



MARCH

March 6, 2016
Psalm 32
2 Corinthians 5:16-21
Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32

March 13, 2016
Isaiah 43:16-21
John 12:1-8
Psalm 126

March 20, 2016
Palm Sunday
Isaiah 50:4-9a
Luke 22:14-23:56
Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29

March 24, 2016
Maundy Thursday Service,
6pm

March 25, 2016
Good Friday, 7pm

March 27, 2016
Easter Sunrise Service, 6am
Easter Service, 10:30am
Isaiah 65:17-25
John 20: 1-18
Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24

Birthdays

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March 2	Jason Hurley
March 3	Cyrus Maunakea
March 4	Trudi-Ann Cabacungan
March 5	Mikayla Maeshiro
March 7	Mary Anne Vorfeld
	Buddy Maunakea
March 9	Jeffery Vorfeld
March 11	Yuzu Martin
March 13	Leslie Malani
March 15	Trinallee Kihewa
March 16	Peter Kihewa
March 17	Patricia Medeiros
March 19	Alice Eguchi
March 21	Joy Mills
March 23	Josie Eguchi
	Ean Curtis Kamau-Waikiki
March 28	Lorna Motas
	Desirae Kihewa
March 29	Barbara Harding



If you do not see your birthday listed, it means the office does not have the information on file. Please contact the office with your information and we will update our records.

March Flowers

March 6:	Hau’oli La Hanau– Alfredo Garcia, Cyrus Maunakea & Buddy Maunakea
March 13:	Matthew & Lorna Motas
March 20:	Roy Benham
March 27:	Aloha Committee

The Kaumakapili Church Mission Statement

Kaumakapili Church, thankful for the gifts received from God, founded in 1838 for the maka’āinana, the common folk, rich in Hawai’ian tradition and diverse backgrounds, bounded in covenant with all in the United Church of Christ, led by the Spirit, declares its mission to glorify God by bearing the fruits of God’s aloha and gifts, and so proving to be faithful disciples of Christ, who are equipped for the work of the ministry of proclaiming the good news for all people: by witnessing in word and deed, by serving those in need, by welcoming and receiving all people into the church fellowship, and by nurturing and equipping the church members for the growth of the Body of Christ.



KA LEO O KEALOHA

(The Voice of Love)

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“Nōlaila ho’i, o ka mea lohe i kēia mau ‘ōlelo a’u, a mala ho’i ia, E ho’ohālike iā ia me ke kanaka na’auao, nana i kākulu kona hale maluna o ka pōhaku.” [Mataio 7:24]

“Therefore everyone who hears these words of mine and puts them to practice is like a wise man who built his house on the rock.” [Matthew 7:24]

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Malaki 2016

*Christ is
risen*



We are in the middle of Lent, the penitential season of the Christian Year. The 20th of March is Palm Sunday, the beginning of Holy Week. It is at once a solemn and celebrative event which observes the entrance of Christ into Jerusalem and begins the anticipation of Christ’s passion.

On Thursday of Holy Week we will observe Maundy Thursday with a service at 6:00 P.M. The word “Maundy” comes from the Latin word, “mandare” which means commandment. After the Last Supper Jesus gave his disciples the commandment “*to love one another even as I have loved you.*” Therefore, we will celebrate Holy Communion and then follow with readings from the Bible that help us remember the events of that night and lead to Good Friday, when Jesus dies on the cross.











On Good Friday evening at 7:00 P.M. we will remember the Passion of our Lord as we read the seven last words of Jesus before he dies. The Sanctuary will be draped in black, and the congregation will leave in silence.

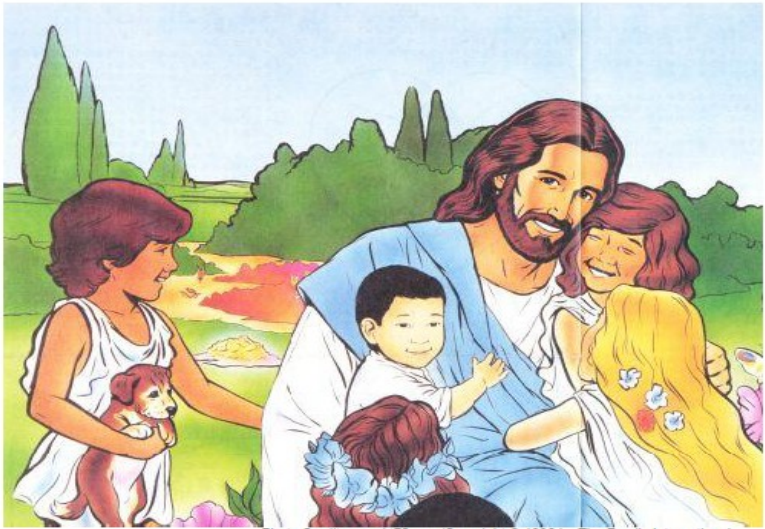
Easter Sunday Morning at 6:00 A.M. we shall begin the celebration of Christ’s resurrection with a sunrise service, followed by a light breakfast, and then Kaumakapili Church will celebrate Easter at the 10:30 A.M. service with hymns, anthems, and scripture and we will proclaim that “Christ is Risen.”

It is a glorious and wonderful season, and you are invited to come and to experience the love of God in Jesus Christ our Risen Savior.

Come and affirm our faith that “Christ is risen! Christ is risen, indeed!”



Malaki 2016 ACTIVITIES						
Lāpule	Pō‘akahi	Pō‘alua	Pō‘akolu	Pō‘aha	Pō‘alima	Pō‘aono
		1 <u>Sanctuary:</u> 6:00pm Choir Rehearsal	2 <u>Auxiliary Hall:</u> 6-7pm Lenten Bible Study (Kona Mann) <u>Board Room:</u> 2-4p Ukulele Class (See Matt Motas to confirm)	3 <u>Auxiliary Hall:</u> 6pm Adult Bible Study <u>Board Room:</u> 3-5p Ukulele Class	4 <u>Hale Aloha:</u> 8:30-9:30a Free Store	5
						
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SPRING HO‘IKE

Sponsored By: The Oahu Sunday School Association

Hosted By: Kalihi and Moanalua Church

April 17, 2016, Sunday

2:00p.m. - 4:00pm

Dinner To Follow

THEME:

“JESUS IS MY FRIEND”

Scripture: Proverbs 17:17a

“A Friend loves at all times...”

Song: “What A Friend We Have In Jesus”

RSVP by: March 27, 2016

To: Ka`u`inohea Ubando at
808-781-7682 or 808-551-2295



Lent & Holy Week



Maundy Thursday

Join us March 24th at 6pm for an intimate and reflective time of communion as we approach Good Friday and Easter. The Lord's supper was an important part of his preparation for the cross to come and a reminder to us of his great love for us.



Lenten Study

Wednesdays at 6pm, March 2nd, March 9th and March 16th the Board of Deacons and the Interim Team will be offering a Lenten study prepared by Hau'oli Akaka collaborating with Nā Kahu o Nā Kula 'o Kamehameha (KS Chaplains) and staff. These devotionals have been designed for lent with Hawaiian cultural connections.

We believe you will be blessed as you turn your heart toward Ke Akua during this season. Each discussion is designed to help us reflect personally, and as a community, on what Christ has done for us and in us. You can follow this Study by checking out the Kamehameha Schools website <http://www.ksbe.edu/imua/article/ash-wednesday-finding-time-to-rest-in-god/> or by following our facebook for updates.

Adult Bible Study

Special March Schedule

3/6	Lamentations		3/10	Psalms
3/13	Ezekial		3/17	Easter Study II
3/20	Easter Study II	Palm Sunday	3/24	No class
3/27	No class	Easter Sunday	3/31	Proverbs



Friday, March 25th, at 7pm we remember Christ's passion on that day he gave of himself fully at the crucifixion and his death at Calvary. We cannot celebrate his resurrection until we first see ourselves with him on the cross and passing through that dark night of the soul.

"My old self has been crucified with Christ. It is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me. So I live in this earthly body by trusting in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me." Galatians 2:20



He is Risen!!! Join us in celebration and declare the new life we all share in Christ.

Easter Sunrise Service, 6am
Easter Service, 10:30am

Sacred Sites

Sacred Sites of Hawai'i Religion in Paradise: Oahu is a 2-set DVD produced by Achilles Gacis, Professor of Religion at Kapiolani Community College. It is being produced as a study guide and supplement for Dr. Gacis' classes at the college. It explores the various faith traditions on Oahu from the early Polynesians to the diverse cultures that exist in Hawai'i today. The DVD set explores 12 places of worship from the birthing stones at Kukaniloko through various places of worship today. Kaumakapili Church is included as one of the twelve. Interviewed for the DVD were **Henry Maunakea, Kahu David Kaupu** and **Kahu Richard Kamanu**. The

Kaumakapili Church Choir is also included in the DVD. At the time the recording was made, the choir members who participated, directed by **Sybil Schoenstein**, were **Amanda Allison, Lynn**



Arce, Chelsea Fernandez, Wendy Ann Garcia, Roberta Jahrling, Zena Mae Kaehu, David Kaneao, Ruby Kaneao, Walter Kawaa, Momi Maunakea, Buddy Maunakea, Claudette Naauao, Christina Rudolph and Myrtle Stewart-Vetekina. Professor Gacis personally delivered a DVD to each of the participants in the choir on Sunday, March 6, 2016.

Check out a short movie trailer of the project at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iQynbjj4ilk>, provided by <http://www.chariotproductions.tv>.

Upcoming Events

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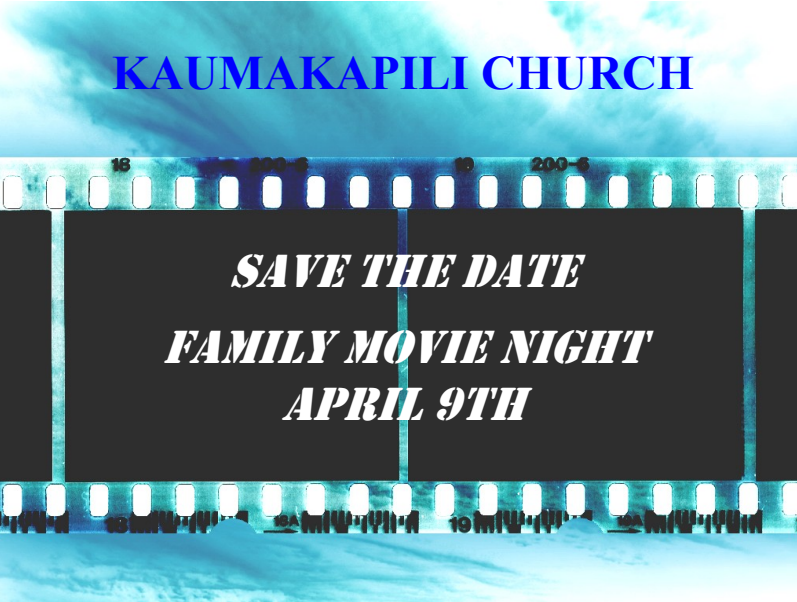
Wed., March 2, 9, 16	Lenten Study, 6pm
Sun., March 6	One Great Hour of Sharing Offering
Thr., March 24	Maundy Thursday Service, 6pm
Thur., March 24	OFFICE CLOSED
	Prince Kuhio Day Observed
Fri., March 25	OFFICE CLOSED
	Good Friday
Fri., March 25	Good Friday Service, 7pm
Sun., March 27	Easter Sunrise Service, 6am
	Easter Service, 10:30am

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Sat., April 9	Family Movie Night
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Food Bank Volunteer Schedule

March		
8	Food Prep Day	7:30-9:00am
9	Distribution	7:30-10:00am
22	Food Prep Day	7:30-9:00am
23	Distribution	7:30-10:00am
April		
12	Food Prep Day	7:30-9:00am
13	Distribution	7:30-10:00am
26	Food Prep Day	7:30-9:00am
27	Distribution	7:30-10:00am



The Choice We Make

The political mayhem swirling about us today confuses, upsets, and causes havoc in our ability to deal with who is right, who is better, who is the lesser of two evils, who is for justice, who is for lasting peace, and the list of who's goes on and on. I imagine that when Jesus was preaching his message of hope and salvation to the poor there were those who were confused about who to believe. Do they believe in this man Jesus or do they believe the Sadducees and Pharisees with whom he was in constant conflict. The Sadducees and Pharisees comprised the ruling class of Israel; the Sadducees were the aristocrats and the Pharisees the middle class working men.

The confusion and conflict we face in today's political whirlpool of uncertainty is much like we face in our daily life. To choose or not to choose.... to stay home or to go on that Alaskan cruise.....to give up desert or not for Lent....to serve or not to serve. Let the Nomination Committee help you make that choice of serving for the greater good. For like the scripture says in Mark 9:35, and Matt 20:26, and the song, *"if you want to be free in God's Heaven, learn to be a servant of all"*. We encourage your comments and inquiries on how you could become a servant. We will be looking for people to serve in all parts of our church life. You are encouraged to take a chance and become a servant of all. See anyone of us on the Nominations Committee: Zena Kaehu, Iris DeRego or Roberta Jahrling and we would be happy to share how you could serve.



Annual Congregational Meeting

Mahalo nui to all our ohana and friends that came out for this year's Annual Meeting to discuss the business of the church. We successfully reached quorum at 43 in attendance on February 21, 2016.

The meeting opened with pule and a rendition of *Iesu No Ke Kahuhipa*. The council recognized the outgoing elected leaders of our boards and committees whose terms had expired and a moment of silence and prayer was offered for our family members that passed during the year.

Trevor Maunakea, President, opened the business portion of the meeting by pointing everyone towards our reason for existing as a church, because of worship. He announced the council in 2015 had reorganized the boards and committees under four pillars: worship, christian education, mission and administration.

A challenge budget was introduced of \$408,522 for the year 2016 by our Treasurer, Stewart Martin. This budget is a faith budget to help us work towards the funding we will need to support a growing ministry once we have a new settled pastor in place. Of this amount, we are believing that \$174,693 will be generated from pledges. The budget was passed and the Stewardship Committee has committed to help support this budget. The church also agreed to continue with our annual luau for July 16, 2016.

Other Highlights:

- We spent less than our projected budget last year. \$23,000 was generated from the Luau.
- Committees will host a family event once a quarter in 2016 and find more ways to welcome guests.
- Apartment #203 Hale Kanoa was sold.
- The Interim Team is up for renewal of their call April 2016, a soft evaluation is in progress.
- Council will focus on the vision and direction of the church this year as it creates the church profile for *Imi I Ke Kahu*.

The Annual Meeting Minutes will be reviewed and approved at the February 2017 Annual Meeting. Please check for updates. To receive your copy of the annual report or the current draft of the minutes please contact the church office.

Interim Team Soft Evaluation

Mahalo nui to our volunteer Interim Team, led by Kahu Hirano, for all you have done for Kaumakapili Church and the community this year. You have richly blessed us.

It will be a year come this April 1 since the Interim Team has faithfully served Kaumakapili as we continue to search for a new pastor. The Team would appreciate your mana'o by asking us to consider two questions.

1. What can the Interim Team improve on?
2. What does the Interim Team do well for us?

Please consider and pule over these questions and email the church office your mana'o as soon as you can. These answers will be kept confidential. You may also talk with our Members-at-Large: Alfredo Garcia or Sybil Schoenstein.

Imi I Ke Kahu Update

The Pastoral Search Committee Imi I Ke Kahu has been hard at work and is ready to proceed into the next phase which is to update the Kaumakapili Church Profile. The profile will be available to prospective pastors to gain more understanding of our church. One of the most important parts of the profile process is to obtain the thoughts of the congregants. To complete the profile, members and friends can expect a questionnaire/survey in the mail by mid March. A stamped return addressed envelope will be provided for it to be returned within two weeks. Imi I Ke Kahu will continue to communicate this process through the month of March.

Questions and comments can be made to Phil Regier or Buddy Maunakea, co-chairpersons of Imi I Ke Kahu, or by contacting the church office at 845-0908.

Please continue to keep Imi I Ke Kahu in your prayers.



Journeys in Stewardship



Another year has gone by. The Kaumakapili 'ohana has had another Stewardship pledge drive, and another annual member ship meeting. Functions of the various boards and committees keep moving along and growing, taking care of church needs and those who are touched by Kaumakapili. Since I am the chair of the Board of Stewardship, and at root, the role of Stewardship is to help ensure that Kaumakapili is provided for, my biggest concern is for the money coming in. This may seem sort of crass, or un-spiritual in some way – believe me, I myself struggle over this.

However, we probably all want a pleasant, clean, well-lit, safe place to worship, learn, and grow in our faith together. The work of the church and us as a Christian congregation goes beyond our property line. It goes into each of our homes, our neighborhoods, our networks and the areas surrounding Kaumakapili in Kapālama.

With this in mind, our membership has passed a budget that sustains the work we are doing and will enable us to find and support a new kahu. The pledges we receive are generous, as 25% of our members have pledged 50% of our budgeted pledge amount of \$174,693. Kaumakapili is so grateful for these pledges.

Now imagine what it would look like if all members pledged! Our interim team and Executive committee figured out that we would meet our pledge budget if each of the 138 members of Kaumakapili Church pledged \$26 each Sunday. Understandably, that is too much for some. However, others already pledge more than that, so even if you can't pledge \$26 a week, it is okay.

With this in mind, I ask those who haven't pledged before to earnestly ask in prayer for guidance on supporting Kaumakapili on a regular basis, and pledging to do so in the upcoming year. You don't have to wait for Stewardship Sunday in November to pledge. Pledge cards remain available in the back of the Sanctuary every Sunday.

I have heard that some are reluctant to pledge because if they end up not being able to meet their pledge it will feel like they broke a promise to God.

In the past, I have also felt like I could not pledge. At a certain point, I decided that every time I felt that way, I would give more than I would have originally pledged. Every time I did so, I ended up having more than enough funds to cover the amount. On the other hand, there have been times I have not been able to meet my pledge amount because of unexpected circumstances. But I do my best and it works out in the end.

Finally, Stewardship isn't all about money, it is about creating a firm foundation for Kaumakapili. There are many tasks that need to get done in order for us to have that pleasant, clean, well-lit, safe place to worship, learn, and grow in our faith together. If every member found one task to participate in to help in the work of the church, it would relieve the load of some members who find themselves doing many tasks all the time. So in this upcoming year, please earnestly pray about what that one thing can be. Of course, you are welcome to do more if you wish, but think about doing at least one thing.

I hope I have not come across as too demanding or pushy. I only have written these things because I love Kaumakapili and my Kaumakapili 'ohana. I want the best for us all and for the love of God and the blessings of our Savior, Jesus Christ, to shine out from us all. If each of us gives something and does something, it will mean *everything!*

Amanda Allison, Stewardship Committee



Mahalo to everyone who gave during the One Great Hour of Sharing offering on March 6th. These funds will go to help the refugee and those seeking emergency assistance.

"Through song, prayer, word and fellowship, we have been challenged to stand in solidarity with the stranger, the foreigner, the refugee—to accompany the most vulnerable as an expression of love for God. We have been nourished by the Word, both proclaimed and served at the Table. Therefore, my sisters and brothers, go into the world as God's agents of reconciliation. Have the courage of Christ to lay down your life for others. Hold on to what is good and just. Return to no one evil for evil, but instead help the suffering. Honor all people. Love and serve God, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen!"

Taken from OGHs Worship Resources 2016, www.ucc.org/oghs

