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From Rev. Liz



I think that, by now, most of you have heard that I'll be retiring effective January 1, 2016. St. Clement's and I have been together since October 23, 2001, and we've accomplished much over those 14 years. I can say with confidence that we've had a pretty good run together as a community of faith that has constantly challenged itself to walk the talk of the Good News of Jesus Christ. As I've said many times, St. Clement's has truly been a rector's dream parish. The next rector will find a community that is ready to regenerate its excitement and mission as it continues to take on the challenges of church and religion in the 21st century.

Some have been wondering why I'm *really* leaving. Well, I'm *really* leaving because it's *really* time for me to retire. I've been a parish priest for 23 years. The church as a whole must move in a new direction in order to meet the needs of society and to remain relevant to those who have spiritual needs. At St. Clement's, the congregation needs to be re-energized as it examines the role it plays in the Honolulu community and in various communities around the world where we have outreach relationships. The rector needs to have the energy, excitement, passion, and desire to lead the community in new and exciting directions. I'm 66 years old and I just don't have that kind of energy any more. I'd like to move into a new chapter in my life that allows me to drive my own schedule and activities and travels and to do some things that I have been putting off for a long time. The Church Pension Group and the Social Security Administration are going to give me that opportunity!

On the one hand, I will miss the community of St. Clement's and Honolulu. This has been a wonderful home for me and I fully expected that I would live here after retirement. But the high cost of living makes that impossible. Looking forward, I'm excited about moving to a new community, meeting new people, and beginning the next part of my life.

So I'm *really* leaving because I'm *really* just retiring. No other issues. Sometimes a cigar is just a cigar!

Cristy and I and our creatures will be moving to northern Florida where the climate is similar to what we have here and the cost of living makes it seem like everything is on sale all the time. We'll be close to the ocean and the coastal waterway and some absolutely beautiful scenery.

The staff will remain in their positions doing their jobs. There will be an interim rector working out of the rector's office. And the vestry will continue to be responsible for the on-going affairs and operations of the church and school. The search process itself will probably take about a year, which is not unusual for a parish after the long-term tenure of a rector and that is guided by a trained interim.

Elsewhere in this issue, I've mapped out the process that may take St. Clement's through 2016 and the call of a new rector.

Most importantly, The Parish of St. Clement is a strong community of faith that has the wherewithal to continue on its path as the eyes and ears and hands and feet of Christ in the world. Rectors come and go; we are transients. But the people of God continue to be the church in the world, just as the community of St. Clement's has been since 1898.



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HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Hau'oli la hanau to all
Those born in October

November 1	Lucia Cicero Karina Lok
November 3	Ron Brousseau
November 5	Ediza Tamura
November 7	Dorothy Nakatsuji
November 11	Mimi Andrian Betty Suzuki
November 12	Vivien Tham
November 13	John Marlowe Elizabeth McCutcheon
November 15	Kathleen Kozak Loi Chang-Stroman Benjamin Shen Sandy Souza
November 16	Glenn Moir
November 17	Daniel Kali Annabel Murray
November 19	Elu Aydon Bobbie Brodhead Shalane Sambor
November 21	Carl Gibson Kainoa van de Waal
November 22	Gayle Chang Bill Markevitch Chynna Natividad
November 24	Wesley Chang
November 26	Michelle Comeau Betty Fraser Benjamin Schoen

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

Attendance and Offerings for August

September Attendance	485
September Offerings	\$19,816
YTD Income as of 9/30/15	\$520,067
YTD Expenses as of 9/30/15	\$554,825

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DEADLINE FOR THE DECEMBER ISSUE

Monday, November 16, 2015

Thanksgiving Eve Worship Service

Wednesday, November 25 - 7 pm

**At Lutheran Church of Honolulu
1730 Punahou Street
Rev. Chris, preacher**

Mahalo Nui Loa

- ♥ To **Pastor Keith**, our first floor apartment resident, for his collegial support and his night security checks of our campus.
- ♥ To **the Family Ministries team** for providing human, canine, and feline snacks on St. Francis Sunday.

The Rector Search Process (a very general overview)

1. Liz announces retirement
2. Vestry begins to form search committee
3. Vestry posts for the interim rector position
4. Bishop is notified regarding search committee training
5. Profile production details and schedule are developed
6. Vestry decides on interim rector
7. Training for search committee
8. Production of profile begins
9. Interim begins work with parish
10. Search committee begins development of job description
11. Profile production
12. Final stages of profile production
13. Profile posted on web site and Facebook page
14. Applicants solicited from around the Episcopal Church
15. Search committee culls applicants who don't qualify and develops first round of questions for applicants
16. Applications received and questions sent out
17. Search committee begins to determine which applicants will move on to third phase
18. Search committee identifies candidates for on-site interviews and for visits to candidates' sites
19. Search committee makes recommendation to the vestry
20. Vestry votes to call or not call recommendation. If no call, process begins again.
21. Letter of agreement negotiated by vestry and beginning date identified

Will You Run?

If you would like to run for Vestry or diocesan convention delegate, elections will be taking place at the annual meeting on January 31, 2016. Vestry members determine the direction of the parish and act as the legal entity that represents the parish. Vestry members:

- meet at least once a month on a day determined by the new vestry;
- are expected to make an annual financial pledge to the Parish;
- regularly attend Sunday morning worship;
- willingly volunteer and serve on working groups developed by the vestry; and
- attend parish events, including adult formation offerings.

In other words, vestry members need to be visible and active in the congregation. It's especially important to serve on the vestry in 2016 because that is the year of searching for the next rector and the vestry will have some very significant decisions to make. There are three three-year positions open.

The parish also needs to elect six diocesan convention delegates who will represent St. Clement's at the annual diocesan convention at the end of October. This position involves reading the information that comes from the diocese, like the annual diocesan budget, resolutions, and deciding who to elect to diocesan positions. There is often one meeting for St. Clement's delegates before the annual meeting to ensure that the delegation is on the same page with their understanding of all the material.

If you are interested in either position, please email your bio and your photo to parishadmin@stclem.org



Ferguson Young Adults Pilgrimage



From October 8-12, Nicholas Lino represented St. Clement's and the Diocese of Hawai'i at the Young Adult Pilgrimage to Ferguson, Missouri. The Pilgrimage, a national Episcopal Church initiative, created intentional space for 25 young adults to engage in racial justice and reconciliation.

Equipped by ten clergy and lay leaders, the pilgrimage included times for daily prayer, the Eucharist, group building and storytelling, and times for reflection. The pilgrims also visited various churches in St. Louis and Ferguson. On the final day, the group travelled to Canfield Green, the place where 18 year old Michael Brown, an African-American male, was fatally shot by a white Ferguson police officer. Canfield Green has come to be a place of pilgrimage and prayer, and to be representative of the larger issues of racial injustice and violence.

Nicholas, on returning from the pilgrimage, said of the experience. "It was all about three things: faith, hope and love....My eyes have been opened... Thank you for this amazing opportunity." St. Clement's will hear more from Nicholas in the coming months, as he continues his journey and as he prepares to action his project on racial reconciliation in the Parish and throughout the Diocese.

~~~Submitted by Rev. Chris

Photo courtesy of the Episcopal News Service



## St. Clement's and YO! House Kids Helping Kids

Saving money for clothes, books, or outings with friends is what we usually think young people do. Or perhaps they buy special treats they love for themselves. Two of our St. Clement's youngsters decided to give their money to other kids, the kids at YO!



House. This pair realized that children their age are on the streets alone with no place to sleep at night. If these homeless kids are lucky, they find YO! House, the homeless shelter for youth in Waikiki. There they can get a hot meal four days a week, showers, lockers, and "new" clothes. They can also get support in education and finding a job. Most important, they find the caring staff at YO.

Unfortunately, YO! House is only a drop-in center, so at night the kids are on the streets again, looking for a place to sleep. They can no longer stay on the beach or in doorways in Waikiki, and they've recently again been sent out of Kakaako. The gifts our two young parishioners gave will allow several YO! kids to have something more to eat while out on their own.

These selfless donations were made anonymously. Thank you for showing us the true meaning of altruism.

~~ Submitted by Jane Anderson

## 47th Convention of the Diocese of Hawaii Saturday, October 24, 2015 'Tolani School



**Left:** Mark Haworth served as Crucifer at St. Alban's Chapel in the ordination ceremony of fellow postulants to the Transitional Diaconate; **above:** Rev. Chris at the ordination; **below:** the St. Clement's convention delegates, clergy, and guests. *Photos provided by Jill Haworth.*



**Clockwise from right:** Birthday blessings in church for Addison, Ethan, Carson, Aria, Melia, and Lia; from B-1 class, Timothy practicing writing; the "Shooting Stars" of C-1; from B-1 class, Melia displaying her writing skills on the white board; also from B-1, Colton displaying his art project. *Photos courtesy of St. Clement's School.*



## From Rev. Chris



### October Pilgrimage and Retreat: Part One – Pilgrimage to Ground Zero, New York City.

I'm recently returned from a life-changing time of retreat and pilgrimage. On October 12, I made a pilgrimage to Ground Zero, NYC. From October 13 to 18, I made a retreat with the Sisters of the Community of the Holy Spirit (I'll cover the retreat in December's edition.)

On pilgrimage to the 9/11 sites in lower Manhattan, I visited the 9/11 Tribute Center, the 9/11 Memorial and Museum, and the One World Trade Center Observatory. A project of the September 11th Families' Association, the Tribute Center (<http://tributewtc.org/>) offers tours presented by Ground Zero-impacted individuals. On October 12, the tour was led by the wife of a 9/11 first-responder, and in presenting, the guide shared her moving, personal perspective of September 11. Her story since then sadly includes the terminal diagnoses of lung cancer for her husband (a result of the air-polluting dust and smoke particles that dominated the air on 9/11 and in the days afterwards).

Almost 3,000 women, men, and children are remembered at the 9/11 Memorial, which by design, invites visitors to place water from the reflection pool across the top of an inscribed name, and in doing so, to pray for that person specifically and intentionally.



Pictured here is John P. Lozowsky, whose name I happened upon, and for whom I prayed on my visit. God has worked in a mysterious way in connecting us both, as since then I have learned that John, 45, who worked as a contractor for Marsh & McLennan, had a certain place in his heart for Aloha shirts. These shirts "raised eyebrows," as a distinctive John wore them to his employment on the 95<sup>th</sup> floor of the World Trade Center, and, having lived in New Zealand (NZ) for 12 years, John was fond of addressing people as "mate," in a way only a New Zealander or Australian would do.



So as I did on October 12, so I will do on All Saints' Day, Sunday November 1. As we pray for all those who have meant something to us as part of the Eucharist that day, I will, of course, pray for my family and friends dear to me who have departed this life. However, from this year, I have etched into my calendar and into my heart, the name of a stranger, John P. Lozowsky, who is survived by his wife, Alison and son Max.

*Loving God, uphold the victims and survivors of violence in your love and eternal blessing, and grace them with your peace. As you invite us to reach out our arms and our hearts to them in a spirit of aloha, may we be made one with them, and with your son, our brother, Jesus Christ. And, for the gift of pilgrimage, on which sites crowds and individuals can change us and bless us in new and unexpected ways, we give you thanks, now and forever. Amen.*

~~ Peace and blessings  
Chris+



## The Goldings Like This - Food

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 vegetarian chili from Zippy's**, served with brown rice and onions (as a vegan – no cheese please!) This version of chili from Zippy's has been confirmed vegan by Zippy's management, and is endorsed as vegan by the Vegetarian and Vegan Society of Hawai'i. From the moment Rev. Liz invited Rev. Chris to Zippy's Vineyard on his interview for the Associate Rector position (a year ago last month!), Christopher was hooked!

**Julia likes Kāmano (salmon)**, pan grilled with simple seasoning, and served with fresh local salad or vegetable ingredients. Salmon, the third-most popular eating fish in the world, according to the South East Advertiser, is both wild-harvested and fish-farmed, farmed salmon being now the most prevalent. A range of governmental and scientific agencies work here in the US and around the world to improve the sustainability of fish farming, and to decrease the environmental impacts of such.

**Phoebe and James like macaroni and cheese**, preferably as part of a Keiki meal at Zippy's! This simple dish dates back to at least the 14<sup>th</sup> century. In 1793, President Thomas Jefferson commissioned Paris William Short, the then American ambassador to Paris, to purchase a machine for making macaroni at his primary plantation, Monticello. Evidently, however, the macaroni-machine experiment didn't work out, and consequently Jefferson chose to import both macaroni and parmesan cheese for his use! In the United States, July 14 is designated as National Mac and Cheese Day.

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| Sun                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | Mon                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | Tue                                                                                                                                                                             |
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| <p><b>1 All Saints Day</b><br/>           7:30 Holy Eucharist-CH<br/>           8:30 Bible Study-PH2<br/>           8:45 Adult Discussion-PH<br/>           9:30 Sunday School<br/>           10:15 Holy Eucharist-CH<br/>           7:00 Daily Reflections-PH</p>                                                                    | <p><b>2 Clergy Sabbath</b><br/> <b>All Souls Day</b><br/>           8:00 SCS Chapel-CH<br/>           5:30 Tae Kwan Do-PG<br/>           6:00 EFM Class-SL<br/>           7:00 Mankind Project-MB<br/>           7:30 AL-Anon-PH</p>                                                                                           | <p><b>3 Richard Hooker</b><br/>           9:00 SCS Campus Tours-CH<br/>           2:00 Staff Meeting-PH1<br/>           5:00 Labyrinth Open</p>                                 |
| <p><b>8</b><br/>           7:30 Holy Eucharist-CH<br/>           8:30 Bible Study-PH2<br/>           8:45 Adult Discussion-PH<br/>           9:30 Sunday School<br/>           10:15 Holy Eucharist-CH<br/>           11:30 Prayer Chain Mtg.-PH1<br/>           2:00 Tourist Wedding-CH<br/>           7:00 Daily Reflections-PH</p> | <p><b>9 Clergy Sabbath</b><br/>           8:00 SCS Chapel-CH<br/>           5:30 Tae Kwan Do-PG<br/>           6:00 EFM Class-SL<br/>           7:00 Mankind Project-MB<br/>           7:30 AL-Anon-PH</p>                                                                                                                     | <p><b>10</b><br/>           9:00 SCS Campus Tours-CH<br/>           9:30 Holy Eucharist-Arcadia<br/>           2:00 Staff Meeting-PH1<br/>           6:00 Vestry Meeting-PH</p> |
| <p><b>15</b><br/>           7:30 Holy Eucharist-CH<br/>           8:30 Bible Study-PH2<br/>           8:45 Adult Discussion-PH<br/>           9:30 Sunday School<br/>           10:15 Holy Eucharist-CH<br/>           2:00 Tourist Wedding-CH<br/>           7:00 Daily Reflections-PH</p>                                           | <p><b>16 Clergy Sabbath</b><br/>           8:00 SCS Chapel-CH<br/>           4:00 Tourist Wedding-CH<br/>           5:30 SCS BOD Meeting-PH<br/>           5:30 Tae Kwan Do-PG<br/>           6:00 EFM Class-SL<br/>           7:00 Mankind Project-MB<br/>           7:30 AL-Anon-PH</p> <p><b>Ke 'Alemanaka Deadline</b></p> | <p><b>17</b><br/>           9:00 SCS Campus Tours-CH<br/>           11:00 Tourist Weddings-CH<br/>           2:00 Staff Meeting-PH1</p>                                         |
| <p><b>22</b><br/>           7:30 Holy Eucharist-CH<br/>           8:30 Bible Study-PH2<br/>           8:45 EV's-PH1<br/>           8:45 Adult Discussion-PH<br/>           9:30 Sunday School<br/>           10:15 Holy Eucharist-CH<br/>           2:00 Tourist Wedding-CH<br/>           7:00 Daily Reflections-PH</p>              | <p><b>23 Clergy Sabbath</b><br/>           8:00 SCS Chapel-CH<br/>           1:00 YO! House Cooking-PH<br/>           5:30 Tae Kwan Do-PG<br/>           6:00 EFM Class-SL<br/>           7:00 Mankind Project-MB<br/>           7:30 AL-Anon-PH</p>                                                                           | <p><b>24 No School</b><br/> <b>Parent/Teacher Conferences</b><br/>           2:00 Staff Meeting-PH1</p>                                                                         |
| <p><b>29</b><br/>           7:30 Holy Eucharist-CH<br/>           8:30 Bible Study-PH2<br/>           8:45 Adult Discussion-PH<br/>           9:30 Sunday School<br/>           10:15 Holy Eucharist-CH<br/>           7:00 Daily Reflections-PH</p>                                                                                  | <p><b>30 Clergy Sabbath</b><br/> <b>St. Andrew the Apostle</b><br/>           11:30 Tourist Wedding-CH<br/>           5:30 Tae Kwan Do-PG<br/>           6:00 EFM Class-SL<br/>           7:00 Mankind Project-MB<br/>           7:30 AL-Anon-PH</p> <p><b>Ke 'Alemanaka Assembly</b></p>                                      |                                                                                                                                                                                 |



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| <p><b>4</b><br/>8:00 SCS Chapel-CH<br/>10:00 Healing Eucharist-CH<br/>5:30 Tae Kwan Do-PG<br/>5:30 Overeaters Anon-PH2<br/>5:45 Na'Ohana BOD-SL<br/>6:30 SATBQ Chorus- MB<br/>7:00 Evening Prayer-CH</p>                                    | <p><b>5</b><br/>9:00 SCS Campus Tours-CH<br/>12:30 Tourist Wedding-CH<br/>3:00 Book Study-Kahala Nui<br/>4:30 Farmers Market-PKG<br/>6:00 Choir Rehearsal-CH</p>                                      | <p><b>6</b><br/>8:00 SCS Chapel-CH<br/>8:00 Strivers for Sobriety-PH</p>                                                                   | <p><b>7</b><br/>9:00 Altar Guild-CH<br/>8a-5:30p Life Line Screening<br/>Event-PH<br/>7:00 SCS Movie Night-PH</p>                                                                                                                                              |
| <p><b>11 Veterans Day<br/>Offices &amp; School Closed</b><br/>10:00 Healing Eucharist-CH<br/>5:30 Tae Kwan Do-PG<br/>5:30 Overeaters Anon-PH2<br/>6:30 SATBQ Chorus- MB</p>                                                                 | <p><b>12</b><br/>9:00 SCS Campus Tours-CH<br/>3:00 Book Study-Kahala Nui<br/>4:30 Farmers Market-PKG<br/>6:00 Choir Rehearsal-CH</p>                                                                  | <p><b>13</b><br/>8:00 SCS Chapel-CH<br/>8:00 Strivers for Sobriety-PH</p>                                                                  | <p><b>14</b><br/>9:00 Altar Guild-CH<br/>9:00 iFoG-PH<br/>10:00 Tae Kwan Do-PG<br/>3:00 Slow Food Oahu Event-PH</p>                                                                                                                                            |
| <p><b>18</b><br/>8:00 SCS Chapel/Food Drive-<br/>CH<br/>10:00 Healing Eucharist-CH<br/>5:30 Tae Kwan Do-PG<br/>5:30 Overeaters Anon-PH2<br/>6:30 SATBQ Chorus- MB</p>                                                                       | <p><b>19</b><br/>9:00 SCS Campus Tours-CH<br/>10:00 SCS Thanksgiving Bkfst-PH<br/>11:30 Tourist Wedding-CH<br/>3:00 Book Study-Kahala Nui<br/>4:30 Farmers Market-PKG<br/>6:00 Choir Rehearsal-CH</p> | <p><b>20</b><br/>8:00 SCS Chapel &amp; Birthday<br/>Blessings-CH<br/>11:00 SCS Thanksgiving Lunch-PH<br/>8:00 Strivers for Sobriety-PH</p> | <p><b>21</b><br/>9:00 Altar Guild-CH<br/>10:30 Food Dist. Prep.-PH/KIT<br/>11:30 Food Distribution-PH/KIT</p>                                                                                                                                                  |
| <p><b>25 No School<br/>Staff Development Day</b><br/>10:00 Healing Eucharist-CH<br/>5:30 Tae Kwan Do-PG<br/>5:30 Overeaters Anon-PH2<br/>6:30 SATBQ Chorus- MB<br/>7:00 Thanksgiving Eve<br/>Worship at Lutheran<br/>Church of Honolulu</p> | <p><b>26 Thanksgiving Day<br/>Offices &amp; School Closed</b></p>                                                                                                                                     | <p><b>27 School/Offices Closed</b><br/>8:00 Strivers for Sobriety-PH</p>                                                                   | <p><b>28 King Kamehameha &amp;<br/>Queen Emma</b><br/>9:00 Altar Guild-CH</p>                                                                                                                                                                                  |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |                                                                                                                                                                                                       |                                                                                                                                            | <p><b>Key</b><br/>CH - Church<br/>PH - Parish House, main hall<br/>PH1 - Meeting room 1 in Parish House<br/>PH2 - Meeting room 2 in Parish House<br/>MB - Music Building<br/>SL - Staff Lounge<br/>KIT - Kitchen<br/>PG - Playground<br/>PKG - Parking Lot</p> |



## Blessing of the Animals October 2, 2015



### View from the Pew (cont'd)

*(Continued from page 10)*

are sung at meals. However, at the Seder, on first day of Passover, only one hymn is sung, a special "Birkat Hamazon," which is a blessing at the end of the meal. According to Matthew, the sole Gospel account that references a hymn, only one hymn was sung during the Last Supper. He refers to it as "the" hymn as opposed to "a" hymn and, notably, it is sung at the end of the Last Supper, just before Jesus and his disciples fatefully depart for the Garden of Gethsemane.

There is of course more, but who would know unless we read, studied and thought about the Bible? Who would know that the Ten Commandments and, in truth, all of the stories of the Bible are about faith? Who would know that they are descriptions of the essence of God ~ faithfulness ~ and that they are what God wants us to be ~ faithful? Who would know that the Last Supper, unfolding in the course of the Seder, is really a story about the ultimate Passover Lamb? Who would know, like the original Passover Lamb ~ which saved all of the first born of Israel ~ that there was a second Passover Lamb, the Messiah, God revealed in the person of Jesus of Nazareth, who thereafter saved and continues to save the rest of the world?

~~ Submitted by Scott Suzuki-Jones



## 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                                                   | November 5                                    | November 12                               | November 19                            | November 26                           |
|--------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| <b>Point Person for Set Up and Parking 3:00-5:30pm</b> | Keith Kalway                                  | Keith Kalway                              | Jim Quimby                             | <b>Thanksgiving Day<br/>No Market</b> |
| <b>Parking 3:30-5:30 pm</b>                            | Jim Thomas                                    | Pam Fern                                  | Sue Quimby                             |                                       |
| <b>Set Up 4:15-4:45 pm</b>                             | Jim Betts<br>Nellie McLaughlin                | Jim Betts<br>Tim Hurd                     | Liz Ho<br>Pam Fern                     |                                       |
| <b>Point Person 5:30-7:30 pm</b>                       | Pam Fern - contact by phone 561-1070          |                                           |                                        |                                       |
| <b>Receipts, Rents 6:30-7pm</b>                        | Susan Palmore                                 | Martha Morgan                             | Michele Morikami                       |                                       |
| <b>Take down/ Closing* 7:20-8pm</b>                    | Beth Fincke<br>Jim Mattingly<br>John Marlowe* | Soane Lino<br>Sandy Souza<br>Arthur Buto* | River Kim<br>Ken Morikami<br>Pam Fern* |                                       |



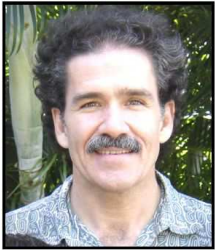
### Parish Snap Shots



**Top row:** Zoe, Sam, Em, and Kai checking out pet treats at the Family Ministries table after the Blessing of the Animals Sunday service; Under the Family Ministries table; Zoe Chapman and her pooch. **Below:** Doggies greet each other; Pet and people treats; *Photos by Jill Haworth;* Dorothy Seki and Sandy Souza visit with Mariko Ikeda. *Photo by Jean Tasson.*



## A View from the Pew



One of my “religious peeves” (I keep my “peeves” in categories) is our collective ignorance of Holy Scripture. However, as the Rev. Liz patiently reminds me, I should be less harsh and more understanding, not to mention a lot more forgiving. And, if we stop and think about it, is it any wonder?

There are no less than 66 different books in the Bible, 39 in the Old Testament alone, and still another 27 in the New Testament. To be sure, some of the books are very small, but some are pretty big, not to mention that none can be taken at face value, as they were all written by different people, in very particular and often peculiar times in our historical, social, cultural and linguistic development. On the other hand, we can’t cut ourselves too much slack either because, if we are to have a credible understanding of the Bible and how it informs our lives today, we have to be knowledgeable about what it says, not what others tell us it says. This was one of the fundamental principles of Reformation: we the people are responsible for our own spiritual and religious lives. As a result, it is we who have the responsibility to gather firsthand knowledge of the Bible and, thus, a genuine understanding of what the stories within mean.

As convenient as it would be, Sunday worship services are not the time and place for Bible study. Before or after, or sometime during the week work, but not during. Not only would it be impractical timewise to consider the historical, social, cultural, linguistic and even circumstantial context of each Lesson prior to their reading, the reality is we are not in Church on Sundays to study, but to come together so God may reveal God’s Self among us, and then to worship, praise and give thanks to God. Instead, the Lessons are there to remind us of what we should already be familiar with, to encourage us to become more familiar with them, or to inspire us to become familiar with them for the first time so we may consider their universal and eternal meanings, and how they might apply to and in our lives today.

Take the Ten Commandments. At face value, they are a list of things we should and not do. Yet, if we study and think about them, we find a covenant, a promise between two parties, God and the Tribes of Israel. The latter, having been enslaved for 400 years, lost much of their history, society, culture, language and faith in the process, and suddenly found themselves alone in the desert, without direction as a people, except for a formidable but still hapless Moses to guide and lead them. If we study and think more, we also find that The Ten Commandments, The Decalogue, The Law or whatever we wish to call them as being God, God revealing God’s Self to Moses, through Moses to Israel, and through Israel to the world. And if we dare to study and think still more, we realize God is not about “doing this” or not “doing that” as the word “commandments” might imply. God is “faithfulness.” God is faithfulness to our neighbors, our families, our friends, and our selves. God is faithfulness to God’s own Image ~ us.

Or take the Last Supper. Most Christians understand it took place during Passover, a week-long festival, but some argue it did not occur on the first day of Passover, what most people think of as “Passover,” but on one of the days that followed. This is because the Seder, a special meal served only in the evening on the first day of Passover, is not named or explicitly described in the Gospels. However, in the Gospel According to Matthew, the Last Supper occurred on the first day of Unleavened Bread, an ancient reference to the week-long Passover festival during which only unleavened “Matzoh” bread is eaten instead of leavened bread. The Gospels According to Mark and Luke also say it happened on the first

day of Unleavened Bread, but further say it was the day the Passover Lamb was sacrificed, which only happens on the first day of Passover, before the Seder that evening. Even so, others argue the Last Supper happened before Passover. This is because in its introduction of the Last Supper, the Gospel According to John begins with, “Now before the feast of Passover . . .” Yet, in the very next sentence, John goes on to say, “And supper having ended . . .” In other words, John’s account of events he considered important about the Last Supper is consistent with the other three Gospels, with his account beginning just before the Seder began and continuing immediately after it had been concluded.

Still, the Seder is not mentioned by name or explicitly described. As a result, some commentators, while conceding the Last Supper happened on the first day of Passover, argue that Jesus and his disciples did not celebrate the Seder. This not only defies the fact that the reason Jews gather on the first day of Passover is so the original Passover can be reenacted with the Seder, it also defies the numerous references in the Gospels, especially in Matthew and John, which reveal the Last Supper was indeed a Seder meal. For example, while the Seder can be served on a table, it would have to be a table with very short legs because all able bodied Jews must eat the Seder on the floor, reclining on pillows or one another. While Matthew, Mark and Luke all describe a table in the Last Supper, nowhere in any Gospel are chairs described. Inversely, John is described as “leaning back” or “reclining” on Jesus during the Last Supper, a further indication they were on the floor. Arguably, you can “lean back” or “recline” on someone while on the floor, but it is not so easy sitting on chairs. Additionally, Matthew’s account of Jesus breaking bread for his disciples strikingly brings to mind the breaking of “Afikomen”, the middle of a loaf of “Matzoh” bread reserved for dessert. Eaten near the end of the Seder, its pieces are passed around by the leader of the meal to everyone present. Moreover, Matthew, Mark and Luke all describe wine being served at the Last Supper. During the week-long Passover festival, wine is consumed only at the Seder, on the first day of Passover. During Passover, many hymns

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# NOVEMBER 2015 Lay Minister Schedule

| Sunday                   | NOVEMBER 1                                                      | NOVEMBER 8                                                       | NOVEMBER 15                                                           | NOVEMBER 22                                                             | NOVEMBER 29                                                                  |
|--------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Lectionary Year B</b> | <i>All Saints Day</i>                                           | <i>The Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Pentecost</i>                  | <i>The Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Pentecost</i>                        | <i>The Last Sunday after Pentecost</i>                                  | <i>The First Sunday of Advent</i>                                            |
| <b>Readings</b>          | Wisdom 3:1-9<br>Psalm 24<br>Revelation 21:1-6a<br>John 11:32-44 | 1 Kings 17:8-16<br>Psalm 146<br>Hebrews 9:24-28<br>Mark 12:38-44 | 1 Samuel 1:4-20<br>1 Samuel 2:1-10<br>Hebrews 10:11-25<br>Mark 13:1-8 | 2 Samuel 23:1-7<br>Psalm 132:1-19<br>Revelation 1:4b-8<br>John 18:33-37 | Jeremiah 33:14-16<br>Psalm 25:1-9<br>1 Thessalonians 3:9-13<br>Luke 21:25-36 |
| <b>Flowers</b>           | Beth Fincke                                                     | Kiki Fordham                                                     | Beth Fincke                                                           | Beth Fincke<br>Adrienne Lau                                             | Beth Fincke                                                                  |

\*\*\*\*\* **7:30 am Service** \*\*\*\*\*

|                    |                           |                               |                                   |                 |                       |
|--------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------------|
| <b>Lector</b>      | Sandy Souza               | Hew Reynolds                  | Kingsley Wong                     | Annabel Murray  | Kathleen Norris       |
| <b>Lector/EM</b>   | Mark Haworth              | Liz Ho                        | Martha Morgan                     | Susan Palmore   | Jim Quimby            |
| <b>Euch. Min</b>   | Martha Morgan             | Dana Anderson                 | Pam Fern                          | Jim Quimby      | Mark Haworth          |
| <b>Altar Guild</b> | Sandy Souza               | Sandy Souza                   | Pam Fern                          | Cecilia Fordham | Cecilia Fordham       |
| <b>Ushers</b>      | Jackie Oda<br>Sandy Souza | Sandy Souza                   | Kingsley, Joni,<br>& Tyler Wong   | Sandy Souza     | Glenn & Leona<br>Moir |
| <b>Coffee Hour</b> | Sandy Souza               | Leslie Isaki<br>Martha Laxson | Kingsley, Joni,<br>and Tyler Wong | Cecilia Fordham | Martha Morgan         |

\*\*\*\*\* **10:15 am Service** \*\*\*\*\*

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|--------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| <b>Lector</b>      | Annette Jim               | Elizabeth<br>McCutcheon | Nellie McLaughlin                  | Anna Blackwell             | Mary Carpenter                      |
| <b>Lector/EM</b>   | Moria Amjadi              | Jane Anderson           | Sam Hawk                           | Mark Haworth               | Brad Siefkes                        |
| <b>Euch. Min</b>   | Mark Haworth              | Mark Haworth            | Paris Priore-Kim                   | Jane Anderson              | Sam Hawk                            |
| <b>Altar Guild</b> | Beth Fincke               | Beth Fincke             | Beth Fincke                        | Beth Fincke                | Beth Fincke                         |
| <b>Ushers</b>      | Art Buto<br>Terry Ledford | Liz Baldwin             | Arthur Buto<br>Liz Baldwin         | Arthur Buto                | <b><u>Volunteers<br/>Needed</u></b> |
| <b>Coffee Hour</b> | Moani Crowell             | Tau'eva Lino            | Nellie McLaughlin<br>Beth Charlton | Liz Baldwin<br>Miwako Shen | Liz Baldwin                         |

**Greeters Team: Annette Jim**

7:30 am Service: Leslie Isaki

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







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Sundays: 7:30 am and 10:15 am  
Wednesdays: 10 am  
1st Wednesday of month: 7 pm

## Datebook

Wednesday, November 11 - **Veterans Day**  
**Offices and School Closed**

Tuesday, November 10  
6 pm Vestry Meeting

Monday, November 16  
**Ke`Alemanaka Deadline**

Saturday, November 21  
11:30 Food Distribution and Lunch

Wednesday, November 25  
7 pm Thanksgiving Eve worship service  
at Lutheran Church of Honolulu  
1730 Punahou Street

Monday, November 30  
**8:30 am Ke`Alemanaka Assembly**

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Parish Office Hours:

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

Thursdays  
4:30 pm Farmers Market