

# Ke 'Alemanaka

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### From Pastor Heather



Hymn 76 vs. 4

*To heal the sick stretch out thine hand, and bid the fallen sinner stand; shine forth, and let thy light restore earth's own true loveliness once more.*

I love Advent hymns! Christmas music seems to be everywhere from long before Thanksgiving. Advent music is hard to find and I search high and low to listen to it. The themes in Advent music include light shining in a dark world, and John the Baptist's cries to make the paths straight.

It seems that each year a different hymn speaks to where I am and how I am feeling. Most of the Advent hymns in *The Hymnal 1982*, the one in our pews that we use the most, are found between #53 and #76. There are some scattered in other sections of the hymnal, but the bulk are right before the Christmas music and often overlooked.

Hymn 76, whose words were written by Charles Coffin (1676-1749) and translated by Charles Windred Douglas (1867-1944), begins with images of John the Baptist proclaiming on the banks of the Jordan River. Verse four on the first read through seems to be written as a prayer to Christ to act and make the world more like the kingdom of God.

On closer reading, I see it as a call to each of us as we prepare for the coming of Christ... To heal the sick stretch out your own hand and help them, tell the sinner who has fallen to rise up once more, let your own light shine on earth so that others can see the loveliness of God's world. Be the one who uses your hand, your mouth, yourself to help God's kingdom to shine out in your neighborhood.

So often I hear people say that someone else's actions brought them hope in a world filled with such despair. We are called in the hymns of Advent and the message of John the Baptist to be the one who brings light to the world. We are called to make the road easier for

someone else to travel upon it, to bring healing to a broken world.

I urge you this Advent to seek out ways to act in the spirit of Advent. To bring healing: go grocery shopping for someone who is sick, call a friend or family member who may be lonely, write a card of care to someone who has been having a hard time in life. Have we not all been the fallen sinner at one point or another in our lives? Reaching out with God's mercy and love, we can encourage each other to see ourselves as the beloved children of God that we are.

Together living out the call of Advent we can let God's light shine in and thru us so that the amazing wonderfulness of God's world can be seen once more!

~~ Blessings  
Pastor Heather

*As we journey through Advent toward the birth of the Christ Child, may the Hope that He brings to the world grow stronger in our hearts and minds and souls.*

*Christmas Blessings from the Rector, Vestry, and Staff of The Parish of St. Clement*

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## Attendance and Offerings for October, 2018

October Attendance	470
October SCS Chapel Attendance	1,936
October Offerings	\$25,507
YTD Income as of 10/31/18	\$472,429
YTD Expenses as of 10/31/18	\$498,970

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**DEADLINE FOR THE JANUARY ISSUE**

**Friday, December 14, 2018**



*Hau'oli la hanau to all those  
born in December!*

<i>December 2</i>	<i>Nicholas Lino</i>
<i>December 3</i>	<i>Keli'i deFrancia</i>
<i>December 4</i>	<i>Peter Wikeen</i>
<i>December 5</i>	<i>Pam McCoy</i> <i>Wyatt Young</i>
<i>December 9</i>	<i>Soane Lino</i>
<i>December 11</i>	<i>Richard Shields</i>
<i>December 12</i>	<i>Cecilia Fordham</i>
<i>December 13</i>	<i>Connor Hong</i>
<i>December 15</i>	<i>Mario Guerrero</i> <i>Scott Suzuki-Jones</i>
<i>December 17</i>	<i>Ann Halsted</i>
<i>December 18</i>	<i>Pat Sekiya</i>
<i>December 19</i>	<i>Tim Hurd</i>
<i>December 22</i>	<i>Gerald Takei</i>
<i>December 23</i>	<i>Katsue Reynolds</i>
<i>December 24</i>	<i>Bonnie Town</i>
<i>December 25</i>	<i>Ellen Wood</i>
<i>December 28</i>	<i>Nancy Nakamura</i>
<i>December 29</i>	<i>Ginny LaPierre</i>
<i>December 30</i>	<i>Jim Quimby</i>
<i>December 31</i>	<i>Sam Hawk</i>

*If we missed your birthday, please let the office know!*

## Mark Your Calendars

**December Activities on the next page**

**Annual Meeting**  
**Sunday January 27, following**  
**One Service Only at 9 am**

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Advent devotionals** are available in the back of the church. Pick one up for you, a family member, and a friend. They have great ideas to help have a meaningful season. You can also call the office and we will be happy to mail one to you.

**When Christmas Hurts service Tuesday, December 18 at 7 pm**

This prayer service is designed to be a safe place to gather for those who find this holiday season difficult. Whether you are mourning a loved one, struggling with a life change, or just find this time of year hard, this time of prayer is for you.

If this does not sound like where you are in life right now, please consider inviting a friend or family member who could use this time. Even better, offer to pick them up and come with them.

**Greening of the Church, Sunday, December 23, after the 10:15 service**

Plan on staying after the service to help decorate the church. Remember—many hands make quick work!

**Vestry nominations**

Consider nominating yourself or someone else to serve on our parish vestry (board) by speaking with Pam Fern, Beth Fincke, or Pastor Heather. St Clement's by-laws state that members in good standing are eligible to serve as written below.

“Members in good standing qualified to vote shall be persons sixteen years of age or over, who, at the time of the meeting, shall be either (a) communicants on the records of the Parish or (b) baptized members who have been contributors to the funds of the Parish for six months or more and whose names as regular contributors have been entered or entitled to be entered into the books of the Treasurer of the Parish. “

## Christmas Services

**Christmas Eve, Monday, December 24**

5 pm - Family service with Children's sermon and **Glow Sticks!**

10 pm - Candlelight Service

**Christmas Day, Tuesday, December 25**

10 am - Festive Christmas Service

**Lessons and Carols, Sunday, December 30**

7:30 am & 10:15 am - Hear the great story of Christmas and Sing your favorite Christmas hymns.

## Welcome Mark Kennedy!



Please welcome Mark as our new organist and music director beginning November 29! He is moving here from California with his standard poodle, Ralph. They are going to be making apartment one their home. Mark grew up in Hawaii and his brother and

sister-in-law still live here. He shares stories of visiting St. Clement's with his dad, Bishop Kennedy, and remembers playing the organ at St. Clement's as a teenager.



## Family Movie Night



Join the Family Ministries Team for Family Movie Night on Saturday, **December 1st** at 6:00 pm in the Parish Hall. We'll enjoy a screening of the beloved Christmas movie "Elf," along with a Spaghetti Dinner, Hot Cocoa Bar, Cookies, Candy, Popcorn, and more! Doors will open at 5:30 pm. Dinner and movie will start at 6:00 pm. PJs, cozy blankets, and pillows are most welcome! It's sure to be an evening of Laughter and Fun so be sure to include this in your holiday plans.

## It's Back!

### Cookie Slam and Advent Market

**Sunday, December 9**, after both services in the Parish House. Bring cookies, exchange cookies, buy cookies and other Christmas-themed items, many hand crafted. These all make great gifts for family, friends, neighbors, co-workers or anyone on your Christmas list. And don't forget yourself!"

~~ Submitted by  
Beth Fincke



## More Announcements

### Confirmation

Bishop Fitzpatrick will be visiting St. Clement's on Sunday, May 5. If you are interested in knowing more about the Episcopal Church or participating in confirmation, reception, or reaffirmation, please speak with Pastor Heather. Classes will begin in the new year for adults and for youth 14 years or older. (Youth may also speak with Uncle Scott about confirmation.)

### Baptism

Please contact Pastor Heather if you are a family member are interested in baptism.

### Pledge Cards

If you haven't yet turned in your 2019 pledge card, please do so by the end of December so the Vestry can plan the 2019 budget.

## The Parish e-Postings

In order to be better environmental and fiscal stewards of God's resources, we will be switching to the electronic emailed-only version of the newsletter with the **May 2019** issue. If you still wish to receive the hard copy of *Ke 'Alemanaka*, please notify the office (955-7745; [parishadmin@stclem.org](mailto:parishadmin@stclem.org)) no later than April 15, 2019. We will be happy to mail a hard copy to those of you who prefer that format.

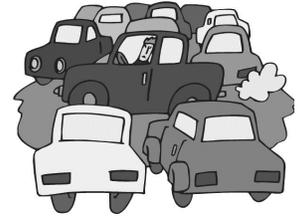
## Annual Fundraiser

### Punahou Carnival Parking February 1 and 2, 2019

It's that time of year again... St Clement's annual Punahou carnival parking fundraiser will be held be on **February 1st and 2nd of 2019**.

We have several duties for people to volunteer for:

- Gate Keeper
- Runner
- Parking Attendants
- Spotter
- Cashier
- Key Bagger



More information about each of these jobs will be in the January newsletter. Sign up sheets will be in the back of the church in January also.

This is St. Clement's main fundraising event. The money raised supports many inreach and outreach ministries and helps to maintain our grounds. Let's all chip in and make this the best year yet.



## Parish Snap Shots



**Top left:** Rev. George Clifford blesses the stewardship pledges for 2019; **Bottom left:** Pastor Heather expresses the gratitude of the congregation for the services of choir member Beth Fincke who has been filling in temporarily as music director, and for Rev. Dustin Berg who has been filling in temporarily as organist. Incoming Music Director Mark Kennedy will fill both roles when he arrives in December. *Photos: Arthur Buto*



**Left:** Parishioner and choir member Rich Lowe celebrates his 90th birthday! Congratulations Rich! *Photo: Arthur Buto*



## More Parish Snap Shots



### ‘Āina Aloha exhibit at Bishop Museum



Parishioners were treated to a special “insider” tour of the ‘Āina Aloha exhibit at the Bishop Museum by artist and St. Clementian, Meleanna Meyer. Above Mele is describing the creative and collaborative process behind this unique two-sided hanging mural. On one side are literal and figurative representations of the historical and mythological origins of Hawai‘i and the Hawaiian culture. The reverse side of the mural (not pictured) features in shades of red an abstract representation of the anger, frustration, and personal pain experienced by the artists and more broadly by the Hawaiian culture caused by years of suppression and cultural displacement. Yet interspersed are oases of teal representing portals or windows to healing and hope. *Photos: Ha‘aheo Guanson.*

*By popular demand, a second tour is going to be scheduled. Keep an eye on bulletin announcements for the date.*



*Photo: Chaz Hill*

### Diocesan Convention 2018

**Left:** The Necrology at the 50th Annual Diocesan Convention included caps with the names of those who passed away in 2017-18; **right:** attendees at Convention learn about progress made toward implementation of the Strategic Plan for the Diocese.



*Photo: Chaz Hill*

## Year End Reminder

Thank you for your gifts and your dedication to St. Clement’s. As we approach the end of the calendar year, we ask you to please check on where you are in your pledge to date.



Perhaps it is a good time for each of us to fulfill our promise.

Please note that all donations must be postmarked or received in the office by December 31, 2018 to be included in your 2018 Contribution Statement (for tax purposes). Thank you and God bless you for your generous offerings and gifts so that we may continue to be good stewards of what God has given to us.

Please call Carolyn in the church office (955-7745) if you have any questions.



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# DECEMBER

Sun	Mon	Tue
<p><b>2 Family Sunday</b>            7:30 Holy Eucharist-CH            8:45 Bible Workbench-PH2            8:45 Adult Discussion-PH            10:00 Sunday School PH/C.Bldg            10:15 Holy Eucharist-CH            2:00 Tourist Wedding- CH            5:00 Hui Lāpule La‘i Mtg-MB            7:00 Daily Reflections-PH</p>	<p><b>3</b>            8:00 SCS Chapel-CH            8:30 SCS Dance-PH            11:00 Staff Mtg- PH1            5:00 Hula Class-PH            5:30 Tae Kwan Do-PG            7:00 Mankind Project-MB            7:30 AI-Anon-PH</p>	<p><b>4</b>            8:30 School Tours-PH            10:00 SCS (B1) Cookie                              Decorating- PH            5:00 Labyrinth Open-PKG            6:00 Property Comm. Mtg.PH1</p>
<p><b>9 Advent Fest/Cookie Slam            Outreach Sunday</b>            7:30 Holy Eucharist-CH            8:45 Bible Workbench-PH2            8:45 Adult Discussion-PH            10:00 Sunday School PH/C.Bldg            10:15 Holy Eucharist-CH            11:30 Prayer Chain Mtg.-PH2            11:30 I.H.S. Cooking-KIT            5:00 Hui Lāpule La‘i Mtg-MB            7:00 Daily Reflections-PH</p>	<p><b>10</b>            8:00 SCS Chapel-CH            8:30 SCS Dance-PH            11:00 Staff Mtg- PH1            5:00 Hula Class-PH            5:30 Tae Kwan Do-PG            7:00 Mankind Project-MB            7:30 AI-Anon-PH</p>	<p><b>11</b>            8:30 School Tours-PH            6:00 Vestry Meeting-PH</p>
<p><b>16</b>            7:30 Holy Eucharist-CH            8:45 Bible Workbench-PH2            8:45 Adult Discussion-PH            10:00 Sunday School-            PH/C.Bldg            10:15 Holy Eucharist-CH            5:00 Hui Lāpule La‘i Mtg-MB            7:00 Daily Reflections-PH</p>	<p><b>17</b>            8:00 SCS Chapel-CH            8:30 SCS Dance-PH            8:30 SCS Prgrm Rehearsal-CH            11:00 Staff Mtg- PH1            5:00 Hula Class-PH            5:30 Tae Kwan Do-PG            7:00 Mankind Project-MB            7:30 AI-Anon-PH</p>	<p><b>18</b>            8:15 SCS Prgrm Rehearsal-CH            10:00 SCS C1 Holiday Party-PH            5:00 SCS Board Meeting-PH            7:00 When Christmas Hurts-CH</p>
<p><b>23</b>            7:30 Holy Eucharist-CH            8:45 Bible Workbench-PH2            8:45 Adult Discussion-PH            10:00 Sunday School PH/C.Bldg            10:15 Holy Eucharist-CH            11:15 Greening of Church-CH            5:00 Hui Lāpule La‘i Mtg-MB            7:00 Daily Reflections-PH</p>	<p><b>24 Christmas Eve</b>            5:00 Family Service-CH            7:00 Mankind Project-MB            7:30 AI-Anon-PH            10:00 Candlelight Service-CH</p> <p>SCS Christmas Break</p>	<p><b>25 Christmas Day            Office Closed</b>            10:00 Festive Eucharist-CH</p>
<p><b>30 Lessons &amp; Carols+Hymns</b>            7:30 Holy Eucharist-CH            8:45 Bible Workbench-PH2            8:45 Adult Discussion-PH            10:00 Sunday School PH/C.Bldg            10:15 Holy Eucharist-CH            5:00 Hui Lāpule La‘i Mtg-MB            7:00 Daily Reflections-PH</p>	<p><b>31</b>            11:00 Staff Mtg- PH1            5:30 Tae Kwan Do-PG            7:00 Mankind Project-MB            7:30 AI-Anon-PH</p> <p>SCS Christmas Break—————&gt;</p>	

Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			<b>1</b> 8:30 RYSE-PH 9:00 Altar Guild-CH 9:00 Hui Pō'aono Wāhine-MB 6:00 Family Movie Night -PH
<b>5</b> 8:00 SCS Chapel-CH 8:45 SCS to Symphony 10:00 Healing Eucharist-CH 5:30 OA Mtg.-SL 5:30 Tae Kwan Do-PG 5:30 Na 'Ohana Mtg-PH 6:00 EFM-PH1	<b>6</b> 9:00 I.H.S. Cooking-KIT 10:00 Holy Eucharist Arcadia 10:20 Gingerbread Event-PH 4:30 Farmers Market-PKG 6:30 Choir Rehearsal-CH	<b>7 Clergy Sabbath</b> 8:00 SCS Joy of Giving Chapel-CH  8:00 SCS Christmas Visitor- PH 8:30 SCS Dance-PH 8:00 Strivers for Sobriety-PH	<b>8</b> 9:00 Altar Guild-CH 9:00 Hui Pō'aono Wāhine-MB 9:30 NAMI-PH 3:00 Set up for Advent Fest-PH
<b>12</b> 8:00 SCS Chapel-CH 9:20 SCS Family Christmas Party-PH 10:00 Healing Eucharist-CH 5:30 OA Mtg.-SL 5:30 Tae Kwan Do-PG 6:00 EFM-PH1	<b>13</b> 10:00 C2 Holiday Potluck-PH 4:30 Farmers Market-PKG 6:30 Choir Rehearsal-CH	<b>14 Clergy Sabbath</b> 8:00 SCS Chapel-CH 8:30 SCS Dance-PH 9:00 SCS Santa Visit-PH 8:00 Strivers for Sobriety-PH  <b>Ke'Alemanaka Deadline</b>	<b>15</b> 9:00 Altar Guild-CH 9:00 Hui Pō'aono Wāhine-MB 10:30 Food Dist. Prep-PH/KIT 11:30 Food Distribution-PH/KIT
<b>19</b> 9:00 SCS Christmas Program-Ch/Pkg  5:30 OA Mtg.-SL 5:30 Tae Kwan Do-PG 6:00 EFM-PH1	<b>20</b> 4:30 Farmers Market-PKG 6:30 Choir Rehearsal-CH  SCS Christmas Break	<b>21 Clergy Sabbath</b> 8:00 Strivers for Sobriety-PH	<b>22</b> 9:00 Altar Guild-CH 9:00 Hui Pō'aono Wāhine-MB
<b>26</b> 11:00 YO! House Cooking-KIT 5:30 OA Mtg.-SL 5:30 Tae Kwan Do-PG	<b>27</b> 4:30 Farmers Market-PKG 6:30 Choir Rehearsal-CH	<b>28 Clergy Sabbath</b> 8:30 Holy Folders-PH 8:00 Strivers for Sobriety-PH  <b>Ke'Alemanaka Assembly</b>	<b>29</b> 9:00 Altar Guild-CH 9:00 Hui Pō'aono Wāhine-MB 3:00 Caledonian Society-PH
			<p style="text-align: right;"><u>Key</u></p> CH - Church PH - Parish House, main hall PH1 - Mtg room 1 in Parish House PH2 - Mtg room 2 in Parish House MB - Music Building SL - Staff Lounge KIT - Kitchen PG - Playground

# TENS Education Day - Saturday, January 19, 2019



The Episcopal Network for Stewardship (TENS) will be holding a special workshop on Saturday, January 19, 2019, at the Cathedral of St. Andrew in the Von Holt Room.



Leading this session is Richard Felton, Executive Director for TENS, and the theme is Transforming Generosity.

TENS is an association of church leaders who understand, practice and proclaim God's call to generosity. On the TENS website (<https://www.tens.org/>) their stated purpose is "Helping People Live Generously."

Their vision is to provide training and resources for stewardship leaders across the Episcopal Church, around the following core competencies:

- + Training clergy and lay leaders in the spirituality of money, and the skills required to address questions of money in the congregation;
- + Providing targeted stewardship leadership training for clergy and seminarians, at seminaries and at the diocesan level, including both the theology and the practice of stewardship;
- + Mentoring a new generation of stewardship leaders, with special attention to youth, young adults, Generation Xers, and newly ordained clergy;
- + Developing and utilizing methods of providing resources using web-based and other electronic techniques.

This special event is open to all in the Diocese, and those involved or interested in Stewardship are encouraged to attend. The cost is only \$15 and includes lunch.

## Save the Date!

Friday, March 8, 2019



## The Little Things

The little things are most worthwhile...  
A quiet word, a look, a smile,  
A listening ear that's quick to share  
Another's thoughts, another's care...  
Though sometimes they may seem quite small,  
These little things mean most of all!

The annual St. Clement's School fundraiser will be held at 5:30 pm on Friday, March 8, 2019 at the Waiialae Country Club. If you are interested in joining a St. Clement's table, please contact Carolyn Koehler at 955-7745.

# Farmers Market Ministry Teams

Volunteer to help with this ministry by contacting  
Pam Fern (943-8987 or 561-1070) or Tim Hurd (372-9563)

Task	December 6	December 13	December 20	December 27
<b>Point Person for/Set Up &amp; Parking 3:00-5:30pm</b>	Pam Fern	Keith Kalway	Pam Fern	Pam Fern
<b>Parking 3:30-5:30 pm</b>	Ben Douglas	Ben Douglas	Ben Douglas	Ben Douglas
<b>Set Up 4:15-4:45 pm</b>	Pam Fern	Dana Anderson	Tim Hurd	Steve Marcuccilli
<b>Point Person 5:30-7:30 pm</b>	Pam Fern - 561-1070			
<b>Receipts, Rents 6:30-7pm</b>	Martha Morgan	Susan Palmore	Martha Morgan	Michele Morikami
<b>Take down/ Closing* 7:20-8pm</b>	Beth Fincke Terry Ledford*	Soane or Nicholas Lino Sandy Souza Arthur Buto*	Ken Morikami Jim Mattingly Terry Ledford*	Steve Marcuccilli Pam Fern*



Halloween Parade 2018

**B-1**

Photos: Michelle Ly



**C-2**

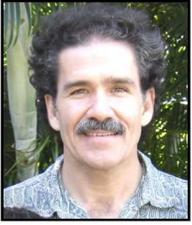
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## You Are Invited

Please join us at 9 am on Wednesday, December 19,  
for the St. Clement's School Christmas Program

## A View from the Pew



*“We all struggle with free will, with God’s Will, and how the two coexist.”*

*Jesus Atramentous / Writer*

Actually, this is not entirely true. Many of us have rejected the free will altogether, contending everything which has ever happened, everything which is happening now, and everything which will happen is God’s Will. If this is true, however, it necessarily divides those of us who think so into two camps. One camp believes that God’s Will is a constant, like God, unchanging, and as a result everything in our past, present, and future has been predetermined by God. Inversely, the other camp believes that God’s Will and, as a result, God, is arbitrary, maybe even capricious. At best everything in our past, present, and future has been, is, and will be subject to the constantly as well as instantly changing judgments of God, judgments which are contingent solely upon the discretion of God as forethoughts, thoughts, and even afterthoughts.

On the other hand, many of us reject God’s Will having a role in human affairs, or even that God’s Will exists at all, whether we believe in God or not. Regardless of faith or ideology, we contend that everything which has ever happened, everything which is happening now, and everything which will happen is entirely the result of our own free will, good, bad or amoral, individually and collectively, and even if it involves capitulating to the free will of others who are more powerful or at least more influential than us. Ironically, as chaotic as it sounds, out of this emerges a nature-based form of predetermination embodied in Newton’s Third Law in Physics, which says that for every action, there is an equal and opposite reaction, even when the “action” is a “non-action.” In other words, paradoxically, our own free will through our interactions with one another have determined, are determining, and will determine everything that has happened in the past, is happening in the present, and will happen in the future. Moreover, if we take this to its logical as it is distressing extreme, everything that has happened since “the beginning” (whenever it was and whatever it is), everything that is happening now, and everything that will ever happen, even in the apparent “lawlessness” of human affairs, arose, is arising, and will arise out of how the most fundamental forces of the “pre-Universe” (whatever that was) interacted with one another. Put another way, even before the most primordial subatomic particles were formed in the instant after the Big Bang, not to mention the Singularity before it, the next meal you consume, assuming you even get one, will not be determined by your free will, let alone your palette or resources, but was predetermined by Nature itself, 13 to 14 billion years ago.

Which brings me to Rubik’s Cube. I kid you not. I have a love-hate relationship with this puzzle. I love it because it is absolutely ingenious, and I hate be because, try as I might, I have never solved the puzzle, and I’m way too proud to ask for help or go online to follow the most popular algorithms which will solve it. However, despite my vain dilemma, what I really love about Rubik’s Cube is how analogous it is to the interaction of our own free will with God’s Will. It’s not a perfect analogy of course, as if there could be a perfect analogy for anything involving God, but if we pause to think, it is as illuminating as it can be enlightening.

The Rubik’s Cube (“Cube”) is made up six faces, each with a single, solid, different color. There are 9 smaller cubes (“cubes”) making up each of its 6 faces, for a total of 26 cubes instead of 27 because the center space in the Cube is empty for the mechanism which allows all 6 of the Cube’s faces to rotate independently. Eight of the cubes share 3 faces of the Cube, another 12 of the cubes share 2 faces of the Cube, and 6 more of the cubes ~ the ones found in the middle of the six faces of the Cube ~ each occupy only one face.

The goal of the puzzle, after the cubes and their colors have been effectively randomized by repeated rotations, is to return the Cube to its original state in which each of its faces are again a single, solid, different color. Given there are 9 faces of cubes on each of the 6 faces of the Cube, and given that all 6 of the faces on Cube can rotate independently in both directions, this means that, if you can do the math (easier said than done), there are over 43,000,000,000,000,000,000 (quintillion) permutations, possible arrangements of the Cube, which are involved in attempting to return it to its original state of 6 faces with a single, solid, different color. Now, while 43 quintillion is not infinite, practically speaking, for the purposes of this analogy, it might as well be.

So, what’s the analogy? It’s this: God’s Will is the Rubik’s Cube, with all 6 of its faces in its intended state of each having a single, solid, different color. Our free will is the 26 smaller cubes, 9 of which jointly make up each of the 6 faces of the Cube, with each face rotating independently, in both directions. The goal, with our lives having effectively randomized God’s Will (the intended state of the Cube) with the challenges presented to us in this Human Experience, is to “arrange” our free will (again, the cubes) in such a way by rotating the faces of the Cube back and forth, this way and that, so the faces of the cubes (again, our free will) return the faces of the Cube to its intended state (again, God’s Will), where each of the 6 faces of the Cube, consists of the faces of 9 cubes, with each face having the same single, solid, different color, in other words, the same Will.

*~~ Submitted by  
Scott Suzuki-Jones*

# December 2018 Lay Ministers

	December 2	December 9	December 16	December 23	December 30
<b>Year C Office Lect.: 2</b>	First Sunday of Advent	Second Sunday of Advent	Third Sunday of Advent	Fourth Sunday of Advent	First Sunday after Christmas
Readings	Jeremiah 33:14-16 1 Thessalonians 3:9-13 Luke 21:25-36 Psalm 25:1-9	Malachi 3:1-4 Philippians 1:3-11 Luke 3:1-6 Canticle 4 or 16	Zephaniah 3:14-20 Philippians 4:4-7 Luke 3:7-18 Canticle 9	Micah 5:2-5a Hebrews 10:5-10 Luke 1:39-55 Psalm 80:1-7	Isaiah 61:10-62:3 Galatians 3:23-25; 4:4-7 John 1:1-18 Psalm 147 or 147:13-21
Flowers	Beth Fincke Pam Fern	Kiki Fordham	Beth Fincke Pam Fern	Beth Fincke Adrienne Lau	Beth Fincke

## 7:30 am Service

Lector	Sandy Souza	Kingsley Wong	Keith Kalway	Hew Reynolds	Sandy Souza
Lect/Euch. Min	Susan Palmore	Pam Fern	Dana Anderson	Martha Morgan	Martha Morgan
Euch. Minister	Scott Hauger	Martha Morgan	Scott Hauger	Pam Fern	Dana Anderson
Altar Guild	Sandy Souza	Sandy Souza	Pam Fern	Cecilia Fordham	Cecilia Fordham
Ushers	Harrison Ishida Sandy Souza	Sandy Souza	Wong Family	Sandy Souza	Sandy Souza
Coffee Hour	Tahmi Brodhead	Wong Family	Leslie Isaki	Cecilia Fordham	Martha Morgan

## 10:15 am Service

Lector	Youth	Elizabeth McCutcheon	Meleanna Meyer	Gayle Chang	Annette Jim
Lect/Euch. Min	Paris Priore-Kim	Brad Siefkes	Jane Anderson	Brad Siefkes	Moria Amjadi
Euch. Minister	Dana Anderson	Jane Anderson	Paris Priore-Kim	Moria Amjadi	Brad Siefkes
Altar Guild	Beth Fincke	Beth Fincke	Beth Fincke	Beth Fincke	Beth Fincke
Ushers	Liz Baldwin Terry Ledford	Arthur Buto Terry Ledford	Liz Baldwin Keli'i deFrancia	Arthur Buto Trey Frank	TBD
Coffee Hour	Keli'i deFrancia	Tau'eva Lino	Martha Kaser Terry Ledford Nellie McLaughlin	Liz Baldwin	Volunteers Needed
Offering Counters	Terry Ledford Brad Siefkes	Liz Baldwin Brian Crow	Joni & Kingsley Wong	Arthur & Lisa Buto	Terry Ledford Sandy Souza

### Christmas Eve- Monday, December 24th 5pm

Lector- Keith Kalway  
Lect/Euch. Min.- Moria Amjadi  
Euch. Minister- Dana Anderson  
Ushers - Liz Baldwin, Harrison Ishida

### Christmas Day- Tuesday, December 25th 10am

Lector- Meleanna Meyer  
Lect/Euch. Min.- Pam Fern  
Euch. Minister- Brad Siefkes  
Ushers - Sandy Souza

### Christmas Eve- Monday, December 24th 10pm

Lector- Mary Carpenter  
Lect/Euch. Min.- Martha Morgan  
Euch. Minister- Paris Priore-Kim  
Ushers - Keli'i deFrancia, Terry Ledford

### December Greeters:

7:30 am - Jim Quimby, Carol Taylor Kim, Annabel Murray

10:15 am - Liz Baldwin





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Schedule of Worship Services  
Sundays: 7:30 am and 10:15 am  
Wednesdays: 10 am

## Datebook

Saturday, December 1  
6 pm - Family Movie Night (see pg 3)

Sunday, December 9 - Following both service (see pg 3)  
**Cookie Slam & Advent Market**  
**Outreach Activities**

Friday, December 14  
**Ke`Alemanaka Deadline**

Saturday, December 15  
11:30 Food Distribution & Lunch ministry

Tuesday, December 18  
7 pm *When Christmas Hurts* service (see pg 3)

Wednesday, December 19  
9 am School Christmas Program

Thursday, December 20 thru  
Monday, January 7, 2019  
SCS Winter Break

Sunday, December 23  
Greening of the Church (following 10:15 service)

Monday, December 24 **Christmas Eve**  
5 pm Family service  
10 pm Candlelight service

Tuesday, December 25 **Christmas Day**  
**Office Closed**  
10 am Festive Christmas Eucharist service

Friday, December 28  
**Ke`Alemanaka Assembly**

Sunday, December 30  
Services of Lessons & Carols

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Parish Office Hours:  
Monday thru Friday 8:30 am to 4:00 pm  
Tuesdays 8:30 am to 7:00 pm  
Staff meetings - Mondays, 11am-12pm

Thursdays  
4:30 pm Farmers Market

