



Sunday Worship Services

5/11 "Good Samaritan Retold"

The parable from long ago tells of a victim of robbery left to die in the middle of the road. The hero turns out to be quite unexpected. Who is this victim in society today? Are we the 'Good Samaritan' in the story or do we play another role?

WA: tbd; Greeters: Phil Morris and Dorothy Morris (9:15), Lee Curran and Molly Rowland (11); Decorating: Ka'imi Nicholson; Parking: Dan Curran; Hospitality: Marie Anne and Dennis Graue (9:15), Janice Davis (11); Audio/Visual Technician: Rick Stanley.

5/18 "With Friends, Who Needs Enemies?"

How do we make a distinction between a friend and an enemy? At what point do they cross the line and when they do, can we love them anyway? Is there a difference between tolerance and acceptance?

WA: Genevieve Coursey; Greeters: Nancy Schildt and Sheila O'Keefe (9:15), Carla Allison and Ginny Fine (11); Decorating: Nancy Schildt; Parking: Dave Hafner; Hospitality: Dennis Graue and Marie Anne (9:15), Janice Davis (11); Audio/Visual Technician: Paul Marshall.

5/25 "Between Pacifists and War Mongers"

Are any of us truly pacifists or do our leanings lie closer to the middle of these two extremes? This Memorial Day, come find where you are on the spectrum.

WA: Martina Queenth; Greeters: Paul Marshall and Theresa Moorlegghen (9:15), Gene Parola and Shirley Parola (11); Decorating: Theresa Moorlegghen; Parking: Michael Brockert; Hospitality: LOG (9:15), LOG (11); Audio/Visual Technician: Jim Cooper.

6/1 "Establishing a Baseline"

In order to survive in the world we need to establish a baseline. What is an absolute must in order for us to have our basic needs met? Justice begins from the bottom up.

WA: tbd; Greeters: Carolyn Eaton and Molly Rowland (9:15), Nancy Mower and Rick Mower (11); Decorating: Martina Queenth; Parking: Bob Murphy; Hospitality: Marie Anne and Dennis Graue (9:15), Janice Davis (11); Audio/Visual Technician: Ian Valasek.



*We are a Unitarian
Universalist
community,
inspired by our
Principles,
boldly growing
compassion,
justice, and joy.*

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From the Minister

In every good book, there's a healthy tension between the antagonist and the protagonist. For me, an even better plotline blurs the difference between the two and challenges me to dig deep into my assumptions rather than just creating two-dimensional characters. And the best stories involve transformation—the journey from darkness into light. The theme for May is learning how to truly love our enemies.



Our job as Unitarian Universalists is to create a better story. Where there is exclusion, we sow seeds of inclusion. Where there is scarcity, we speak of abundance. Where there is apathy, we ignite a flame of care to those who are in desperate need of compassion. Yes, even to those we think are undeserving. Or perhaps I should say, especially to those who are underserved.

This is why I'm excited that a group of Church leaders have dedicated 6 hours of their weekend in April trying to figure out how we can be an even more Welcoming Congregation. More than just having a sign outside our door with the rainbow flag, more than just pleasantries of, "Aloha, you are welcome here," how can we truly honor those with different abilities or a wide array of ages, those who are seeking refuge in our liberal faith, those who are going through difficult transitions in their lives? Those are the questions we have been grappling with.

Then, the next step, which will take place in May, will focus on Growth and Engagement. How can we keep everyone involved, connected, and active – from keiki to kupuna? How can we grow spiritually and mature in our faith? How can we envision a community that is thriving and living out our mission 24/7 no matter where we are?

Be on the lookout during the upcoming months for you to get plugged in and be a part of this exhilarating movement!

Aloha me pumehana,

Rev. Jonipher

From the Music Director

Hi, everyone! I'm excited to announce that the Song of the Month for May is *Over the Line*.

I wrote this song especially for our Congregation, which talks of meditating through your woes, respect and love to all your foes and let your radiance shine! As my predecessor did, we will introduce the song and learn it over the month!

Aloha,
Dennis

Over the Line by Dennis Graue

I want to sit under the Bodhi Tree
Enlighten me with equality
Meditate me through my woes
Respect and love to all my foes
And let your - radiance shine!

I know why people feel this way
They have a lot of things to say
The big wide world will forever be
Underneath the Bodhi tree
Open -- up your mind
And You'll -- Go over the Line

Life is forever changed with peace
Knowledge will never ever cease
You'll be happy, this I know
Smile at everyone you know
But Open -- up your mind
And you'll -- Go over the Line
Let your - radiance shine!!

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Let your -

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shine!!



Upcoming Events

It's That Time Again!!! - The Annual Meeting

Sunday, June 8th at 12:15 pm

This is the Meeting you have been waiting all year to attend. Not only will we pass a new Budget, we will also elect Board Members and new Members to the Nominating and Social Justice Committees.

The Slate of Candidates for 2014-2015:

President - David Hafner
 Vice President - Kelli Larsen
 Secretary - Laurel Zeri
 Treasurer - vacant
 Board Member - Katie Gentry-Ackerman
 Board Member - Dameon Launert
 Board Member - Phil Morris
 Continuing Board Members:
 Marilyn Bornhorst
 Steve Lohse
 Michael Mottl

Social Justice Committee:

Susan Lebo
 Rick Stanley
 Theresa Moorleghen
 New SJC Committee Members:
 Andrea Andrist
 Renee Miller
 Ka'imi Nicholson

Nominating Committee:

Catherine Graham
 Lee Curran
 (David Hafner)

Where In The World Is The Staff?!?!?!?

If knowing the vacation and travel plans of our Church Staff is useful to your planning efforts, look no further. Your Personnel Team will provide a monthly update in each Newsletter. If a Member of our Church Staff is not listed here then they have no planned business travel or vacation time off requested as of the Newsletter deadline.

Questions? Contact Personnel

Chair Carla Allison,
 cbm@hawaii.rr.com,
 396-1488

Rev. Jonipher

May 1-5: Vacation

May 11: Preaching at UU West Hawaii in afternoon/evening

Office Manager Jenn

May 22: Vacation

June 5 & 6: Vacation

All Staff

May 26: Memorial Day Holiday

Note: Please anticipate delays in Rev. Jonipher's responses to your emails or phone calls when he's traveling on business. These are working trips and he will respond during breaks, time zone allowing. Rev. Jonipher is not available during vacation hours and will respond upon his return.
 (Carla Allison)

BOARD MEETING

The next Board Meeting is Wednesday, May 28th, at 6:30 pm, in the Gallery. All are welcome. (Charlotte Morgan)



In, Out, & About: Our Church and the wider community

Switching Faiths?

If you are an adult in our Congregation (18+) who has made a new declaration of faith within the last three years (since about January 1, 2011), even if that happens to be a "return" to faith from an earlier commitment in your life, Bryan P. Stone (Associate Dean of Academic Affairs, Boston University School of Theology) would like you to go to www.bu.edu/cpt/fft to

complete a survey. This is part of basic research on how people come to faith as adults in the United States.
 (Charlotte Morgan)

KAUAI WRITERS CONFERENCE

May 23-30

Courtyard Marriott

kauaiwritersconference.com

808-639-4638

info@kauaiwritersconference.com

Professional literary agents, writers and editors will help you learn the secrets of being published.
 (Charlotte Morgan)

Nuts and Bolts: Things that keep our Church running

All About Our Church

Interested in learning more about Unitarian Universalism or becoming a Member of our Church?

The Pathway to Membership includes two steps.

Step 1 An informal orientation about the beliefs of Unitarian Universalism, its history, and the benefits of

membership.

These usually take place on the 3rd Sunday every other month.

Step 2 An opportunity to meet with the Minister, Rev. Jonipher Kwong, and our Church President to learn about Church governance and what it means to be an

engaged Church Member.

In preparation you can go to <http://nuuc.org/inventory/> and complete the spiritual gifts inventory.

This meeting takes place upstairs in Rev. Jonipher's office at 12:30 pm. (**Doreen Hakuole**)

'Ohana Potlucks Continue

Every Third Wednesday, at 6 pm, a group gathers in the Gallery for a shared meal, conversation, and the mild mental challenge of a word game that is based on Scrabble. Everyone is welcome. (**Molly Rowland**)

Love Reaches Out

Thank you to the seventy-seven pledging families who have taken a stand for love, committing \$135,000 toward the vibrant and growing programs envisioned for 2014-2015!

To join in this sharing of abundance, complete your Pledge Form and place it in

the offering plate on Sunday mornings, give it to Stewardship co-chairs Carla Allison or Margaret Mann, or email your pledge to Carla at cbm@hawaii.rr.com.

Mahalo to the following pledgers for leading the way!



- List current as of April 21st**
- Caryn Ackerman & Katie Gentry
 - Carla Allison
 - Marie Anne
 - Kay Armstrong
 - Herschel Beazley
 - Harmony Bentosino
 - Marilyn Bornhorst
 - Meghan Bundtzen
 - Jim Cooper & Martina Queenth
 - William & Genna Coursey
 - Dan & Lee Curran
 - David & Junko Davis

- Janice Davis
- Mimi Davisson & Steve Engh
- David & Caryn Diamond & Family
- Carolyn Eaton
- Lorraine Fay
- Ginny Fine
- Lisa & Jeff Gillis Davis
- Rev. Annie Green
- Phillip Haff
- David Hafner & Theresa Moorleghen
- David Hill
- Leslie Horn & Sarah Duval

- Travis Idol & Cortney Midla
- David Kearns
- Nan & Pierre Kleiber
- Rev. Dr. Jonipher Kwong
- Beverly Lahr
- Jon & Kelli Larsen
- Katy & Dameon Launert
- Susan Lebo & Steve Lohse
- Jon & Evelyn Lipowitz
- Jim Lomont
- Leanne MacIntire
- Linda Magee
- Alan Mair

- Margaret Mann
- Paul & Elizabeth Marshall
- Martha Martin
- Joel Merchant
- David & Healani Mielke
- Renee Miller
- Sylvia Mitchell
- Charlotte & Veronica Morgan
- Phil & Dorothy Morris
- Frank & Liz Morrow
- Michael Mottl & Jill Rabinov
- Nancy Mower
- Bob & Betty Murphy
- Jim Myers & Grace Malakoff
- Ross & Kris Newmann
- Ka'imi Nicholson
- Sheila O'Keefe
- Wilma Oksendahl
- Lynda Orr
- Dorothea Ovio
- Gene & Shirley Parola
- Ken Plonsky
- Blake Porter & Heather Lemkelde
- Elinor Ratcliffe
- Alan & Molly Rowland
- Beth Ruze
- Gio Sabio
- Nancy Schildt
- Bethany Schwartz
- Julian Showkeir & Mickey Selwyn
- Jim & Sharon Skouge
- Rick Stanley
- Mitsue Stout
- Stephanie Teraoka
- Sali Toda
- Roland Torres
- Ian Valasek
- Roger Wickenden
- Laurel Zeri

FUCH Lifespan Religious Education

~Boldly grow children who will become good citizens of the world.



WHO?!? WHO?!?

Sunday | May 25th | 12:15 pm | Nan Kleiber | nankleiber44@gmail.com

Have you ever taken an OWL (Our Whole Lives) course or taught an OWL course??? Then Nan and Rev Jonipher want YOU.

Rev. Jonipher is putting together video testimonials from folks who have participated in OWL programs over the last 14 years.

If the OWL Program has impacted your life and the lives of your children, we want to hear about it. Contact Nan to confirm your



time slot. ([Charlotte Morgan](#))

Even More OWL News

Friday | May 30th |
Saturday | May 31st | Nan Kleiber | nankleiber44@gmail.com

There will be a training for Facilitators for the K-1/4th - 5th - 6th GRADE OWL programs Friday, May 30, [evening] and Saturday, May 31, all day. For info, call Nan Kleiber at 737-7544,

email at nankleiber44@gmail.com. Or look on the Church website (www.unitariansofhi.org), OWL section for details.



([Nan Kleiber](#))

Storytellers Wanted--No Experience Needed

Contact: RE Team Co-Chairs | Jeff Gillis-Davis | Russell Castagnaro | RETeam@unitariansofhi.org

If you like to enthrall children with engaging stories, the Religious Education (RE) Program needs you. The RE Team will help you find the right book. Email RETeam@unitariansofhi.org with your name, phone number and preferred date.

([Genevieve Coursey](#))

News From The RE Team

Contact: RE Team Co-Chairs, Jeff Gillis-Davis | Russell Castagnaro | RETeam@unitariansofhi.org

The next Inter-Generational Service will be June 1st.

For the Summer, the RE Team is planning A Summer of Horticulture for all ages. The Summer Session will start June 8th.

The hiring documents for our next DRE, which will be called Leader of the Religious Education Program follows. It

is expected that the position will be filled by September 1st or earlier. ([Jeff Gillis-Davis](#))

Hiring Process/Timeline:

May 6: Deadline 12noon - Post job description w/ application deadline

- May 8 & 11 eblast/Weekly Bulletin

May 8: Post job description w/ application deadline

- Church website
- Board of Directors' Bulletin Board
- Facebook page
- Twitter
- Craigslist
- Liberal Religious Educators Association (LREDA) website
- PCD Newsletter

May 13: Deadline 12noon - Post job description w/ application deadline

- May 15 & 18 eblast/Weekly Bulletin
- Re-announce on Craigslist

May 20: Deadline 12noon - Post job description w/ application deadline

- May 22 & 25 eblast/Weekly Bulletin
- Re-announce on Craigslist

May: Minister screens for qualified applicants and conducts preliminary interview Minister + Personnel Team Consultant and RE Team Co-Chairs conduct second interview

- Select final candidate
- Check references
- Background check

June 8: Annual Meeting Budget Vote

June 10: Send out offer letter, Work Plan, and Covenant of Religious Education after consultation with Personnel Team

- Replace TBDs below with real dates on hiring timeline
- Salary negotiation may still take place during this time
- There is a due date for when the offer letter needs to be executed by
- Ad is pulled from Craigslist, District newsletter, LREDA, etc.

TBD Announcement is made to the Board, Staff, and applicable Team Chair(s)

TBD Announcement is made to the Congregation:

- During Sunday Services
- Via newsletter, eBlast/Weekly Bulletin
- Posted on Facebook, Twitter

TBD Signing of start paperwork

TBD Orientation of new hire (include RE Team in process)

Personnel Manual orientation

Safe Congregation Policy orientation

TBD Covenant Ceremony with Congregation

Date posted: May 6, 2014

Leader of the Religions Education Program

Reports to: The Minister

Basic description: The Leader of the Religious Education Program (or LREP with the exact title to be determined depending on applicant's qualification) is a team player who is responsible for planning, developing, coordinating, and administering a holistic, transformative, inclusive, and vibrant Unitarian Universalist Religious Education program.

Mission: We are a Unitarian Universalist community, inspired by our principles, boldly growing compassion, justice, and joy.

Vision: The First Unitarian Church of Honolulu (FUCH) envisions a Religious Education (RE) program that will boldly grow children who will become good citizens of the world while embodying Unitarian Universalist principles and values.

Scope: 60% youth RE, 10% adult RE, 20% administrative, and 10% pastoral care

Responsibilities:

- Manages and supervises RE programming to youth (3-18) and adults (>18)
- Identifies, recruits, supports, and trains childcare providers (volunteer and paid staff) and RE program volunteers
- Collaborates with Worship Team to provide periodic multigenerational services, Second Sunday Lunch Team for annual lunches, and other teams as necessary
- Develops and enforces RE policies and safety standards
- Offers and coordinates social events/retreat opportunities for RE families
- Develops and manages the RE budget with the RE Team
- Maintains visibility & integration of the RE program to the Congregation & to the wider community
- Attends RE Team, Congregational, Staff and Board meetings regularly
- Provides pastoral care to RE families in collaboration with the Minister and Lay Ministers
- Other duties as assigned by the Minister

Qualifications/Skills:

- Knowledge of and commitment to Unitarian Universalism and its values
- Experience in recruiting, training and managing volunteers and staff
- Skilled in the use of computer software, the internet, and social media.
- Knowledge of/certification in Our Whole Lives (OWL) curriculum preferred
- Background in education and/or curriculum assessment desirable

Core Competencies:

- Spiritual maturity and Interpersonal skills
- Ability to engage volunteers
- Management and administrative skills
- Excellent communication skills
- Ability to work and excel in a multicultural environment. Enterprising (imaginative, initiative, readiness to take on new projects).

Salary Range: in accordance with credentialing level and [UUA Guidelines](#), Geo-4 for a Mid-Size 1 (150-249) congregation

Hours: Full-time exempt

Submission process: Email job application and resume to The Rev. Dr. Jonipher Kūpono Kwong (minister@unitariansofhi.org) by May 25, 2014.

About the First Unitarian Church of Honolulu: Founded in 1952, the First Unitarian Church of Honolulu is currently a growing progressive religious community of 150 members. Our faith community brings to the world a vision of religious freedom, tolerance, and social justice. We are a great place to work and are seeking to increase the diversity of our staff. We are an Equal Opportunity Employer. For more information, visit us online at www.unitariansofhi.org.



Contact: Susan Lebo or Steve Lohse | 595-4047 | sjc@unitariansofhi.org |

First Unitarian Receives the 2014 Moral Beacon Award

On Saturday, April 26th, the Rev. Jonipher Kūpono Kwong accepted the UUA Pacific Central District (PCD) 2014 Moral Beacon Award on behalf of the First Unitarian Church of Honolulu. The Moral Beacon Award is presented to a Unitarian Universalist or a Congregation that has demonstrated excellent work for social justice or community service in the PCD. The nomination for this award reads as follows:



the 'āina (land), and traditional Hawaiian sacred sites are critical to preserve and transmit traditional cultural practices. The Doctrine of Discovery not only historically separated Hawaiians from their sacred sites, but its legacy continues today to restrict access or to destroy these sites. Hawaii's indigenous cultural practitioners urgently need to preserve their sacred sites and secure access to them.

This UUA Seed Grant provided a much appreciated opportunity for First Unitarian to support the indigenous Kanenuiakea community of O'ahu. (In a January 2012 Historic Moment, Kanenuiakea celebrated its first public worship in 120 years in the Sanctuary of the First Unitarian Church of Honolulu!)

Standing with Kanenuiakea, First Unitarian assisted traditional religious practitioners in beginning to create a more effective stewardship model that integrates both Traditional and Western practices and in building effective, officially recognized public/private partnerships to preserve sacred sites and to secure access to them.

(2) Making Marriage Equality the Law in Hawaii

On December 2, 2013, Marriage Equality became the law in Hawaii, and the

Rev. Jonipher Kūpono Kwong and his partner Chris became the first couple officially married in Hawaii under the new law, with the Governor of Hawaii attending the wedding in the Sanctuary of the First Unitarian Church of Honolulu. First Unitarian was instrumental in uniting the various traditional LGBTQ communities around the Marriage Equality campaign, and First Unitarian led through example by organizing the progressive interfaith clergy community. During the campaign, Marriage Equality became largely a religious issue, and our Progressive Interfaith 'Ohana (PI'O) made the critical difference in supporting the State Legislature to do the right thing.

Following our successful Marriage Equality campaign, First Unitarian urged the nearly 100 members of PI'O to continue working together toward Historic Moments in Hawaii, rather than simply fading away. In January 2014, First Unitarian hosted a ceremony with members of PI'O signing a Commitment to ensure Basic Needs Now in Hawaii through modeling our various cultural equivalents of the Golden Rule. Today, PI'O continues organizing to make Compassion the public standard, and PI'O is now considering Congregation-Based Community Organizing (CBCO) as an effective strategic approach to the next Historic Moment in Hawaii.

(3) Boldly Growing UU in Hawaii and the Philippines

The First Unitarian Church of

Honolulu actively seeks to expand our Principle-based UU presence in Hawaii and beyond. Through our Unitarian Universalists of Hawaii Nei (UUHN) task force, our UU Leeward 'Ohana Group (UULOG) satellite, and our partnership with the Puna fellowship of the Big Island, First Unitarian seeks to serve as an incubator for new UU congregations in Hawaii. First Unitarian may soon be the First but not the Only Unitarian Church in Honolulu! In addition, through our partnership in environmental and community-building projects with the UU Church of the Philippines (UUCP), First Unitarian is helping to incubate new UU Congregations in the Philippines.

Thank you for considering the First Unitarian Church of Honolulu for the Moral Beacon Award, to be presented at the PCD-UUA District Assembly Awards Lunch on Saturday, April 26th.

E nunulu i ka lani. Let our work resonate through the heavens.

Aloha no,
Steve Lohse & Susan Lebo

Co-Chairs, Social Justice Council

First Unitarian Church of Honolulu

Aloha e PCD-UUA Awards,

We would like to nominate the First Unitarian Church of Honolulu for the 2014 Moral Beacon Award for the following reasons:

(1) Repudiating the Doctrine of Discovery

In January 2014, First Unitarian Church of Honolulu successfully completed a UUA Seed Grant to help repudiate the Doctrine of Discovery in Hawaii. Hawaiian culture is inseparably connected with

Unitarian Universalists of Hawai'i Nei

~Growing UU In Hawaii



Unitarian Universalists of West Hawaii

www.uuwesthawaii.org --
Newsletter Editor: Linda Olsen

Sunday, May 25, 4 p.m. –
Join our community in worship together. The Sunday Service committee is selecting a video message from a UU ministerial leader, to be announced soon. A brief report from Board President Linda about the PCD District Assembly will follow the Church Service.

OUR 2nd annual Retreat WEEK-END! Can you join us at the Kilauea Military Camp at Volcano NP? Friday is the Full Moon (propitious) and UUWH will have a low-key 2-day gathering starting on June 13 and ending Sunday, June 15.

Will there be a program? Yes, Discussions on UUism (what it means to you and how it helps us embody peace, justice, equity and deeper relationships) plus unstructured time for hiking, photography, art, music, and pupu-socializing. Rev. Cat and Rev. Jonipher will both be joining us.

Accommodations are private rooms in 3- or 4-bedroom apartments. Each apt unit has a common room. It will be \$100 for the week-end per room plus food. If you'd like to be included, please call (530-368-0079) or email linda-o@audioeditions.com by May 10 and I'll send you more complete information. If we don't have enough registrants by May 10, we may cancel... so don't procrastinate!

Unitarian Universalists of Puna

www.uua.com--Newsletter
Editor: Imago Mana

Upcoming Sunday Services:

5-11-14 Dena Smith Mothers' Day "Mother Nurture"

5-18-14 Harry Jim "Ho'ō Pono Pono"

May 4th for

"On Commitment & Giving" with Dena Smith

An intergenerational discussion about the joys and challenges of stewardship, and the commitment and service required in doing so.

Tuesdays 6:30 - 8:30 pm
Non-Violent Communication Drop-In Study Group Join us for a series of seven lessons, one each week, led by Mala'e Miller.

Thursdays 10-11:30 am
WOW- Our Wise Old Women friendship circle is continuing and growing. All women over 35 are welcome!

Thursdays 1-2:30 pm Ku'uipo Nei Writer's Group In an effort to keep the group small and more intimate we chose to limit ourselves to six soul searching writers. If you are interested in joining us call Ima @ 966-7852

Your contributions of time, talent and treasure over this past year have enabled the Unitarian Universalists of Puna to:

- Make a difference in the lives of our young people as we teach tolerance and respect,
- Provide a spiritual home for many who are seeking a broad understanding of the

human experience and finding the divine in unexpected places,

- Provide regular Sunday services, social events, workshops, discussion groups & all that adds to a vibrant spiritual community,
- Provide leadership in our community through our members serving with numerous other civic organizations,
- Maintain & improve our building & grounds,
- Contribute and support justice and equality for the women in Paiwas, Nicaragua.

Unitarian Universalists Leeward Ohana Group (UU LOG)

Contact: Charlotte Morgan (lottefish@msn.com)

Island Pacific Academy in Kapolei has become the new home of UU LOG. So far, two lay lead Services have been produced.

Upcoming Services:

Sunday, May 11th, 10:00 am--UU LOG will conduct the Service at Camp Mokuleia. There is talk of it being a raucous revival as we concentrate on the Seventh Principle: Respect for the interdependent web of all existence of which we are a part.

Saturday, June 21st, 5:00 pm--Flag Day and the First Principle (The inherent worth and dignity of every person) form the matrix for this Service.

Saturday, July 12th, 5:00 pm--Did our colonial

forefathers know the Fifth Principle (The right of conscience and the use of the democratic process within our congregations and in society at large) when they wrote our Country's defining documents?

Saturday, August 9th, 5:00 pm--This Service will incorporate dance as we have a free and responsible search for truth and meaning.

Saturday, September 13, 5:00 pm—This is our Official Opening!!!! Rev Jonipher will help us celebrate our acceptance of one another and encouragement to spiritual growth in our Congregations.

4th Sunday Lunch & Coffee-- With the brilliant and generous help of Ron & Mark Brasher, UU LOG again provided the FUCH Congregation with a fantastic spaghetti lunch. Many thanks to: David Kearns, Jon Larsen, Kaitlyn Larsen, Kelli Larsen, Dameon Launert, Katy Launert, Linda Magee, Beth Marshall, Wilma Oksendahl, Bethany Schwartz, Sali Toda, and Annie Wilby for helping everywhere they were needed.

In Our Circle: Membership life

Testimonial

by [Meghan Lynn Hughes Bundtzen](#)

The Gallery on the Pali brought me to the Church; I never intended to make it my home. However, after one Service I was eager to return. When I was able to sing along to our songs, I realized I want music in my life. During coffee hour fellowship, I

realized how much I enjoy multigenerational companionship. When I planted my feet firmly on the ground for meditation each Sunday, I realized I need to regularly quiet my mind. This community has slowly been fixing holes in my life that I didn't realize were there; until they were mended. I am grateful for each friendship

that has begun to blossom from within these walls. In many ways this Congregation does, now, feel like home. Each member of this Church brings me joy. Your generosity empowers this Beloved Community to transform lives. Mahalo, for growing our Unitarian Universalist witness throughout Hawaii.



New Hospitality Team Needs You

Our Coffee/Snack time after Sunday service is more than something to drink and a snack. For our visitors, it is a welcome and a smile that says we're glad you're here. For all of us, it is a time to get to know one another and share our fellowship. Our goal is to recruit enough volunteers so serving is a joy, not a burden. Hospitality Teams of two will be at each service. More volunteers means fewer shifts throughout the year.

Please choose ONE of three commitments listed on the signup sheet posted on the new Welcoming Team Bulletin Board.

1. Volunteer for 1 to 2 services. You can attend most of the Church Service on your shift.

First service 8:30 - 10:30 am. Coffee will be made. Set up, maintain and hand over to next team.

Second Service 10:30 am to about 1:00 pm. Take over from early team, maintain and clean up.

2. Volunteer to make baked goods, such as cookies or sheet cake. One Sunday per month would be wonderful!

3. Donate \$20 per year to the Hospitality Team. Our present budget currently allows only \$5.77 per

Service. By donating, we would be able to provide a bountiful Hospitality time for every Service throughout the year. Our goal is to serve organic fair trade coffee and tea as part of our commitment to global stewardship.

For more information: Contact Marie Anne at 728-4842. ([Janice Davis, Hospitality Team](#))



Meghan with friends

Coffee for a Cause

Your monetary donations during our Hospitality Times contribute toward the purchase of Equal Equity fairly traded coffee. With your continued support, we

hope to be able to add a variety of delicious fair trade teas and foods in the future. Together we can support small-scale farmers across the world, create a more just

food system and a healthier planet. ([Janice Davis, Hospitality Team](#))



In Our Circle: Membership life

Show Your UU Pride

Maybe you've been at a march or rally or volunteering and saw some of your fellow UUs rocking their bright green FUCH t-shirts and thought, "I wish I could get one of those!" Now's your chance; we are currently

taking pre-orders! Since exact numbers and styles have not yet been decided, we can't guarantee the exact shirt you'd like will be ordered but we hope to accommodate as many as possible, depending on

interest. Follow the link below and pre-order up to three shirts per entry.

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1x4PKrjH8soJoFOXGlvO_W2krPDPbyF4GRBYnla5Apfc/viewform (Bethany Schwartz)



Please Welcome New Second Sunday Lunch (SSL) Coordinator

Contact: David Kearns
david.l.kearns5.mil@mail.mil
Sali Toda

tntoda@hawaiiantel.net

David Kearns, relatively new to our Congregation, has

volunteered to take over as SSL Coordinator; Mahalo David!!! (Sali Toda)

Work Party

The Building & Grounds Team has scheduled an early Summer Work party on **June 7th** from 1:00 to 5:00 pm. [We Need Your Help!](#)

There are always more items on the "to do" list than we

can get done. We'll have both inside and outside tasks, and we try to accommodate all levels of skill and strength. This is a good way for you to support the Church and maybe have a good time with people you don't know

very well. Refreshments always follow the work day. If you have questions or suggestions, please call one of the team co-chairs, Alan Mair (753-7520) or Al Rowland (988-4426). (Molly Rowland)



Bumper Stickers For All

Show your support for our Church and put a bumper sticker on your car. The First Unitarian Church's bumper stickers are available for a \$5 donation. Show O'ahu who has been the true hope for centuries. (Charlotte Morgan)

News About Julian

Our dear cornet player and long time Member, Julian Showkeir has made a gigantic step forward in his recovery from a head injury. He is now able to walk the

length of a hall with his walker. Julian is at Hale Nani (1677 Pensacola St.) for intensive rehabilitation services. Short visits are welcome. He enjoys seeing

familiar faces and Julian and his wife Mickey Selwyn both like seeing their friends. Since Julian's schedule varies, please call Mickey about visiting. (Charlotte Morgan)

End of Life Group

Sunday, May 4 at 12:15 pm Meeting Room 1

A group is forming to have conversations about End of Life issues. If you were not

able to attend the planning meeting in February, here is your chance to join. Joel Merchant will also be in the Gallery at 10:00 am to meet with folks who attend the

9:15 am Service. (Lorraine Fay)

KALA MAI

Apologies to Robert Durick and Molly Rowland for omitting them from the long list of volunteers for the "Gigantic" Rummage Sale held - and helpers thanked - recently. If anyone else was inadvertently left off the list, please let me know. (Sali Toda)

Art, Music, Literature, and More

Gallery on the Pali

On display 5/4-6/6

“Healing Through Art”

Creations by Jocelyn Cheng & Participants in the Artist in Residency program at Queens Medical Center

Patients worked with Jocelyn A. Cheng, an oncology nurse, cancer survivor and successful

Hawaii artist who used art as a positive way to express herself during her own cancer experience. This program works bedside and in small group settings offering cancer patients and their families the opportunity to learn about their own creative resources as they meet the challenges of

diagnosis, treatment and survivorship.

Artists Reception: Saturday, May 10th, 5-7pm

Gallery Hours: Monday-Friday, 10 am-6 pm; Saturday & Sunday, 2-6 pm. (Meghan Lynn Hughes Bundtzen)



Book Group

Wednesday, May 7 at 7 pm
Fred Harper Room

We CHANGED the book we are reading for May. Instead of *Sisters of Cain*, we will be discussing *The Orphan Master's Son* by Adam Johnson. It is a thriller of a

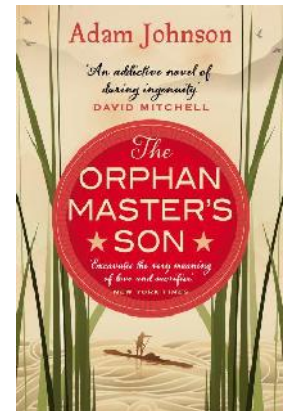
story set in North Korea and giving us a glimpse of life under a repressive regime.

The Book For June

Wednesday, June 4th at
7 pm Fred Harper Room.

The Summer Book by Finnish

author Tove Jansson is the story of an elderly artist and her six year old granddaughter spending a summer together on a tiny island in the Gulf of Finland. (Judy Hepfer)



Play Reading Group

On Friday, May 16th, our Play Reading Group will meet in the Fred Harper Room. Snacks at 6 pm and reading will begin at 6:30 pm. (Norma Nichols)

Enrich The Newsletter

The Newsletter Staff is looking for material, such as poems (50-100 words), short prose pieces (50 -100 words), and artwork which can be placed in the Church

Newsletter. While we cannot guarantee that your work will be published or when, we will endeavor to use all appropriate material.

Email your pieces to

Charlotte Morgan (lottefish@msn.com) or bring to the Church Office, Attention: Newsletter Crew. (Charlotte Morgan)



CHURCH CALENDAR

May 6, Tuesday

11:00 am Staff Meeting (FHR)
7:00 pm Men's Support Group (FHR)
7:30 pm Buddhist Meditation (Gallery)

May 7, Wednesday

1:00 pm OWL Luncheon (Gallery, Kitchen)
7:00 pm Sunday Service Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
7:00 pm Book Discussion (FHR)

May 8, Thursday

6:00 pm OWL for Adults (Gallery)
7:00 pm Pali Paths (FHR)

May 9, Friday

Camp Mokule'ia

May 10, Saturday

Camp Mokule'ia
9:00 am Sof Ma'arav (Sanctuary, Kitchen, Gallery)
1:00 pm Sof Ma'arav (FHR)
4:00 pm Art Reception "Cheng" (Gallery)

May 11, Sunday

Mother's Day
Camp Mokule'ia
9:15 am 1st Church Service (Downstairs)
11:00 am 2nd Church Service (Whole Church)
11:00 am RE Program for Children (Upstairs)
12:00 pm 2nd Sunday Lunch (Sanctuary, Kitchen)
12:30 pm Sacred Economics (FHR)

May 12, Monday

May 13, Tuesday

11:00 am Staff Meeting (FHR)
6:00 pm Worship Team Meeting (FHR)
7:30 pm Buddhist Meditation (Gallery)

May 14, Wednesday

7:00 pm Building Team (FHR)
7:00 pm Sunday Service Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

May 15, Thursday

1:30 pm Gallery Team (Gallery)
4:30 pm Membership Team Meeting (Gallery)
6:00 pm OWL for Adults (Gallery)
6:00 pm SJC (FHR)

May 16, Friday

6:00 pm Play Reading (FHR)

May 17, Saturday

9:00 am Sof Ma'arav (Sanctuary, Kitchen, Gallery)

1:00 pm Sof Ma'arav (FHR)

2:00 pm Dinner Party (Downstairs)

May 18, Sunday

9:15 am 1 St Church Service (Downstairs)
11:00 am 2nd Church Service (Whole Church)
11:00 am RE Program for Children (Upstairs)
12:15 pm Pathway To Membership Step 1 (FHR)

May 19, Monday

May 20, Tuesday

11:00 am Staff Meeting (FHR)
7:00 pm Men's Support Group (FHR)
7:30 pm Buddhist Meditation (Gallery)

May 21, Wednesday

6:00 pm `Ohara Potluck/Games Night (Kitchen, Gallery)
7:00 pm Sunday Service Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

May 22, Thursday

6:00 pm OWL for Adults (Gallery)
7:00 pm Pali Paths (FHR)

May 23 Friday

5:30 pm Opera Group (Sanctuary)

May 24, Saturday

9:00 am Sof Ma'arav (Sanctuary, Kitchen, Gallery)
1:00 pm Sof Ma'arav (FHR)
3:00 pm Vow Renewal "Coursey"

May 25, Sunday

9:15 am 1st Church Service (Downstairs)
10:05 am HUUWF (FHR)
11:00 am 2nd Church Service (Whole Church)
11:00 am RE Program for Children (Upstairs)
12:00 pm Newsletter Deadline (Office)
12:00 pm 4th Sunday Lunch (Downstairs)
12:15 pm Budget Workshop (Sanctuary)

May 26, Monday

Memorial Day - Church Closed

May 27, Tuesday

11:00 am Staff Meeting (FHR)
7:00 pm All Believers Network (Sun Room)
7:30 pm Buddhist Meditation (Gallery)

May 28, Wednesday

1 1:00 am Planned Parenthood (Sanctuary)
1:30 pm Aesthetics Team (FHR)
6:30 pm Board Meeting (Gallery)
7:00 pm Sunday Service Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

May 29, Thursday

6:00 pm OWL for Adults (Gallery)

May 30, Friday

May 31, Saturday

9:00 am Sof Ma'arav (Sanctuary, Kitchen, Gallery)
1:00 pm Sof Ma'arav (FHR)

June 1, Sunday

9:15 am 1st Church Service (Downstairs)
11:00 am 2nd Church Service (Whole Church)
11:00 am RE Program for Children (Upstairs)
12:15 pm Budget Workshop (Sanctuary)
12:30 pm Convening of Chairs (FHR)

June 2, Monday

June 3, Tuesday

8:00 am Rental UH (Kitchen Gallery)
11:00 am Staff Meeting (FHR)
6:00 pm Sof Ma'arav Erev Shavu'ot (Sanctuary, Kitchen, Gallery)

June 4, Wednesday

9:00 am Sof Ma'arav Shavu'ot (Sanctuary, Kitchen, Gallery)
7:00 pm Sunday Service Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

7:00 pm Book Discussion (FHR)

June 5, Thursday

6:00 pm OWL for Adults (Gallery)

June 6, Friday

12:00 pm Art Show Takedown "Cheng" (Gallery)

June 7, Saturday

9:00 am Sof Ma'arav (Sanctuary, Kitchen, Gallery)
1:00 pm Sof Ma'arav (FHR)
1:00 pm Building Appreciation Stewardship Working Party (Whole Church)
2:00 pm Art Show Setup "Ratotonirina" (Gallery)

June 8, Sunday

9:15 am 1st Church Service (Downstairs)
1 1:00 am 2nd Church Service (Whole Church)
11:00 am RE Program for Children (Upstairs)
12:00 pm 2nd Sunday Lunch (Sanctuary, Kitchen)
1:30 pm Annual Meeting (Sanctuary)

June 9, Monday

June 10, Tuesday

1 1:00 am Staff Meeting (FHR)
6:00 pm Worship Team Meeting (FHR)
7:30 pm Buddhist Meditation (Gallery)



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