



*4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent  
December 19, 2021*



*The Kona United Methodist Church welcomes  
ALL people with no judgments of your history or place in life.*

*The Mission of the United Methodist Church is  
to make disciples of Jesus Christ  
for the transformation of the world.*

*The Vision of Kona United Methodist Church is  
growing disciples through worship, outreach,  
and living the gospel.*

# ORDER OF WORSHIP: IN-PERSON/ONLINE

December 19, 2021

8:30am / 10:00am

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## CALL TO WORSHIP

Numbers 6:24-26 @ 8:30am

**The Lord bless you / and keep you; /  
Make His face shine upon you / and be gracious to you; /  
The Lord turn His / face toward you / and give you peace. (x2)  
Amen.**

## WELCOME / GREETINGS

Nancy Lowrey, English Language Ministry Assistant Lay Leader

## LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE [Peace]

Advent Family:     The Mateaki Family @ 8:30am  
                              The Talasinga Family @ 10am

## GATHERING SONG

UMH 211 (vs. 1)

**O Come, O Come, Emmanuel, / and ransom captive Israel, /  
that mourns in lonely exile here / until the Son of God appear. /  
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel / shall come to thee, O Israel.**

## TIME OF PRAYER

Les Miller

'Ohana Joys and Concerns

Congregational Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father, who art in Heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy Kingdom come,  
Thy will be done, on Earth as it is in Heaven. Give us this day our daily  
bread and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against  
us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for Thine is the  
kingdom, the power, and the glory forever. Amen.**

\*Prayer Response

“The Queen's Prayer”

@ 8:30am

**O kou a-lo-ha no. A i-a i ka Lani,  
A o kou oi-a i -o, He he-mo-le-le hoi. A me-ne.  
(Your love is in Heaven and Your truth so perfect.)**

\*HYMN

“Angels We Have Heard on High”

UMH 238

**1. Angels we have heard on high / sweetly singing o'er the plains, / and the  
mountains in reply / echoing their joyous strains.**

**(Refrain) Gloria, in excelsis Deo! / Gloria, in excelsis Deo!**

2. **Shepherds, why this jubilee? / Why your joyous strains prolong? / What the gladsome tidings be / which inspire your heavenly song? (Refrain)**
3. **Come to Bethlehem and see / Christ whose birth the angels sing; / come, adore on bended knee, / Christ the Lord, the newborn King. (Refrain)**
4. **See him in a manger laid, / whom the choirs of angels praise; / Mary, Joseph, lend your aid, / while our hearts in love we raise. (Refrain)**

SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 30:1-5, 11-12

Jim Monk @ 8:30am

Leader: This is the Word of the Holy Scripture.

Terry Triplett @ 10am

**People: Thanks be to God!**

**HYMN OF PREPARATION**

**UMH 204**

**Emmanuel, Emmanuel, / his name is called, Emmanuel.  
God with us, revealed in us, / his name is called Emmanuel.**

**\*CHRISTMAS AFFIRMATION**

Nancy Lowrey

**We believe in God, the creator and giver of life, who brought all creation to birth, who mothers us and fathers us, protecting, nurturing, and cherishing us.**

**We believe in Jesus Christ: God born among us as a fragile baby, embodying both love and the need for love, and calling us to rest in God as trustingly as a tiny child.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, breathed into us at our birth, always drawing us on to be born again, encouraging, exhorting, comforting, nourishing our growth and inspiring our living.**

**And we believe that each new child is a glimpse of the face of God, a sign of the life to come, and a call to live in peace and celebrate living together. Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's people on earth. Amen.**

SERMON

“Joy”

Rev. Dr. Ahn

MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

Nancy Lowrey

**\*HYMN**

**“Joy to the World”**

**UMH 246 (vs. 1, 2, & 4)**

**1. Joy to the world, the Lord is come! / Let earth receive her King; / let every heart prepare him room, / and heaven and nature sing, / and heaven and nature sing, / and heaven, and heaven, and nature sing.**

**2. Joy to the world, the Savior reigns! / Let all their songs employ; / while fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains / repeat the sounding joy, / repeat the sounding joy, / repeat, repeat the sounding joy.**

**4. He rules the world with truth and grace, / and makes the nations prove / the glories of his righteousness, / and wonders of his love, / and wonders of his love, / and wonders, wonders of his love.**

SHARING OUR GIFTS & BLESSING OF THE CHRISTMAS STOCKINGS

You are encouraged to mail your offering to the church office  
OR set up electronic giving (Online Giving).

Please visit our website ([konaumc.com](http://konaumc.com)) or contact Bill Jaeger.

**\*CLOSING CIRCLE [UMH 238 Chorus only]**

**@ 8:30am**

**Gloria, in excelsis Deo! / Gloria, in excelsis Deo!**

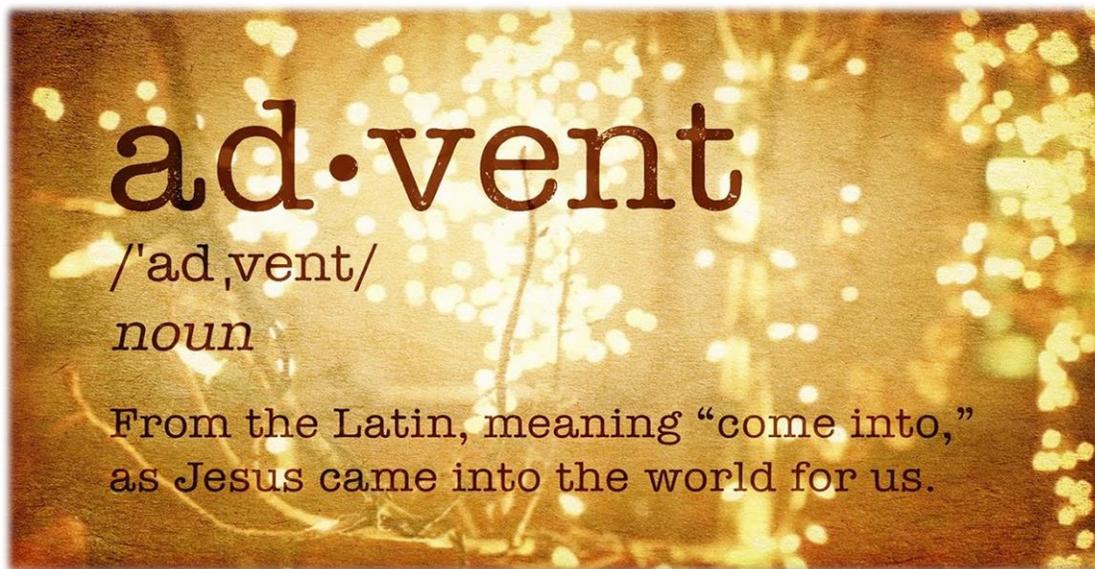
**\*BENEDICTION**

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An asterisk (\*) indicates a place for you to stand as you are able.

**Bold Print indicates a place for you to sing or speak.**

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*Thank you for worshipping with us. E Komo Mai & Mahalo!*

During the current Coronavirus (COVID-19) health crisis, we are adjusting the ways we do “church” together until further notice:

- **SUNDAY IN-PERSON WORSHIP @ 8:30AM:** You can join the service in the Sanctuary OR via Facebook-Live wherever you are.
- **SUNDAY “DEAF FRIENDLY” ONLINE WORSHIP @ 10AM:** Join KUMC Online Worship, which you can find on our church website (konaumc.com) under the News & Events section in the Video Gallery or Facebook.
- **SUNDAY TONGAN ONLINE WORSHIP VIA FACEBOOK LIVE @ 11AM (Except for the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of the month).**
- **SUNDAY ONLINE CHILDREN’S CHURCH @ 1:00PM:** Join KUMC Children’s Church on Facebook.
- **SUNDAY TONGAN IN-PERSON WORSHIP @ 3:00PM (except the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of the month).**
- **TUESDAY ADULT STUDY @ 8:30AM** can be joined via ZOOM-LIVE [Meeting ID: 862 8033 1586; Password: KUMC].
- **WEDNESDAY TONGAN PRAYER SERVICE @ 7PM on Facebook-Live.**
- **MORNING WALK (Wednesdays & Fridays, 7:15AM @ Old Kona Airport Garden).**
- **MORNING DEVOTION BIBLE READING (T & TH, 7:30AM)** can be joined via ZOOM-LIVE [Meeting ID: 864 4097 0919; Password: KUMC].



## NEWS & MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

**Christmas Eve Mini Concert and Candlelight Service (Friday, 12/24, 6:30pm)** is a hybrid program that you can join in-person or Facebook Live.

**“Care-O-Ling” Service of Affirmation (Sunday, 12/26):** The year 2021 has been another extraordinary year, challenging all aspects of life. There is no need to say that we all need extra care of ourselves and others in such a time as this year. So, Kona UMC closes its year with a “Care-O-Ling” Service of Affirmation. This service is about caring and affirming our faith.

**Lay Servant Advanced Class on Worship (4-Mondays, starting 1/10 @ 4:30pm via Zoom):** Please contact Rev. Dr. Lucy Jones if you want to take the class.

**Baptism of the Lord Sunday (Sunday, 1/9):** On this day, we will renew our baptism and be reminded of our baptismal vow.

**Pre-Valentine’s Day Benefit Concert 2022:** Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, once again this Benefit Concert raising scholarship funds will not be held in 2022. However, Kona UMC still commits to support our graduating high school seniors who are members of Kona UMC, seeking higher education.

If any eligible youth wants to apply for the scholarship, please obtain the scholarship application form from the church office. The application must be received in the church office no later than **January 23, 2022**. Applications will not be accepted past this deadline.

For those of you who would like to support our graduating high school seniors, you still can give your scholarship donations by making a check payable to “KUMC” with a memo indicating “Scholarship Fund” and mail it to the Church Office or donate online at [KonaUMC.com](http://KonaUMC.com) with a memo indicating “Scholarship Fund.” Please contact Neo Mateaki, Gloria Juan, Joyce Brady, or Pastor Sunny if you have any questions.

**TAX TIME!** Please let the office know if you are due a donation letter for something that you have donated to the church in the year 2021, not including money. Please itemize the list to make sure everything is included in the letter.

**Online Giving:** Kona UMC offers several online giving options. You may visit our church website ([konaumc.com](http://konaumc.com)) and click the giving icon on the home page OR contact Bill Jaeger ([bjaegeerhawaii@gmail.com](mailto:bjaegeerhawaii@gmail.com)) to set up online giving or simply scan the image you see here using your phone’s Quick Response (QR) Code Reader! We sincerely thank you!



## SPIRITUAL PRACTICE OF THE WEEK

*Lectio Divina* is a way of reading the Scriptures: *lectio* (reading), *meditatio* (reflection), *oratio* (response), and *contemplatio* (rest).

**Scripture Verse for *Lectio Divina*:** Psalm 30:1-5, 11-12

**Scripture Readings for the Week:** Micah 5:2-5a  
Luke 1:47-55; Hebrews 10:5-10; Luke 1:39-45

## THIS WEEK AT KONA UMC

### Sunday, 12/19

### 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent

- 8:30 am In-Person Worship & via FACEBOOK
- 10:00 am English Language Worship / FACEBOOK
- 11:00 am Tongan Language Worship / FACEBOOK
- 1:00 pm Children's Church / FACEBOOK
- 3:00 pm Tongan Language In-Person Worship

### Tuesday, 12/21

- 7:30 am Morning Devotion Bible Reading via Zoom
- 12:00 pm Feeding the Homeless @ the Shelter

### Wednesday, 12/22

- 7:15 am Morning Walk @ Old Kona Airport Garden
- 7:00 pm Tongan Prayer Meeting / LIVE-STREAM

### Thursday, 12/23

- 7:30 am Morning Devotion Bible Reading via Zoom

### Friday, 12/24

- 7:15 am Morning Walk @ Old Kona Airport Garden
- 6:30 pm Christmas Eve Mini-Concert
- 7:00 pm Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

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