

Ke 'Alemanaka

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From Reverend Liz



Lately, I've been thinking about how God reveals God's self and all of God's knowledge and creation to humanity. I'm convinced, for example, that the scientific answers to all of life's physical infirmities – from ingrown toenails to the most horrendous cancers to the devastations of mind-destroying illnesses – have been revealed to us by God. We (scientists and others) have just not yet found a way to access all of that knowledge.

Based on this theology of God's revelations, it's difficult for me to understand religions that will not take advantage of medical science but insist that God will heal. My understanding is that God does indeed offer us God's healing through God's revelation in scientific knowledge. The medicines that we are given to heal and even cure what ails us are a result of scientists accessing some of God's revelations. To not take advantage of God's revelations is to turn away from the gifts that God offers to us. This reminds me of the man sitting atop his house during a major flood and praying to God for deliverance. As the rains kept coming and the water continued to rise, he turned away a life jacket, a boat, and even a helicopter, with the words "God will save me!" Finally, God said, "I've sent you a life jacket, a boat, and a helicopter. If you didn't take advantage of those, what more can I do!"

This is really a crucial stewardship issue. God has given humanity dominion over all of creation ... not just the earth and animals, but the skies as well. Eucharistic Prayer C says: "At your command, all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home. ... You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you and betrayed your trust. And we turned against one another."



We don't do a very good job of taking care of the beauty of the earth. Floating trash islands in the oceans, litter by the roads throughout our islands, abandoned vehicles, and killing neenes and monk seals belie our insistent claims as stewards of the aina.

And then there are the skies. How many of us know that there are over 500,000 pieces of space junk orbiting around the earth at 17,500 miles per hour?

On the other hand, there is so much of God's revelation in creation that we have yet to experience, from the breadth of scientific knowledge to the depths of the sea to the endlessness of outer space. I have to wonder, though, whether God really wants us to access the seas and the universe. We've done such a poor job taking care of the earth and what we know of the sea, I can't imagine God being happy about letting us loose on the rest of creation.

Perhaps God is working through the WeAreMaunaKea movement in our very small island home to prevent us from exploring the depths of outer space and ruining what is still as perfect as God has made it. What an unexpected twist - being prevented from accessing God's creation in the greatness of outer space because we haven't taken care of terra firma. Something to ponder, eh?

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Attendance and Offerings for March

March Attendance	690
March Offerings	\$22,778
YTD Income as of 3/31/15	\$201,290
YTD Expenses as of 3/31/15	\$193,666

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DEADLINE FOR THE JUNE ISSUE

Friday, May 15, 2015



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Hau`oli la hanau to all
 Those born in May

May 1	Tahmi Brodhead Jordan Chung
May 2	Vana Lee
May 3	Karen Borg Elise Nakatsuji
May 5	Nathan-Patrick Burnz Samantha Chapman Zoe Chapman
May 6	Ryan Oda
May 8	Mookie Fan Eva Rogers
May 11	Rudie Schaefer V Brad Siefkes
May 12	Jane Anderson
May 15	Walton Shim
May 17	Meg McManus
May 18	Jessica Haworth Christina Markevitch Dorothy Seki
May 20	Helen Gary Helena Ishida
May 21	Manny Wong Alex Yang Andrew Yang
May 22	Lisa Buto Soane Lino, Jr.
May 24	Dana Anderson
May 25	Emmanuel Ramirez-Enriquez Tyler Wong
May 28	Leslie Isaki
May 29	Kawani Cruz
May 30	Jean Overstreet
May 31	Kayla Stocke

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

May Guest Preachers

May 3 - Diana Butler Bass

Scholar-in-Residence (see next page)
May 10 - The Rev. David Turner

Director of Camp Mokule`ia

May 31 - Bishop Bob Fitzpatrick
One Service Only at 9 am May 31

Mahalo Nui Loa

♥ To **Brad Rentz** for leading the weekly Evening Prayer services during Lent and the week after Easter.

♥ To all the people who participated in the Maundy Thursday to Good Friday vigil with the reserved sacrament in the Chapel of Peace including **Gayle Chang, Beverly Davis, Eugene deFrancia, Pam Fern, Beth Fincke, Cecilia Fordham, Bob Hann, Leslie Isaki, Annette Jim, Martha Kaser, Henry and Adrienne Lau, Deborah Candace Love, Laura McBride, Micheline and Jack McManus, Martha Morgan, Cathy Overstreet, Susan Palmore, Jim Thomas**, and especially to **Sandy Souza** who organized the vigil and set up the coffee and goodies.

♥ To the **Acolytes, Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, Ushers, Greeters, Readers, and Lay Leaders** who helped with the many services during Holy Week and Easter.

♥ To the Family Ministry Team of **Scott and Gail Suzuki-Jones** and **Jill Haworth** who put together the Agape Meal on Maundy Thursday and helped organize the Easter Vigil.

♥ To director **Mark Haworth**, organist **River Kim**, and the **St. Clement's Choir** for their extra efforts during the Holy Week and Easter services.

♥ To parish secretary **Joanna Polevia** and parish administrator **Carolyn Koehler** for spending extra hours in the office producing all the materials needed for the nine(!) Holy Week and Easter services.



Diana Butler Bass

Scholar in Residence

May 1st - 7th, 2015

St. Clement's Episcopal Church

Scheduled Events

FRIDAY, MAY 1

PUBLIC PRESENTATION 7:00 pm

❖ God, the World, and a Spiritual Revolution

SUNDAY, MAY 3

PREACHING/DISCUSSION 7:30 am - noon

MONDAY, MAY 4

THE RELIGIOUS WRITER 7:00 pm

❖ Part I: Birthing a Book

TUESDAY, MAY 5

**CLERGY PRESENTATION 9:00 am - noon
& CONVERSATION**

❖ Spiritual Awakenings: Patterns and Practices

THE RELIGIOUS WRITER 7:00 pm

❖ Part II: Writing *Grounded* (out in October 2015)

All presentations will take place in the Vi and Paul Loo Parish House at St. Clement's Parish located at 1515 Wilder Avenue in Honolulu, HI. For more information, please call (808) 955-7745.

Master Hooker's Stool

In this column, Rev. Liz answers questions from parishioners.



What do you do? Work. Most of the stuff I work on bears no resemblance to what I studied in seminary for three years. For example, right now I'm writing this little column as I figure out what I'll write for the front page. I did a final proofing of the Sunday booklet this morning after attending the school's Lei Day presentation (I'm their chaplain). I also hold services for the school three days a week. In addition, this week I've contracted with a company to increase our security system so I needed to learn about security systems; explored solar panels to cut our electric bills even further; looked

for appropriate and engaging adult ed materials; wrapped up planning and PR for Diana Butler Bass's visit; provided counseling; managed staff and, along with the school director, provided lunch for our administrative staff for Professional Administrators Day; met with the school director and attended the monthly SCS board meeting; made phone calls connecting parishioners to people who can help them; did some research on hymnody and becoming an Episcopalian; and attended our monthly clericus meeting - all in the past week. Along with these activities, I run a weekly support group for caregivers of spouses with Parkinson's and I work with other parishes in the diocese as a consultant. I've learned about plumbing; tree management; air conditioners; attacking sheep; and the psyches of 3-, 4-, and 5-year olds. And of course, there's sermon prep, preaching, and conducting services and the discussion group on Sunday mornings. And finally, I attempt to answer emails and text messages when I can. These are the kinds of things I do in an average week.

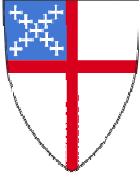
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When all the Saints Come Marching in



Honoring and remembering the Saints of the faith is in the DNA of the Episcopal Church. The familiar Episcopal Shield, of course, remembers two great saints, St. George and St. Andrew, patrons of England and Scotland respectively.

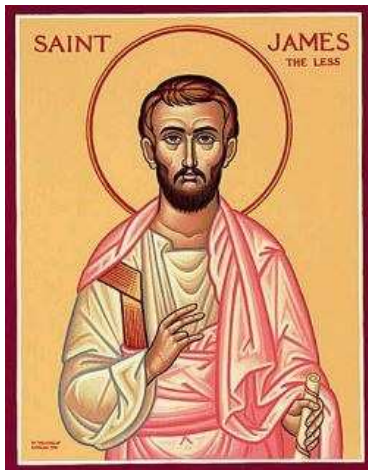
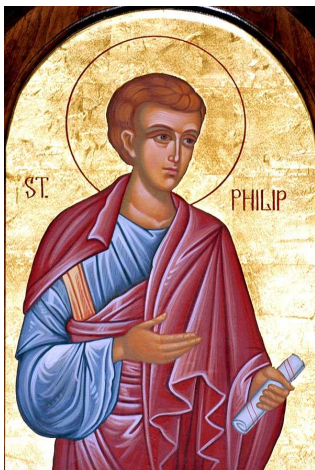
St. George is remembered with the red cross on the white field, while St. Andrew, is remembered with the white crosslets which form his x-shaped cross on the blue field. The Official Calendar for the Episcopal Church is *Lesser Feasts & Fasts*, published in 2009. A new publication, *Holy Women, Holy Men*, is in trial use.



Lesser Feasts & Fasts can be found in full on the web in PDF format (as well as in print from good book sellers). It provides a fantastic informational summary of each saint/s, as well as the Propers of the day: that is the Collect of the day (in both traditional and contemporary language), readings set for the day and, if the Eucharist is celebrated, for the specific Preface set for the Great Thanksgiving.

Recently Rev. Liz and I have decided to include some of the Major Saints' Days in our Parish Schedule, and publish a brief word on the particular day in the Sunday Service Booklet. On May 1, we remember Apostles Saint Philip and Saint James. I pray that through honoring and remembering the saints, you may come to a greater knowledge and love of God, as we continue to stand on the shoulders of these giants of the faith.

~~ Peace and blessings
Chris+



St. Philip and St. James

Reminder
Evening Prayer
1st Wednesday of Month
May 6, 2015 - 7 pm

The Goldings Like This - "Colors"



Throughout 2015, the Golding family is sharing some of their "Likes" with you as a fun little "getting to know you" exercise.

Chris likes the colors rich purple and ice blue. Julia likes the colors lilac purple and dark plum pink.



Phoebe's likes the colors deep purple and royal blue. James' likes fire engine red and light ice blue.

Sunday School: Atrium I

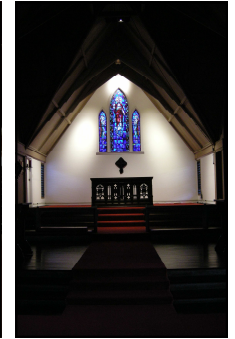


Happy Easter! From Atrium I. Photo by Jill Haworth.

Maundy Thursday



Top row: T-shirts celebrating the “Triduum” (Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, and Easter) were available for purchase (proceeds benefitted the choir); gathering in the labyrinth to begin the Maundy Thursday evening service (Candy Love in the foreground wearing the t-shirt); acolytes for the service; the Agape meal in the Parish House; **Right:** Maundy Thursday service in the church; the altar stripped. *Photos by Jill Haworth, Gail Suzuki-Jones, and Sandy Souza.*



Good Friday



Left: Parishioners kept the Vigil in the Chapel of Peace overnight from Maundy Thursday through Good Friday; **right:** the Reserved Sacrament. *Photos by Sandy Souza.*



Right: the Holy Fire for the Great Vigil outside of the church on Saturday night.



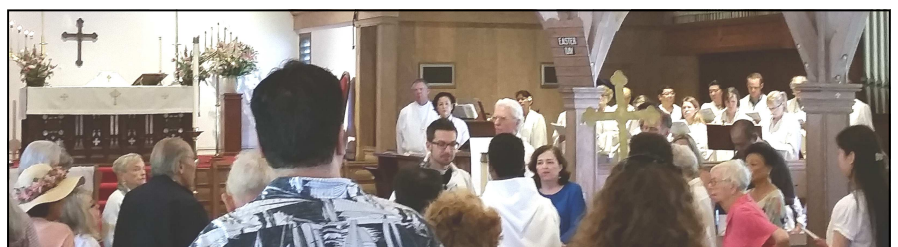
Right: St. Clement’s School students flowered the cross. *Photo by Liz+;* **left top:** Rev. Chris holds Easter Sunrise service on the beach in Waikiki; **left middle and bottom:** parishioners receive Holy Communion. *Photos by Sandy*



Easter Sunday



Above left and right: Mark conducts the Oahu Community Band and the St. Clement’s Choir; **below:** Rev. Chris reads the Gospel. *Photos by Arthur Buto.*



Sun**Mon****Tue****Wed**

		Tuesday Office Hours: May 5: 8:30 am-8 pm May 12, 19, 26: 8:30 am-6:30 pm	
3 Diana Butler Bass, Guest Preacher 7:30 Holy Eucharist-CH 8:30 Bible Study-PH1 8:45 Adult Discussion-PH 9:30 Sunday School 10:15 Holy Eucharist-CH 2:00 Bridal Shower-PH 7:00 Daily Reflections-PH	4 Clergy Sabbath 8:00 SCS Morning Chapel-CH 5:30 Tae Kwan Do-PG 6:00 EFM Class-SL 7:00 Diana Butler Bass Presentation-PH 7:00 Mankind Project-MB 7:30 AL-Anon-CH	5 9:00 Diana Butler Bass Clergy Workshop-PH 1:15 Staff Meeting-PH1 7:00 Diana Butler Bass Presentation-PH	6 8:00 SCS Morning Chapel-CH 9:00 SCS May Bday blessings - CH 10:00 Healing Eucharist-CH 5:30 Tae Kwan Do-PG 5:30 Overeaters Anon-PH2 5:45 Na 'Ohana BOD-SL 7:00 Evening Prayer-CH
10 Rev. David Turner, Guest Preacher 7:30 Holy Eucharist-CH 8:30 Bible Study-PH1 8:45 Adult Discussion-PH 9:30 Sunday School 10:15 Holy Eucharist-CH 11:30 Prayer Chain Mtg-PH! 7:00 Daily Reflections-PH	11 Clergy Sabbath 8:00 SCS Morning Chapel-CH 5:30 Tae Kwan Do-PG 6:00 EFM Class-SL 7:00 Mankind Project-MB 7:30 AL-Anon-PH	12 9:30 Holy Eucharist-Arcadia 11:00 Tourist Wedding-CH 1:15 Staff Meeting-PH1 6:00 Vestry Meeting-PH	13 8:00 SCS Morning Chapel-CH 9:00 SCS June Bday blessings - CH 10:00 Healing Eucharist-CH 3:30 Tourist Wedding-CH 5:30 Tae Kwan Do-PG 5:30 Overeaters Anon-PH2
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31 Bishop Bob Fitzpatrick, Guest Preacher 9:00 One Service Only-CH 4:00 Tourist Wedding-CH 7:00 Daily Reflections-PH			

Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 May Day 8:00 SCS Morning Chapel-CH 7:00 DBB Presentation-PH 8:00 Strivers for Sobriety-PH St. Philip & St. James Day	2 8:30 ECW Meeting-PH 9:00 Altar Guild-CH 10:00 Tae Kwan Do-PG
7 3:00 Book Study-Kahala Nui 4:30 Farmers Market-PKG 6:00 Choir Rehearsal-CH	8 8:00 SCS Morning Chapel-CH 8:00 Strivers for Sobriety-PH	9 9:00 Altar Guild-CH 9:00 iFoG-PH 10:30 Regional Confirmation Service @ Holy Nativity 5:00 Retirement Party-PH
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		<u>Key</u> CH - Church PH - Parish House, main hall PH1 - Meeting room 1 in Parish House PH2 - Meeting room 2 in Parish House MB - Music Building SL - Staff Lounge KIT - Kitchen PG - Playground PKG - Parking Lot

May 2015

What's with the "+" after your name?



Episcopal priests and bishops in the US have a custom of using a + after their names or before their names to identify their clerical order. I've noticed that some parishioners are using "=" signs after their names – I'm assuming because they think that clergy who use little +s are a bit ostentatious.

The best explanation I've read on-line is that the plus after a name means that clergy are imparting a blessing to the reader (s) of their writing. Since blessing is one of the sacramental prerogatives of priests and bishops, that makes sense. I like that explanation.

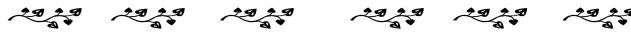
My own understanding is a little more practical. If I see a plus after a name, I know that person is a priest and is The Reverend Alpha Omega. If I see a plus before a name, I know that person is a bishop and is The Right Reverend Rho Chi. But to use both a title and a + is redundant. So it's never The Rev. Alpha Omega+.

I liken this situation to those who have earned doctorates. It's Dr. Elizabeth Blackwell or Elizabeth Blackwell, MD but never Dr. Elizabeth Blackwell, MD. It's Dr. Richard Hooker or Richard Hooker, PhD, but never Dr. Richard Hooker, PhD.

Of course, it gets a bit humorous when we start adding +s. The Presiding Bishop is often referred to as ++Katharine and the Archbishop of Canterbury can be referred to as +++Justin. The ABC actually signs his name as Justin Cantuar and I'm not sure how the Presiding Bishop signs her name.

So if you'd like to know more about this fascinating topic, please use your search engine. But briefly, I hope this answers a few questions.

~~ Submitted by Liz+



ANZAC Day 2015: Remembering the family, remembering the ANZACs

On April 25 the Golding family gathered with other Australian and New Zealand ex-pats at the National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific to remember ANZAC Day, a national day of remembrance in Australia and New Zealand that commemorates all who have served and died in war, conflicts and peacekeeping operations around the world.

The commemorative Service in Honolulu was conducted by the Australian Consul-General, Honolulu and the New Zealand Consulate-General, Honolulu.

This year is particularly significant. 2015 is the centenary year of the Gallipoli campaign, in which soldiers from the UK, France, Australia, New Zealand, and British India fought to secure the Gallipoli Peninsula with the aim to capture Constantinople, the then capital of the German-allied Ottoman Empire. 56,000 allied troops were killed at Gallipoli, including 8,700 Australians and 2,700 New Zealanders.

One of those who survived Gallipoli, only to be killed in conflict later in WWI, was Private Herbert Golding of the 23rd battalion, first Australian Imperial Force (AIF). Private Golding is Rev. Chris's great-grandfather.

Private Golding sailed for Egypt just a few days after the photo on page 3 was taken. Training

there, he was sent to Gallipoli, where he was stationed until the evacuation of that area in December 1915.

The 23rd battalion was taken to Egypt for further training, and then sent to the Somme. Private Golding was wounded in the battle for Moquet Farm in August 1916, one of 6,300 Australian casualties in successive battles for the ruins of that one farmhouse.

He died of his wounds two days later and was buried a few miles away near the village of Contay in one of the many Imperial war cemeteries in the Somme. Private Golding left behind his wife, and two young boys to care for.

It was particularly significant for the Golding family to remember Private Herbert Golding, the ANZACs, and all victims of war, at the National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific, where so many other souls are buried and remembered. Let us continue to pray for peace, and for all victims of armed conflict.

Written by Dr. Douglas Golding and the Rev. Christopher Golding



Above: Private Herbert Golding, pictured in uniform, far right, March 1915 with the extended Golding family. *Photo courtesy of Rev. Chris.*

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	May 7	May 14	May 21	May 28
Point Person for Set Up and Parking 3:00-5:30pm	Keith Kalway	Keith Kalway	Jim Quimby	Tim Hurd
Parking 3:30-5:30 pm	Jim Thomas	Tim Hurd	Sue Quimby	Pam Fern
Set Up 4:15-4:45 pm	Jim Betts Nellie McLaughlin	Jim Betts Susan Palmore	Liz Ho Dana Anderson	Tim Hurd Pam Fern
Point Person 5:30-7:30 pm	Susan Palmore	Susan Palmore	N/A	Pam Fern
Receipts, Rents 6:30-7pm	Martha Morgan	Susan Palmore	Michele Morikami	Michele Morikami
Take down/ Closing* 7:20-8pm	Beth Fincke Joe Krueger John Marlowe*	Soane Lino Sandy Souza Arthur Buto*	River Kim Ken Morikami Terry Ledford*	Beth Fincke Jim Mattingly Pam Fern*

Vestry Highlights April 2015

The vestry met on April 14, 2015. Highlights include:

- Guest speakers from Lunalilo scholar program, Linh Hoang and Lavache Scanlan.
 - * Supporting students who would not otherwise be able to attend KCC.
 - * Currently the parish supports one student a year.
- The vestry approved a proposal to allocate funds to help upgrade the camera security system.
- The vestry will be inviting our Morgan Stanley financial adviser to review investments.
- Rev. Chris reported good turnout at the Arcadia Bible Study and for the book club at Kahala Nui.

~~ Submitted by Steve Kramer
Clerk of the Vestry

The next meeting is scheduled for **Tuesday, May 12, at 6 pm.** Parishioners are welcome and encouraged to attend the Vestry Meetings. We serve a light supper prior to the meeting and enjoy having visitors.



Palm Sunday



Left and below: the Procession on Palm Sunday from the Parish House to the church. *Photos by Arthur Buto.*



Parish Snap Shots



Above left: where does everything go when the altar is stripped and the Chancel cleared?... to the Sacristy; **right:** the moon was still visible at the Easter sunrise service on the beach. *Photos by Sandy Souza.*

A View from the Pew

"Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind."

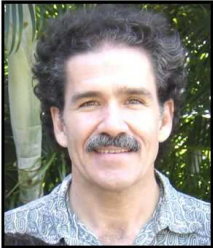
This is the first and the great commandment.

And the second is like unto it, "

Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself."

Upon these two commandments is rooted all of the Law and the Prophets."

Jesus / Matthew 22:37-40



Sometimes I feel like the Old and New Testaments (I know, I'm supposed to say Hebrew and Christian Bibles) are only separated by a semi-colon. You know, like two closely related but independent clauses, that essentially say the same thing, but in slightly different ways to make a point? Now, I realize most Jews do not recognize the New Testament as part of Jewish Holy

Scripture and, while most Christians recognize the Old Testament as part of Christian Holy Scripture, we don't take it too seriously. And, while I don't expect Jews to become Christians or vice versa, I think we are all missing the point and, in the process, making a big mistake.

It is now the *Season of Easter*. I like to make the lame joke that, like the Season of Epiphany, there's a lot of revelation going on . . . bah-dum-tss . . . In the Christian tradition, it lasts for 50 days, beginning on Easter Day and ending on Christian Pentecost. For the first 40 days, we remember Jesus after his resurrection appearing on numerous occasions to his Disciples. During these appearances, and before ascending into heaven on the 40th day, for all practical purposes Jesus gave his disciples final instructions prior to becoming his Apostles. For those of us who have forgotten our classical Latin and Greek from high school . . . bah-dum-tss . . . "disciple" means "follower" and "apostle" means "messenger." However, just before Jesus ascended into heaven, he told his disciples to remain in Jerusalem for 10 more days (40 + 10 = ?) to celebrate the Jewish holiday of Shavu'ot, also known as Jewish Pentecost, which occurs not coincidentally 50 days after Passover. Of interest, Jews call this period the *Season of Passover*.

It is actually the first 50 days of the Exodus from Egypt. In a numerical flip-flop of the Old and New Testaments, on the 10th day of the Exodus, the Tribes of Israel made camp at the base of Mt. Sinai, during which time Moses ascended the mountain, encountered God, and remained there for 40 days thinking, praying, and meditating with God. On the 50th day (10 + 40 = ?), or the day of Shavu'ot, God gave the Law to Moses, the Word of God, what Christians call The Ten Commandments, to share with the Tribes of Israel to help keep them faithful to God and one another, and to keep them together on their perilous journey to the Promised Land. Of interest, on the 50th day of Easter, Christian Pentecost, Christians celebrate God the giving the Holy Spirit to Jesus' disciples to keep them faithful to God and to one another, to guide them during their perilous journeys as Jesus' Apostles while sharing the Gospel, and to guide them on their own individual journeys to the Heavenly Promised Land.

Over 3000 years after the first Passover, and over 2000 years after the first Easter, Jews and Christians continue to celebrate Shavuot-Pentecost, but under mutually shared illusions that we are doing so for very different reasons. Respectively and separately, we remember God giving Jews the Law and God giving Christians the Holy Spirit. However, if we stop to think, pray and meditate on what we have read and have been told about Shavuot-Pentecost in the Old and New Testaments, it becomes much more. God did not just "give" Moses and the Tribes of Israel the Law. God revealed God's very self in the Law. The Law embodied the very Word of God, the Force of Creation. God-revealed was infused into the people of Israel through the Law and, over time, the Prophets as well, including Jesus, who in his embodiment of God went on to fulfill the Law and become the Messiah.

Likewise, God did not just "give" the disciples the Holy Spirit in order to make them Jesus' Apostles. God revealed God's very self in the Holy Spirit and, through the Holy Spirit, infused Jesus' disciples with God's very Being. In other words, like the Law, the Prophets, and Jesus before them, in a visage of wind and fire God became revealed in Jesus' disciples cum Apostles on the day of Shavuot-Pentecost. Yet, the story does not stop here. Shavuot-Pentecost is the day that we remember, celebrate, and take to heart, mind, and soul that, like the Law, the Prophets, Jesus and the Apostles, we too, no matter how imperfect, have been infused with the very Being of God.

*"Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons,
loving your neighbor as yourself?
. . . I will with God's help."*

Book of Common Prayer / Baptismal Covenant

~~ Submitted by Scott Suzuki-Jones



MAY 2015 Lay Minister Schedule

Sunday	MAY 3	MAY 10	MAY 17	MAY 24	MAY 31
Lectionary Year B	<i>The Fifth Sunday of Easter</i>	<i>The Sixth Sunday of Easter</i>	<i>The Seventh Sunday of Easter</i>	<i>The Day of Pentecost</i>	<i>Trinity Sunday</i>
Readings	Acts 8:26-40 Psalm 22:24-30 I John 4:7-21 John 15:1-8	Acts 10:44-48 Psalm 98 I John 5:1-6 John 15:9-17	Acts 1:15-17, 21-26 Psalm 1 I John 5:9-13 John 17:6-19	Acts 2:1-21 Psalm 104:25-35, 37 Romans 8:22-27 John 15:26-27; 16:4-15	Isaiah 6:1-8 Psalm 29 Romans 8:12-17 John 3:1-17
Flowers	Beth Fincke	Kiki Fordham	Beth Fincke	Beth Fincke Adrienne Lau	Beth Fincke

***** **7:30a Service** *****

Lector	Kingsley Wong	Keith Kalway	Annabel Murray	Hew Reynolds
Lector/EM	Dana Anderson	Scott Hauger	Dana Anderson	Martha Morgan
Euch. Min	Liz Ho	Martha Morgan	Susan Palmore	Liz Ho
Altar Guild	Sandy Souza	Sandy Souza	Pam Fern	Cecilia Fordham
Ushers	Jackie Oda Sandy Souza	Sandy Souza	Joni Wong Kingsley Wong	Sandy Souza Sandra Kagesa
Coffee Hour	Tahmi Brodhead	Leslie Isaki Martha Laxson	Joni Wong Kingsley Wong	Cecilia Fordham

**One Service Only
9 am -
Bishop's Visit**

***** **10:15a Service** *****

Lector	Hilary Gangnes	Annette Jim	Elizabeth McCutcheon	Nellie McLaughlin	Mary Carpenter
Lector/EM	Moria Amjadi	Jane Anderson	Sam Hawk	Paris Priore-Kim	Scott Hauger
Euch. Min	Paris Priore-Kim	Brad Siefkes	Paris Priore-Kim	Moria Amjadi	Jane Anderson
Altar Guild	Annette Jim Beth Fincke	Annette Jim Beth Fincke	Annette Jim Beth Fincke	Annette Jim Beth Fincke	Cecilia Fordham Annette Jim
Ushers	Terry Ledford	Liz Baldwin	Arthur Buto Liz Baldwin	Arthur Buto Terry Ledford	Arthur Buto Terry Ledford Glenn Moir Leona Moir
Coffee Hour	Moani Crowell	Arthur Buto Tau'eva Lino	Nellie McLaughlin Beth Charlton	Liz Baldwin Miwako Shen	Liz Baldwin Martha Morgan

Greeters Team: Annette Jim

7:30 am Service: Leslie Isaki

10:15 am Service: Annette Jim, Deborah Candace Love



Datebook

Friday, May 1

7 pm Diana Butler Bass presentation

Sunday, May 3

7:30 & 10:15 am-Diana Butler Bass guest preacher

8:45 am Diana Butler Bass discussion leader

Monday, May 4

7 pm Diana Butler Bass presentation

Tuesday, May 5

7 pm Diana Butler Bass presentation

Saturday, May 9

10:30 am Regional Confirmation at
Holy Nativity Church, 5286 Kalaniana'ole Hwy.

Sunday, May 12 - Both services

Guest Preacher: Rev. David Turner, Camp Mokule`ia Director

Friday, May 15

Ke`Alemanaka Deadline

Saturday, May 16

10:30 am Food Distribution and Lunch

Monday, May 25 - **Memorial Day**

Offices and School Closed

Thursday, May 28

9 am Preschool Moving Up Ceremony

10:30 am Ke`Alemanaka Assembly (New Time!)

Friday, May 29

9 am SCS Kindergarten Graduation

Sunday, May 31 - **One Service Only 9 am**

Guest Preacher: Bishop Robert Fitzpatrick

Parish Office Hours:

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday 8:30 am to 4 pm

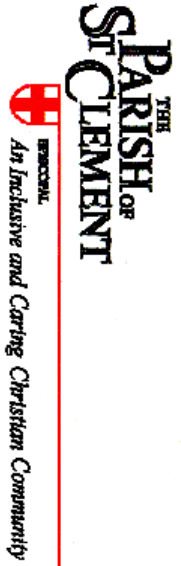
Tuesday, May 5 - 8:30 am to 8 pm

Tuesdays, May 12-26 - 8:30 am to 6:30 pm

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

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