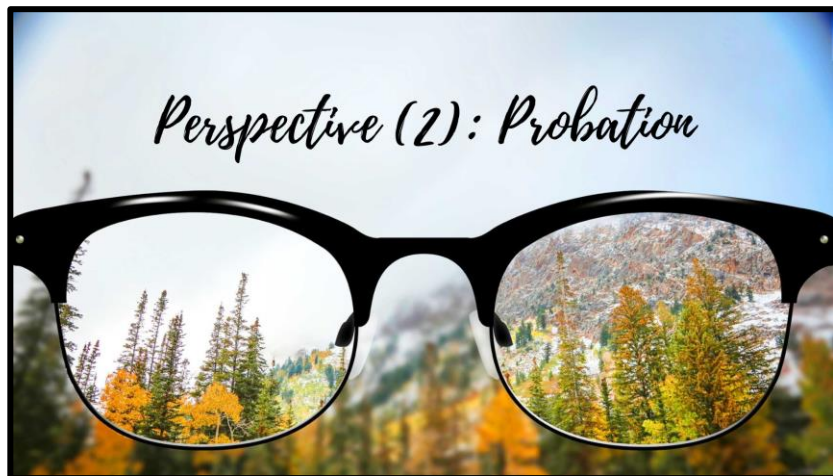




*1st Sunday in Lent
February 26, 2023*



*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

February 26, 2023

8:30am

CALL TO WORSHIP

Numbers 6:24-26

**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. (x3)
(The Congregation will join in the 3rd repeat.)
Amen.**

WELCOME / GREETINGS

Nancy Bloomfield, Liturgist

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.**

TIME OF PRAYER

Les Miller

Kokua Moment

‘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”

**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

“Praise to the Lord, the Almighty”

UMH 139 (vs. 1-2, 4-5)

- 1. Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, / the King of creation! / O my soul, praise
him, / for he is thy health and salvation! / All ye who hear, / now to his temple
draw near; / join me in glad adoration!**
- 2. Praise to the Lord, who o’er / all things so wondrously reigning / bears thee on
eagle’s wings, / e’er in his keeping maintaining. / God’s care enfolds / all, whose
true good he upholds. / Hast thou not known his sustaining?**

4. Praise to the Lord, who doth / nourish thy life and restore thee, / fitting thee well for the / tasks that are ever before thee. / Then to thy need / God as a mother doth speed, / spreading the wings of grace o'er thee.

5. Praise to the Lord! O let / all that is in me adore him! / All that hath life and breath, / come now with praises before him! / Let the amen / sound from his people again; / gladly forever adore him.

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

Welcoming Hymn #557 "Blest Be the Tie That Binds" (v. 1)

Blest be the tie that binds / our hearts in Christian love; / the fellowship of kindred minds / is like to that above.

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 4:1-13

Nancy Lowrey

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.**

SERMON

"Perspective (2): Probation"

Rev. Dr. Sunny Ahn

SPECIAL MUSIC

Sally Martens, Flutist

MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

Nancy Bloomfield

*HYMN

"Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days"

UMH 269

1. Lord, who throughout these forty days / for us didst fast and pray, / teach us with thee to mourn our sins / and close by thee to stay.

2. As thou with Satan didst contend, / and didst the victory win, / O give us strength in thee to fight, / in thee to conquer sin.

3. As thou didst hunger bear, and thirst, / so teach us, gracious Lord, / to die to self, and chiefly live / by thy most holy word.

4. And through these days of penitence, / and through thy passiontide, / yea, evermore in life and death, / Jesus, with us abide.

5. Abide with us, that so, this life / of suffering over past, / an Easter of unending joy / we may attain at last.

***SHARING OUR GIFTS**

Rev. Dr. Ahn

You are encouraged to mail your offering to the church office
OR set up electronic giving (Online Giving).
Please visit our website (konaumc.com) or contact Bill Jaeger.

***CLOSING CIRCLE**

UMH 585

This little light of mine, / I'm goin'-a let it shine, (x 3)
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

***BENEDICTION**

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!

WEEKLY MINISTRY @ KONA UMC

- **SUNDAY HYBRID WORSHIP @ 8:30AM:** Join in the Sanctuary OR via Facebook-Live.
- **SUNDAY ONLINE CHILDREN'S CHURCH @ 1:00PM:** Join KUMC Children's Church on Facebook.
- **SUNDAY IN-PERSON TONGAN CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL @ 2:00PM (except the 1st Sunday of the month).**
- **SUNDAY TONGAN HYBRID WORSHIP @ 3:00PM (except the 1st Sunday of the month).** Join in the Sanctuary OR via Facebook-Live.
- **TUESDAY & THURSDAY MORNING DEVOTION BIBLE READING @ 7:30AM** can be joined via ZOOM-LIVE [Meeting ID: 864 4097 0919; Password: KUMC].

ALTAR FLOWER DEDICATION

Today's altar flower is given
by Nancy Bloomfield in honor of Ruth Franks

NEWS & MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

Joint HUI Lenten Study 2023 via Zoom (Mondays at 7pm till 4/3): This study can be joined via Zoom (Meeting ID: 865 6881 2653; Passcode: HUI).

Lenten Booklet 2023 from Hawaii District is available at the Ministry Table during the 8:30am in-person worship and in the church office during office hours. Please pick one if you want to use it to enhance your Lenten journey.

Keiki Easter Egg Hunt: Education Ministry Team is bringing back our annual ‘in-person’ Keiki Easter Egg Hunt. On Easter Sunday, April 9th, it will begin twenty minutes after the 8:30am ‘in-person’ service. We are seeking donations of plastic eggs and candies to fill them. Donations will be accepted from Sunday, March 12th – Sunday, April 2nd. If you would like to help out on Easter Sunday, please contact Neo Mateaki, Gloria Juan, Alice Morris or Sue Pyun for more information.

All Church Work Party (Saturday, 3/18, 9am-3pm): All are invited to join the “all church work party” as a “Lenten Practice” to clean up our church and fix things that belong to the house of the Lord. All skills are needed. More detailed information will be provided later. Please contact Arnold von Kaenel or Walter Hoponoa.

Overview of the Holy Week Journey @ Kona UMC:

- **Palm Sunday (4/2, 8:30am, Hybrid Worship):** featuring a children’s palm processional in remembering the “triumphal entry” of Jesus into Jerusalem.
- **Maundy Thursday (4/6, 7pm, Hybrid Worship)** with the Lord’s Supper & Hand Washing.
- **Good Friday (4/7, 7pm, Hybrid Worship)** featuring a Tenebrae Service (Service of Shadows).
- **Holy Saturday (4/8, 5pm)** joining ‘the Stations of the Cross’ at Grace Community Church.
- **Easter Sunday (4/9):**
 - **6am-** Community ‘Sonrise’ Service @ Old Airport
 - **7am (Hybrid Worship)-** Kona UMC’s Sunrise Service followed by a ‘donut/coffee’ fellowship.
 - **8:30am (Hybrid Worship)-** featuring Kona UMC’s unique tradition of ‘The Easter Cross,’ and the singing of Handel’s ‘Hallelujah Chorus.’
 - **9:50am-** Keiki Easter Egg Hunt

Online Giving: You may visit our church website (KonaUMC.com) 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!



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*: Luke 13:31-35
Scripture Readings for the Week: Genesis 12:1-4a;
Psalm 121; Romans 4:1-5, 13-17; John 3:1-17

THIS WEEK AT KONA UMC

Sunday, 2/26

8:30 am In-Person Worship & via FACEBOOK
1:00 pm Children's Church / FACEBOOK
2:00 pm Tongan Sunday School
3:00 pm Tongan In-Person Worship & via FACEBOOK

Monday, 2/27

7:00 pm HUI Lenten Study via Zoom

Tuesday, 2/28

7:30 am Morning Devotion Bible Reading via Zoom

Wednesday, 3/1

10:30 am Staff Meeting
7:00 pm Tongan In-Person Worship

Thursday, 3/2

7:30 am Men's Breakfast @ Denny's & Church Beautification
7:30 am Morning Devotion Bible Reading via Zoom

Saturday, 3/4

4:00 pm Leadership Team Meeting

Sunday, 3/5

8:30 am Joint In-Person Worship & via FACEBOOK
1:00 pm Children's Church / FACEBOOK

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