

CENTRAL UNION CHURCH

A UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST 'OHANA

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



Turning Toward the Light

JULY 26, 2026

7 AM SERVICE

NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

ATHERTON MEMORIAL CHAPEL

Prelude

*Just As I Am, Without One Plea
What a Friend We Have in Jesus*

arr. Dale Wood
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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)*

Jodee Farm

One: We have come in with wandering and lonely hearts.

Many: God draws us together in community.

One: We have come in with confusion about sharing our gifts.

Many: God offers us clarity and hope.

One: We have come in for a good word.

Many: Jesus offers us this calling, "Where our treasure is, there our hearts will be."

*** Opening Hymn**

When Morning Gilds the Skies

No. 99

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

Jodee Farm

Holy God, there is always more for our hearts to learn as we strive to be faithful both in privacy and in community. You know our hearts and what they need today. You know our church and what we need in resources. Inspire us with your Spirit, so that we find the harmony of gratitude and giving, working together so that all may be blessed. Amen.

TO HEAR GOD'S WORD...

Scripture

Matthew 6:1-6, 16-21

Jodee Farm

Music for the Day

Sweet Hour of Prayer

arr. Dale Wood

Sermon

THERE OUR HEARTS WILL BE:
TURNING TOWARD THE LIGHT

Rev. Sinnaduray

Hymn of Reflection

These Hills (today, we sing verse 1 twice)

♩=108

Am Em F C

1. These hills where the hawk flies lone - ly, beach - es where the long surf rolls,

5 Dm Am D7/F# G Gm C7

mount - ains where the snows meet heav - en, these are our care. Pas - tures where the

10 F F/C Fm C Dm

sheep graze calm - ly, or - chards where the ap - ples grow, gar - dens where the

14 Am Dm G C

ros - es clus - ter, these are our prayer.

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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**

O Jesus, I Have Promised

No. 648, vs. 1, 2 & 4

* **Closing Prayer** *(in unison)*

Rev. Sinnaduray

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

Jig

William Selby

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 **Eva Young**, with assistance from **Susie Field**. They have been 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.*

NEW MEMBER MEETING – TODAY AT 10 AM



Interested in becoming a member of CUC?! Join Pastor Rushan, **TODAY, at 10 AM**, in the Rewick Board Room (in the Admin Building) to learn more about church membership!

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, or flowers@centralunionchurch.org.

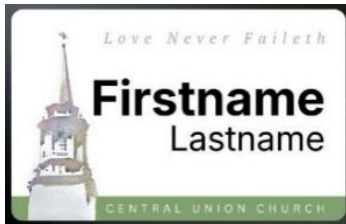


WE'D LOVE TO HAVE YOU JOIN OUR LECTOR/READER MINISTRY!



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.

ORDER A NAME TAG FOR CHURCH



All who regularly come to worship are invited to wear a name tag, which will help our fellow church members and staff to put names and faces together! Once the name tags are made, they will be available at your preferred



Sunday worship service for you to pick up and wear every Sunday! Please place an order online at bit.ly/cucnametag or contact Kristen Young at (808) 440-3014.

YOUNG(ISH) ADULTS GAME NIGHT – JULY 29TH



Our Young(ish) Adult Ministry is hosting a game night & potluck on **Wednesday, July 29, 6:30 to 9 PM** in the Parish Hall. Come for a night of fun, laughter, friendly competition, and fellowship! Bring some food and a favorite game/icebreaker to share. Please RSVP to youngish@centralunionchurch.org.

FLORAL ARRANGERS NEEDED

Do you have a knack for arranging flowers? Would you like to learn how the church floral arrangements are made? The CUC Flower Committee is happily welcoming new people to learn and help with the floral arrangements that can be seen in our worship spaces each Sunday.

If you're interested in being part of this blossoming ministry, contact Dona Hanaïke for more info: flowers@centralunionchurch.org.



NEW FROM THE CUC ARCHIVES...



Reverend Kenneth Orson
Rewick
CUC 1970 - 1974

Speaking with anyone who has known Ken, you will hear enthusiastic praises. The Reverend Kenneth Orson Rewick, Central Union's 20th Senior Minister (1970-1974) is the latest addition to cuchistory.org—Central Union's history website and digital archive!

He had a love for working with youth. Before becoming our Senior Minister, he was chaplain of Punahou School for 15 years (1950-1965), then the headmaster at Mid-Pac Institute for five years. Yearbook photographs, during Dr. Rewick's presidency, show him having fun with the students in an afternoon game of touch football.

In 1970 Central Union again chose wisely in naming its next senior minister, the Reverend Kenneth Orson Rewick. Dr. Rewick and his wife Doris, a Central Union Preschool teacher and later director of the school, took their place naturally at Central Union, encouraging in the church a keen sense of congregational participation drawing those who simply "came" to church to become involved. Membership grew past the 3,000 mark.

Read Ken's fun story and sermon about catching a 225-pound Marlin in only a 13-foot boat. Once caught, with help from a larger boat alongside, the fish was hoisted onto their small boat leaving no room for Ken and his buddy. To return to Pokai harbor, Wai'anae, West O'ahu, they had to sit on TOP of the Marlin, and paddle to harbor using the boat oars. As he tells the story in his sermon "Confessions of a Fisherman" you can feel his presence speaking to you, making you want to get up and say... "Here am I Lord, use me!" For more info, contact CUC Historian, Karl Hedberg: historian@centralunionchurch.org.

COME AND SHOP AT THE HONOLULU THRIFT SHOP!

Operating hours are Wednesdays and Saturdays from 9 AM to 1 PM. These hours of operation also reflect the current hours at our Windward Thrift Shop (at the Central Union Windward campus) too. Hours may be further modified on certain dates in the summer depending on volunteer capacity. If you're interested in volunteering at the Thrift Shop, please contact: cuc@centralunionchurch.org.



HELP WITH SERVING ALOHA FOOD DISTRIBUTION



The **Serving Aloha** weekly food distribution always welcomes 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 9-10 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.

COMMUNITY MINISTRY NEEDS YOU!

On the **second Tuesday of the month, between 2 and 4:30 PM**, we prepare 100 hot meals for Keauhou Shelter, and the Youth Outreach shelter in Waikiki. We could use a few extra bodies. You should come and join us! Especially anyone who could help with the delivery of the food. For more information, email **Laura Steelquist** at laura@steelhawaii.com or text her at (808) 221-0126.



STEWARDSHIP SERMON SERIES: THERE OUR HEARTS WILL BE

July 26, 2026	Turning Toward the Light
August 2, 2026	The Centrality of Love
August 9, 2026	Living Our Best Life
August 16, 2026	Do Not Let Your Hearts Be Troubled
August 23, 2026	Open Hearts, Open Hands

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 **9:00 AM and 11:00 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 **9:00 AM and 11:00 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 are away on Kaua'i for their **annual Youth trip**.

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.

Our Ministers are Every One of Our Members!

Senior Minister, The Rev. A. Rushan Sinnaduray

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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