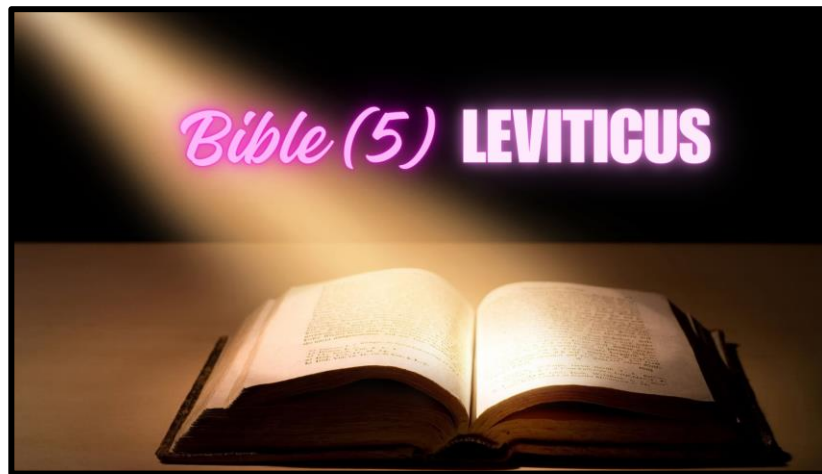




*5th Sunday after the Epiphany
February 4, 2024*



*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 4, 2024

8:30am

CALL TO WORSHIP

Numbers 6:24-26

(Congregation, please join in the 3rd repeat.)

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) / Amen.

WELCOME / GREETINGS

Damien Kave, Liturgist

GATHERING SONG

“Sanctuary”

TFWS 2164 (x2)

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

Marjorie Winfough

Kokua Moment

‘Ohana Joys and Concerns

Congregational Prayer

The Lord’s Prayer

Our Father, which 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 debts, / as we forgive our debtors. / And lead us not into temptation, / but deliver us from evil: / for thine is the Kingdom, / and the power, / and the glory, / forever. / Amen.

*Prayer Response

“The Queen’s Prayer”

‘O kou a-lo-ha no. A-i-a i-ka la-ni,

A ’o Kou ‘o-ia ‘i –‘o, He he-mo-le-le ho‘i. A me-ne.

(Your love is in Heaven and Your truth so perfect.)

*HYMN

“Take Time to Be Holy”

UMH 395

- 1. Take time to be holy, / speak oft with thy Lord; / abide in him always, / and feed on his word. / Make friends of God’s children, / help those who are weak, / forgetting in nothing / his blessing to seek.**
- 2. Take time to be holy, / the world rushes on; / spend much time in secret / with Jesus alone. / By looking to Jesus, / like him thou shalt be; / thy friends in thy conduct / his likeness shall see.**

3. Take time to be holy, / let him be thy guide, / and run not before him, / whatever betide. / In joy or in sorrow, / still follow the Lord, / and, looking to Jesus, / still trust in his word.

4. Take time to be holy, / be calm in thy soul, / each thought and each motive / beneath his control. / Thus led by his spirit / to fountains of love, / thou soon shalt be fitted / for service above.

SCRIPTURE READING

1 Thessalonians 4:3

Pastor Lavaka

Leader: This is the Word of God for the people of God.

People: Thanks be to God!

ANTHEM

KUMC Tongan Choir (Semisi Talasinga, Director)

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

“Bible (5): Leviticus”

Rev. Dr. Sunny Ahn

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

Invitation

The Great Thanksgiving

Sharing the Loaf and Cup

Prayer after Communion

Eternal God, we give You thanks for this holy mystery in which You have given Yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of Your Spirit, to give ourselves for others, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

Damien Kava

*HYMN

“To God Be the Glory”

UMH 98

1. To God be the glory, / great things he hath done! / So loved he the world that he gave us his Son, / who yielded his life an atonement for sin, / and opened the life-gate that all may go in.

(Refrain) Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, / let the earth hear his voice! / Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, / let the people rejoice! / O come to the Father thru Jesus the Son, / and give him the glory, / great things he hath done!

2. O perfect redemption, / the purchase of blood, / to every believer the promise of God; / the vilest offender who truly believes, / that moment from Jesus a pardon receives. *(Refrain)*

3. Great things he hath taught us, / great things he hath done, / and great our rejoicing thru Jesus the Son; / but purer, and higher, and greater will be / our wonder, our transport, when Jesus we see. *(Refrain)*

***Doxology**

UMH 95

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; / praise God, all creatures here below; / praise God above, ye heavenly host; / praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

***BLESSING OUR GIFTS**

Pastor Lavaka

***CLOSING CIRCLE** **“I Have Decided to Follow Jesus”** **TFWS 2129 (x2)**

I have decided to follow Jesus, / I have decided to follow Jesus, / I have decided to follow Jesus / no turning back, no turning back.

***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 worshiping with us. E Komo Mai & Mahalo!

ALTAR FLOWER DEDICATION

Today's altar flowers are given by Sue Pyun.



NEWS & MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

Food & Fellowship Sunday (Next Sunday, 1st Sunday of the Month, 2/4): The first Sunday of the month at Kona UMC is the “Food & Fellowship” Sunday. Please bring a dish to share if desired. Questions? Please contact Sung Ahn.

Blessing of the Animals (Sunday, 2/4, 10am): We will acknowledge them as members of the family by blessing them and encouraging us to respect all of God’s creation.

Renewal of the Marriage/Relationship Vow (Sunday, 2/11): We are offering a moment to renew the Marriage/Relationship Vow during worship. In addition to your spouse/partner in life, you may also bring a symbol to exchange with one another.

Ash Wednesday (2/14, @ 7pm): Ash Wednesday Service at Kona UMC is a Taize Service including the traditional imposition of ashes. This service is a hybrid service that can be joined In-Person or via Facebook Live. A prefilled “ash” cup for the self-imposition of ashes will be provided. Please contact the Church Office if you would like to have one to participate in the service via Facebook Live.

Lent 2024 @ Kona UMC (2/14-3/28): Lent is a 40-day season of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving that begins on Ash Wednesday and ends at sundown on Holy Thursday. It's a period of preparation to celebrate the Lord's Resurrection at Easter.

Joint HUI Lenten Study 2024 via Zoom (6 weeks, starting Monday, 2/19, 7pm): *“Embracing the Uncertain: A Lenten Study for Unsteady Times”* by Magrey deVega will be used for this joint study. Please purchase the book before the class at Amazon.com. Please speak to the pastors from each church for more information.

Pulpit Exchange (Sundays, 2/18 & 2/25): Rev. Gary Williams, the Senior Pastor at Saint Mark United Methodist Church in Los Angeles, California, and Pastor Sunny will do the pulpit exchange for two Sundays, February 18 and February 25. This means Rev. Gary Williams and his wife, Mrs. Myrna Williams, will stay at the parsonage from February 16 through February 26.

Membership Class in March: If you'd like to become a member of our church family, please contact the Director of Membership, Sue Pyun or the office for more information.

Cambodia Mission Trip (5/12-25): Kona UMC’s Cambodia Mission Trip includes visiting Cambodia (5/12-19), Vietnam (5/19-22), and Korea (5/22-25). You can join the whole 14 days of this trip or partially. Please speak to Pastor Sunny for more information.

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!



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*: Exodus 34:29-35; Mark 9:1-8

Bible Readings for the Week:

02/04 (Sun): Lev 13-15 & John 2

02/05 (M): Lev 16-18 & John 3

02/06 (T): Lev 19-21 & John 4

02/07 (W): Lev 22-24 & John 5

02/08 (Th): Lev 25-27 & John 6

02/09 (F): Num 1-2 & John 7

02/10 (Sat): Num 3-4 & John 8

02/11 (Sun): Ps 17-20

THIS WEEK AT KONA UMC

Sunday, 2/4

- 8:30 am Joint In-Person Worship & via FACEBOOK
- 9:30 am Food & Fellowship
- 10:00 am Blessing of the Animals
- 10:20 am Sunday School for Children @ Larger Classroom
- 10:20 am Sunday School for Youth @ Smaller Classroom

Tuesday, 2/6

- 7:30 am Morning Devotion Bible Reading via Zoom

Wednesday, 2/7

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

Thursday, 2/8

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

Sunday, 2/11

- 8:30 am In-Person Worship & via FACEBOOK
- 10:00 am American Sign Language (ASL) Class @ Smaller Classroom
- 2:00 pm Tongan Sunday School
- 3:00 pm Tongan In-Person Worship & via FACEBOOK

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