



KLC 'Ohana News

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



NOVEMBER 2022

KIHEI LUTHERAN CHURCH

Pastor Joel Martyn



THANKSGIVING BAGS

The Community Outreach/Assistance Team (COAT) would like to invite congregation members to participate in filling the Thanksgiving bags after service on Nov 13th. It will be an assembly line format. so if your able, please stay and help. The bags will be delivered to the Keolahou Food Pantry on Thursday Nov 17th. Refreshments will be provided. If you have questions, ask Margie Terluin.

CHRISTMAS HYGIENE BAGS

COAT is asking you to please consider adding hygiene items to your monthly donations to the FP, to help with the Christmas Hygiene bags. The items could be a tube of toothpaste, toothbrushes, VO5 shampoo, a bath-size individually wrapped bar of soap, small 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. You may also bring them to the office Tuesday-Friday if you can't make it on Sunday's. Mahalo for your support.



ATTENTION KLC MEMBERS! DECEMBER CONGREGATIONAL MEETING.

This is a reminder that we will have a congregational meeting in December to pass our 2023 church year budget. Council and Finance Committee have been working diligently to get a budget ready for the congregation to look at and accept. Please stay tuned to the weekly eblast and announcements for the meeting date. The budget will be available no later than 2 weeks before the meeting for anyone to look over beforehand. Please plan to attend so we have a quorum to conduct official church business.





"We can't round up enough containers to hold everything God generously pours into our lives through the Holy Spirit."
(Romans 5:5, The Message)

MAHALO NUI LOA - THANK YOU

Aloha 'Ohana!

Another year has come and gone and it's again time to talk about stewardship which runs from November 6-20. What a year it was.

- We returned to worshipping in person and inside.
- Pastor Joel had surgery for cancer, took disability, returned to work for several months, and has again gone on disability.
- Three lovely young ladies completed their confirmation and were confirmed on October 30th.
- We added live streaming so people from anywhere in the world can watch our services. We may have fewer people in the seats, but many more watch online.
- We continued to help the Keolahou Food Pantry, Kihei Youth Center and 'Ohana Klothing Exchange.
- We helped the island of Tonga after their natural disasters with funds from the Noisy Offering.
- We gave over 500 pair of slippers to local school children through God's Work, Our Hands.
- We found new ways to raise funds to supplement our income.
- We made and installed a new, more visible sign with our church name and worship time.
- We are planning to paint a mural on the back of the office building.

That's a lot! We have been able to accomplish all of this because of you and your trust in our Savior and Lord along with your love for Kihei Lutheran Church. Our 'ohana keeps growing online and visitors are returning. Many of those visitors tell us they join us online when they are not on Maui.

As we begin the 2023 stewardship campaign, remember all that we were able to do even during difficult times. Remember all that God has blessed us with, individually and as a church. Please read the articles that will be sent during the next three weeks. Please pray for Kihei Lutheran. Please remember how much you have been blessed, first by God, and then by being part of this wonderful family; then prayerfully give to the coming year as we share God's love and help the community.

Aloha to all and Thanks be to God!

Marilyn Hopkins
Financial Secretary

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

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This past month KLC held an Evening of Remembrance during which we created a timeline, shared memories, had a service of lament, and burned our losses as a symbolic method of letting go of them. I have heard questions about why we did this and comments that we don't want to forget the past. Yes, we do not want to forget the past, however we also don't want the past to hold us back from the future. It is easy to get trapped in the thought pattern of wanting to exactly replicate the past without room for change or growth. Instead, we want to recall the "Glory Days" the special events of the past, to acknowledge them, as well as our losses, and the affect they both had on KLC. If you study the timeline that was created you may see some patterns, you will also see how KLC has overcome challenges, obstacles and losses in the past.

We currently face another loss, as Pastor Joel has announced that he has gone back on disability. While it is a loss, it is also a gain for Pastor Joel, as it will allow him to take care of himself and focus on healing during a very difficult time in his life. We wish for nothing but the best for Pastor Joel and pray for his continued healing.

Many of you may have noticed that our lawns are brown and plants are withering. This is because we have turned off the irrigation system to help reduce costs. The church council has trimmed the budget as much as possible, but our expenses are still exceeding our income. This is yet another loss as membership and visitors, and percentages of giving have declined along with our income.

As we easily recognize our losses, we must also recognize and celebrate our blessings. This month we will be focusing on gratitude and thanksgiving for all that we have. While KLC has many losses, it also has so much to be thankful for. We may face challenges but when we stop and reflect on the positives, we cannot help but be grateful. We have an amazing church, facilities, programs, and people that make KLC a loving, caring ohana that touches the lives of so many.

This year's theme for the month of November is Mahalo Nui Loa God/Thank You Very Much God. It is a time to give thanks to God for all the blessings we have in our lives, remembering that all we have comes from God. God provides for us, and wants us to share with others. It is through tithing, and financial gifts and offerings that we have been able to have facilities, programs, staff and services at KLC. These would not be possible without the financial support of members and friends of KLC. Please prayerfully consider as to how you can help support KLC monetarily when completing your pledge card.

Reflecting on our best and recognizing all that we have will help us to move into the future. What will the future look like? I trust that God has a plan for us. I am working closely with Bishop Nagler to help our leadership guide us into the future, and he is working on finding an interim pastor for us. This fall Kihei Lutheran celebrates 35 years of ministry. Together we will build upon our strengths and move into the next 35 years of ministry in our community.

God's Blessings,
Renee Romerdahl



Council Secretary's Report from the October 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 Don Sauer.

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Pastor Joel was unable to attend but submitted his report stating that he made home visits or calls to seven church members and eight non-members. The following are the highlights of his work this past month:

- Planning three events called the Evening of Remembrance, the Evening of Gratitude and Blessing, and New Year, New Day, New Way;
- Researching what it would take for KLC to become a 'Reconciled in Christ' congregation;
- Spoke several times with Bishop Nagler; and
- Researched ways to connect with the folks who attend our Sunday services on-line;

Renee reports that she has been working on the new signage for our church, working with the Stewardship Task Force, and pulling together the Evening of Remembrance along with two other events planned for November and January.

Margie reports that KLC has a bank balance of approximately \$22,949. Year to date income was \$243,810; and year to date expenses were \$257,301. Weekly giving and rent last week were \$2,234.

The council spent the majority of this meeting finalizing the 2023 budget. We are also working on getting the abandoned car off of the property.

The next regular virtual meeting will be November 15 at 7:00pm via Zoom.

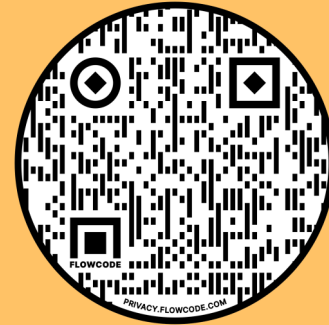
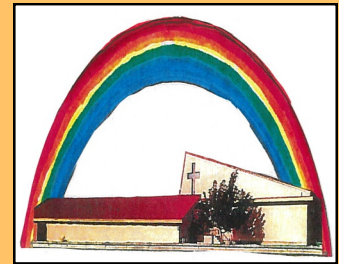
Respectfully Submitted,
Holly Pendergast

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

Important Statistics

September	2021	2022
Average Sunday Worship Attendance	19—In Person 26—Streaming Views	35—In Person —Streaming Views
Total Attendance In Person and Streaming Views	74—In Person 102—Streaming	140—In Person —Streaming
Offerings For The Month (members & visitors)	\$18,229.54	\$33,234.10
Offerings – Year to Date (members & visitors)	\$197,776.53	\$201,640.72

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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:
November 15th 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



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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!)

Tony Wakefield	11/1
Natalie Proctor	11/2
Joy Steben	11/3
Shawna Handley-Stiller	11/7
Darrell Pierson	11/7
Elvin Kamoku	11/8
Joel Rudow	11/9
Kamaehu Spencer	11/9
Tom Rekow	11/9
Michelle Beyersdorf	11/10
Peggy Crossen	11/10
Raymond Steben	11/11



Evelyn Kaya	11/13
Patricia Duckworth	11/14
Quinn Hottendorf	11/17
Andrew Lawson	11/17
Gail Holt	11/19
Ed Shafer	11/19
Peggy Alexander	11/20
Linda Hangartner	11/21
Johnny Romerdahl	11/22
Margaret Luteijn	11/24
Ulla Rothschild	11/27
Morgan Stoltzfus	11/28

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 November 2022



SUNDAY		MONDAY		TUESDAY		WEDNESDAY		THURSDAY		FRIDAY		SATURDAY	
30 9am Worship 5pm Tongan Church	31 10am Faith Journey— Zoom	1 12pm Al-Anon	2 9am HMSA Seminar 11:30am Rotary	3 9am HMSA Seminar 9am Prayer Shawl Hui 6pm Chimes	4 12pm Al-Anon	5 9am Ohana & Keiki Exchange	6—Keolahou Food Pantry Sunday 9am Worship 5pm Tongan Church	7 10am Faith Journey— Zoom Don't Forget	8 12pm Al-Anon 5pm Finance Committee Via Zoom to call	9 11:30am Rotary People to	10 9am Prayer Shawl Hui 6pm Chimes check in	11 12pm Al-Anon on them	12
13 9am Worship 5pm Tongan Church	14—Committee Meeting Day—All Meetings online, over the phone or by email 10am Faith Journey— Zoom	15 12pm Al-Anon 7pm Church Council via Zoom	16 11:30am Rotary	17 9am Prayer Shawl Hui 6pm Chimes	18 12pm Al-Anon	19	20 9am Worship 5pm Tongan Church	21 10am Faith Journey— Zoom Don't Forget	22 9:30am Humana Seminar 12pm Al-Anon to call	23 People to	24—Thanksgiving— Office Closed 9am Prayer Shawl Hui check in	25—Office Closed— Newsletter Deadline 12pm Al-Anon on them	26
27 9am Worship 5pm Tongan Church	28 10am Faith Journey— Zoom	29 12pm Al-Anon	30	1 9am Prayer Shawl Hui 6pm Chimes	2 12pm Al-Anon	3	27 9am Worship 5pm Tongan Church	28 10am Faith Journey— Zoom	29 12pm Al-Anon	30	1 9am Prayer Shawl Hui 6pm Chimes	2 12pm Al-Anon	3



Staff

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

Worship Area Coordinators

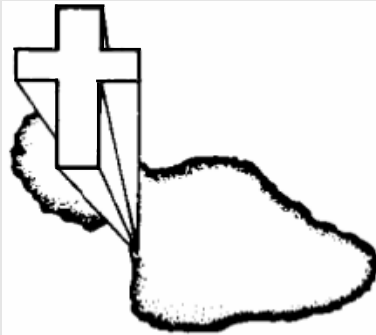
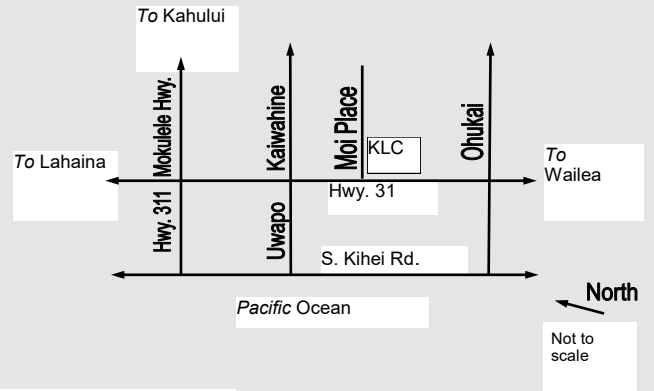
↑ Chimes & Choir Director Beth Fobbe-Wills
 ↑ Flowers Andrea Harris
 ↑ Hosts Coordinator Marilyn Hopkins

Other Contacts

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SUNDAY WORSHIP

9:00 AM



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