

CENTRAL UNION CHURCH

A UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST 'OHANA

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

OUR FATHER, WHO ART IN
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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.

OCTOBER 19, 2025

7 AM SERVICE

THE NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

ATHERTON MEMORIAL CHAPEL

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****Call to Worship** (*responsively*)

One: With what shall we come before the Lord?
What shall we bring into the presence of our God,
as an expression of our worship and praise?

**Many: Shall we bring them all that we own—our finest possessions, our life savings, our investments and property?
Would God be satisfied if we brought everything we possess?**

One: No, that's not what God is looking for.
God has told you what is good, and what they expect of you:

Many: To do justice. To love mercy. To walk humbly before God.

*** Opening Hymn***We Gather Together*

No. 376

*** Prayer of Invocation** (*in unison*)

Scott Ballentyne

God of love and justice, we gather together to worship you: to offer our thanks and praise and to proclaim your goodness and mercy. Meet us here. Breathe your Word into our souls; engrave your covenant of love upon our hearts. Teach us faithfulness and compassion so that our lives may reflect your love and justice to the world. Amen.

TO HEAR GOD'S WORD...**Scripture**Micah 6:6-8
Luke 10:25-36

Scott Ballentyne

Music for the Day*Meditation*

Flor Peeters

*** Hymn**

For the Healing of the Nations

**For the healing of the nations, God, we pray with one accord;
for a just and equal sharing of the things that earth affords;
to a life of love in action help us rise and pledge our word.**

**Lead us forward into freedom; from despair your world release,
that, redeemed from war and hatred, all may come and go in peace.
Show us how through care and goodness fear will die and hope increase.**

**All that kills abundant living, let it from the earth be banned;
pride of status, race, or schooling, dogmas that obscure your plan.
In our common quest for justice may we hallow life's brief span.**

**You, Creator God, have written your great name on humankind;
for our growing in your likeness bring the life of Christ to mind,
that by our response and service earth its destiny may find.**

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TO RESPOND IN FAITH...

Prayers for Ourselves and Others

Rev. Sinnaduray

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.**

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.*

* Hymn

Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service

No. 426

* Closing Prayer *(in unison)*

Glory to God, whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine. Glory to God from generation to generation, in the Church and in Christ Jesus, for ever and ever. Amen.

(Adapted from Ephesians 3:20-21)

* 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.**

Postlude

Canon

Flor Peeters

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

*Please rise in body and/or spirit.

Constance Uejio, organ

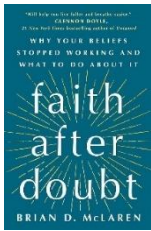
*Today's flowers have been lovingly arranged by **Gail Atwater**,
and have been provided by **Veronica Cheung**
to the Glory of God.*

NEW MEMBER MEETING – OCTOBER 26, 2025, AT 10 AM



Interested in becoming a member of CUC?! On **October 26th, at 10 AM, between the 9 AM and 11 AM services**, join Pastor Rushan in the Rewick Board Room (in the Admin Building) to learn more about church membership! Please RSVP to cuc@centralunionchurch.org by 5 PM on Thursday, October 23rd.

FAITH FORMATION BOOK STUDY THIS FALL!



All are invited to a meaningful and engaging book study led by Pastor Rushan, exploring *Faith After Doubt: Why Your Beliefs Stopped Working and What to Do About It* by Brian D. McLaren. McLaren, a former pastor and influential voice in progressive Christianity, is known for his work on spiritual formation, interfaith dialogue, and reimagining faith for a changing world. Come with your questions, your curiosity, and your open heart. All are welcome.

THURSDAYS • 10:30 AM to 12 PM, October 2, 9, 16, 23

or TUESDAYS • 6 to 7:30 PM, October 7, 14, 21, 28.

Register online: bit.ly/oct2025study. If you would like to purchase the book, copies are available for \$12 from Pastor Rushan and can be purchased at any of the sessions.

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/readcuc.



JOIN THE GARDEN CLUB



If you would like to help keep our campus looking beautiful, please consider joining the **Garden Club**. We meet at the steps of the Sanctuary every **Thursday from 9 to 11 AM**. We have some gardening tools to use, but feel free to bring your own. Don't need to RSVP, just show up that day. If you have any questions, feel free to contact Troy Tomita at:

troy-tomita@centralunionchurch.org.

STEWARDSHIP 2026 • “Dreaming God’s Dream: No Gift Too Small, No Dream Too Big.”

Please prayerfully consider your giving to Central Union Church for the upcoming year as we continue **"Dreaming God's Dream"**! You may visit our website centralunionchurch.org/stewardship or use this QR code to learn more about stewardship and submit your Estimate of Giving Card online.



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 (808) 440-3004 (flowers@centralunionchurch.org), or visit Dona on Sunday mornings before or after the 9 AM



HELP WITH SERVING ALOHA FOOD DISTRIBUTION



Do you want to help serve the community? The **Serving Aloha** weekly food distribution can always use volunteers! There is a wide range of tasks that cover a range of physical abilities (bagging food, distributing to guests, registering guests for walk-in and drive-through distribution, and clean-up).

Volunteers should **check in** **between 9 and 10 AM** at the

registration desk in the Women's Building. Wear close-toed shoes. Sunscreen and bottled water are also recommended. The distribution finishes at 1 PM, although "work shift" times are flexible.

Questions? Contact Martha Balkin at mecbalkin@gmail.com. Groups are encouraged to schedule their visit.

CUC'S ANNUAL HANDEL'S *MESSIAH* – DECEMBER 14TH



For over 75 years, Central Union Church's Music Ministry has welcomed the community to their presentation of Handel's *Messiah*, happening on **December 14 at 7:30 PM** this year. All singers are welcome to join this community ensemble, The Hawai'i Nui Chorale, which is dedicated to the performance of extended choral works. **Rehearsals are on Thursdays from 6 to 8 PM in the Music Room, starting on October 30.** Please email Sarah Young, Director of Choirs, at sarah-young@centralunionchurch.org for more information.

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. Let us know you visited today by completing this brief form here: bit.ly/cucguest, or by using this QR code,



so that we can reach out to you and welcome you to our community.

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. This week, the Youth will meet **between Noon and 1:30 PM** to have lunch and play games in the Youth Room.

Young(ish) Adults: We have a Young(ish) Adult ministry here at CUC for Generations X, Y, Z. We gather monthly and would love to connect with you! For more information, please email youngish@centralunionchurch.org.

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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