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"Making Disciples of Christ from All Generations"

Jesus Is Alive

During recent children's sermons I've been teaching the kids a new song. It's called "Everybody, Everywhere," and it goes like this:

*From the top of my head,
Way, way down to my toes,
I can't keep it all inside.
I want to dance with all my might.*

*Everybody, everywhere,
Raise your hands up in the air,
And say, "Jesus is alive."*

This song captures the pure excitement and joy of Easter.

On Easter morning, the unthinkable happened: Jesus conquered death. Listen to the Apostle Paul's victory song from 1 Corinthians 15: "Death has been swallowed up in victory. Where O Death is your victory? Where O Death is your sting? Thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ."

And notice whose victory Paul is celebrating - our victory. You see, here's the wildest news of all - Jesus didn't just conquer death; he conquered death for you and me. He conquered death for everybody, everywhere. This truly is good news that we dare not keep inside.

So let's share this good news with our friends and neighbors. Let's invite someone we know to join us for Easter worship. We've made "Easter Invitation Postcards" for you to give to a friend, and we're asking each person in our church to hand out 2 of these postcards - to invite 2 friends to join you for worship on Easter Sunday.

Here are the worship opportunities we will be offering during Holy Week:

- **Palm Sunday – April 9, 9:30 am**
- **Maundy Thursday Service of Holy Communion – April 13, 7:00 p.m.**
- **Easter Worship – April 16, 9:30 am**

We will be sponsoring an **Easter Egg Hunt** following our Easter worship service. This is a way for us to bless the children in our community and enjoy a fun family time together.

Easter is about God's new life breaking into our world. It is about hope and meaning. It is truly a day to celebrate. Shout it out, Jesus is alive!

~ Pastor Tim



Miles Raymond Matthew 03/25/2013 – 02/15/2017

Many of you know that our grandson lost his battle with cancer. Our sincere appreciation for the prayers for Miles and his family. Christie and Josh chose home hospice and were able to spend the last 3 months together at home building memories with Miles and his sister Malia.

Miles loved Thomas the Train. Make a Wish was able to arrange a limousine ride to Polar Express Train Adventure. He received a personal tour of both the steam engine, and the diesel electric engines as well as being a passenger on the Polar Express adventure. Miles came away certain he would be a train engineer.

An Angle network pilot gave the family a private plane ride. Co-pilot Miles also got a private tour of the Lone Star Aviation Museum and got to crawl all through a WWII B17. A United pilot sorority sister let Miles fly a 787 simulator and land in Honolulu on the reef runway. Miles added airline pilot to his list of what he would become.

Miles parents both work for NASA. Members of the astronaut core came by the house on multiple occasions to visit Miles. On one occasion they were on the floor playing with a race track and the automated voice started giving instructions in Italian. This was no problem, as one of the astronauts was from Italy.

Miles was invited to a special tour of the International Space Station training facility in building 9. Normally 3 year olds aren't offered this experience. While there Miles and his sister Malia got to ride in the Mars rover, and talk to astronauts in orbit aboard the ISS. Mile's picture was photographed in the cupola viewing module of ISS.

Astronauts fly themselves back and forth in T38 jets. Astronaut Bob Behnken arranged a private tour of the T38 hanger. Miles got to sit in Bob's T38 and wear his flight helmet. Bob also gave Miles a tour of the supper guppy.

NASA arranged for the American flag to be flown at half staff over the Mission Control building. It was a very moving ceremony. They presented the flag in a wooden case to his five year old big sister, Malia. We were told that it was the largest turnout ever for a flag ceremony at Houston Mission Control.

The outpouring of love and support has truly been incredible. The people at NASA, The Bay Area Running Club, Christies sorority sisters, many friends and family, and multiple church congregations. Both the viewing and celebration of life were packed to overflowing. For those who wish to contribute to The Miles Raymond Matthew Trust for Pediatric Cancer Research contributions can be sent to the KUMC Foundation, 1110 Kailua, Road, Kailua, HI 96734, Memo line: Miles Raymond Matthew Trust. Donors receive a 501(C)(3) contribution letter for tax deductions. Our sincere thanks for your kindness.....Don and June Raymond

If you are interested in the April birthdays, please call the church office at 261-6238



April Birthdays



DID YOU KNOW? YOUR KUMC FOUNDATION

Windward Seniors Day Center here in Kailua has been doing a great job since 1974 overseeing daytime care and providing nutrition to our windward kupuna. There have been several recipients from our church ohana of this good care of have had family members cared for. The Ila May McClelland Trust specifically includes this facility.

It's easy to fund an existing trust or start a new trust. You may make a tax-deductible donation. For questions please contact either Ann McBirnie at amcbirnie@hawaiiantel.net or Jerry Allen at Jerry-Allen@hawaii.rr.com. Thank you.

AUDIO VISUAL TECHNICIAN NEEDED

We are currently seeking someone to fill our AV Tech position. Part-time—approximately 5 hours per week (at least 3 hours on Sunday mornings). The job is to ensure that the Sunday worship audio/visual operations are performed with consistency and accuracy. The position also requires posting sermons on the church website and YouTube. Please reply to kailua.umc@hawaiiantel.net with subject line "AV Tech Position". If interested, attach a resume or call the church office at 261-6238.



KUMC FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP



The KUMC Foundation is proud to announce that the application period for the 2017 Scholarship Awards is now open!

Who is eligible? Any KUMC Pastor or KUMC Staff member, or KUMC member or their children participating in an accredited educational institution at the post high school level or higher, is eligible to apply. Applications can be downloaded from the KUMC website at <http://www.kailuaumc.org>. Click on the "About Us" tab, then scroll down and click on "Our Foundation" and then click the link to the "Application Form" and "Recommendation Form" to download. **A standard (2-1/2" x 3") headshot photo is required with the Application form.**

Scholarships will be awarded based on a scoring system which considers involvement in the life of KUMC, community service, letters of recommendations and the applicant's personal statement. ***Last year's awardees were Aliya Petranik, Austin Tom, Griffin Lockette and Meilan Sim.***

Scholarships are granted individually and previous awardees may reapply if they continue to meet the eligibility requirements. It is important to note the application and recommendation letter deadline date of April 30, 2017 (postmarked or receipt date), and it is the applicant's responsibility to make sure his or her application and letters of recommendation are completed timely, as process and follow-through is one of the important life lessons that the Scholarship program promotes.

For further information about the program or process, or if you would like to serve on the evaluation committee, please contact John Kojima, Chairperson of the KUMC Foundation Scholarship Committee at johnkojima@gmail.com. ***Also, please consider a donation to the KUMCF Scholarship Fund in honor of someone who is graduating this year to assist future students***

**THE REVEREND CHIMPEI PETER & UMENO GOTO
MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

Qualifications are:

- ◆ Must be an active member of a United Methodist Church in the District of Hawaii for more than 3 years.
- ◆ Dedicated to a career in Christian Ministry

Applications are available in the Church office or online at <http://hawaiidistrictumc.org/resources/goto-scholarship>. For more information, contact Ken Uyeunten (261-4871) or Karie Terada (306-2475). Application deadline is April 30, 2017.

REQUESTING FLOWERS FOR THE EASTER CROSS

It is a tradition here at KUMC to adorn the cross Easter Sunday. Please bring flowers and lei to decorate our cross that morning. Many people take their yearly family Easter photo with the cross as a backdrop. The cross always looks so beautiful adorned in lovely Hawaiian flowers. Thank you.



SAVE THE DATE



The Windward Relay For Life 2017 will be held at Windward Mall on July, 8th

HAPPY BLOOD BANK DONATORS



Sue Pignataro, Deborah Tom, Melanie Killam, Pastor Tim, Carol Kalahiki and Tracy Ing

Look at those smiles! This is what you look like after donating blood at KUMC. Thank you to all who continue to make our blood drives here at KUMC such a success! Our next blood drive is Sunday, October 22, 2017. Mahalo!



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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

KEY DATES FOR APRIL 2016

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| April 8 | Habilitat Car Wash |
| April 9 | Palm Sunday |
| April 13 | Maundy Thursday Service |
| April 16 | Easter Sunday/Easter Egg Hun |
| April 22 | IHS Prep and Meal |
| April 30 | KUMC Foundation Scholarship
Deadline |

THE LAST WORD

“If Jesus rose from the dead, then you have to accept all that he said; if he didn’t rise from the dead, then why worry about any of what he said? The issue on which everything hangs is not whether or not you like his teaching but whether or not he rose from the dead.”

~ Timothy Keller