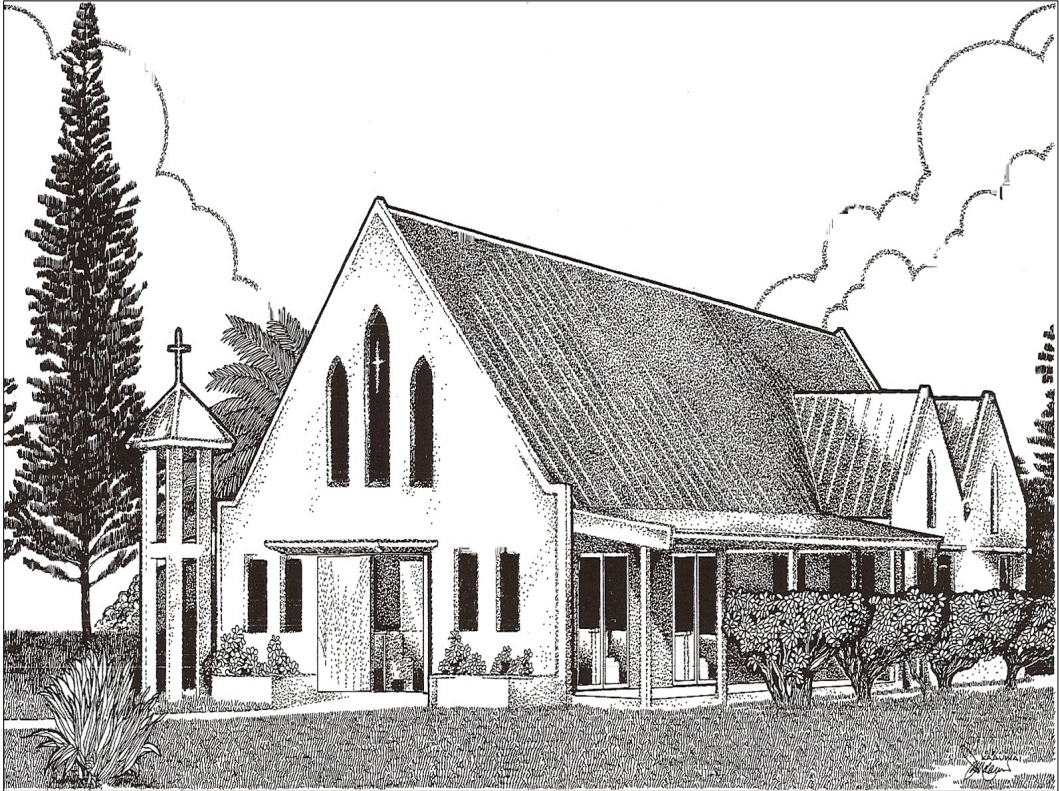


- VISION

*Our vision for Kapa'a First Hawaiian Church is a church 'ohana who is Christlike and grounded in the Word of God, perpetuating our Native Hawaiian culture in Christian traditions, and Serving as God's light in the community.*

MISSION

*Because we are called together by God's love In Jesus Christ our mission as Kapa'a First Hawaiian Church is to love God, to love each other, and to love our neighbors.*



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**KA HAIPULE ‘ANA ~ The Worship Service**  
**December 14, 2025— 10:00 A.M.**  
**2025 CHURCH THEME: "Transformation"/Ka ho‘opāha‘oha‘o ‘ana”**

***Roma 12:2***

<sup>22</sup> Mai noho ‘oukou a ho‘ohālike me ko ke ao nei; akā, e ho‘opāha‘oha‘o ‘oukou ma ke ‘ano hou ‘ana o ko ‘oukou na‘au, i ho‘omaopopo ‘oukou i ko ke Akua makemake, ka pono, ka hō‘olu‘olu, a me ka hemolele.

***Romans 12:2***

<sup>22</sup> Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God’s will is—his good, pleasing and perfect will.

***SERVING THE KAPA‘A COMMUNITY FOR 189 YEARS***

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**KA KOLU LĀPULE O HIKINA**  
**The Third Sunday of Advent**

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\* All who are able, please stand

**KA WEHE ‘ANA:**  
The Prelude

***Mary Lardizabal***  
Choir Director/Pianist

**NĀ HO‘OLAHA A ME NĀ ALOHA:**  
Greetings and Announcements:

**Keith Olsen**  
Vice- Moderator

**\*KA WEHE ‘ANA I KA PULE:**  
The Call to Worship:

**Edie DeFries**  
Deacon of the Month

Alaka‘i: Come away from haste and frantic busyness.  
This is the season for quiet waiting.

***Anaina: It is hard to still our souls when we are so busy.***  
***It is hard to be patient with ourselves or others.***

Alaka‘i: Receive God’s mercy and strengthen your hearts.  
A Savior is coming; God’s love is near.

***Anaina: We want to hear and believe God’s promises***  
***We want to become patient, loving seekers.***

Alaka‘i: God presents us with a high and holy way.  
Come before God now with praise and singing.

***Anaina: We sense the joy God offers to us.***  
***Our spirits rejoice in God our Savior.***

***Lighting of the Advent Candle***  
**Third Sunday of Advent**  
**Christ Connects us to Nature in the Spirit of ‘Olu‘olu**

Pili Richardson: *"Surely God is my salvation; I will trust and not be afraid. The LORD, the LORD, is my strength and my song; he has become my salvation." With joy you will draw water from the wells of salvation. In that day you will say: "Give thanks to the LORD, call on his name; make known among the nations what he has done, and proclaim that his name is exalted. Sing to the LORD, for he has done glorious things; let this be known to all the world. Shout aloud and sing for joy, people of Zion, for great is the Holy One of Israel among you. Isaiah 12:2-6"*

Keith Olsen: "Christ, Light of the World, connects nature to God's Aloha."  
(**Keith** will relight the first two Advent Candles & then lights the 3<sup>rd</sup> candle)

Pili Richardson: *"Today, we light the third Advent Candle symbolizing the spirit of ‘olu‘olu, the Hawaiian word that demonstrates a kindly cheerfulness that praises a pleasant environment."*

**Congregation:** *"Glorious God, let your praises be heard all over creation and our songs proclaim the wonderful works of your hands!"*

Keith Olsen: "Hawaiians often sing of the beauty of the ‘aina, the land, a very important gift from God. This was born from the knowledge that whatever is in the earth was enough to sustain life. There would be more for everyone if the earth is preserved and cared for properly."

Pili Richardson: *"The spirit of ‘olu‘olu encourages us to treat God's creation with kindness and caring - bringing us into a stronger connectedness to the world of nature."*

**Congregation:** *"Creator God, connect us to the wonders of your works with cheerful voices so we can shout aloud and sing for joy...!"*

*A Hawaiian Liturgy for Lighting the Candles of Advent and Christmas*

<http://www.ucc.org/worship/worship-ways/year-c/ace/christ-gods-aloha-light-of.html> .

In the tradition of the early Christian Church, Advent was observed as a time of penitence and as a preparatory period for the joyful celebration of Christmas. Today, Advent is that time when our sense of expectation builds up. It is a joyous anticipation and hopeful waiting for the celebration of Christmas. In the season, many focus on families gathering together, a sense of reconnectedness to the larger community, a time for “one another.” Thus, the liturgy for the lighting of the Advent candles for the year C is based on the Hawaiian concept of “Aloha.” The word encompasses many different feelings: love, affection, gratitude, compassion, welcome, hospitality. In modern times, “Aloha” has become a common salutation for meeting and parting.

A Hawaiian woman noted for her wisdom, Pilahi Paki, best interpreted ALOHA by using each letter of the word to describe the values espoused by the expression:

A – is akahai (ah-kah-high), which means gentleness, kindness, caring.

L – is lokahi (loh-kah-hee), meaning unity, harmony, oneness, being of one mind.

O – is ‘olu’olu (oh-luh-oh-luh), an expression of cheerfulness brought about by a feeling of pleasantness, kindness, comfort and a positive attitude.

H – is ha’aha’a (hah-ah hah-ah), a word expressing humility and meekness.

A – is ahonui (ah-ho-nuh-wee), which expresses patience, endurance, perseverance

Aloha is best practiced within the context of community where people interact closely with one another. In the Hawaiian culture, the ‘ohana (oh-hah-nah) or family, is the arena where aloha can be initially experienced by the younger members of the family. The ‘ohana (oh-hah-nah) is not only the typical nuclear family, but includes grandparents, aunts, uncles, cousins, spouses, sons and daughters, as well as hanai (hah-nigh) or adopted children. The nurturing qualities of aloha are strong bonds that connect each member of the ohana (oh-hah-nah) to the other.

**\*KA HĪMENI HO‘OMAIKA‘I ‘ANA:**

The Hymn of Commitment:

**Congregation**

NHOE #34

**“*Hakanu Na Leo Kani*”**  
**(*Hark! What Mean Those Holy Voices*)**

**KA WA KAMALFI A ME NA PO‘E I MAKEMAKE:**

Time with Children and Young at Heart

**Jaslyn Aquias**

*Scripture Reading*

*Object Lesson*

**KA PULE HO‘OMANA:**

The Prayer of Invocation:

**Edie DeFries**

Deacon of the Month

Mighty One, we rejoice that you strengthen our weak hands and make firm our feeble knees. You open our eyes and unstop our ears. You meet our hungers with good things. You disturb our false pride while helping us discover our true strength. You topple us from our pretensions while lifting up the lowly to claim the inner power you alone can provide. We have assembled to worship you. Awaken the gladness that comes when we recognize your presence. We long to know you in this hour. Amen

**KA HĪMENI PULE ‘ANA:**

The Prayer Response:

**“*Ke Aloha A Ke Akua*”**

*The Queen's Prayer*

by HRH Queen Lili‘uokalani

**NHOE #186 v1**

1. ‘O kou aloha no Aia i ka Lani, A  
‘o kou ‘oia‘i‘o, He hemolele ho‘i.

**“KA HELUHELU HA‘AWINA MAI KE KAUOHA KAHIKO**

**The Scripture Lesson from the Old Testament:**

**Keith Olsen**

**Lay Reader**

**Solomona 9:1-6**

<sup>1</sup> Kūkulu a‘ela ka na‘auao i kona hale, Kālai ihola ‘o ia i kona mau kia ‘ehiku.

<sup>2</sup> Kālua ‘o ia i kāna mau mea momona; Kāwili a‘ela ‘o ia i kona waina;  
Ho‘omākaukau nō i kāna papa ‘aina.

<sup>3</sup> Ho‘ouna akula ‘o ia i kāna po‘e kauwā wahine, E hea aku ma luna o nā wahi ki‘eki‘e o ke kūlanakauhale,

<sup>4</sup> O wai ka mea na‘aupō? E huli mai ia i o‘u nei: I ka mea no‘ono‘o ‘ole ho‘i, ‘ōlelo a‘ela ‘o ia iā ia,

<sup>5</sup> Inā, e ‘ai mai ‘oukou i ka‘u berena, E inu ho‘i i ka waina a‘u i kāwili ai.

<sup>6</sup> E ha‘alele i ka po‘e mana‘o ‘ole, i ola ‘oukou, E hele ho‘i ma ke ala o ka na‘auao.

### **Solomona 9:13-18**

<sup>13</sup> ‘O ka wahine na‘aupō, he wala‘au kona; Ua mana‘o ‘ole, ‘a‘ole ‘o ia i ‘ike i kekahi mea.

<sup>14</sup> Noho nō ‘o ia ma ka puka o kona hale, Ma ka noho ho‘i ma kahi ki‘eki‘e o ke kūlanakauhale,

<sup>15</sup> E hea aku i ka po‘e hele ma ke ala, Ka po‘e hele pololei ma ke alanui;

<sup>16</sup> ‘O wai ka mea mana‘o ‘ole? E huli mai i o‘u nei; I ka mea na‘aupō, ‘ōlelo akula ‘o ia iā ia,

<sup>17</sup> Ua ‘ono nō nā wai i ‘aihue ‘ia, Ua mānanalo ho‘i ka berena ke ‘ai malū.

<sup>18</sup> ‘A‘ole na‘e i ‘ike kēlā, ma laila ka po‘e make, Aia kona po‘e hoa ‘ai i lalo loa i ka malu make.

### **Proverbs 9:1-6**

<sup>1</sup> Wisdom has built her house; she has set up its seven pillars.

<sup>2</sup> She has prepared her meat and mixed her wine; she has also set her table.

<sup>3</sup> She has sent out her servants, and she calls from the highest point of the city,

<sup>4</sup> “Let all who are simple come to my house!” To those who have no sense she says,

<sup>5</sup> “Come, eat my food and drink the wine I have mixed.

<sup>6</sup> Leave your simple ways and you will live; walk in the way of insight.”

**Proverbs 9:13-18**

<sup>13</sup> Folly is an unruly woman; she is simple and knows nothing.

<sup>14</sup> She sits at the door of her house, on a seat at the highest point of the city,

<sup>15</sup> calling out to those who pass by, who go straight on their way.

<sup>16</sup> “Let all who are simple come to my house!” To those who have no sense she says,

<sup>17</sup> “Stolen water is sweet; food eaten in secret is delicious!”

<sup>18</sup> But little do they know that the dead are there, that her guests are deep in the realm of the dead.

**KA HA'I 'ŌLELO PELEKANIA:**

**Linda Ka'auwai-Iwamoto**

*“Remaining Teachable to God”*

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*“Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God.” Philippians 4:6*

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*The Lord’s Prayer*

E kō mākou Makua  
i loko o ka lani,  
e hoāno ‘ia kou Inoa.

E hiki mai Kou aupuni;  
e mālama ‘ia Kou makemake ma ka honua nei,  
e like me ia i mālama ‘ia ma ka lani la.

E hā‘awi mai iā mākou i kēia lā,  
i ‘aina mākou no kēia lā.  
E kala mai ho‘i iā mākou i kā mākou  
lawehala ‘ana,  
me mākou e kala nei i ka po‘e i lawehala i kā mākou.

Mai ho‘oku‘u ‘oe iā mākou i ka  
ho‘owalewale ‘ia mai.  
E ho‘opakele nō na‘e iā mākou i ka ‘ino.

No ka mea,  
Nou ke aupuni  
a me ka mana,  
a me ka ho‘onani ‘ia, a mau loa aku, ‘Āmene

**spoken in English**

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, and deliver us from evil,  
for Thine is the Kingdom and the Power and the Glory forever. Amen.



Kapa‘a First Hawaiian Church  
Annual `Ekalesia Meeting, 12-14-25  
Nominations for 2026, Officers and Boards

Moderator: Keith Olsen

Board of Deacons: Keith Olsen

Board of Trustees: Iwalani Ka`auwai - Herrod  
Milton Ching

KA HĀ‘AWI ‘ANA I NĀ MŌHAI ALOHA:

THE SHARING OF OUR GIFTS

The Offertory~The Presentation of our Gifts:

*Choir*  
*NHOE # 129*

*“Ho `oma `ema `e Mai Ia `u*  
*(Create in Me)*

**\*HO‘ONANI I KA MAKUA MAU**

**The Doxology:**

*“Ho‘onani I Ka Makua Mau”*  
*(Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow)*

*NHOE #1*

Ho‘onani I ka Makua mau,  
Ke Keiki me ka ‘Uhane no,  
Ke Akua Mau ho‘omaika‘i pu,

Ko keia ao, ko kela ao.  
Amene.

**\*KA PULE HO‘OHANO HANO:**

Prayer of Dedication

**Linda Ka`auwai-Iwamoto**

**\*KA HĪMENI HO‘OKU‘U ‘ANA:**

***The Hymn of Praise:***

***Congregation  
Blue Hymnal #172***

**\*KA PULE HO‘OKU‘U:**

The Charge and the Benediction

**Linda Ka`auwai-Iwamoto**

**\*KA PAPA HĪMENI I KA PULE ‘ANA:**

The Choral Response:

*Na ke Akua e kia ‘ike noho  
ka ‘awale kekahi i kekahi  
Na ke Akua e kia ‘i  
ke noho ka ‘awale  
kekahi i kekahi, Amene.*

**KA HO‘OPAU ‘ANA:**

The Postlude

***Mary Lardizabal***

*Choir Director/Pianist*

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## *NĀ HO‘OLAHA - THE ANNOUNCEMENTS*

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- All Council Meetings are now meeting in-person only.
- If you would like a copy of the Church Council Meeting Minutes please ask Gina our Church secretary

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Church Office Hours:	Mon, Tues, Thurs, Friday	8:30am-12:30pm
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- We have a “Donate” button on our website for online giving. You may also mail your checks to address at top of bulletin (cover pg), payable to: Kapa’ā First Hawaiian Church.

**Take a look at Kahu Caroline Miura’s new book: Pau Hana!**

\*\*\*\*Now available through Amazon or Barnes & Nobel bookstores.

**PLEASE SAVE THE DATE:**      January 6<sup>th</sup> -8<sup>th</sup>, 2026

Hebedoma – week of prayer

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*“Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God.”*  
*Philippians 4:6*

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NĀ PULE O KA ‘OHANA: The Prayers of the Family  
*Please keep the following in your daily prayers:*

- Hokulani
- U.S. Government
- World Peace

Everything? Yes, God wants us to talk with Him about everything. How often should we pray? The biblical answer is “pray without ceasing” (**1 Thessalonians 5:17**). We should keep a running conversation going with God all day long. There is really no special formula on **how to pray** in the Bible. We should just do it. We can pray under any and all circumstances. Prayer develops our relationship with God and demonstrates our trust and utter dependence upon Him.

## ***NĀ ‘ŌLELO HO‘OKIPA MAI - WORDS OF WELCOME:***

*A warm welcome and aloha to all who worship with us this morning. We are all called to a new way of living under God's wonderful grace in our Savior. If you are a guest, it is a pleasure to have you worshipping with us.*

*Please help us know who you are by signing our guest book.*

*If you have **prayer needs**, please fill out the request form in the bulletin and include in the offering bowl upon collection.*

## **CHURCH COUNCIL**

**Jan. 01, 2025**

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## **Upcoming meetings/events**

Today - Church Council Meeting

12/21/25 - Christman Luncheon after service

12/24/25 - Christmas Eve Service at 7:00 pm

### ***Kēkēmapa (December):***

*Douglas Keola Gonsalves; Elizabeth Medeiros; Jetsen Wakuta; Elena P. Ka`auwai; Terri Russell; Michelle M. Vidinha; Laurinette Fujimoto; Edie DeFries; Rachel Davis; Justyce Enrique; Iwi Jardine; Joyleen Rivera; Chandis Dabin*

**KAPA‘A FIRST HAWAIIAN CHURCH, UCC**  
**(The Queen’s Church)**  
**Established in 1836**

Aloha and welcome to the worship service in Hawaiian and English of our Lord Jesus Christ, here at the Kapa‘a First Hawaiian Church, United Church of Christ.

This church was originally established on the grounds of the Coco Palms Resort in the year 1836 by Kaua‘i’s beloved Queen Deborah Kekaiha‘akūlou Kapule. The simple grass hut was later replaced with a wooden frame building. In 1880, the frame building was dismantled and hauled over 2 ½ miles of very rough road and reassembled here in Kapa‘a, to serve the community until 1948 when the present church sanctuary and building was dedicated.

The original Queen’s Church was built for the ali‘i and high chiefs with the commoners not being allowed inside the building. Knowing her people’s love for singing, however, the Queen permitted those who wished to stand outside, through rain or sunshine, to sing along with the royal family.

The stained glass windows above the altar were graciously given by Bill and Ada Hicks. The center panel, depicting a Cross, symbolizes Christ with his arms outstretched and a maile lei around his shoulders. The left and right panels feature native flowers and plants surrounding a “kāhili” - the “kāhili” is a symbol of Hawaiian royalty.

The stained glass windows above the entrance were graciously given by three families. The center panel was given by Carl and Judy Germany “in memory of James S. Killian, late husband of Judy, and in honor of their son, Chuck Germany, in becoming a minister.” The left panel was given by Levinia Ka‘auwai and family in memory of Licentiate Rev. Samuel K. Ka‘auwai. The right panel was given by George, Esther, and Ross Teraoka in memory of Rev. Isaiah K. Ka‘auwai and Sunday School superintendent Daisy C. Ka‘auwai. The three panels present one large scene. The prism star represents Christ’s presence in the islands, the rainbow serves as a promised symbol of peace, and the native fruits symbolize growth.

All are welcome to our worship services. This is God’s house where we meet together. God invites us to listen, to cast our sins, our sorrows, and our anxieties on our Creator, Redeemer, and Sustainer. God sets us free and empowers us to live as God’s children. O magnify the Lord, for God is greatly to be praised!

“ ‘Oli‘oli aku la au, iā lākou i ‘ōlelo mau ai ia‘u,  
E hele kākou i loko o ka hale o Iehova.” (Halelu 122:1)

“I was glad when they said unto me,  
Let us go unto the house of the Lord.” (Psalm 122:1)

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*Ka Pule A Ka Haku*  
*Mataio 6:9-13*

E ko mākou Makua i loko o ka lani, e ho‘āno ‘ia kou inoa.  
E hiki mai kou aupuni; e mālama ‘ia kou makemake ma ka honua nei, e like me ia i  
mālama ‘ia ma ka lani lā;  
E hā‘awi mai iā mākou i kēia lā i ‘ai na mākou no nēia lā;  
E kala mai ho‘i iā mākou i kā mākou lawehala ‘ana, me mākou e kala nei i ka po‘e i lawehala i kā mākou.  
Mai ho‘oku‘u ‘oe iā mākou i ka ho‘owalewale ‘ia mai; e ho‘opakele nō na‘e iā  
mākou i ka ‘ino;  
no ka mea, nou ke aupuni, a me ka mana, a me ka ho‘onani ‘ia, a **mau loa aku. ‘Āmene.**