THE BEACON

The Newsletter of the Waialua United Church of Christ 67-174 Farrington Highway Waialua, Hawaii PO Box 663, Waialua, HI 96791 July 2020, Vol 3

A message from our Pastor

Dear Members and Friends.

The day has finally arrived! We had our first in-person worship service on July 5th since being quarantined for nearly four months. The world has changed so

drastically since the pandemic began in March, and so has our worship service.

While being forced to stay at home, we tried to stay connected with you by offering an online version of our worship service. But, of course, it pales in comparison to being together in person, face to face. On Sunday, it was wonderful seeing familiar faces, albeit hidden behind a variety of fancy facemasks. Those who attended the service noticed some significant changes due to COVID-19. Please see our COVID Church Policy, which is included in this issue of The Beacon. These guidelines have been put in place to protect the health and well-being of all who come to our church.

The COVID virus is still out there in our community. Therefore, attending our worship service is a decision you and your family will need to prayerfully make. Some of you have already returned to church, while others may not feel ready just yet. And that's okay. You can continue to watch our worship service online from home. In either case, let the Holy Spirit speak to you and guide your decision.

Finally, as I announced earlier this year, Christy and I will be moving to the mainland in the month of August. Therefore, my last in-person worship service will be on Sunday, August 9th. Christy, Claire, and I feel so blessed to be a part of this

church family. I love you all with all my heart. I know God will continue to bless

Yours in Christ.

Waialua United Church of Christ.

Be well and know that God is with you always.





SCRIPTURE OF THE MONTH

Forget the former things; do not dwell on the past. See, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up; do you not perceive it? I am making a way in the wilderness and streams in the wasteland.

(Isaiah 43:18-19)

Coronavirus (COVID-19) Church Policy

Waialua United Church of Christ July 2020

The Coronavirus (COVID-19) Church Policy includes steps we are actively taking to mitigate the spread of coronavirus. We prayerfully request these guidelines be followed to maintain a healthy and safe church environment for staff, church members, and visitors alike. Our policy will take into account the recommendations set forth by our state and local government health departments and the Center of Disease Control (CDC). Due to the changing nature of the virus spread, the policy may be subject to modifications.

Church campus will be open on Wednesday, July 1, 2020.

Our first in-person church worship service will be on Sunday, July 5, 2020.

We pray for the Holy Spirit's discernment, patience, and wisdom to guide our decisions going forward.

General Buildings - Sanctuary, Administration Offices, Social Hall, Classrooms

- High-risk individuals (people over 65 with underlying health conditions), whether staff, church members, volunteers, or visitors are urged to stay at home if you do not feel safe being with groups of people.
- COVID-19 signage will be placed in strategic locations on our church campus.
- Signs will be posted indicating symptoms and urging people to stay home/seek medical attention if you are experiencing symptoms.
- Prior to opening, buildings will be cleaned using disinfectants as recommended by the CDC, paying extra attention to high-touch surfaces.
- Hand sanitizers, soap, and disposable paper towels will be made available.
- Face masks required while on the church campus.

Worship Service

- Face masks required.
- Avoid coming to church if you had any COVID-19 symptoms such as fever, coughing, or other respiratory symptoms.
- Avoid coming to church if you recently had sustained or repeated contact with someone with COVID-19 symptoms.
- Attendance and contact information will be taken prior to entry of all church members and visitors for purposes of contact tracing if it becomes necessary.
- Hand sanitizer stations will be accessible.
- Maintain social distancing (6 feet).
- Refrain from physical contact, i.e., hugging, handshakes, kissing, etc.
- Keep doorways clear to avoid "bottlenecks."
- When entering the sanctuary, please follow the directions of ushers who will determine the seating location of each household unit. Maintain social distancing.
- At the end of the worship service, please follow the directions of ushers who will assist you in exiting in an orderly manner while maintaining social distancing.
- Refreshments after the worship service will be suspended. You are encouraged not to mingle but simply return directly to your cars.
- Online virtual worship services will continue for those wishing to remain at home.

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- We will not be singing during the worship service. Studies have shown that singing poses a substantial threat of spreading droplets containing the virus over a significant distance. A cloth mask will not provide enough protection for you or your neighbor.
- Holy Communion will be suspended until further notice.
- Baptisms will be conducted outside of the main service with small groups (10 or less) for the time being.
- Sunday School will be suspended.
- Pledge/Offering box will be made available.
- Hymnals, bibles, envelopes, pencils, and other items in the pews will be removed to prevent sharing of items.
- Cleaning will take place after the worship service.
- There will be no in-person Vacation Bible Camp.

Church Business

- Regular office functions can resume while maintaining social distancing and wearing masks.
 Individual office workspaces should be sanitized while paying particular attention to high touch surfaces.
- Church Council and other committee meetings of less than 10 may meet in person while wearing masks and social distancing. It is highly recommended to continue to meet online via Zoom.

Renters

- Renters will be required to review the church's COVID-19 policy and submit their own plan outlining their COVID risk management protocol for their constituents. The renters' plan shall be reviewed by a designated church committee.
- All participants shall wear face masks.
- All participants shall practice social distancing (6 feet apart).
- All renters must provide their own sanitizing wipes and disinfectants for their equipment.
- All renters must review and sign Waialua United Church of Christ's COVID-19 Church Policy attesting to their understanding and compliance with the policy as an addendum to their current rental contract.

Funerals

- Funerals should be conducted in compliance with the guidelines of the funeral directors' understanding of COVID-19 state and county guidelines.
- If a funeral is held at the church facility, the same hygienic safety regulations for funerals should apply as for public worship service.
- Burial services at the graveside should be in harmony with state and county regulations.

Weddings

The same COVID-19 protocols should apply for weddings as for worship services.

The foregoing COVID-19 church policy is not intended to be an all-encompassing list of things to be considered and addressed as our church reopens. As unforeseen issues arise, the pastor and church leadership will address them on a case-by-case basis and make changes to the policy accordingly.

Thank you for your anticipated cooperation in following this policy as we continue to discern God's mission for the church during these challenging times.

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Blessings in a Bag

WAIALUA UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

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Donate new (or unused) school supplies to the Waialua United Church of Christ Youth Outreach Program. The youth will be distributing the supplies to Haleiwa & Waialua Elementary Schools & Waialua High & Intermediate School. Contact Juni Calaro at (808) 429-2101 for more information.

Drop off by July 26, 2020



If you would like to sponsor a child. included on this page are the school supply lists for Waialua Elementary School.



WAIALUA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

2020-21 SCHOOL SUPPLIES (GRADES 1 - 6) SCHOOL STARTS ON WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 5th, 2020



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ALL PERSONAL ITEMS SHOULD BE PERMANENTLY MARKED WITH CHILD'S NAME

KINDERGARTEN SUPPLY LIST

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Waialua Elementary School

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PLEASE BRING ALL OF YOUR CHILD'S SUPPLIES & SCHOOL FEES ON THE FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL

CLASS FEE: #4 (JOURNAL, SOAP)

□1 - Crayons (Crayola*), 8 Count. Large Size, (NO JUMBO or Fluorescent) □4 - Crayons (Crayola*), 24 Count,

Regular Size

□2 - Facial tissue box

□4 - Paper towel rolls (Kirkland*)

□3 - Glue (Elmer's*), White 4 oz □24 - No. 2 pencils sharpened

□1 - Pack pencil cap erasers

□2 - Large pink erasers
□2 - EXPO Dry Erase Markers, Black (rounded tip*, not chiseled)

□1 - Scissors, safety type with stainless steel blade & plastic handle (FISKARS*)

□1 - container disinfectant wipes (Clorox or Lysol*)

□1 - Can of spray disinfectant (Lysol*)
□1 - apron or old shirt

□1 - Set of extra clothing (top, bottom, and underpants)

□1 - School backpack, large size, NO WHEELS

□1 - Bath towel for resting (NO beach towels or folding mat)

□1 - Covered shoes (to be kept at home for PE/Field Trip days) STUDENTS MUST

BE ABLE TO PUT SHOES ON

INDEPENDENTLY - NO LACE UP SHOES

□1 - Small plastic cup/water bottle

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Since we do have leftover school supplies from last year, we will be using them to fill backpacks for this vear. All supplies collected will be divided among each backpack designated for an elementary or high

WES Pre-School Supply List 20-21 Please label all personal items with your child's name.

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Personal Items

2 complete sets of clothes (underwear, top/t-shirt, shorts/pants) placed in re-sealable (e.g. ziploc gallon size) plastic bags

Diapers, pull-ups, and baby wipes (if your child is potty training) **please bring enough supplies for the week

Reusable water bottle (will be taken home dailu) Small pillow and blanket or small sleeping bag

Crayola crayons 1 set of watercolors

1 blank composition book

1 box of 8 Jumbo/Large

School Supplies

1 pencil box

1 binder (1-inch) 2 folders with 3 hole-punch

4 rolls of paper towels

2 boxes of tissue

3 containers of disinfectant wipes (e.g. Clorox, Lysol, or Kirkland disinfectant wipes

for surfaces) 1 bottle of Lysol Disinfectant spray (girls buy only**)

1 bottle of hand sanitizer (boys buy only**)

Please bring the following items to school on your child's first day.



FOR YOUR CHILD:

school student.

1- Extra set of clothing (to be kept in class cubby) Please bring on Meet The Teacher Day.

ered shoes (kept at home for field trips & activity days) STUDENTS MUST BE ABLE TO PUT SHOES ON INDEPENDENTLY: NO LACES IF THEY DO NOT KNOW HOW TO TIE THEM

school backpack: must be able to fit school folder, NO WHEELS.

- face mask (to be worn to and from school). Please wash daily.

1- small water bottle to bring to school every day (no more than 24 oz.)

*Wajalua REOUIRED Uniform (MUST order through the

MEET THE TEACHER Day: Monday, August 3rd



**Children can bring their own healthy snack. No snacks an be shared!

* NO HIGH SUGAR SNACKS/CANDY!

* NO SODA!



We are in need of essential supplies such as tissue, Clorox/Lysol wipes, hand sanitizers, hand soap, and glue.

*To view full school supply list, please go to their school website.

Youth Group By Cil & Dale Andres



Four months have passed since the coronavirus pandemic shut our society down and replaced all normalcy in our daily lives. Halfway through 2020, we are faced with a "new normal" yet there is great

promise ahead as the youth look to the end of this unprecedented first year of the new decade. Many activities and events were cancelled as group gatherings including church services were restricted. As the reality of the coronavirus pandemic set in, the initial feelings of anxiety and fear were replaced with a restlessness and "cabin fever" for the many days of hunkering down at home.

Despite the chaos and confusion, our youth, like the rest of our church family, continue to be resilient and hopeful. Many are still at home having completed summer online classes since their respective schools closed their classrooms for an indefinite period and they now look forward to the start of the new school year. Whether it be face-to-face teaching or by virtual learning, our youth have the ability to adapt and thrive with the love and support of their families and the extended church ohana.

One main activity that brought our youth together, if just for a brief period, was the Youth Sunday worship held on May 31, Pentecost Sunday. Despite not having one of them share a main message, our youth participated by lay reading, reading of scripture, the children's message and doing a virtual choir as they sung an original praise song. Many thanks to our "techie" youth who put together the virtual choir by synchronizing the many voices to

the music. We praise God for the amazing things they can accomplish through the Lord who strengthens them.

Many of life's milestone events were celebrated in creative ways this past June. With the pandemic many are forced to think "out-of-the-box." One of our former youth, Pono Nahinu, graduated from Waialua High & Intermediate School. To celebrate this momentous event, his parents, Milton and Hinano, held a drive-by graduation party where the celebrant would stand outside his home as wellwishers, including many church members, drove by to offer their congratulations and gifts. A similar event was held for our Youth Assistant Leaders. Mike and Sabrina Rivers, as they celebrated a driveby baby shower as the couple were expecting their baby in early July. Congratulations to Mike and Sabrina as they welcomed baby Stella on July 10, 2020. One of God's many blessings during this time of uncertainty.

As the church reopened with services in July, we were glad and overjoyed to see our youth once again worshipping among the church ohana. Our youth continue to offer their messages of care, love and hope to the Waialua United Church of Christ family: "Hope everyone is doing well!", "Wash your hands, hydrate, keep active!", "Look on the bright side and be positive!", "Be productive!", "Be safe!!!!", "See your loved ones!", "Don't be scared, don't freak out!", "Be strong till this ends!", God is in charge!" and "Keep hope in God!"

This too will pass, and we are grateful that we can once again "...enter His gates with thanksgiving and His courts with praise..." with our beloved church family!



Congratulations Dono!

son of Milton and Hinano Nahinu

Waialua High School

Future plans: attend Pacific University at Forest Grove, Oregon on academic scholarship. Play college football and study kinesiology.





Congratulations Cassidu!

Cassidy Hernandez-Tamayo, daughter of Daniel Tamayo and Judy Hernandez

> University of Washington, Bachelors of Arts in Public Health

Future plans: pursue a Master's of Public Health at University of Southern California



We Welcome new life...



Stella Calíxta Tolentíno Rívers Born: July 10, 2020 8:29am Birth weight: 6lbs 1502 Birth Length: 20 1/4 inches Parents: Mike and Sabrina Rivers



Daesha Nahinu

Born: May 16, 2020 Bírth weight: 6lbs 70z Bírth Length: 18 1/2 inches Parents: David Nahínu & Natasha Sheldon

We Remember those who have gone before us.... ...they will truly be missed.



Audrey Hatsuko Corpuz December 1, 2019



Domíngo Cudal Galícínao, Jr. January 16, 2020



Juana Calaro Sabído May 30, 2020

\mathcal{PEWS} \mathcal{NEWS} by Kathy Lee

My ability to type on the computer was compromised by the need for cataract surgery. The event scheduled for March was postponed until the end of June. Colors are so much brighter and clearer! Thanks to **Florida Subia** for advising me on how the surgery would go as she also had the procedure at Kaiser a few months earlier. **Evelyn** Miyata also had the procedure done. I have some catching up to do and some of this information will be old news already! During the fifth Sunday of last September, also known as Youth Group Sunday, Erika Baguio blessed us with a song. Imelda and **Bugs** looked proudly. **Haley Pactol** gave an inspiring talk. A successful Rally Sunday was held at Tsue's farm off Joseph Leong bypass road. Special Sunday School folks were called up to receive recognition. A water slide added a fun activity. Kudos to the Christian Ed. committee. Lurline and Mits Matsumoto are now settled comfortably at 15 Craigside housing and they say everything is done for them. Son **Wesley** is now their driver. **Lurline** had a fall but is recovering well. **Bob** and **Helen** Kumasaka have added a great grandson to make a total of 6 with 5 princes and just one princess. I received a thank you note from Makana Milotta for my donation to Waipahu UCC in memory of Joe **Morita**. He is the pastor there now. New WUCC member **Antya Miller** was named North Shore Chamber of Commerce kama'aina of the year. An article in the North Shore News outlined how she grew up in the north shore and worked at the clinic started by her father **Dr. Rodman Miller**. She served as the director of Haleiwa Main Street which has tried to keep the rural atmosphere on the North Shore and also serves on the North Shore Neighborhood Board, Also attending our service was Kathleen Pahinui. Her late husband Bla was part of the musical slack key guitar playing Pahinui family. **Dolly Subia** again chaired our Christmas cookie sale and as always, the assembly line mixed, beat, scooped, checked, baked, cooled and bagged our famous treat. At 76, I got a little tired but couldn't complain standing next to helpers well into their 80's. Laurie Oishi was an all-around helper. She put up the Christmas paroles with the help of son Jarrin. It was nice to see Rollen Subia here for a short visit. Last November, I went with daughter **Jenny Lee** and her caregiver Denise Yoshida to California Pizza Kitchen in

Kapolei and then to see Tom Hanks portray Mr. Rogers. **Jenny** faithfully watched his show on PBS as a little girl. Sitting in her tiny tot wheelchair, she was encouraged when he would often say, "I like you just the way you are!" My granddaughter Makayla Green finished 5th grade at Trinity School on the principal's list. **Melody Deuz** was here for a short visit. At the Waialua Band Concert, I sat with **Juanita Andres** and **Helen Bajo** as they watched their grandchildren play. Juanita is a '55 graduate of Kahuku High School who didn't move to Waialua until she was married. She is the retired food service worker at Waialua El. Her oldest son **Larry**'s daughter **Elizabeth** was married last September. It was good to see **Ron** and **Susan Carlsword** in church. They report that son **Keoni** is now a Lt. Commander in the Navy and lives in Virginia. Sweet little **Serenity**, **Angel Calaro**'s baby girl, is seen in church and is getting bigger fast. Cassidy Hernandez-Tamayo graduated in March from Washington in Public Heath. Former owner of the Chinese restaurant in Waialua Shopping Center, Carmen, came from Texas to see Pastor **Grant Lee** who helped her with her English. He is in a care home in Waipahu, Juliet Pedro is doing much better with help of Pat, but sympathy is extended to the whole family for the passing of **Kissy Ann** in California. A "go fund me campaign" is helping to bring her home for local services. Sympathy also to the family of **Audrey Corpuz**. We will miss her dancing with the hula group. **Domingo Galicinao** will be especially missed as we search for a new pastor to replace **Pastor Scott Furukawa** as he and **Christy** move to southern California to be near daughter **Claire**. The guidelines for Pastor selection that **Domingo** helped write will be used. The corona virus has changed all of our lives. Although online services will still be offered, Pastor Scott and Sevy **Tolentino** have opened up church for in-person service with the use of masks and social distancing. Everyone please take care and stay safe.

Bible study has been postponed until we are clear of this COVID-19; therefore, Larry Van Drei is looking if there are any interests in reading the bible together virtually. Please let him know or email the church at waialuaucc@hawaii.rr.com.

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Worship Leaders

We're looking for individuals who would like to participate in our Virtual Services—you can use your laptop, PC or phone to record the video and upload the file to our Dropbox file.

If you have any questions or if you'd like to be a Worship Leader, please contact us at waialuaucc@hawaii.rr.com or Pastor Scott at revscottwucc@gmail.com

Altar Flowers

See some awesome blooms when you're out and about getting your daily dose of vitamin D? or have you got April flowers in your garden that you'd like to share? Send us your pictures of flowers or flower arrangements and we'll share the images with the rest of our congregation during our virtual services! Send your images to waialuaucc@hawaii.rr.com or save it to our Dropbox file.

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Coming up...

July 5, 2020 (Sunday) — First in-person Worship Service

July 19, 2020 (Sunday) — Council Meeting
August 9, 2020 (Sunday) — Pastor Scott's Last
Worship Service

September 27, 2020 (Sunday) — deadline to submit articles for the next issue of the Beacon

Greetings — send us a short (10 second) video clip to include in our virtual service! Say hello and share a SHAKA! Please submit your video by Thursday each week! Files can be saved to our DropBox folder...hope to see ya!

DropBox: h7ps://www.dropbox.com/request/jazRR1rzFIPIA9HvE3gm