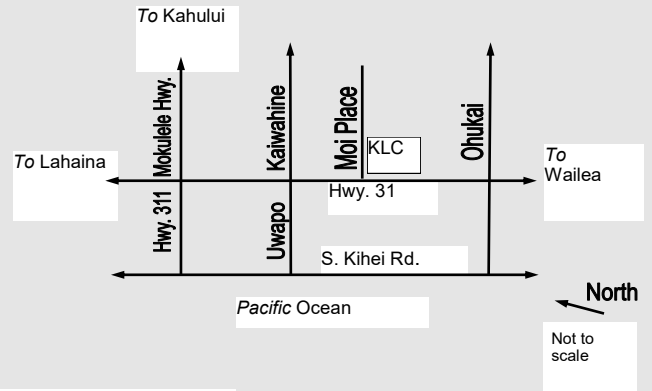
↑ Chimes & Choir Director Beth Fobbe-Wills  
 ↑ Flowers Andrea Harris  
 ↑ Hosts Coordinator Marilyn Hopkins

**Other Contacts**

↑ Treasurer Margie Terluin  
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**SUNDAY WORSHIP**

**9:00 AM**



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