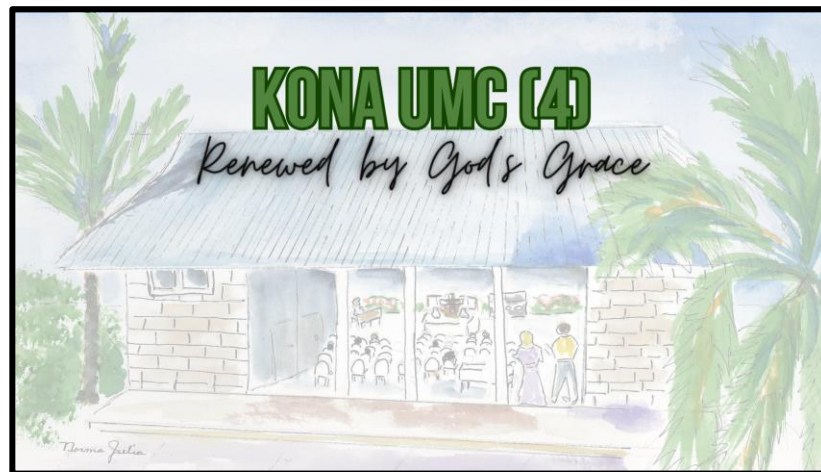




*Palm Sunday  
March 24, 2024*



*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

March 24, 2024

8:30am

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CALL TO WORSHIP

Numbers 6:24-26

*(Congregation, please join in the 3<sup>rd</sup> 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

Alice Morris,

Welcoming Ministry Team Lay Leader

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

“Hosanna, Loud Hosanna”

UMH 278

- 1. Hosanna, loud hosanna, the little children sang; / through pillared court and temple the lovely anthem rang. / To Jesus, who had blessed them close folded to his breast, / the children sang their praises, the simplest and the best.**
- 2. From Olivet they followed mid an exultant crowd, / the victor palm branch waving, and chanting clear and loud. / The Lord of earth and heaven rode on in lowly state, / nor scorned that little children should on his bidding wait.**

**3. “Hosanna in the highest!” that ancient song we sing, / for Christ is our Redeemer, the Lord of heaven our King. / O may we ever praise him with heart and life and voice, / and in his blissful presence eternally rejoice!**

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

*(see insert)*

SCRIPTURE READING

Lamentations 3:22-23

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

“Kona UMC (4): Renewed by God’s Grace”

Rev. Dr. Sunny Ahn

MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

Alice Morris

**\*HYMN**

**“Great Is Thy Faithfulness”**

**UMH 140**

**1. Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father; / there is no shadow of turning with thee; / thou changest not, thy compassions, they fail not; / as thou hast been, thou forever wilt be.**

*(Refrain)* **Great is thy faithfulness! / Great is thy faithfulness! / Morning by morning new mercies I see; / all I have needed thy hand hath provided; / great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!**

**2. Summer and winter and springtime and harvest, / sun, moon, and stars in their courses above / join with all nature in manifold witness / to thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love. *(Refrain)***

**3. Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth, / thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide; strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow, / blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside! *(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**

Rev. Dr. Ahn

**\*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**

**Rev. Dr. Ahn**

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  
in honor of Paulina Ikeda's birthday and Sue's brother, Richard's birthday.

### **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*:** Proverbs 29:18

#### **Bible Readings for the Week:**

**03/24 (Sun):** Josh 9-10 & Matt 13

**03/25 (M):** Josh 11-12

**03/26 (T):** Josh 13-14 & Matt 14

**03/27 (W):** Ps 37-40

**03/28 (Th):** Josh 15-16 & Matt 15

**03/29 (F):** Josh 17-18

**03/30 (Sat):** Josh 19-20 & Matt 16

**03/31 (Sun):** Josh 21-22

  
**KINDNESS  
MATTERS**



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## NEWS & MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

### **Joint HUI Lenten Study 2024 via Zoom (6 weeks, starting Monday, 2/19, 7pm):**

This study can be joined via Zoom (Meeting ID: 865 6881 2653; Passcode: HUI).

**Keiki Easter Egg Hunt:** The Welcoming Ministry Team and the Education Ministry Team are jointly bringing our annual ‘in-person’ Keiki Easter Egg Hunt on Easter Sunday, March 31<sup>st</sup>. We are accepting donations of small bags of individually wrapped candy until Sunday, March 24<sup>th</sup>. We need help with filling the eggs. Want to help? Please contact Neo Mateaki, Gloria Juan, Alice Morris, or Sue Pyun.

**Palm Sunday (3/24, 8:30am, Hybrid Worship):** Palm Sunday is the day we remember the “triumphal entry” of Jesus into Jerusalem exactly one week before His resurrection (Easter, Matthew 21:1-11).

**Maundy Thursday (3/28, 7pm, Hybrid Worship):** Maundy Thursday is the day to commemorate the Washing of the Feet and the Last Supper of Jesus Christ with His Disciples. Instead of the feet-washing, Kona UMC’s Maundy Thursday service features the Lord’s Supper with Hand Washing.

**Good Friday (3/29, 7pm, Hybrid Worship):** Good Friday is the day commemorating the crucifixion of Jesus and His death at Calvary. Kona UMC’s Good Friday Service is a Tenebrae Service (Service of Shadows), recreating the emotional aspects of the passion story with the stripping of the sanctuary to dramatize the desolation, abandonment, and darkness of the passion and death of our Lord. The service ends in darkness and silence.

**Holy Saturday (3/30, 5pm):** The Stations of the Cross is a devotional mini pilgrimage. We will meet at Grace Community Church at 5pm.

### **Easter Sunday/Kona UMC’s 35<sup>th</sup> Anniversary (3/31):**

- **6am-** Community “Sonrise” Service @ Old Airport
- **7am (Hybrid Worship)-** Kona UMC’s Sunrise Service will be held in the backyard of the parsonage for a casual celebration of the Resurrection of our Lord followed by a ‘donut/coffee’ fellowship.
- **8:30am (Hybrid Worship)-** featuring Kona UMC’s unique tradition of ‘The Easter Cross.’ Please bring flowers and/or greens from your yard. The service will be followed by the fellowship. Please bring a dish to share during the fellowship after church for celebrating the 35<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the church.
- **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!



## THIS WEEK AT KONA UMC

- Sunday, 3/24 Palm Sunday**  
8:30 am In-Person Worship & via FACEBOOK  
2:00 pm Tongan Sunday School  
3:00 pm Tongan In-Person Worship & via FACEBOOK
- Monday, 3/25**  
7:00 pm Joint HUI Lenten Study via Zoom
- Tuesday, 3/26**  
7:30 am Morning Devotion Bible Reading via Zoom  
12:00 pm Feeding the Homeless @ the Shelter
- Wednesday, 3/27**  
10:30 am Staff Meeting  
7:00 pm Tongan In-Person Worship
- Thursday, 3/28 Maundy Thursday**  
7:30 am Men's Breakfast @ Denny's & Church Clean Up  
7:30 am Morning Devotion Bible Reading via Zoom  
7:00 pm Maundy Thursday Service & via FACEBOOK
- Friday, 3/29 Good Friday**  
2:00 pm Tongan Easter Camp  
7:00 pm Tenebrae Service & via FACEBOOK
- Saturday, 3/30 Holy Saturday**  
10:00 am 'Ukulele  
11:30 am Tongan Easter Camp  
5:00 pm The Stations of the Cross @ Grace Community Church
- Sunday, 3/31 Easter Sunday**  
6:00 am Community "Sonrise" Service @ Old Airport  
7:00 am Kona UMC's Sunrise Service followed by a 'donut/coffee' fellowship @ Parsonage backyard  
8:30 am Joint n-Person Worship & via FACEBOOK  
9:50 am Keiki Easter Egg Hunt  
10:30 am Brunch Fellowship

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