

St. Clement's School By Kathleen Norris

The Parish of St Clement consists of a church congregation and a preschool. In Nellie Stassen-McLaughlin's history of the church from 1937-1997, she reports that the school began in 1949 as a six-week summer program. It soon became a year-long school, including a weekday program for three-and-four-year-olds. At first, the school was housed in a leftover World War II Quonset hut on the church grounds but it soon became apparent that a better space was needed. In 1953, through the generosity of Mrs. C. Montague Cooke, the Lila Lefferts Cooke classroom building was built.

In January of 1954, the vestry considered establishing a first-grade program and eventually adding second, third, and fourth grades. Parish members were asked if they approved and if they'd enroll their children. A decision on an elementary school was deferred, but in August of 1954 a kindergarten class of five-year-olds was added. To accommodate a larger student body the Edward Tanner Brown building was built in 1963.

In the early 1970's parents organized a group, "Na Ohana," to support the school by organizing fundraisers, food drives, special events, and holiday observances. In 1980 a school committee was formed as a subcommittee of the parish vestry. It included representatives from the parish, parents, faculty, and the vestry.

The students attend chapel services three mornings a week, with the parish clergy or the school director leading the worship and offering a brief sermon. Often a Bible story is told in installments, leaving cliffhangers on Monday and Wednesday, with a grand finale on Friday. If you've ever attended this service, you know that the children are quick to memorize The Lord's Prayer and they sing enthusiastically. When they walk into the chapel some of them remember to hold their hands together in a prayerful position. But others leap and hop and jostle their friends, and the procession begins to resemble a famous Monte Python skit, "The Ministry of Silly Walks." It's impressive to see how much the children mature over the years: the 3-year-olds may have trouble sitting still for a few minutes, but the 5-year-olds are more disciplined and able to pay close attention.

Jodi Yoshioka is the current head of the school. The COVID pandemic presented unprecedented challenges but dedicated teachers and staff developed a hybrid curriculum to meet the needs of the students. And when the children were able to return in person, they found new playground equipment made possible by an online fundraiser held by Na Ohana. Last year's enrollment was 114 children; 122 are expected for the 2023-2024 school year. The school is accredited by the NAEYC, the National Association for the Education of Young Children.

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Want your article or
announcement published?

Submission Deadline:
Third Thursday of the Month
August 17, 2023

STAFF

Head of School: Jodi Yoshioka
Organist: Mark Kennedy
Office Manager: Leesa Steadman
Sexton: Stan Ornellas
Sunday School: Jessica Stack,
Scott & Gail Suzuki-Jones,
Michelle Comeau

Senior Warden: Beth Fincke
Junior Warden: Sione Lino
Treasurer: Martha Morgan
Clerk: Holoua Stender

Vestry

Jane Anderson	Brian Crow
Matthew Chapman	Leslie Isaki
Sarah Palm	Tau'eva Lino
Susan Palmore	Jose Henao

Church Office Hours

Open Weekdays
8:30AM to 4:00PM

**Closed on Holidays*

MAHALOS

Mahalo to July's faithful Food Distribution crew:
Holo Stender, Beth Fincke, Ann Ogilvie, Annette
Kirkpatrick and her nieces Carena and Kendal,
and Chris Haskaylo.

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Mahalo to the crew that prepares and delivers chili
and mac salad to RYSE and YO! House: Jane
Anderson, Karen Brousseau, Robert Nakatsuji,
and Dana Anderson.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

The kiawe, kamani, and monkey pod trees
was trimmed on Tuesday, August 1, 2023.

ZOOM SERVICE OUTLINE

SUNDAY:

Worship at 9:30 AM

ID#: 854 4414 6891

Passcode: 1515

Adult Discussion at 8:30 AM

ID#: 854 4414 6891

Passcode: 1515

Bible Study (RBTL) at 8:30 AM

ID#: 853 8655 3153

Passcode: 1515

Also meets in Parish Hall.

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



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E P I S C O P A L

Dear Fellow Parishioners,

The Search Committee handed over to the vestry two excellent candidates for our position of priest-in-charge. Unfortunately, both had to withdraw from the search process for personal reasons. We are all disappointed but trust that God has another plan for us.

Canon Sandy Graham, who is helping us with the search process, met with the vestry and search committee this past Tuesday evening to discuss our options going forward. We decided that we would re-post our Parish Profile on August 15 and accept applications until September 30.

We thank the Search Committee for the terrific job they did in putting together the Parish Profile and their work to narrow down the candidates through reviewing the applications and interviewing candidates. They are ready to continue the process.

Canon Sandy will be with us one Sunday, as soon as his schedule allows, to help us better understand what is happening.

Faithfully,

The Vestry

Senior Warden, Beth Fincke
Junior Warden, Soane Lino,
Treasurer, Martha Morgan
Clerk, Holo Stender
Jane Anderson
Matthew Chapman
Brian Crow
Jose Henao
Leslie Isaki
Tau'eva Lino
Sarah Palm
Susan Palmore

The Search Committee

Pam McCoy
Della Au Belatti
Mary Carpenter
Michelle Comeau
Helen Ishida
Bill Markevitch
Christine Terada

August 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 5:00 PM Vestry Meeting w/Canon Sandy (Zoom/PH) 5:00 PM Labyrinth Open 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 10:00 AM Food Distribution 5:00 PM Na 'Ohana Meeting (SL) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 4:30 PM Farmers Market 6:00 PM Choir Practice (CH) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9:30 AM Foodbank Appt 8:00 PM Strivers for Sobriety (PH) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9:00 AM Altar Guild (CH) 10:00 AM Compassionate Friends (MR) 4:30 PM Fernhearst Dinner (PH) 6:30 PM Tongan Choir Rehearsal (PH)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8:30 AM Adult Discussion (PH 1) 8:30 AM RBTL (PH) 9:30 AM Holy Eucharist 10:30 AM Grocery Bagging for Food Dist. 10:30 AM Social Time - PH 1:00 PM Tongan Church (CH) 7:00 PM Daily Reflections (PH) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 7:30 AM SCS Staff Professional Development (PH) 5:30 PM Hula Class (PH) 7:30 PM AI-Anon (PH) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 7:30 AM SCS Staff Professional Development (PH) 5:00 PM Property Committee Mtg. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 7:30 AM SCS Staff Professional Development (PH) 10:00 AM Food Distribution 5:30 PM NAMI WOW (PH) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 7:30 AM SCS Staff Professional Development (PH) 4:30 PM Farmers Market 6:00 PM Choir Practice (CH) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 7:00 PM Tongan Bible Study (CH) 8:00 PM Strivers for Sobriety (PH) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8:30 AM RYSE Meeting (PH) 9:00 AM Altar Guild (CH) 1:00 PM NAMI Self-Help Gentle Yoga Program (PH) 4:30 PM - Fernhurt Dinner (PH)
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Retirement Party for Stan Ornellas - Saturday, August 19, 2023

We are thrilled to invite you to a retirement party like no other, honoring the one and only Stan Ornellas. After years of hard work and dedication, Stan is finally (mostly) retiring.

Join us on Saturday, August 19th, starting at 10:00 AM, Together, let's create an unforgettable day filled with laughter, heartfelt stories, and warm wishes for Stan's future endeavors.

Please RSVP as soon as possible to secure your spot. Don't let this chance slip away!

So mark your calendars, gather your best anecdotes, and get ready to bid farewell to Stan in the most memorable way possible. We can't wait to see you there!

10:00 am to 11:00 AM - Drive-by Goodbye with Uncle Stan (porte-cochère of church) - **Please RSVP if you wish to participate in the 'Drive-by' portion only.** This is a great option for a quick goodbye with Stan for those who cannot attend the formal celebration.

Noon - Formal Accolades from St. Clement's School and the Parish

11:00 AM to 2:00 PM*** - Formal Celebration in Parish Hall - Please RSVP if you are coming to this so we know how many are attending. Mahalo!

*****Please note - Parking will not be available until 11 AM to allow room for those doing the drive-by goodbye space to pass through.**

RSVP online at - <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/retirement-party-for-stan-ornellas-tickets-679731975637>

You may also reply to this email or contact the Church Office if the site does not work for you.



MONTHLY PARISH BRIEF

News from St. Clement's School

The School's summer session ended on July 21, 2023. Students will be back on the campus on Monday, August 14, 2023.

Update on Improving Streaming for Online Worship

The Parish has commissioned the AudioVisual Company to look into our future needs for streaming our worship services and other events online via Zoom. They are in the process of researching the best options for our needs as a congregation and growing church. Once the proposal is received, the Property Committee will move forward to approve the upgrades needed for the parish's equipment. We appreciate everyone's patience in this time. If you have any questions or wish to share any thoughts, please contact the office.

Parish Happenings

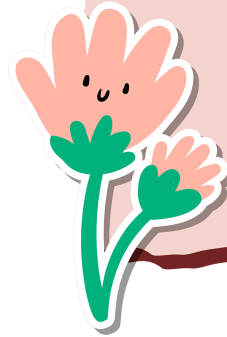


Prison Ministry Backpack Donations - A big thank you to the Prison Ministry, coordinated by Mary Carpenter, for gathering donations for the backpacks to be given to those newly released from prison and reentering society. We also thank those that donated as well as everyone that helped pack the backpacks.

A total of 18 backpacks were put together and blessed by the Rev. Ha'aheo Guanson. Pillows, giftcards from Zippy's, sheets, towels, water bottles, snack food items, and toiletries were donated.



August 3 - Travis Hong
August 8 - Karen Brousseau
August 10 - Elizabeth Baldwin
August 11 - Doug Rigg
August 15 - Emma Suzuki-Jones
August 27 - Chris Haig
August 30 - Stacia Silva
August 30 - Maya Suzuki-Jones



SCHOOL SNAPSHOTS

A view into the school days at St. Clement's



A student and teacher of B3 enjoy creating big bubbles on the playground.



Students in B1 enjoy learning soccer skills from the staff of Ohana Kids.



Summer School students enjoyed an interactive performance by Vance Morimoto in the Parish Hall House.



The class of B2 dressed in red, white and blue to celebrate the 4th of July with a colorful parade.



A few families donated a yummy, cool treat to enjoy on a hot day: shave ice!



Students in C2 close out Summer School by washing down chairs they have used while learning about respecting school property and taking care of one's belongings.



Fernhurst Dinner, Saturday, August 12, 2023 - There will be a dinner with the ladies from Fernhurst Residence (YWCA O'ahu) and some of our parishioners on Saturday, August 12, 4:30 pm to 6:00 pm in the parish hall.

Sunday Services:

Sunday, August 6, 2023, 9:30 am Holy Eucharist - The Rev. Richard Shields will be the celebrant and preacher with Soane Lino assisting during the service.

During Social Time, we will be packing grocery bags for Wednesday's Food Distribution.

Sunday, August 13, 2023, 9:30 am Holy Eucharist - The Rev. Richard Shields will be the celebrant with Soane Lino as the preacher. Mary Carpenter will be assisting.

Sunday, September 3, 2023, 9:30 am Holy Eucharist - Canon Sandy Graham will be both preacher and celebrant.



Hurricane Season

Hurricane Calvin passed us by, but we know there may be more to come. Please be ready! Make sure that you have the necessary supplies and an evacuation plan, and stay informed. If you live alone, find someone to help you get supplies and evacuate if necessary. Most importantly, have a person to contact after the emergency has passed, so that someone knows that you are all right. If you need help with any of this, please let the church office know. More specific information can be found at redress.org/Hawaii and <https://www.honolulu.gov/dem/hurricane.html>



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ARE YOU 2 WEEKS READY?

BUILD KITS

Have Go Bags ready for work, each family member, pets, & a vehicle safety kit too.

PLAN TO BE ON YOUR OWN FOR AT LEAST 2 WEEKS

Water (1 gal. per person/day)	Flashlight	Pet Supplies
Food (Non-perishable)	Can Opener	Fire Extinguisher
First Aid Kit	Tools	Glasses/Eye Care
Medical Equipment	Warm Clothes	Cash/Identification
Medications	Sturdy Shoes	Masks/Sanitizer
NOAA Alert Radio	Personal Hygiene Items	Important Documents
Extra Batteries	Toilet Paper	Comfort/Entertainment



MAY AT A GLANCE

SUNDAY	MONDAY
Holy Eucharist 9:30AM Adult Discussion 8:30AM Bible Study 8:30AM	Office Open 8:30AM to 4PM
TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY
Office Open 8:30AM to 4PM	Office Open 8:30AM to 4PM Assistance Available 10AM to 12PM
THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Office Open 8:30AM to 4PM Farmers Market 4:30PM to 7PM	Office Open 8:30AM to 4PM Kūpuna Box (8/18) 12PM to 1PM
SATURDAY	SPECIAL EVENTS
	Office Closed: Friday, August 18 Statehood Day