

ORDER OF WORSHIP: IN-PERSON/ONLINE

December 26, 2021

8:30am / 10:00am

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

Alice Morris, Welcoming Ministry Lay Leader @ 8:30am

Vernon Lowrey, a Member of Kona UMC @ 10am

GATHERING SONG

“Sanctuary”

TFWS 2164

Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary,

Pure and holy, tried and true.

With thanksgiving, I'll be a living sanctuary for you.

CALL TO CARE-O-LING

Initiation

Rev. Dr. Ahn

Prayer for Care-O-Ling

Almighty God, in Jesus Christ You taught us to pray, and to offer our petitions to You in His name. Guide us by Your Holy Christmas Spirit, that our prayers for others may serve Your will and show Your steadfast love; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*Carol “Hark! the Herald Angels Sing” UMH 240

1. Hark! the herald angels sing, / “Glory to the newborn King; / peace on earth, and mercy mild, / God and sinners reconciled!” / Joyful, all ye nations rise, / join the triumph of the skies; / with th’ angelic host proclaim, / “Christ is born in Bethlehem!” / Hark! the herald angels sing, / “Glory to the newborn King!”

2. Christ, by highest heaven adored; / Christ, the everlasting Lord; / late in time behold him come, / offspring of a virgin’s womb. / Veiled in flesh the Godhead see; / hail th’ incarnate Deity, / pleased with us in flesh to dwell, / Jesus, our Emmanuel. / Hark! the herald angels sing, / “Glory to the newborn King!”

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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3. Hail the heaven born Prince of Peace! / Hail the Sun of Righteousness! / Light and life to all he brings, / risen with healing in his wings. / Mild he lays his glory by, / born that we no more may die, / born to raise us from the earth, / born to give us second birth. / Hark! the herald angels sing, / “Glory to the newborn King!”

CARE FOR THE WORLD

Alice Morris

Stating the Reality

Prayer for the World

God our Creator, You made all things in Your wisdom and love. We pray for the whole creation—the world You have created. Overthrow evil powers in this world, right what is wrong, feed and satisfy those who thirst for justice, so that all Your children may freely enjoy the world you have made, and joyfully sing Your praises; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

CARE FOR THE CHURCH

Tim Brady

Stating the Reality

Prayer for the Church

Gracious God, You have called us to be the church of Jesus Christ. Keep us one in faith and service, breaking bread together, and proclaiming the Good News of Jesus Christ to the world. So that all may witness Your presence with us, turn to Your ways, and live in the light of Your truth, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

CARE FOR THE SICK & THOSE WHO CONCERN

Les Miller

Sharing ‘Ohana Joys & 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.)

SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 51:16-17

Nari Molimau @ 8:30am; Evelyn Isabelo @ 10am

Leader: This is the Word of the Holy Scripture.

People: Thanks be to God!

HYMN OF PREPARATION

(sing 2 times)

“Open Hearts, Open Minds, Open Doors”

Oh God we greet you

with open hearts, open minds, open doors.

Each day we seek you

with open hearts, open minds, open doors.

Each day we need you. Each day we greet you.

Each day we seek you. Enter our hearts today.

*AN AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (insert) Alice Morris @ 8:30am

Written by Glory E. Dharmaraj, Ph.D. Nancy Lowrey @ 10am

SERMON “The Story (12.5): The Trials of a King” Rev. Dr. Ahn

MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

Alice Morris @ 8:30am

Vernon Lowrey @ 10am

*HYMN

“Count Your Blessings”

(insert)

1. When upon life’s billows you are tempest-tossed, / When you are discouraged, thinking all is lost, / Count your many blessings; name them one by one, / And it will surprise you what the Lord hath done.

(Refrain) **Count your blessings, name them one by one: / Count your blessing, See what God hath done; / Count your blessings, name them one by one; / Count your many blessings, see what God hath done.**

2. Are you ever burdened with a load of care? / Does the cross seem heavy you are called to bear? / Count your many blessings, ev’ry doubt will fly, / And you will be singing as the days go by. (Refrain)

3. When you look at others with their lands and gold, / Think that Christ has promised you His wealth untold; / Count your many blessings, money cannot buy / Your reward in heaven, nor your home on high. (Refrain)

4. So, amid the conflict, whether great or small, / Do not be discouraged, God is over all; / Count your many blessings, angels will attend, / Help and comfort give you to your journey’s end. (Refrain)

SHARING OUR GIFTS

***CLOSING CIRCLE [TFWS 2235-b] @ 8:30am**
We are marching in the light of God, we are marching in the light of God. (x2) We are marching, we are marching, ooo..we are marching in the light of God. (x2)

***BENEDICTION**



NEWS & MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

Youth Year-Ending Movie Outing (Thursday, 12/30, 1:30pm):
To end the year 2021 in a fun day, Kona UMC Youth will have a movie outing watching “Spider-Man.” Please meet at the Regal Makalapua 10 Theater at 1:30pm for the show at 2:30pm. Please speak to Neo Mateaki or Sung Ahn.

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 with a memo indicating “Scholarship Fund.” Please contact Neo Mateaki, Gloria Juan, Joyce Brady, or Pastor Sunny if you have any questions.

Blessing of the Animals (Sunday, 1/30, 9:30am): Humans have coexisted with God’s other creations—such as pets in our homes. In this service, we will acknowledge them as members of the family by blessing them and encouraging us to respect all of God’s creation.

Online Giving: Kona UMC offers several online giving options. You may visit our church website (konaumc.com) and click the giving icon on the home page OR contact Bill Jaeger (bjaegerhawaii@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!



THIS WEEK AT KONA UMC

- Sunday, 12/26**
 - 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, 12/28**
 - 7:30 am Morning Devotion Bible Reading via Zoom
- Wednesday, 12/29**
 - 7:15 am Morning Walk @ Old Kona Airport Garden
 - 7:00 pm Tongan Prayer Meeting / LIVE-STREAM
- Thursday, 12/30**
 - 7:30 am Morning Devotion Bible Reading via Zoom
 - 1:30 pm Youth Movie Outing @ Regal Makalapua 10
- Friday, 12/31**
 - 7:15 am Morning Walk @ Old Kona Airport Garden
- Sunday, 1/2**
 - 8:30 am Joint In-Person Worship & via FACEBOOK
 - 10:00 am English Language Worship / FACEBOOK
 - 1:00 pm Children’s Church / FACEBOOK

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*1st Sunday after Christmas
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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.