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Thank You to the St. Clement's 'Ohana



As my time as a curate comes to a close at St. Clement's, I want to express my deepest gratitude to all of you for opening your hearts to me. The past two years has gone by all too quickly.

St Clement's will always have a special place in my heart. This is where I became a priest. In this special place, you were witness to the ordination service and participated in the celebration as I became a priest.

You also were part of the first holy communion service that I served. I shall always remember Pastor Heather on one side of me and Father George on the other side, giving me support as you participated in the service. God's love and light filled the sanctuary. I am filled with appreciation for the many memories we share. You have shared with me your life, wisdom, aloha, and love.

I will miss you all and St. Clement's will always be a part of me.

For now, I am called to serve St Matthew's in Waimanalo, as part of a team which includes the Reverends Jar Pasalo and Jennifer Latham.

St. Clement's will always have a special place in my heart. I am thankful for Pastor Heather and Father George for sharing their experience and knowledge with me. And words cannot express how grateful I am to all of you for touching my life.

I am so enriched by our relationship. We are 'Ohana. I feel God's love and presence through you.

In this time of pandemic, economic upheaval and social unrest, you will continue to be in my heart and in my prayers. I look forward to the time we can all gather together and hug and pass the peace.

With appreciation and aloha,
Haaheo Guanson

In-Person Services Resume November 1

During the month of October we will still be conducting all-online services — No in-person; but we do have a tentative re-opening date: **November 1.**

Should our state and community be ready to safely rejoin for in-person services in November, we will welcome those who would like to worship at the Church while continuing our online Zoom services, which will run concurrently.

If you choose to join us for the in-person services tentatively restarting in November, please remember to always wear a mask while on the property, maintain social-distancing, and stay home if you're feeling sick, have been exposed COVID, or have been travelling.

Also, if you would like us to remember a loved one who has passed away on All Saints Day (Nov. 1), please send a photo of them to secretary@stclem.org—we will include them in our slideshow!

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NEW OFFICE HOURS

**The church office will be open
Mondays & Wednesdays
9AM to 12PM**

*We are available to meet at other times that are
more convenient for you—call or email to make
an appointment!*

Items for Ke 'Alemanaka may be submitted to the
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DEADLINE FOR THE NOVEMBER ISSUE

Wednesday, October 21, 2020



**Hau'oli la hanau to all those
born in October**

October 1	Byron Gangnes
October 3	Bruce Schlieman
October 5	Ray Tamura
	David Yew
October 7	Harrison Ishida
October 9	Julia Tom
October 10	Peter Gibson
	Suzanne Kaneshiro
October 11	Helena Schaefer
October 13	Salesi Lino
October 14	Jaeson Tamura
October 15	Dean Fraser
	Tanner Haworth
	Amelia Levy
	Bonnie Rice
October 17	Jessica Gronna
	Danny Schoen
October 18	Tau'eva Lino
October 19	Sally McDermott
	Manny Wong
October 20	Andrew Carpenter
	Emily Waters
October 21	Rebecca Mehle
October 22	Melvin Nakamura
October 23	Tucker Haworth
October 24	Anne Cicero
	Mike Town
October 27	Laurel Schoen
October 29	Hew Reynolds
October 31	Kiki Fordham
	Kingsley Wong

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

ONLINE SERVICE GUIDE

SUNDAYS

Worship Services at 8AM & 10:15AM

Meeting ID: 854 4414 6891

Password: 1515

Adult Discussion at 9AM

Meeting ID: 854 4414 6891

Password: 1515

Bible Study (RBTL) at 9AM

Meeting ID: 661 508 747

Password: 395117

TUESDAYS

Compline at 9PM - New Service!

New Zealand Night Prayers

Meeting ID: 823 5666 8373

Password: 1515

zoom



To join any service by phone call one of these numbers and enter the Meeting ID and password.

669 900 6833

253 215 8782

346 248 7799

A Message from the Property Committee

We would like to thank everyone who provided input about the proposed air-conditioning project of our church building. Since there are so many hardships during this COVID-19 pandemic, we have decided not to proceed with an air conditioning project at this time.

However, we are applying for a grant for LED lighting in the Parish Hall and parking lot, and are also exploring the possibility of solar power for our energy needs. We feel it is important to act responsibly in our use of resources, both for our parish and for our community.

SEPTEMBER ATTENDANCE TOTALS

Sunday Worship:

- 8AM services:

- 91 attended via Zoom

- 10:15AM services:

- 107 attended via Zoom

Tuesday Compline: 25 attended via Zoom

MAHALO!

- † Many thanks to all who donated canned goods to our food pantry. We have already put some of them to good use.
- † Mahalo to Mary Carpenter, Alofa Carpenter, Holo Stender, Stan Ornellas, Jayson Harper, Joni Wong, and Kingsley Wong for the shopping, rice bagging, grocery bag packing and distributing of our food bags.
- † Mahalo to Ha'aheo Guanson, Beth Fincke & Scott Suzuki-Jones for their newsletter submissions.

October 2020

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
<p>27</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8:00 AM Church Service 9:00 AM Bible Workbench 9:00 AM Adult Discussion 10:15 AM Church Service 	<p>28</p> <p>Yom Kippur</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 11:00 AM Parish Staff Mtg. 	<p>29</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9:00 PM Compline 	<p>30</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 10:00 AM Food Ministry
<p>4</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8:00 AM Church Service 9:00 AM Bible Workbench 9:00 AM Adult Discussion 10:15 AM Church Service 	<p>5</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 11:00 AM Parish Staff Mtg. 	<p>6</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 5:00 PM Labyrinth Open 9:00 PM Compline 	<p>7</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Picture Taking- K... 10:00 AM Food Ministry 5:30 PM Na 'Oha
<p>11</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8:00 AM Church Service 9:00 AM Bible Workbench 9:00 AM Adult Discussion 10:15 AM Church Service 1:00 PM Prayer Chain Mtg. 	<p>12</p> <p>Indigenous Peoples' Day</p> <p>Columbus Day</p>	<p>13</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9:00 PM Compline 	<p>14</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 10:00 AM Food Ministry 3:00 PM SCS Sta...
<p>18</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8:00 AM Church Service 9:00 AM Bible Workbench 9:00 AM Adult Discussion 10:15 AM Church Service 	<p>19</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 11:00 AM Parish Staff Mtg. 	<p>20</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 5:00 PM SCS Board Mtg. - Online 9:00 PM Compline 	<p>21</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 10:00 AM Food Ministry
<p>25</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8:00 AM Church Service 9:00 AM Adult Discussion 9:00 AM Bible Workbench 10:15 AM Church Service 	<p>26</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 11:00 AM Parish Staff Mtg. 	<p>27</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 5:00 PM Property Committee 6:00 PM Vestry Meeting 9:00 PM Compline 	<p>28</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 10:00 AM Food Ministry 11:00 AM Yo! Ho 3:00 PM SCS Sta...

Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
30 Pantry	1 4:30 PM Farmers Market	2 Clergy Sabbath	3
7 Creative Colors Pantry Kupuna - Online	8 Picture Taking- Kreative Colors 4:30 PM Farmers Market	9 Clergy Sabbath	10
14 Pantry Staff Mtg.	15 4:30 PM Farmers Market	16 Clergy Sabbath 11:00 AM Kupuna Box	17 10:30 AM Food Distribution
21 Pantry	22 4:30 PM Farmers Market	23 Clergy Sabbath	24 10:00 AM Diocesan Convention
28 Pantry House Cooking Staff Mtg.	29 4:30 PM Farmers Market	30 Clergy Sabbath	31 Halloween 8:00 AM Vestry Retreat - Online

A New Way to Serve the Community: Kupuna Boxes!



Volunteers from the Hawaii Foodbank distributing Kupuna Boxes

The Parish of St. Clement is now a pick-up location for the Hawaii Foodbank's Kupuna Box program. People over the age of 60 with low income are eligible to sign up for this program through the Foodbank. On the Third Friday of every month, the Foodbank sends its volunteers to St. Clement's along with multiple 30-pound boxes of food to give out to those in need!



Uncle Stan and Jayson Harper helping to load Kupuna boxes into recipients' cars

St. Clement's Food Distribution Statistics

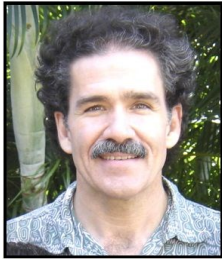
Below you will find the monthly number of adults, children and households that are served by The Parish of St. Clement's Food Outreach Program. Although people do come multiple times in one month, individual recipients are only counted once.

MONTH	ADULTS	CHILDREN	HOUSEHOLD
April	80	23	58
May	124	27	72
June	145	38	75
July	196	74	101
August	148	52	84

A View from the Pew

Just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are of one body, so it is with Christ Jesus. ~ Paul / 1 Corinthians 12:12

I have come to the conclusion that “church” is not for the “unchurched,” at least not the great majority, not right away. Don’t get me wrong, given half a chance, I would drag all of the unchurched into services, kicking and screaming down the aisle, as if an un-cooperative or defiant couple on their “shotgun” wedding day. I would take no prisoners, and God would have to point who are refugees from the non-liturgical denominations.



"God created Humanity in the Image of God's Self, in God's Image Humanity was created, male and female, God created us all." ~ Genesis 1:27

Even so, my efforts would be in vain. To begin with, “Church” as it has come to mean, as we now understand it, is for all practical purposes a physical plant where Christians gather with and among one another to worship. Few people today grasp what Church really meant at the dawn of Christianity. It was and is the Ascended Body of Christ, in Heaven, made manifest in the Human Experience. It was and is us being the Body’s members, the body parts, the appendages from which it was and continues to be formed. Inversely, how many people, including those of us who are “churched,” and certainly those who are not, recognize that, as Children of God, created in God’s own Image, in God’s very Likeness, we together complete God’s Image?

“For where two or three are gathered together in My Name, I am there among them.” ~ Jesus / Matthew 18:20

Along these same lines of thought, the unchurched are neighbors who, for all practical purposes, whether they believe in or have faith in God or not, have little or no experience worshipping God with others. Moving further along these lines of thought, meaning if we think about it, worship by definition, at least in the Christian sense, is when two or more people gather together in God’s Holy Name. That individually, while God is at least partially revealed in each and every one of us, together God is fully revealed, that we complete God’s Image and, as a result, God is actually there among us, to be worshipped. This said, for all practical purposes the unchurched have no experience worshipping, at all. In other words, if we consider the matter still further, prayer in its origins is something we do individually. On the other hand, worship in its origins is instead individuals coming together and praying to God with other like-minded individuals doing exactly the same, and, in the process, becoming One, becoming the Body of Christ, becoming God Fully Revealed.

“He took bread and, when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to them, saying, ‘This is My body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of Me.’ Then He did the same with the cup of wine after supper, saying, ‘This cup, which is poured out for you, is the New Covenant in My blood.’”

Jesus / Luke 22:19-20

Praying together, when it happens, meaning worshipping as a “church” instead of “in” one, wherever and in whatever environment that might be, is a completely foreign, almost always uncomfortable, and often discouraging experience for and to the unchurched. I dare say it is comparable to Episcopalians attending a *Church of God with Signs Following* service way back in the 1910’s and 1920’s, and being expected to handle snakes and drink poisons as sacraments. Inversely, I suppose it is comparable to adherents of the *Church of God with Signs Following* attending an Episcopal service during this same period and being expected to eat and drink the sacramental Bread and Wine, the Body and Blood of Christ, the Holy Elements of the Eucharist, using the cherished 1892 edition of the Book of Common Prayer in authority at the time. Is it any wonder the unchurched “run and hide” at the mere mention of “going to church?” If not snake handlers and poison drinkers, the churched must be cannibals.

“And He said to them, ‘Go out into all the world and proclaim The Good News to the whole of Creation.’”

Jesus / Mark 16:15

~ Submitted by Scott Suzuki-Jones



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Datebook

Worship Services

Sundays at 8AM & 10:15AM

ONLY via Zoom

Tuesdays at 9PM

Compline via Zoom

Mondays & Wednesdays

9am to 12pm COVID Office Hours

WED. ONLY: 10am to 12pm Food Pantry

Thursdays

4:30 pm Farmers Market

New Office Food Pantry Hours

The office food pantry is open on Wednesdays from 10 am to Noon **ONLY**.