



KLC 'Ohana News

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



JANUARY 2023

KIHEI LUTHERAN CHURCH

Congregational Meeting

ATTENTION KLC COMMITTEE HEADS AND CONGREGATION

The annual congregational meeting will be scheduled for sometime in February. 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 this meeting. Stay tuned to the Eblast and announcements for news on when the meeting will be scheduled. **January 20th will be the deadline for Committee heads to get their reports to Cate.** The annual report will be published a minimum of 2 weeks ahead of the meeting.

Dear KLC 'Ohana,

Thank you for your incredible gift at Christmas. I am touched by what so many of wrote in the beautiful card that Sue Moorcroft made (by the way-she has such talent!).

Working for you has been such a blessing over these past fourteen years. We have had many changes, many struggles, but also many wonderful experiences together as a church. I truly am thankful for all the gifts you have given me as I continue to do one of the things I have been blessed to do in my life.

God is good. God will provide. God will continue to bless our church as we move forward, opening our hearts for His precious Son to shine through us each and every day.

As we enter 2023, may we continue to love each other, welcome new members, welcome Pastor Ron and his wife, Nanette, and many visitors into our KLC family.

With Love,
Beth



To the KLC 'Ohana,

Mahalo for your gift and the card that Sue Moorcroft made. She knows I like texture and made sure to put that on the card. I have been here for eight and a half years and you have always supported me, especially this last year with the loss of my father, and I thank you for that. I know that we are moving into a new direction with everything that has happened these past few months, but I know that God is working through all of us and we are going to come through this stronger than when we started. May God bless and continue to love each and every one of you as we continue on this journey together.

Cate

Presidents Message

Happy New Year! The gift of a new year is one of God's many blessings. Count your blessings and thank God for each one! This new year brings the promise of a renewal and new beginning for Kihei Lutheran Church. Together we will move into the future and into the light that Christ has shone on us.

Pastor Joel and his family have moved back to California. Our prayers continue to go out him and his family for health, strength, and happiness. We send our best wishes for the future and our aloha to them.

Our new year will begin with Pastor Ron Rucker serving our congregation as the interim pastor. He will help us to work through our transition period, provide spiritual leadership and growth, support the congregation, help us in developing our vision for mission and the future, and to prepare for a new pastor. Pastor Ron will be joining us on Sunday, January 22. A special welcoming brunch will follow service that morning which I hope you will all be able to attend.

This month there will be opportunities for everyone to share their time and talents in preparing the parsonage for Pastor Ron. We will be able to share more information about what is needed once an inventory and walk through is completed by the property team. Helping hands are always needed for a variety of projects and tasks.

Every month this year we will be sharing different ways in which you can support our ministry and congregation.

We are experiencing a time of changes. The past few years many of you have become absent from our worship services for a variety of different reasons. We miss you and would love to have you join us once again. Perhaps this is the perfect time for you to return and walk along side us as we venture into the future together. This new year is the perfect time for renewal, and new beginnings for all of us at Kihei Lutheran Church!

Walking in Faith With You,

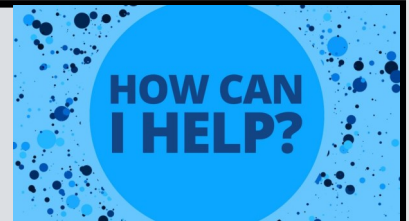
Renee Romerdahl

How Can I Help?

For several years we have done an annual Time and Talent Survey and gotten the same responses from the same people. So, this year we are trying something new. Each month you will see a list of things that you can do to be helpful at KLC. It might often be a short list and might be repetitive from month to month, but it will give you some areas in which you can help out one time or try something you have not done before to see if you like it.

Here's the list for January.

1. Pastor Joel and his family are moving out of the parsonage on January 3rd and we will need to clean and prepare it for use by the interim pastor. Times and details will be given as soon as available.
2. Call Vicki Nelson (808-879-6908) if you can bring a snack for refreshment time after worship. You can make it or buy it. It can be cookies or coffee cake or fruit or donuts or anything you can think of that's easy to eat while standing.
3. Call Marilyn Hopkins (808-250-3710) if you would like to host for a week (or more). It's easy and a great way to have conversations with people as you walk them to their seats.
4. If there is a committee you think you can offer help, now is a great time to start. Call our Council President, Renee Romerdahl (808-874-5695), to find out who heads the committee that peaks your interest.





Council Secretary's Report from the December 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 Sue Moorcroft.

Renee has been working on pulpit supply. Don and Cate Sauer will provide worship music during Beth's absences in January. Renee expressed her thanks for the Council and the work they have accomplished this year.

Margie reports that by the end of the month KLC will have a bank balance of approximately \$17,000. Year-to-date income was \$264,235; and year-to-date expenses were \$280,788. Weekly giving last week was \$1,976.

Council voted to call Pastor Ron Rucker to serve as our Interim Pastor. Council is excited for what the future holds.

The next regular virtual meeting will be January 24th at 7:00pm via Zoom.

Respectfully Submitted,

Holly Pendergast

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

Hygiene Bag Update & Thank You

December 15 was the day we delivered, food, hygiene bags and toys that were graciously donated by the generous congregation and online worshippers and friends of KLC. Mahalo to everyone involved with this outreach project. A special shout-out to Billie Moksnes who received 72 toothbrushes and toothpaste donated by Dr Jonathan Thomas DDS.



Advent/Christmas 2022 Thank You



Thank you to all of the people who worked so diligently in order for us to enjoy a beautiful and meaningful Advent and Christmas season. There are so many thoughtful people in our KLC Ohana that bring things together for worship.

Environment Committee

Thank you to Vicki Nelson and her team for bringing Advent and Christmas to life through sight. Our church environment continues to shift and change with the seasons of the church year. Andrea Harris, thank you for your continued service in

getting our floral arrangements together for each service. You are in tune to the seasonal colors, special services and bring flair to our worship space.

Hosts

Thank you to all of the hosts for greeting and bringing into our church not only members but new members and visitors. With Marilyn Hopkins' leadership, your smiles and welcome bring the warmth of our 'ohana first to all. You are so important to how people feel as they enter our church, some for the first time.

Assisting Ministers and First Readers

Thank you for being responsible for bringing the Word to our ears. You all have such an important role and with such diversity among you, bring youth and wisdom through the Word.

Sacristans

Thank you for setting up the worship table as we continue to shift from Covid protocol back to our normal. You have continued to be flexible and available to help at any given moment.

Christmas Choir

Thank you for singing on Christmas Eve and making this commitment for our congregation. It was wonderful to hear you again. You are smaller yet terrific in sound and well received by all. Stacie Proctor, thank you for soloing with the choir. "O, Holy Night" was beautiful and we are so fortunate to have your voice as a gift for our KLC.

Chimers

Thank you for chiming and bringing the Christmas sound through your playing. Thank you, Linda (Stacie's mom), for playing with us while here on vacation! We love when you join us.

Hula

Thank you, Hula, for your love of the Word through sacred gesture. You continue to be a constant for our 'ohana and you are loved. Your energy and joy shine through each time you praise through dance.

All of these groups work together to make our worship what it is. If you are interested in joining any of these team, please let us know.

Car Needed

Pastor Ron, our interim pastor, is looking for a car to purchase. If you have or know of a car for sale, please let us know. He is also in need of a car to use for transportation and car shopping when he arrives the week of January 16. Please call the church office if you are able to help with this request. Thank you!



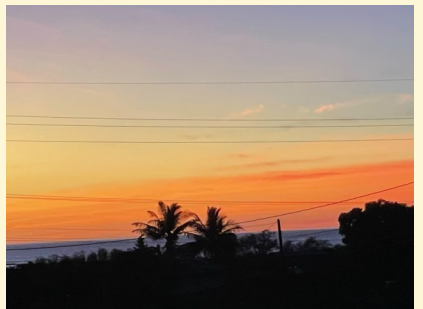
Christmas Eve

A very special Mahalo to Beth , Cate and the entire Worship Team , who made this 2022 Christmas Eve service so awesome. Mahalo to Pastor Roxanne Whitelight who graciously presided over the service. She is always an inspiration and we appreciate her assisting us throughout most of Advent.

Also, to the chimes group, the newly formed choir (who brought tears to many eyes), and our lovely hula ladies who continue to make our worship services so special. It was a miraculous sight to see most of the church seats full for the first time in the last few years . The hope of those involved was to reunite everyone there with the true meaning of Christmas through Word, music and dance.

After service there was a Soup and Salad meal for anyone who wanted to stay. It was a beautiful evening for fellowship, food and fun. Especially Beth's rabble rousing Christmas Carols sung by many. Thanks so much Beth for your wonderful gifts of music, it was so much fun!

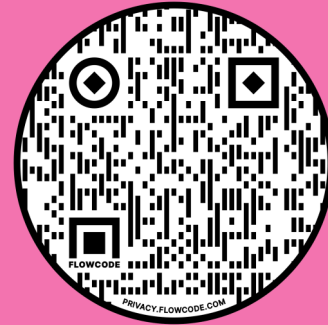
A beautiful Maui Sunset, blessed us as well, along with the fact that we are lucky we live in Hawaii and attend our small but mighty Kihei Lutheran Church.



Important Statistics

November	2021	2022
Average Sunday Worship Attendance	59—In Person 0—Streaming Views	60—In Person 242—Streaming Views
Total Attendance In Person and Streaming Views	234—In Person 0—Streaming	240—In Person 969—Streaming
Offerings For The Month (members & visitors)	\$43,496	\$21,879
Offerings – Year to Date (members & visitors)	\$275,500.53	\$238,840.72

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:
January 24th 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:
January 31st
All are Welcome



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!



HAU'OLI LA HANAU! (Happy Birthday!)

Jack Bendon 1/1
 Loretta Dahlin 1/6
 Doak Schoennemann 1/6
 Valaida D'Alessio 1/7
 Carol Swanson 1/9
 Mark Beyersdorf 1/10
 Taylor Steed (Rudow) 1/10
 Karen Carlson 1/13

Kathy Krueger 1/14
 Sue Olson 1/15
 Jerry Kistler 1/17
 Oliver Stafford 1/17
 Steve Moksnes 1/29
 Elaine Ziegler 1/29
 Dave Ballaine 1/30



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

Anthony & Malysa Scibelli January 5, 2010
 Eric & Elisabet Jorgenson January 23
 Jerry & Susan Embree January 25, 1963





Kihei Lutheran Church January 2023



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1—New Years Day—Keolahou Food Pantry Sunday 9am Worship 5pm Tongan Church	2—New Years Day Observed—Office Closed 10am Faith Journey—Zoom	3 12pm Al-Anon	4 11:30am Rotary	5 9am Prayer Shawl Hui	6 12pm Al-Anon	7 9am OKE (Ohana & Keiki Exchange)
8 9am Worship 5pm Tongan Church	9—Committee Meeting Day—All Meetings online, over the phone or by email 10am Faith Journey—Zoom	10 12pm Al-Anon 5pm Finance Committee Via Zoom	11 11:30am Rotary	12 9am Prayer Shawl Hui	13 12pm Al-Anon	14
15 9am Worship 5pm Tongan Church	16 10am Faith Journey—Zoom	17 8:30am One Palauea Bay Association Meeting 12pm Al-Anon	18 11:30am Rotary	19 9am Prayer Shawl Hui	on them	21
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Staff

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

Worship Area Coordinators

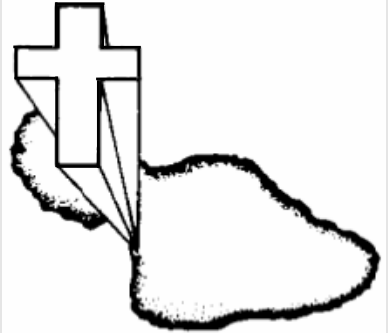
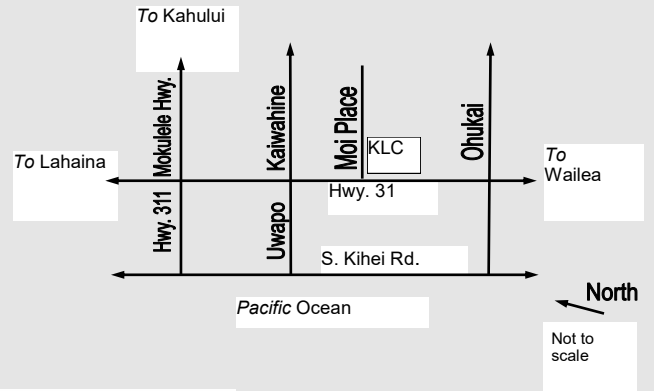
* Chimes & Choir Director Beth Fobbe-Wills
 * Flowers Andrea Harris
 * Hosts Coordinator Marilyn Hopkins

Other Contacts

* Treasurer Margie Terluin
 * Financial Secretary Marilyn Hopkins
 * Hula Group Sally Handley
 * E-mail Prayer Chain Cate Evert

SUNDAY WORSHIP

9:00 AM



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