

# Ke 'Alemanaka

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## E ALA E - AWAKEN

By Meleanna Aluli Meyer

The time is now, the moment is upon us, to recognize the potential we have together, to participate more earnestly and courageously as a community of action and Spirit, beyond the doors of our beloved church. *E ala e, ka lā i ka bikina... i ka moana, ka moana hō honu.* The sun is at the Eastern horizon, from the depths of the deep ocean it comes... This pule, or prayer, is part of protocols that are used today in our communities across the *pae-āina*, the Archipelago. It welcomes the sun daily and invites us to more actively commune with Nature in all her glory. I share this *mana'o* with you all so that you may appreciate that we live in a most wondrous place, with an important history to unpack, so that all of us can more respectfully appreciate the truth, pain and sadness that have been held in muffled corners of this church and so many other places. Yes, e ala e, let us waken to this time of *buliaua*, turning and change so that we can tell our children and their children's children that pono was restored upon this land.

Honoring cycles and changes observed here in Hawai'i-nei, invites us to awaken to the newness of these times — uncharted territory after a pandemic in a torn and battered world that has affected every single one of us. Are we asking questions that will awaken us to the needs of our neighbors, those beyond the pews and safety and comfort of this beloved *wahi pana* - this storied place? Yes, St. Clement's is a storied place for many reasons - It was founded in 1898, the year the sovereign kingdom of Hawai'i was illegally annexed. A big elephant that we might, as a community sometime, want to look at.

My task, being invited to write for the *Alemanaka* this month, is to share more about Hawaiian culture and our history - as we live in this extraordinary place, and must, in these times begin to ask the more difficult questions that may be on the minds and hearts of some parishoners. Many folks on the continent have been embroiled in not only the BLM movement, but coming to terms with numerous injustices that demand answers, as never before — from not only politicians, but from clerics and neighbors, from family members, communities, and each of us, in terms of how we are treating one another, and how we will go forward in the future together.

EFM training over the past few years has taught me a lot, which is coming in handy at this moment in time, because I've been challenged to take on a mantle of discerning more deeply about many things; Biblical values, histories, power dynamics and about how all of this supposedly fits together in a battered world so bogged down by mistruths, greed, hatred and ignorance. Often I ask where God is, and then I'm reminded that s/he is everywhere - all I have to do is to take moments to look up at the crimson colored clouds at dusk, or remember a lovely, tender conversation I just had with a beloved friend or neighbor. Think about my precious grandchildren and my sons, my precious life partner, the fragrant flowers that grace our garden, and the graciousness that each day offers despite the cruelties and sadnesses of the world.

Making art, being part of creating something that is beautiful is what I choose and have chosen my whole life, as this is spirit work, something that I am called to do. Through this practice and awareness of the arts in all forms, I'm hopeful that by offering these gifts to others, perhaps I may become part of a solution set, which is sorely needed in these times. Hopeful too that we can be inspired by one another's gifts and talents, if only we take the time to reflect and appreciate those things that inspire us about each other. I've come to appreciate our St. Clement's community for so many things — mostly for the kindness and welcoming I've felt. As I reflect on these times, this *ho'okipa* and *aloha* is most welcome and continues to invite and keep me here.

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# ANNOUNCEMENTS

St. Clement's is turning 125 in 2023! If you would like to join brainstorming discussions for the celebratory event please let us know!

Stitched Together With Love, St. Clement's newly-formed knitting and crochet group, is meeting every second Saturday (8/14) at 11AM under the church porte cochere.

Our food distribution program is still open to receiving donations of canned soup, corn beef, pork and beans, chili with meat, corn and vienna sausage.

Mahalo to this month's Food Distribution bagging crew:  
Kathleen Norris and Keli'i deFrancia

Thank you to Meleanna Meyer for serving as the guest contributor for this month's newsletter!

## ZOOM SERVICE OUTLINE

### SUNDAY

#### **Worship at 8AM & 10:15AM**

ID#: 854 4414 6891

Passcode: 1515

#### **Adult Discussion at 9AM**

ID#: 854 4414 6891

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#### **Bible Study (RBTL) at 9AM**

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### TUESDAY

#### **Compline at 9PM**

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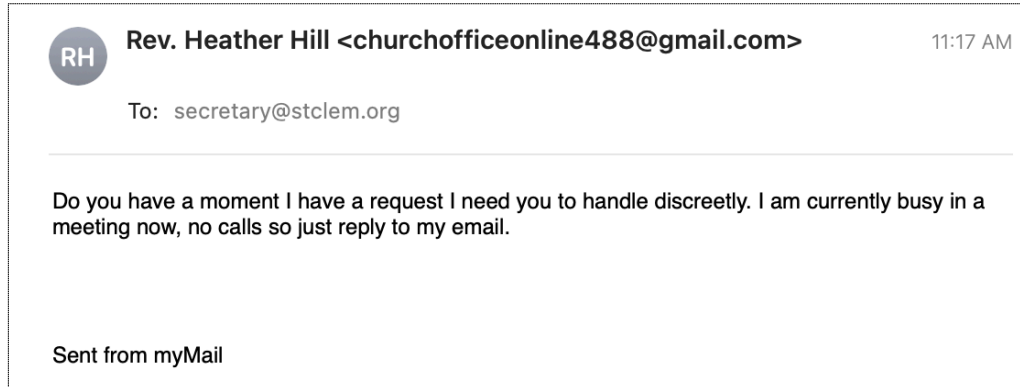
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You can join any service with your phone! Just call this number: 1 (669) 900-6833 and enter the meeting ID and passcode when prompted.

# ONLINE SECURITY

## Be Wary of Email Scammers Pretending to be Church Staff!

Unfortunately, it is not uncommon for scammers to pretend to be church staff while reaching out to parishioners via email. Pastor Heather and the rest of the St. Clement's staff will never send you emails like the one below.



Please be cautious in situations like these! You'll notice that, despite the name at the top saying "Rev. Heather Hill" the associated email address is not Pastor Heather's email address ([pastorheather@stclem.com](mailto:pastorheather@stclem.com)). Another good rule of thumb: Don't click on links or open attachments from email addresses you are not familiar with as they may contain viruses that would be harmful to your computer or they could allow hackers to steal your personal information.

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## FOOD DISTRIBUTION DONATIONS

### Interested in Donating Non-Food Items?

Thank you all for your ongoing support! In past months, we have noticed that the number of food bags we're giving out has begun to go down for the first time since the pandemic began. Although we cannot offer specific explanations for this trend, we're hopeful that it's for good reasons!

Nevertheless, we still have many visitors each month, many of which inquire about the availability of non-food donations. Our most popular request is for hygiene products. If you are interested in donating new, unused hygiene products but aren't sure what to get, you can refer to the list below or ask us! Feel free to email us at [secretary@stclem.org](mailto:secretary@stclem.org) or call (808)955-7745 if you have any questions.

#### Example Donations:

- Toothbrush & toothpaste
- Deodorant
- Hand sanitizer
- Socks (new/unused)

If you'd like to continue with food donations, we are still accepting those as well! Please refer to the list of canned goods found within the "Annoucments" section on page 2.

Mahalo,  
The Food Ministry Team

# August 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>8:00 AM Holy Eucharist</li> <li>9:00 AM Adult Discussion</li> <li>9:00 AM Bible Workbench</li> <li>10:00 AM Sunday School</li> <li>10:15 AM Holy Eucharist</li> <li>2:30 PM Tongan Church</li> </ul>	<p>2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>10:00 AM Parish Staff Mtg.</li> </ul>	<p>3</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>5:00 PM Labyrinth Open</li> <li>9:00 PM Compline</li> </ul> <p>HAPPY BIRTHDAY TRAVIS HONG</p>	<p>4</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>6:00 AM Bulk Pick-Up</li> <li>5:00 PM Na 'Ohana Meeting</li> </ul>	<p>5</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>4:30 PM Farmers Market</li> </ul>	<p>6</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Clergy Sabbath</li> <li>8:00 PM Strivers for Sobriety</li> </ul>	<p>7</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>9:00 AM Altar Guild</li> <li>1:00 PM NAMI Program</li> </ul>
<p>8</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>8:00 AM Holy Eucharist</li> <li>9:00 AM Adult Discussion</li> <li>9:00 AM Bible Workbench</li> <li>10:00 AM Sunday School</li> <li>10:15 AM Holy Eucharist</li> <li>1:00 PM Prayer Chain Mtg.</li> <li>2:30 PM Tongan Church</li> </ul> <p>HAPPY BIRTHDAY KAREN BROSSAU</p>	<p>9</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>10:00 AM Parish Staff Mtg.</li> </ul>	<p>10</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>5:00 PM Property Committee Mtg.</li> <li>9:00 PM Compline</li> </ul> <p>HAPPY BIRTHDAY LIZ BALDWIN</p>	<p>11</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>6:00 AM Bulk Pick-Up</li> <li>5:00 PM Na 'Ohana Meeting</li> </ul> <p>HAPPY BIRTHDAY DOUG RIGG</p>	<p>12</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>4:30 PM Farmers Market</li> </ul>	<p>13</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Clergy Sabbath</li> <li>8:00 PM Strivers for Sobriety</li> </ul>	<p>14</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>9:00 AM Altar Guild</li> <li>11:00 AM Knitting Group</li> <li>1:00 PM NAMI Program</li> </ul>
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# COMING SOON: BUTTERFLY GARDEN

## We've Had Our First Visitor!



Tucked away in the corner of the St. Clement's School playground, there is a butterfly garden in the works! It's not ready for human visitors yet, but we were fortunate to witness our first butterfly enjoying the garden's current arrangement of flora.

Photographed, you'll see the underside of a Gulf Fritillary butterfly's wings as it rests on our lavender Lantana.

Senior Warden, Beth Fincke, came up with the idea of the butterfly garden and has been bringing her vision to life with some help from our Parish Sexton, Stan Ornellas.

Once the butterfly garden is complete, it will be available for the children of St. Clement's school to have moments of quiet, as necessary. We also hope that it will afford them the opportunity to learn more about the natural world around us! Parishioners will also be welcome to visit the butterfly garden on Sundays before and after church services, upon completion.

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## ADULT DISCUSSION GUEST SPEAKER

Dr. John Collins Will Join Us on August 29

Dr. John Collins, author of *What are Biblical Values?*, will attend our Sunday morning Adult Discussion forum on August 29. The Adult Discussion group has been reading his aforementioned book for the past month and meet every Sunday morning, starting at 9AM. You are welcome to join the group for the guest speaker's session, even if you do not regularly join the group for discussion. Zoom links to the group's meetings are included in our weekly email reminders for Sunday services, should you choose to join them online.

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## FREE CARDBOARD BOXES

Cardboard Boxes Available for Pick-up

The Hawai'i Foodbank gives us their leftover boxes from their senior food program, so we end up with more cardboard boxes than we'd ever need!

As you can see in the image, these boxes are very sturdy and have barely been used. We have a total of ten on hand at the moment and their dimensions are 20" (L) x 13" (W) x 11" (H).

Come by the church office during office hours to pick one (or more) up!



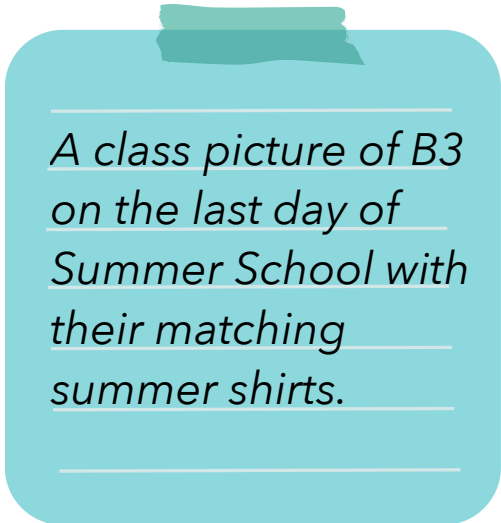
# SCHOOL SNAPSHOTS



Some boys from Class B4 enjoying time on the playground together.



Students of Class B1 enjoying a nice cool strawberry-banana smoothie on a hot summer day.



A class picture of B3 on the last day of Summer School with their matching summer shirts.

## AUGUST AT A GLANCE

SUNDAY	MONDAY
<p>Holy Eucharist 8AM and 10:15AM</p> <p>Adult Discussion 9AM</p> <p>Bible Study 9AM</p>	<p>Office Open 9AM to 3PM</p>
TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY
<p>Office Open 9AM to 3PM</p>	<p>Office Open 9AM to 3PM</p> <p>Assistance Available 10AM to 12PM</p>
THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<p>Office Open 9AM to 3PM</p> <p>Farmers Market 4:30PM to 7PM</p>	<p>Office Open 9AM to 3PM</p> <p>Third Fri. (8/20) Kūpuna Box 12PM to 1PM</p>
SATURDAY	SPECIAL EVENTS
<p>Second Sat. (8/14) Knit/Crochet Group 11AM to 1PM</p> <p>Third Sat. (8/21) Food Distribution 10:30AM to 12:30PM</p>	<p>SCS Back to School August 23</p>

