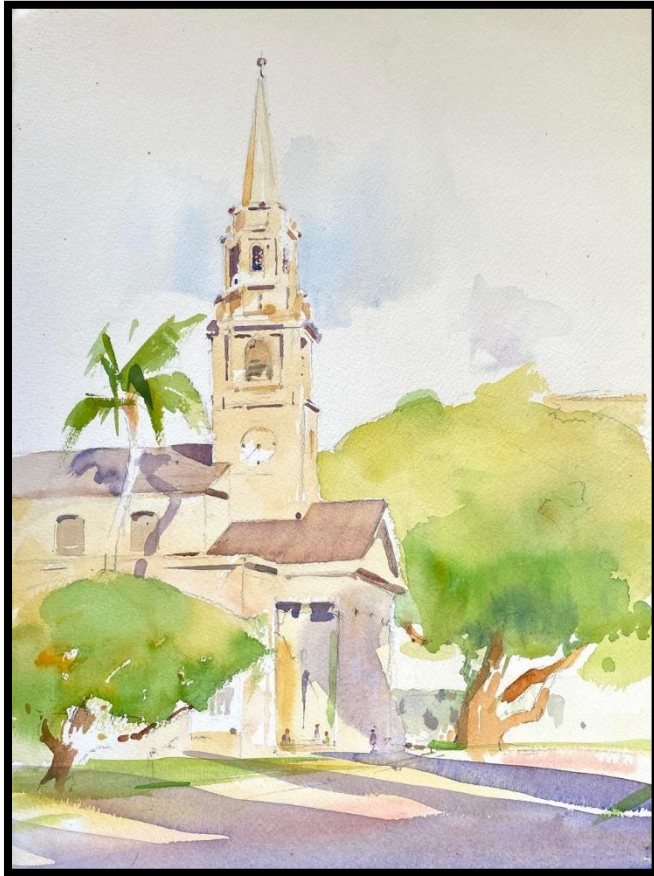


CENTRAL UNION CHURCH

A UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST 'OHANA

"We Engage and Embrace ALL as we seek to Embody Christ!"



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SEPTEMBER 29, 2024

9 AM SERVICE

THE NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER

PENTECOST

SANCTUARY

Gift of Music

I Need Thee Every Hour

Joel Raney

Make Me a Channel of Your Peace (Prayer of St. Francis)

arr. Mark Hayes

Nearer, Still Nearer

arr. Dan Forrest

Sweet Hour of Prayer

arr. Jay Rouse

Margaret Lloyd, piano

THE COMMUNITY GATHERS...

From many places we gather here. This is a high point of our week. We see our friends. We make new friends. And we spend time with the loving Christ who meets us where we are, as we are. In this Sanctuary we worship, and through worship the courage within us is kindled to inspire courageous living beyond this place.

Welcome and Announcements

The Rev. Rushan Sinnaduray

* Sharing Aloha

Rev. Sinnaduray

Call to Worship *(responsively)*

Rev. Sinnaduray

One: We walk this day with God, who walks with us,

Many: gathering us into a community to pray for one another in all things.

One: We walk this day with Christ, who walks with us,

Many: calling us to follow, helping us to set aside all which holds us back.

One: We walk this day with the Holy Spirit, who walks with us,

Many: sending us to share God's love with the world. Amen.

* Opening Hymn

Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven

No. 16

* Prayer of Invocation *(in unison)*

The Rev. Mary Herbig

O Still-Speaking God, you have gathered people around your Word to instruct and inspire. We give thanks for all who have received your

vision and shaped diverse and faithful communities to follow in your Way. As we gather in worship, continue to open that vision to us, that we may become transformed by the renewing of your Word in our hearts. Enable us to grow in love and understanding for each other, for the world and for your creation. We pray this in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

Music for the Day

Peace Like a River
Ke Aloha Pau ‘Ole ~ Sarah Young, director

arr. Charles Kirby

Time for Keiki

Rev. Herbig

TO HEAR GOD’S WORD...

Scripture

James 5:13-20

Talbert Fox

Sermon

THE POWER OF PRAYER

Rev. Sinnaduray

Music

Softly and Tenderly
Cheryl Bartlett, soprano

arr. Cynthia Clawson

TO RESPOND IN FAITH...

Prayers for Ourselves and Others

Rev. Herbig

The Lord’s Prayer (*in unison*)

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.

Invitation to the Offering

Dan Tuttle

Offertory

Go Forth With God!
Ke Aloha Pau ‘Ole ~ Sarah Young, director

Martin Shaw

* **Doxology** (*sung in Hawaiian*)

Ho‘onani i ka Makua mau,	Praise God,
Ke Keiki me ka ‘Uhane nō,	From Whom all blessings flow;
Ke Akua mau, ho‘omaika‘i pū,	Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Ko kēia ao, ko kēlā ao.	Praise Him above, ye heav’nly host;
‘Āmene.	Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
	Amen.

* **Prayer of Dedication**

Dan Tuttle

AND GO FORTH IN LOVE.

*God’s love cannot be contained within the walls of this Sanctuary.
Take the love of Christ from this place into your homes, neighborhoods,
and communities.*

* **Closing Hymn** *You Are Salt for the Earth, O People*

**You are salt for the earth, O people: salt for the reign of God!
Share the flavor of life, O people: life in the City of God!**

Refrain

**Bring forth the reign of mercy, bring forth the reign of peace;
Bring forth the reign of justice, bring forth the City of God!**

**You are a light on the hill, O people: light for the City of God!
Shine so holy and bright, O people: shine for the City of God! (*Refrain*)**

**You are a seed of the Word, O people: bring forth the reign of God!
Seeds of mercy and seeds of justice, grow in the City of God! (*Refrain*)**

**We are a blessed and a pilgrim people: bound for the reign of God!
Love our journey and love our homeland: love is the City of God! (*Refrain*)**

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*** Benediction**

Rev. Sinnaduray

***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

Christ for the World We Sing!

arr. Albert Travis

Our WORSHIP is ended...our SERVICE now begins.

*Please rise in body and/or spirit.

Margaret Lloyd, organ

*The flowers this morning were lovingly arranged by
Gail Atwater, with assistance from Jodee Farm, and are provided by the
Frances Kay Brossy Memorial Flower Fund in memory of
Frances Kay Brossy, a faithful and active member of Central Union
Church who loved life and loved flowers.*

GIVE ALOHA DURING SEPTEMBER AT FOODLAND!



give aloha

Foodland's Annual Community Matching Gifts Program

ONE MORE DAY to Give Aloha at any Foodland cash register with your Maika'i card (free at any Foodland service counter) to 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 consider paying your September pledge, or give an extra donation, through *Give Aloha* this September, and make your money go further!

PET BLESSING AND 10 AM POTLUCK - OCTOBER 6TH

Come and celebrate a blessing of pets on **Sunday, October 6th**, at all the in-person worship services (and online, the following Sunday). Bring your pet (or a photo) or stuffed animal to church and receive a blessing! Then, **following the 9 AM service**, bring a pet treat and a dish to share and enjoy a **POTLUCK** around the Women's Building! Pets are welcome all day!



OCTOBER 6TH IS ALSO THE NEIGHBORS IN NEED (NIN) OFFERING

NIN is a special mission offering of the United Church of Christ that supports ministries of justice and compassion in the United States. Consider giving to the NIN fund! Checks can be made payable to Central Union Church with "NIN" in the memo line.



JAZZ VESPERS: SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6TH



Join us in the **Atherton Memorial Chapel** from **5:30 to 6:30 PM** on the **first Sunday of the month**. (Continuing on **November 3** and **December 1**.)

SAY IT WITH FLOWERS

If you would like to commemorate a birthday, anniversary or other occasion with flowers at a Sunday worship service, please contact Dona Hanaike, through Natasha at 440-3004 (flowers@centralunionchurch.org), or visit Dona on Sunday mornings before or after the 9 AM service.



CENTRAL UNION CHURCH
WOMEN'S RETREAT
35TH ANNIVERSARY
T-SHIRT!



Using original design from the first Women's Retreat in 1989!



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RAINBOW OF JOYFUL CONNECTIONS

WOMEN'S RETREAT T-SHIRTS

This year marks the 35th anniversary of the CUC Women's Retreat. To commemorate the occasion, special shirts will be printed using the original design from the first Women's Retreat in 1989! Whether you're a woman or not, attending this year's Women's Retreat or not, you're invited to purchase a shirt. Orders and payments must be received by **Friday, October 11**. To order and pay online, go to bit.ly/wr35shirt.

2024 AUTUMN STUDY: “THE QUESTIONING CHRIST”



Contrary to our assumptions, Jesus isn't the ultimate “Answer Man” but more like the Great Questioner. In fact, for every question Jesus answers in the Gospels, he asks nearly one hundred! Asking questions was central to Jesus' teachings and faith. Join Pastor Mary for a **morning** or **evening study in the Rewick Boardroom** as we explore some of the questions Jesus asked and discover how our questions and curiosity draw us closer to God.

The **Monday Morning Study** meets from **10:30 AM to 12:00 PM** on **October 14, 21, 28, and November 4.**

The **Tuesday Evening Study** meets from **6:00 to 7:30 PM** on **October 15, 22, 29, and November 5.**

SERVICE OF HEALING & PRAYER: OCTOBER 20TH

Join us from **5:30 to 6:30 PM** in the **Atherton Memorial Chapel** on the **third Sunday of the month.** (**November 17**)



LEARNING TREE PRESENTATIONS

Sunday, October 13, 10 AM: Join Matthew Bernstein for a Learning Tree presentation on “**An Introduction to Meditation**” in Room 201/202 in the Family Life Building. All are welcome.

Sunday, October 27, 10 AM: Join Pastor Rushan Sinnaduray for a Learning Tree presentation, “**Vision 2035 – Discerning our Calling**” in the **Women's Building.** All are welcome.



READERS NEEDED FOR WORSHIP!

If you are interested in reading in a worship service, please join our pool of readers! We are always in need. To learn more and/or to sign up, use this QR code or type this link into your browser: bit.ly/read4cuc.



WELCOME TO WORSHIP AT CENTRAL UNION CHURCH



Thank you for joining us in worship today. Your presence and participation are an important part of shaping this experience of worship for all of us. **Know that whoever you are and wherever you are in your journey of life and of faith, you are welcome here!**

If you are a guest here today, we would love for you to become a regular part of what God is doing in and through this church community. If you have any questions about joining us in ministry, please speak to one of the Ministers or contact the Church Office.

Large Print Bulletins: Large print editions of the worship bulletin are available; please let an usher know if you need one.

Nursery: A staffed Nursery is available during the **9 AM and 11 AM services**. Children, ages Birth through three years, may be left in the nursery where they will be cared for during the service.

Sunday School: We offer a Sunday School program for children, age 3 through 5th Grade, during the **9 AM and 11 AM services**. Children participate in the first part of the service and will leave for Sunday School following the Time for Keiki.

Youth Group: We offer a Youth Group for young people in grades 6 through 12 during the **11 AM service**. Youth participate in the first part of the service and leave for Youth Group following the Time for Keiki.

OUR MINISTERS:

The Rev. A. Rushan Sinnaduray, Senior Minister

The Rev. Mary Herbig, Associate Minister

Please note: By attending events on campus, you may be included in photos and videos recorded by church representatives. Your presence grants your permission to be in these photos or videos, which may be used for communications or archival purposes.

If you do not wish to be photographed or included in communications, you may let a church representative know. Mahalo!

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