

REGISTER FOR THE WOMEN'S RETREAT!

Women, join us for a weekend of relaxation, laughter, and deep connection at Camp Mokule'ia, November 3-5, 2023, Friday evening to Sunday noon. Register online at www.bit.ly/CUCwomen2023.

PET BLESSING OCTOBER 1ST

Every year on the Sunday closest to October 4th, the feast of St. Francis of Assisi*, many people of faith around the world participate in events where animals are blessed. We will celebrate a blessing of pets on **Sunday, October 1st**, in the in-person worship services (and online the following Sunday). Bring your pet (or a photo) or stuffed animal to church for a blessing!

**St. Francis of Assisi lived a life of simplicity, charity and humility in the 13th century. He is remembered as a champion of justice and lover of animals.*

10 AM POTLUCK ON OCTOBER 1ST

We invite you to bring something simple and yummy to share! In the spirit of simplicity and being eco-friendly, we encourage you to also bring your own refillable water bottle, (reusable) dish and utensils for eating, and even a blanket or lawn chair to hang out and enjoy the day! The church will provide water to drink and have extra paper goods available.

Join us on **October 1 at 10 AM** around the Women's Building to share in food and fellowship! If you brought your pet to church, bring them too!

GIVE ALOHA DURING SEPTEMBER AT FOODLAND!



give aloha

Foodland's Annual Community Matching Gifts Program

Go to any Foodland cash register with your Maika'i card (free at any Foodland service counter) and make a donation with cash, check, or credit card, naming **Central Union Church #78511** or **Central Union Preschool #78270** as a recipient. You can donate any amount, up to a total of \$249 (per person, per organization). You can submit your receipt (which will list your Maika'i number, our organization's name, and the donation amount) to the church office by mail, or in the collection plate, to get credit on your giving statement. PLEASE pay your September pledge, or give an extra donation, through *Give Aloha* this September!



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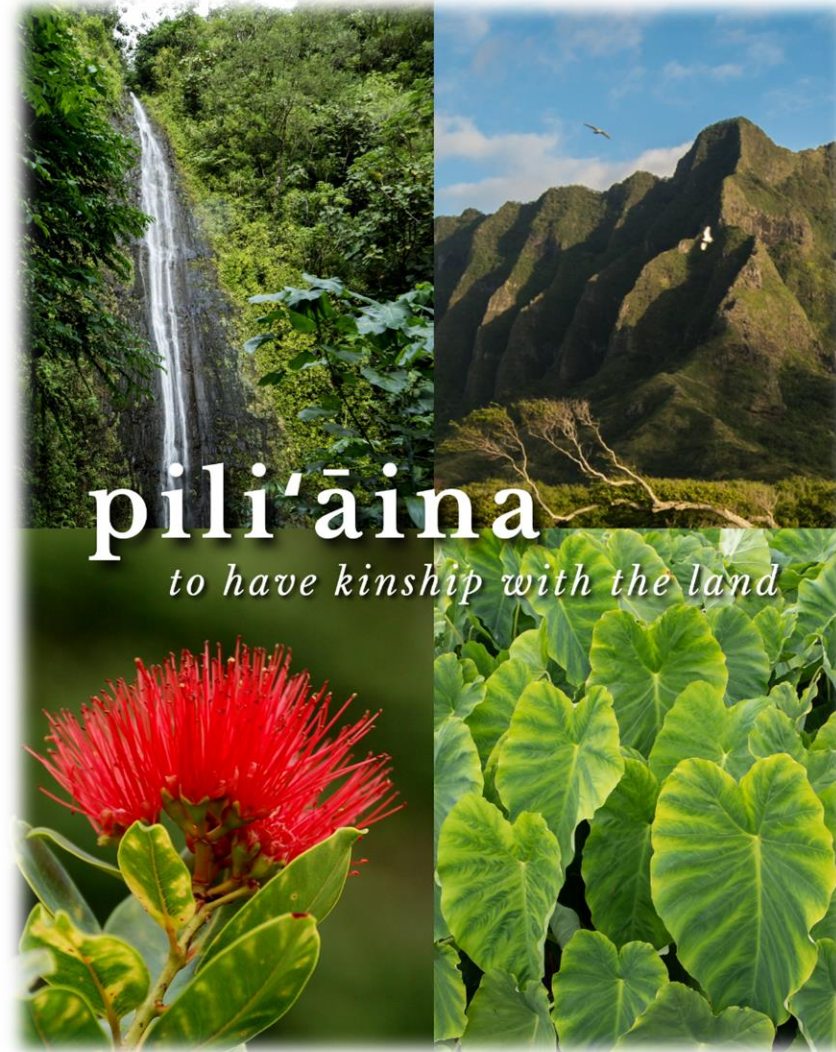
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Welcome to Central Union Church

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ALOHA!

We are honored that you are here! We believe that the love of God lives in all of creation and that includes you. Your presence here is a blessing.

WELCOME KEIKI!

At Central Union, we fully welcome children in worship! Keiki are an integral part of our 'ohana and we celebrate the joy they bring.

FIRST TIME?

WELCOME! If you'd like to learn more about Central Union, call (808) 941-0957 or email us at cuc@centralunionchurch.org.

August 20, 2023 • 7 AM Service

Atherton Memorial Chapel

The Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost • Aloha Sunday

Atherton Memorial Chapel

Prelude *The Queen's Jubilee* Lili'uokalani
Ka Wai Māpuna (Bubbling Spring Water) Lili'uokalani
Christopher Kelsey, baritone

Invitation to Worship The Rev. Mary Herbig

Music for the Day *Ke Aloha O Ka Haku* (Lili'uokalani's Prayer) Lili'uokalani
Christopher Kelsey

Sharing Aloha Rev. Herbig

Prayer of Invocation (*unison*)

Creator God, how can we doubt you when we see your handiwork? Lush kalo rooted within the earth, hibiscus eyeing the tracks of the sun, tradewinds traveling their daily routes, rainclouds washing down the Ko'olaus, sunsets glowing orange upon the sea, and our island world weaving another day throughout the night – how can we doubt you? Be present with us and inspire us to praise as we worship. Amen.

-From *Prayers from an Island*

***Congregational Hymn** *Fair Hawai'i* The Rev. Dr. Albert Palmer

**Fair Hawai'i, land of rainbows, Flashing reef and opal sea,
Mauna Loa white with snowdrifts, Waving palms of Waikiki,
Cloud-capped peaks of mighty Maui, Canyon temples of Kauai —
Nature's God in love and beauty Lifted up thy crags on high!**

**Fair Hawai'i, we thy children Our aloha pledge to thee,
Newfound brothers from all races Gathered here in unity.
O thou God of peace and justice Help us in true love to dwell;
Make our thoughts and deeds fraternal, Earth's great brotherhood foretell.**

Scripture Reading Job 12:7-10 Fanny Yeung

Sermon Rev. Herbig

Music *Makalapua* Carlo Bosetti
Christopher Kelsey

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer (*unison*) Rev. Herbig

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 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.

***Congregational Hymn** *How Great Thou Art/Ke Akua Mana E*

**O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder
consider all the worlds thy hands have made,
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder,
thy power throughout the universe displayed.**

Refrain

**Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee:
how great thou art, how great thou art! (Repeat)**

**E ke Akua nani kamaha'o,
Nau no i hana ka honua nei,
Me na hoku, ka uila ka hekili
Ho'ike ana i Kou mana e.**

Hui:

**E mele au I ka Ho'ola e,
He nani no, He nani no. (Hana hou)**

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Announcements Rev. Herbig

***Benediction** Rev. Herbig

***Congregational Response**

**Christ beside us, Christ before us, Christ behind us—king of our hearts;
Christ within us, Christ below us, Christ above us—never to part.**

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Postlude *The Lord Bless You and Keep You* Peter C. Lutkin

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*Please rise in body and/or spirit.

Constance Uejio, piano and organ

The flowers this morning were arranged by Eva Yeung, with assistance from Dona Hanaike and Suzie Field. They were provided by the Frances Kay Brossy Memorial Flower Fund in memory of Frances Kay Brossy, a faithful and active member of CUC who loved life and loved flowers.