



# KLC 'Ohana News

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



AUGUST 2024

KIHEI LUTHERAN CHURCH

Interim Pastor Ron Rucker

## CONGRATULATIONS PASTOR RON & NANETTE

Many of the congregation celebrated on Sunday, July 2<sup>nd</sup>, with Pastor Ron, Nanette, and their family in honor of Ron and Nanette's 50th wedding anniversary, which was July 5<sup>th</sup>. There was a bevy of food, a beautiful array of yummy cupcakes (designed and baked by Vicki and Jessi), lovely decorations, and lots and lots of love in the room to make it a special time for the happy couple. It is not often that folks make it to the 50-year benchmark and everyone at KLC wanted to share in this special time with our Pastor and his amazing wife. Just a side note, during the announcements some of our wonderful hula ladies, including Pastor Ron and Nanette's daughter Julie, danced a beautiful hula to "The Hawaiian Wedding Song". There may not have been a dry eye in the church when they were finished.







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# ALOHA FROM PASTOR RON RUCKER

Aloha from Pastor Ron,



Nanette and I wish to thank the entire KLC community for the kindness and love shared with us in helping us celebrate our 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary. I suspect the Army chaplain who performed our marriage ceremony would be pleasantly surprised. Mahalo for your gracious participation in our lives.

The Transition/Call process is still on hold until this month's council meeting on August 20<sup>th</sup>. In a similar vein, I want to let you know that Lihue Lutheran Church voted to call Pastor David Hendrickson on July 14<sup>th</sup>. Pastor Dave and his wife Yen have been living on Oahu where he has been serving as a Chaplain. Congratulations.

As I write this, I am waiting to have a zoom meeting with Lutheran Disaster Response directors. As Margie Terluin and I have been out and about in the Maui fires related community distributing the funds from Our \$180,000 LDR grant, it came to my attention of many greater needs. I will be discussing with the LDR directors whether additional funding seems appropriate and what might be the best way to secure it.

Speaking of the LDR grant and our bus. MEL and other Ohana Strong (formerly OKE and KKE) leaders and volunteers have begun some minor repairs for leaking windows and planned modifications for the buses eventual use as a mobile distribution and storage vehicle. This will facilitate the Ohana Strong program serving the entire community and island of Maui.

I got the following from Facebook. I'm not sure who put it together but it is deserving of our consideration.

## "Be still, and know that I am God."

Ps 46:10

- Stop talking
- Switch off your phone
- Stop commenting
- Listen
- Stop arguing
- Stop questioning
- Stop moaning

- Stop doubting
- Be sure
- Have faith
- No second opinion

- God is Almighty
- God is in control
- God is love
- God is King
- God is my hope, rock, fortress
- God is ever-present, a help in times of trouble.
- God is my Father
- God is my shepherd- He will lead me, nourish me, protect me & restore me.

We love being here and working alongside each of you to love and serve each other and our community.

If you need my assistance or just want to chat, feel free to call Cate in the church office or to call or text my cell phone, 907-841-6992.

## HYGIENE BAG ASSEMBLY

As we begin our new quarterly schedule to work on projects for our new ministry partner, Feed My Sheep, Hilary, Marcia, Nancy and Marilyn met on July 9th to make 50 hygiene bags. They assembled 25 lady's bags and 25 men's. The bags contain a hand towel, wash cloth, soap, shampoo, toothbrush, toothpaste, deodorant, feminine products for the ladies and a razor kit for the men. Although we still have a lot of donated items available, extra items needed for these ongoing projects have been funded by the ELCA Lutheran Disaster Response. Our ministry partners are experiencing a real surge in numbers as more and more of the Lahaina fire survivors still lack permanent housing and are seeking alternative ways to live. They continue to need our help. Please consider volunteering to help Community Outreach with their projects.



## GRANT FUND DISTRIBUTIONS

During the month of July, Pastor Ron and Margie had the opportunity to bless some of our ministry partners with checks provided by the ELCA Lutheran Disaster Response grant program. Marilyn and Susie from A Cup of Cold Water, Lehua with Pastor Ron from the Kihei Youth Center and Aloha with the wonderful volunteers from the Keolahou Food Pantry were all touched by the generous donations they were given. The additional donations will be used to help cover costs they are all still facing since the onset of the August 8th fires due to increased number of people in need. We at Kihei Lutheran along with our partner volunteers are very grateful to the LDR for their generosity here on Maui, the mainland, and worldwide.







**We did not have a meeting in July since a lot of people were traveling. Please stay tuned for next month when we are back together. Mahalo for your understanding.**

## OFFICE CLOSED

Cate will be on vacation from August 14th—Labor Day, September 2nd, for her 20th high school reunion. If you need anything during that time, Pastor Ron will be in and out of the office. You can call the office, 808-879-7979, or his cell phone, 907-841-6992. Email would be preferred during this time as it will be checked regularly. The office email is [klc@kiheilutheran.org](mailto:klc@kiheilutheran.org). Mahalo for your understanding.



## STEWARDSHIP TASK FORCE

It's once again time to think about stewardship and support for our church. If you have any thoughts about communicating to our 'ohana about the relationships we enhance as we support God's work through our church and our programs, please join the stewardship task force. This is a short-term commitment of 2 to 3 months. We will share ideas, pick a scripture and a theme and determine how to best share with the congregation, both in house and through streaming. Contact Marilyn Hopkins or the church office to lend your time and ideas.

## GOD'S WORK. OUR HANDS.

Saturday, September 7<sup>th</sup>, will be the time to really get your hands involved, by attending the 2024 God's Work Our Hands workday. We will be setting up stations for volunteers to work on assembling hygiene bags, snack bags, first aid kits, and a PB&J station to start making the now famous PB&J sandwiches. T-shirts and lunch will be provided, so mark your calendars for 1:00 pm, September 7<sup>th</sup>. A signup sheet will be available in the coming weeks. Please sign up so we can get accurate numbers for the shirts.

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September 8, 2024

## PB&J Ministry with A Cup of Cold Water

July's PB&J sandwich makers had some new faces this month. We even had our first gentleman. Jack joined the group along with Evelyn, Laura, Nancy, Nanette, Gail, Marcia, Lori, Joy, Kate, and Andrea. It was a whirlwind of activity with everyone quickly making over 120 sandwiches. Margie nicknamed the group the "PB&J Sammie Jammers". They were really "jamming" and got the sandwiches done and everything cleaned up in 1 hour. Missing this month was Hilary due to her recent cataract surgery. We all wish Hilary well, hoping she is seeing life more clearly these days. If you wish to help in August, please contact Hilary since she has kindly agreed to be the roster coordinator. Join in the sandwich making fun.

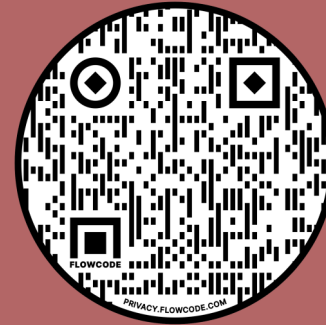




## Important Statistics

June	2023	2024
Average Sunday Worship Attendance	54—In Person 300—Streaming Views	52—In Person 107—Streaming Views
Total Attendance In Person and Streaming Reach	217—In Person 1202—Streaming	262—In Person 534—Streaming
Offerings For The Month (members & visitors)	\$14,966	\$19,463
Offerings – Year to Date (members & visitors)	\$117,725.37	\$122,075.65

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## Prayer Shawl Ministry

### Prayer Shawl

The Prayer Shawl Hui meets on Thursday mornings at 9 am. If you need a prayer shawl or have any questions please contact the office and Cate will be able to assist you.

The Prayer Shawl Ladies



**Church Council**

Next Meeting will be:  
August 20, at 7:00 PM  
Via Zoom



**MEN'S GROUP**

### 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



### LIKE" US ON FACEBOOK

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

Anthony Scibelli	8/3
Donna Nelson	8/4
Joy Nelson	8/4
Reef Boren	8/5
Gina Casey	8/9
Jill Jennings	8/9
Sue Moorcroft	8/9
Craig Weber	8/11
Larry Manning	8/12
Dee Reader	8/13
Ede Stratton	8/14
Joan Grotz	8/15

Laura McClellan	8/15
Jessica Nelson	8/15
Gloriann McDowell	8/17
Braxton Cuomo	8/20
Sharon Begalke	8/24
Kirsten Paulson	8/25
Andrea Harris	8/26
David Martinsen	8/27
Tayon Spencer	8/27
Carolyn Young	8/27
Sam Mather	8/30



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

Dave & Melanie Spencer	August 3, 2007
Peter & Janet Harp	August 6
Keek & Mo Hottendorf	August 14, 1993
Don & Sharon Begalke	August 16, 1986
Oliver & Marcia Stafford	August 21, 1987
Brad & Diana Hill	August 26, 1960
Jim & Andrea Harris	August 27, 1983





# Kihei Lutheran Church August 2024



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
28 9am Worship 3pm Tongan Church	29 10am Faith Journey— Zoom	30 12pm Al-Anon	31	1	2 12pm Al-Anon 3pm Pre-Set for OKE	3 9am Ohana & Keiki Exchange
4—Keolahou Food Pantry 9am Worship 3pm Tongan Church	5 10am Faith Journey— Zoom <b>Don't Forget</b>	6 12pm Al-Anon <b>to call</b>	7 11:30am Rotary <b>People to</b>	8 <b>check in</b>	9 12pm Al-Anon 1:30pm Sandwich Making for A Cup Of Cold Water <b>on them</b>	10
11 9am Worship 3pm Tongan Church	12 10am Faith Journey— Zoom 7pm Worship Committee	13 9am Prayer Shawl 12pm Al-Anon 5pm Finance Committee	14 11:30am Rotary	15 1pm Hygiene Bag/Snack Bag Assembly	16 12pm Al-Anon	17
18 9am Worship 3pm Tongan Church	19 10am Faith Journey <b>Don't Forget</b>	20 12pm Al-Anon 7pm Church Council <b>to call</b>	21 <b>People to</b>	22 <b>check in</b>	23 12pm Al-Anon <b>on them</b>	24
25—Newsletter Deadline 9am Worship 3pm Tongan Church	26 10am Faith Journey— Zoom	27 12pm Al-Anon	28	29	30 12pm Al-Anon	31



**Staff**

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

**Worship Area Coordinators**

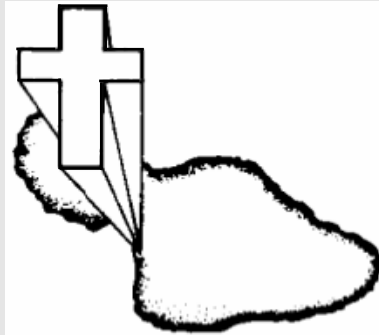
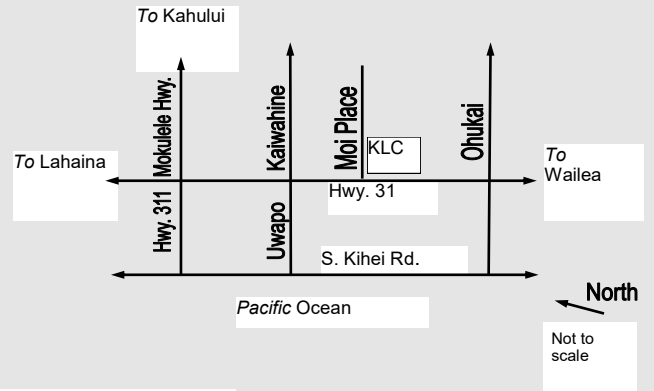
Chimes & Choir Director	Beth Fobbe-Wills
Flowers	Andrea Harris
Hosts Coordinator	Marilyn Hopkins

**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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