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"Making Disciples of Christ from All Generations"

PASTOR'S PAGE



My Dear Ohana...

Greetings in the name of the Risen Lord! As I prepare to begin my second year of ministry with you all, I am filled with gratitude. I have been richly blessed by your Aloha. You have welcomed me with hospitality, patience and an abundance of grace. I am

thankful for your support during this year of separation from my family. You all have made what could have been a very difficult year a means of God's grace. In the new year I look forward to deepening the relationships that I have begun with you. As our relationships grow, I know that there is much you will teach me about the unique way of witnessing and building God's Kingdom on our island home.

I am excited about the new ministry opportunities that so many of you are developing. The Friday night ministry for children and families is an innovative twist on the traditional Vacation Bible School model. Not only are we working to shape the faith development of our children, this model will serve the whole family well by giving harried and hurried parents time together. Our Health and Wellness Ministry is working on many fronts to support the congregation through education, screening, caregiver support and a growing ministry to our seniors. Our re-energized Youth Ministry is stepping forward under the leadership of Kari Graydon.

Coming this summer you will have the opportunity to complete a survey that will help our Christian Education leaders craft this important ministry moving forward. We are anxious to hear from you about ideas to

strengthen our small group and Christian formation ministry for our children, youth and adults. This is part of a broader effort to strengthen all relationships within the church. One ministry that is being considered is a monthly meal that we share as a congregation. We have a number of different groups that have well developed relationships. The monthly church meal will be a way to weave those different groups together as well as create opportunities for others in the church to become part of those groups. It will also be a great way for people who come new to our ohana to meet and greet others.

As I write this article for you there is a huge buzz of activity in the house. The movers are here packing and loading our house. Finally the year of transition is at an end. I am so anxious to return home (with Sally!) and be about the ministry to which God has called us. Aloha my friends.

Aloha and Agape,
Pastor J.T.

DID YOU KNOW? - YOUR KUMC FOUNDATION



Alphabetically, KUMC member Howard (Howey) Zeidler's is last on the fund list. Howey was an avid Rotarian, an airline pilot, sang barbershop, and was a delight to see on Sunday morning. The last several years of Howey's life were spent with severe rheumatoid arthritis yet he maintained a very positive outlook on life and was an example to all who knew him. With his passing, his will funded a trust which

allows all of us to enjoy our church bounty. Howey had no remaining family yet when he passed KUMC had one of it's largest funeral observances. He was truly a friend to all.

It's easy to fund an existing trust or start a new trust. You will find an envelope in the back of the pew where you may make a tax deductible donation. For questions, please contact either Jerry Allen at Jerry-Allen@hawaii.rr.com or Sarah Casken at saracasken@gmail.com.

2011 KUMC FOUNDATION AWARDS

The KUMC Foundation awarded their 2011 Scholarship awards on Sunday, June 5th. The top award of \$1,000 went to Alex Tom. Kiana Yuen received the \$750 scholarship and Emily Shiraki received \$500. Congratulations to all three of them and wishing them good luck in their future college goals!



*Alex Tom
Marist College*



*Kiana Yuen
Seattle University*



*Emily Shiraki
Trinity University*

***JULY
BIRTHDAYS***

If anyone is interested in the July birthdays, please call the church office at 261-6238. Mahalo!



**KAILUA FOURTH OF JULY PARADE
SHAVE ICE TENT**

Come down and join us at the 65th Annual Kailua Fourth of July Parade and support our Shave Ice tent! We will be selling shave ice at our annual shave ice sale located at 78 South Kainalu Drive across from the Kailua Recreation Center from 9:00 a.m. till the end of the parade. All proceeds go to the American Cancer Society Relay for Life. We are also asking for donations of 16 oz. cases of water, Sprite, Diet Coke, Coke and Hawaiian Sun Lilikoi Passion. Drop off your donations of water, etc. at the church office beginning the week of June 26th. Thank you!

AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY RELAY FOR LIFE

Mark your calendars! KUMC will once again be participating in the American Cancer Society Relay for Life!



When: July 9-10, 2011, Saturday 5 pm to Sunday 7 am
 Where: Kailua High School Football Field
 Sites: 8, 9, 10

Got to www.relayforlife.org/kailuahi and register. KUMC has 3 teams: *Kailua United Methodist Church, Kailua United Methodist Church Seeker, Kailua United Methodist Church Youth*. Go to "Join a Team" and follow the directions from there....team member registration is \$10.00 and you can pay with a credit card. Feel free to call Deborah Tom at 728-9993 or email her at tomp007@hawaii.rr.com with questions.



FOURTH OF JULY POTLUCK PICNIC

Sunday, July 3, 2011



On the lawn adjoining the sanctuary after worship
 All church celebration
POTLUCK PICNIC—FOOD AND FUN
 For the entire family!

Hot dogs, buns, condiments and cold drinks will be provided

Last names ending in:

- A-G Salads**
- H-O Main Dish**
- P-Z Dessert**

Please join us in celebrating Independence Day!
 Feel free to bring your lawn chairs and mats!



NEED CAREGIVING SERVICES?

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Tupouniua are providing care for the elderly in their home, *Malama Ana Hale* here in Kailua. If you are interested in finding out more, please call Albert at 222-6941.

KUMC FOOD PANTRY

The Health and Wellness Ministry is initiating the KUMC FOOD PANTRY in cooperation with our Youth Group. We need the whole congregation to help us get it started. The Food Pantry will serve as a disaster preparedness backup for our congregation as well as a community outreach program. We are in need of nonperishable food items . We plan to have the Food Pantry in Sato Cottage open once a week on Wednesdays to distribute food packages. Suggested items for Food Pantry donations are as follows: Canned meats, canned fruit, canned beans, peanut butter & jelly, complete meals in a box, granola or breakfast bars, rice, powdered milk, fruit juices, beef jerky, nuts, canned tuna, canned soups or stews, canned vegetables, canned pasta meals, crackers, cereals, instant potatoes, healthy snacks, instant coffee or tea, dried fruit, dried beans.



Ideally, all foods should be low sodium, nutritious and healthy. Extra large cans and/or packages food items are not appropriate for the food pantry. All donated foods must be nonperishable. Please check all expiration dates. We cannot accept or distribute foods with expired labels. We cannot distribute dented cans.

Monetary donations are always welcome—items can be purchased as needed to restock the pantry!

Donation reminders will go out prior to every Communion Sunday but donations will be accepted anytime. Please place your donations in the basket in the narthex. Mahalo.

KUMC SUMMER FEST 2011

Saturday, August 6, 2011

Kailua United Methodist Church will be hosting its first annual Summer Fest on Saturday, August 6, 2011, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.! The purpose of our Summer Fest is to be a community of faith in fellowship, working and serving together with three goals:

- A community service outreach for vendors of crafts, produce and plants
- A mini Health Expo
- An opportunity to raise money for our church's ongoing ministries

We need volunteers, here is who we have lined up so far:

Co-Chairs	Michael Tsuruda and Deborah Tom
Finance	Carol Kalahiki
Publicity	Nicia Platt
Logistics	Patrick Tom and Bruce Ayres
Food	Cheryl Hazama & Chanda Ahokovi
Activities	Jenni Seese
Parking	
Music	Steve Petranik
Thrift Store	Shirley Minn
Crafty Angels	Natalie Oda
Registration	Krystle Hara
Health Expo	Sue Pignataro
Tech Support	Rob Thompson



If any member would like to have a booth, please let us know (Amway, Pampered Chef, Avon, jewelry, etc....)! Applications for vendors will be available on the church website. If you have any questions, please contact Michael at 479-5283 or Deborah Tom at 728-9993 or tomp007@hawaii.rr.com.

COMPASSION INTERNATIONAL

One of the Four Areas of Focus of the Ministry of the UMC is dealing with issues of poverty world wide. In the month of July, KUMC will be participating with Compassion International for a Compassion Sunday. "Compassion International is a Christian child development organization dedicated to releasing children from poverty. Our ministry is two-fold: we work through local churches to provide child development programs to deliver children from economic, physical, social and spiritual poverty, enabling them to become responsible, fulfilled Christian adults. And we speak out for children in poverty – informing, motivating and equipping others to become advocates for children. Compassion International exists as an advocate for children, to release them from their spiritual, economic, social and physical poverty and enable them to become responsible and fulfilled Christian adults." (<http://www.compassionsunday.com/faq.php>) Please join Pastor J.T. and Michelle Librie on July 17, 24 and especially 31 as they share this wonderful opportunity of ministry. As a congregation we are called to do our part in reaching out to children in need worldwide.

LOOKING FOR A MINISTRY TO PARTICIPATE IN?

The church has quite a few banners that need to be cleaned, cataloged and stored properly so they are easier to locate. If you are looking for a ministry to participate in, this might be just what you're looking for. We are also looking for a monthly communion steward who is responsible for setting up communion before worship on the first Sunday of every month and arranging for the Eucharistic ministers who assist with communion. Please call Shelley in the church office at 261-6238 and she will fill you in on the details regarding these needs. Thank you.

MARY MURANAKA SCHOLARSHIP GIFT



Congratulations to Jessica Miller on being the recipient of a \$10,000 scholarship from the generosity of the late Mary Muranaka. Jessica is in college at Portland State University majoring in Mathematics with a minor in Secondary Education. Again, congratulations Jessica!

**KAILUA UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
DATE NIGHT/PARENT RESPITE NIGHT**

Healthy parent relationships = healthy families. And for single parents or mothers with deployed husbands, it is respite for the soul.

Drop your kids off at KUMC the last four Fridays in July—July 8, July 15, July 22 and July 29 from 5:00 to 8:00 p.m. There will be a program based on this year's VBS Panda Theme/Kung Fu Panda. The program will be run by KUMC adult leaders and the Youth group and will include dinner, music, crafts, games and more! This program will be available to children of pre-school age to sixth grade. The cost is \$5.00 per child per night to cover bento style dinner.

Please call the KUMC office at 261-6238 or print off registration form from website and fax to 262-2066. Pre-registration is highly recommended as there is a limited space; and registration on the day of the event will be space available only. Please call Kevin Lockette at 228-0340 if interested in volunteering.



FAMILY PROMISE—MAY 29 THROUGH JUNE 5

KUMC has completed another week of providing hospitality for 4 families from May 29th through June 5th. One hundred seventy four volunteer hours (174) served 7 adults and 8 children. A week of rain gave rise to a leaking roof, walls, and floor and our guests were very understanding and helpful in attempts to contain the water.

KUMC has been blessed to have St. Ann's Church as an official support congregation beginning in June, 2011. St. George's congregation continues to serve two meals with each rotation. With our own volunteers from KUMC and the support congregations, I am confident we will provide the families with superb service.

Many thanks to all, *Corabelle Earnshaw*



Mary Saunders (Exec. Dir. of Family Promise), Corabelle Earnshaw, and Loreen.

Two of our young Family Promise visitors this last round.



Corabelle Earnshaw and Maile, one of our little visitors.

KEY DATES FOR JULY 2011

July 3	KUMC Independence Day Potluck
July 4	Kailua Independence Day Parade
July 8, 15, 22 & 29	KUMC Date Night/Respite Night Pandamania Kids Program
July 9-10	American Cancer Society Relay for Life
July 23	IHS Meal Prep and Serve

THE LAST WORD

*“May the sun in his course visit no land more free,
more happy, more lovely, than this our own country!”*

~ Daniel Webster

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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED