



JANUARY

January 1, 2017
Isaiah 63:7-9
Psalms 8
Matthew 25:31-46
Luke 2:22-40

January 8, 2017
Isaiah 42:1-9
Psalms 29
Acts 10:34-43
Matthew 3:13-17

January 15, 2017
Isaiah 49:1-7
Psalms 40:1-11
1 Corinthians 1:1-9
John 1:29-42

January 22, 2017
Isaiah 9:1-4
Psalms 27:1, 4-9
1 Corinthians 1:10-18
Matthew 4:12-23

January 29, 2017
Micah 6:1-8
Psalms 15
1 Corinthians 1:18-31
Matthew 5:1-12

Birthdays

JANUARY

January 1	Curt Maeshiro
January 4	Gwen Kamanu
January 6	Peter Keoneula
January 9	Pekelo Stender
January 10	Momi Bright
	Lita Kahihikolu
January 15	Holualoa Aquino
January 17	Anthony Grace
	Danae Naauao
	Trison Taeoalii-Kihewa
January 19	Mele Keoneula-Stender
	‘Elia Akaka
January 26	Tommy Chronister
January 28	Tayla Vaughan-Darval
January 31	Jan Maunakea
	Ryan Jandoc

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.



January Flowers

January 1:	Aloha Committee
January 8:	Andrew & Jaya Poepoe
January 15:	Aloha Committee
January 22:	(Available)
January 29:	(Available)

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.



“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]

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]*

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Mahalo nui loa and Aloha



After the Christmas morning service, Mama Kahu and I flew to Philadelphia where we have spent the week. Our grandson who works in Chicago was there as well as was our 8-year-old grandson. On New Year’s Day, Peter and Sue (our son and daughter-in-law, invited about thirty people to an open house. Mama Kahu and I prepared and served “o-zoni” to them, along with kalua cabbage prepared by a woman from Hawaii Kai that owns and operated a Hawaiian food wagon in Philadelphia.

On the second of January, we drove to Charlottesville, where we visited with Scott, Sonya, and Sofia, whom many of you know. Then we drove to our home in Thomasville, North Carolina where we will spend a week and fly back to Honolulu.

I will complete my interim team ministry at Kaumakapili Church on the 31st of January. We will close our apartment in Honolulu. Hawaii is where I am rooted. We moved to Piedmont Crossing, a United Church of Christ Retirement Community, in North Carolina to be closer to our sons and their families.








I was fourteen years old, when I walked the aisle at Nuuanu Baptist Church and gave my life to fulltime Christian Service. The hymn being sung was “Where he leads me I will follow.” That led me to New England, Pennsylvania, Los Angeles, Honolulu, Chicago, Cleveland, and back to Honolulu. I have traveled to at least twenty-five countries, served five churches as pastor, and at least 8 churches as interim. It has been a wonderful journey.

Toward the beginning of my professional journey, I met Sandra, a young woman from New Brunswick, Canada, we were married in Beverly, Massachusetts, and she has traveled with me through most of my journey. On December 29, we celebrated my 81st birthday. This year, I will celebrate my 57th year as an ordained minister, and our 55th Wedding Anniversary. I will conclude my ministry at Kaumakapili Church at the end of January.

We have a month to work with the team. We will journey together through this month, and then Sandra and I will leave Hawaii, but Hawaii will never leave us. Hawaii will be my spiritual home.

Thanks be to God.

Kahu

IANUALI 2017 ACTIVITIES						
Lāpule	Pō‘akahi	Pō‘alua	Pō‘akolu	Pō‘aha	Pō‘alima	Pō‘aono
1 <u>Sanctuary:</u> 10-10:30a CWT 10:30a-12n Worship <u>Ke‘ena Ohina:</u> 9a-10a Ukulele Class (See Matt Motas to confirm) Guest Speaker: Dr. Topping	2 OFFICE CLOSED New Year’s Day (observed)	3 <u>Sanctuary:</u> 6:00pm Hebedoma Services	4 <u>Sanctuary:</u> 6:00pm Hebedoma Services	5 <u>Sanctuary:</u> 6:00pm Hebedoma Services <u>Ke‘ena Ohina:</u> 3-5p Ukulele Class (See Matt Motas to confirm) 	6 <u>Sanctuary:</u> 6:00pm Hebedoma Services	7 <u>Sanctuary:</u> 9am-12n Imagine 2021 Vision Planning
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What Keeps Congregations from Implementing New Ideas?

“All individuals and organizations struggle with change. Implementing new ideas always means accepting that change comes as part of the package. Congregations hear about dozens of new ideas and gain new knowledge from denominational leaders, books, and workshops. Yet that news too rarely becomes part of a practical, local-church strategy. Why? There is often a big gap between what we know and what we do.

Beware of the Gap

Which of these create the gap between knowing and doing in your church?
Fear of change. When congregations shrink in size or begin to lose vitality, their leaders fear that any change they might introduce will only make matters worse. Often, members and pastors view the past with an undeserved glow and resist the very changes that could bring new life and strength to the church. To “confront our past and see it for what it is” is a necessary first step for understanding our fears.
Past success. Ironically, churches that have experienced success—such as a large membership, recognition as a community anchor, or significant ministries—believe that because their efforts worked in the past, their way of doing things will continue to bear fruit. A reinventing-yesterday strategy drowns more congregations than it saves.

Tradition. Someone called the phrase “We never did it that way before” the last seven words of the church. Anyone who has ever tried to introduce an action plan that goes against church tradition knows the sanctions deal a blow to even the most enthusiastic and committed leader.

Congregational identity. The statement: “That is just who we are” sums up a church’s sense of self. The church’s sense of self includes many things that express a unique identity—such as what people wear to church, what music is appreciated, and the actual

arrangement of furniture in the worship space. Any new idea that seems to undercut the congregation’s core identity rarely gets off the ground.

Denominational identity. In addition to their congregational identity, congregations incorporate the parent denomination’s theology and themes to form a sense of self. In declining-membership denominations, leaders see few successful models to emulate. Because leaders take pride in their denominational theology and ministry methods, they are willing to learn new ideas only from churches similar to their own—even when there is evidence of ineffectiveness. That same pride keeps leaders from seeking out new approaches from churches outside their tribe.

Judgmental attitudes. One member said she would never attend that church because “they put rubber ducks in the baptistery for children’s worship.” Judging an action without sympathy for the motive prevents us from thinking in creative ways. For example, criticizing megachurches, churches more theologically conservative or liberal than our own, or nontraditional forms of church reveal an unconscious prejudice toward congregations that do things differently. Cynicism and pessimism inhibit openness to new ideas and action.

Confusing discussion with real action. Many people feel more comfortable talking about new ideas than trying out new strategies, which arise from those ideas. Just discussing an issue does not count as addressing the issue. Lengthy hearings without concrete plans, task assignments, and serious deadlines for implementation do not count as meaningful change.”

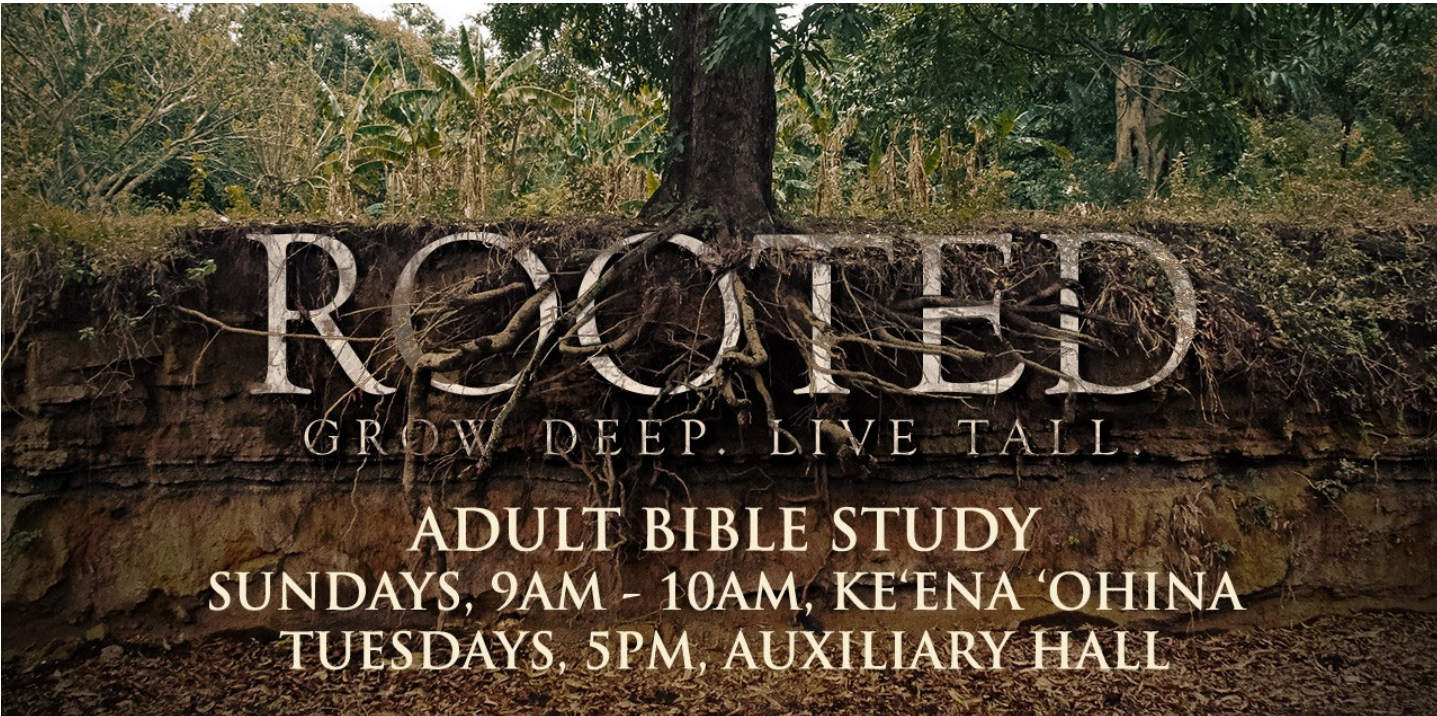


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FLOWER CHART

The flower chart for 2017 is posted at the back of the church. Please assist the Aloha Committee with beautification of our altar by signing up for a Sunday (or more). Also, please note how you would like the acknowledgement in the bulletin to read.



2017 ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

Aloha Kaumakapili Ohana,

Join us for Annual Meeting February 19th. This is a time for us to discuss the business of the church.

What: *Kaumakapili Church Annual Congregational Meeting*
When: Sunday, February 19, 2017
Time: Immediately following Sunday Worship
Where: Kaumakapili Church Sanctuary

Mahalo for your continued support,

Trevor Maunakea
Kaumakapili Church, President

Kahikuonalani Spring 'Aha Halawai

The Spring 'Aha Halawai of the Association of Hawaiian Evangelical Churches will be held February 17-18 at Kahikuonalani Church (757 Ho'omalua Street, Pearl City).

To register contact the HCUCC office at 537-9516.

Pledge Income

	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>
Total for the Year	\$136,690	\$125,685	\$135,140

2016 has been a great year with good news of fun events and activities in our church, and the good news about pledge dollars will add to this picture. We have achieved a new record high in pledge income dollars in 2016. Congratulations!

Your donations to pledge income achieved a new high of \$135,690 in 2016. This is more than the total dollars in the year 2014, which at that time was the high point for our church. December pledge income added \$12,364, a significant addition, and that amount put us over the top to achieve this new high point in the program.

It is important to continue to increase pledge dollars, and it is especially important as we get close to hiring a full time kahu. Pledge income is a key number that organizations and individuals will look at in considering the financial strength of our church and the support of our congregation.

As the year 2016 closes out the Stewardship Committee encourages everyone to submit pledge cards – the amount of the pledge is not important, but the participation in the program is very important.

Mahalo and best wishes in the new year of 2017.

Andrew Poepoe, BOS

Upcoming Events

JANUARY

Mon., January 2	New Year's Day (Observed) OFFICE CLOSED
Tue., January 3-6	Hebedoma, 6pm
Sat., Jan. 7, 21, 28	Imagine 2021-Vision Planning Sessions 9am-12n
Mon., January 16	Martin Luther King Jr. Day OFFICE CLOSED
Tue., January 17	Hookuikahi Reconciliation Service, 7pm

FEBRUARY

Sun., Feb. 19	Annual Meeting, 12n 'OPUKAHA'IA SUNDAY
Mon., Feb. 20	Office Closed- Presidents' Day

Outreach Ministry Volunteer Schedule

January

10	Food Prep Day	7:30-9:00am
11	Distribution	7:30-10:00am
24	Food Prep Day	7:30-9:00am
25	Distribution	7:30-10:00am

February

7	Food Prep Day	7:30-9:00am
8	Distribution	7:30-10:00am
21	Food Prep Day	7:30-9:00am
22	Distribution	7:30-10:00am

February Church Leaders Event

The Church Leaders Event will take place on Saturday, February 25, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., at Central Union Church (1660 S. Beretania Street, Honolulu). Cost is \$45 for O'ahu. Register for event at www.hcucc.org.



The History Corner

– By Andrew Poepoe

Waikāne Congregational Church

Our family spent the years of World War II in Honoka‘a on the Big Island. At the end of the War, in 1945, Dad was sent on to a new mission to Congregational churches in Windward O‘ahu. We moved first to Kokokahi while the parsonage was being built in Waikāne. Dad would preach at three churches, in Kāne‘ohe, in Waikāne, and the third in Hau‘ula – Waikāne was the central point of these three churches.

Waikāne was a community of about 80 people. The Waikāne church, parish hall, and graveyard were located on approximately two acres of land. The church was built on a foundation of huge rocks, rocks too large to be handled by several men. Local lore said that menehunes brought the rocks down from the mountains. In 1946 the church was not useable as termites had damaged the entire structure. The parish hall became the sanctuary and general meeting place for community events and for weddings and funerals.

The church was served by two pit toilets. One of the first jobs that I helped on was to clean these toilets. My second job was to help Dad install a flush toilet in the basement of the parish hall!

In these small Hawaiian churches the kahu, besides preaching, had to do all of the work that needed to be done to keep the church and parsonage functioning – he was a carpenter, a roofer, painter, plumber, electrician, janitor, yard handyman, tree trimmer, type and print out the church’s service programs, post news of the congregation on the bulletin board, sing in the choir, and meet and greet everyone at all functions.

Every family member pitched in. We economized on everything that we did. When we took a building down we saved all of the lumber, trimmed the edges, puttied the holes, and the lumber was ready to be used again. We saved all of the nails, straightened them out with a hammer, and they were ready to be used again!

I helped on all of these tasks. I helped to dig graves when those were needed, so I’ve heard all of the graveyard jokes and stories about graveyard ghosts and the graveyard fire balls! I was eleven when we moved to Waikāne, brother Ron was 16, plus three sisters of ages 9, 13 and 20 – a perfect work force for a kahu, plus Mom.

The special times for these country churches were the services at Christmas, Easter, and on Mother’s Day, when the churches were packed to standing room in the back of the churches, and we all were dressed up in our cleanest and finest clothes. These were proud and happy days for us, happy in the lives that we led, and happy in a close community of friends.





Kaumakapili Church
VISION AND STRATEGIC PLANNING

We are starting to seek God’s direction for our church.
This is a process and a journey together.
Everyone is important in this process.
You are encouraged to join us in this discovery.

Please join us for all four vision planning workshops facilitated by Dr. Randy Furushima at Kaumakapili Church. Your voice is needed.

Sessions Remaining:

January 21 st	9am-12n
January 28 th	9am-12n

Church Parking



25TH ANNIVERSARY HOOKUIKAHI - RECONCILIATION

Queen Lili‘uokalani

JANUARY 17TH, 2017
TUESDAY, 7:00 PM
KAUMAKAPILI CHURCH
766 NORTH KING STREET
HONOLULU, HI



This project of remembrance, commemoration, education and advocacy, began on January 17th 1993, which marked the 100th Anniversary of the Overthrow of Queen Liliuokalani. On this day at Iolani Palace, and later at Kaumakapili Church, the United Churches of Christ, through it’s President Dr. Paul Sherry, issued a formal Apology to Na Kanaka Maoli, related to the complicities of the church. Since then, every year, the Pacific Justice and Reconciliation Center - PJRC organizes an annual event and other activities to educate and advocate for justice and mercy for Na Kanaka Maoli and all the people of Hawaii in the spirit of reconciliation.

The events which are scheduled on or near January 17th, have focused on the courage and nonviolence of the Queen Liliuokalani, in her efforts to right the wrongs, and that her life is an example to all today, to study, train, and practice peace, nonviolence, and reconciliation, to be hopeful in our vision and work together for social transformation for all. Indeed the life of the Queen is put alongside the legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., and Mohatma Gandhi, as the means to inspire ourselves and the generations to come. Churches that have hosted the annual event have included, Kawaiahao Church, Kaumakapili Church, St. Andrews Cathedral, St. Augustines, Central Union Church, Harris United Methodist. Active participants have included representatives from the community, and the Forgiveness Project, The Interfaith Alliance, The Hawaiian Kingdom, Office of Hawaiian Affairs, The Queen Liliuokalani Children’s Center, Royal Societies, Hawaiian Civic Clubs, University of Hawaii - Matsunaga Institute for Peace, Hawaii State Legislature, City and County of Honolulu, and others.

January 17th, 2017; 7:00 PM
Hookuikahi - Reconciliation
Kaumakapili Church

Speakers:

Rev. Dr. David Hirano
Dr. Haaheo Guanson

Two Choirs:

Kaumakapili Church
Kawaiahao Church

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