



Talk Story



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Father Moki receives promotion

In November, Bishop Robert Fitzpatrick appointed The Reverend Moki Hino to a Canon Administrator and Priest-in-Charge of the Cathedral of St. Andrew.

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Medical van coming soon

St. Jude's will soon host the Bay Clinic Mobile Health Unit in the parking lot. This medical van is a state-of-the-art vehicle that is equipped with one primary medical exam room and one dental operatory. The Mobile Health Unit is essentially a comprehensive health center on wheels. The Mobile Health Team consists of a medical provider, a dentist, one medical and one dental assistant, a patient care coordinator, and a driver.

Together, the team partners with local churches, community centers, and organizations to deliver excellent patient-centered health care services for families living in the most rural East Hawai'i communities with limited or no

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Bay Clinic medical van coming to St. Jude's soon.



Dan Garrett and Steve Stigall changed up the usual Saturday shower menu with a traditional Thanksgiving feast for anyone who dropped by. It was a surprising change from the regular soup and homemade bread that is usually offered on at our Saturday Showers. Many of our members came by to chat and enjoy the good food.

Nancy Bondurant, JYM Duncan and Pastor Connie relax after rehearsing JYM's original praise hymn. The trio sang the song before worship service.





Around the church yard

By Contributing Editor Don Hatch

St. Jude's Kitchen: Last month we mentioned that we had received a grant to upgrade our kitchen. The new kitchen cabinets were ordered the day after we received the grant. The cabinets include features like drawers in the lower cabinets, the upper cabinets go up to the ceiling (8 feet), there will be a pantry, and a microwave oven will be installed above the kitchen range.

We started working on the kitchen the next Tuesday, the only day of the week when the church is unoccupied. Every other day of the week has multiple events taking place in our facilities and we **don't want to interfere with their activities any more than we have to. Doing work like this on St. Jude's** is like changing a fan-belt on a car without shutting off the motor.

Our current kitchen was built in the late 70s and early 80s; so, it is 40-45 years old.

The first step was to remove the ceiling and frame a vaulted ceiling two feet higher than the current ceiling. This makes room to install a much needed fan in the kitchen.

In addition to raising the ceiling and installing new cabinets, the kitchen will be stripped bare and the electrical wiring will be upgraded to support multiple modern electrical appliances like crock pots, heating trays, portable ovens, and coffee pots.

After the electrical work is completed, we will finish the walls with sheetrock and then install the cabinets.

Our kitchen currently has dark walls, yellow cabinets, and two low wattage lights in the ceiling.

Although the kitchen will still be the same compact size, it should seem larger and brighter because the walls, ceiling, and cabinets will be a lighter color, and there will be six lights in the raised ceiling.

We expect to receive the cabinets the week after thanksgiving, but with all of the activities taking **place at St. Jude's across the Christmas season,** we may not get the kitchen finished until a little after the new year.

Our Christmas Season is in full swing: **St. Jude's started preparing for the Christmas season** several months ago, when they started making and decorating Christmas stockings for the **community children's Christmas party.**

This year Christmas Eve is on Saturday, and the congregation was given the choice of having only a Christmas Eve service, having only a Christmas service, or having both a Christmas Eve and Christmas services. The congregation voted overwhelmingly that they wanted to have both events.

Greening the Church: Starts at Saturday 26th at 9:00 am. We will put up the Christmas tree, decorate it, decorate and brighten the church with lots of lights.

Christmas Eve Service: Christmas carols and chimes will start at 4:00 pm and services will begin at 5:30 pm.

After the services we will have our usual Christmas Eve feast.

Since we're a blend of people from many places with different customs for Christmas Eve dinner, **we've combined the various customs to create a** montage of those traditions which, over the last couple years, is becoming our tradition. Each year, as we add new members to our church we

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Farewell and aloha from Pastor Connie

Dear Friends in Christ,

My heart has been touched by the people and ministries of St. Jude's, Ocean View. The five weeks I have lived and served among you have renewed my spirit and restored my hope.

As the church year has wound down, we have gathered for worship, fellowship and service. What a joy-filled way for a most challenging year to come to an end!

St. Jude's is well known for your weekly shower ministry and your innovative approach of clergy staffing. Perhaps you are not as

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Stalking the pantry



By Karen Pucci,
Ka'u Food Pantry Board of Directors, President

We attended the mandatory island wide meeting hosted by the Food Basket of Hawai'i. We were treated to new rules and regulations most of which we had already implemented. ALL of our recipients will have to re-register in January.

Ka'u Food Pantry, Inc.: next distribution is Tuesday, December 27, at St. Jude's Episcopal Church on Paradise Circle-Mauka from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. We ask all of our participants to respect the grounds where this will be held. Volunteers are always needed and welcomed, beginning at 0900 on that Tuesday. We are endeavoring to add some light sundries to this distribution as well-shampoo, razors, soap, toothpaste, etc. No Food Pantry funds will be used for these purchases.

The Ka'u Food Pantry, Inc., is staffed entirely by volunteers and is a non-profit agency whose mission is to feed the hungry of Ocean View. We are currently feeding up to 130 families. Our program is designed to provide **1-3 days' worth of nutritious food to help people** who run short of money, benefits and/or food by the month's end. As a non-profit, the Pantry is able to purchase food from the Hawaii Food Basket at 18¢ per pound. One dollar can buy a half of a case of food to help your community.

Donations of non-perishable food items and funding are welcomed. You may donate funds via St. Jude's-just write Food Pantry in the memo area of your check. Checks maybe written directly to the Food Pantry as well. Make the checks payable to the Ka'u Food Pantry, Inc., P.O. Box 6184, Ocean View, HI 96737.

There are also donation "change" cans at businesses in Ocean View for your convenience. Your monetary and food donations may be deductible pursuant to I.R.S. Code §501 (c) (3). Mahalo nui loa for all your support.

ISLAND FOOD REVIEWS BY K & A

Groovin' with the Grazing Girls Volcano Park cuisine offerings



FOOD IN THE VOLCANO PARK. All of us at some point or another have visited here and we often drag our mainland guests to Park because it really is the best show in the world. If you wish to dine there here is the Grazin' Girls story.

As advertised, we snuck away to the Volcano Park for a holoholo. We stayed at the Lodge in the park and dined at the Rim, in the bar lounge and at Kilauea Military Camp (KMC). We reviewed the bar lounge in an earlier edition. KMC is on the main drag enroute to the Jagger Museum and overlook. We heard so many conflicting accounts access eligibility that we did not know what to expect. Surprise! access is restricted to no one. You don't have be in the service or a vet or be a family member. Anyone can access KMC and all that it has to offer-except lodging. You need to be military connected or have someone who is make the reservations for you.

We had breakfast at the Kilauea Caf  aka KMC Cafe aka Crater Rim Cafe.

Editor's Note: Further research indicates it's officially called "The Rim Restaurant."

Not much on ambiance but it was clean and the day we were there, quiet-but if it is full, I expect it would be quite noisy. It's really nothing more than a glorified cafeteria/mess hall but the food is decent, cooked fresh and tasted just fine. I had a Denver omelet and Anna had a bacon and cheese omelet. It was \$7 each and came with a beverage of your choice. There is no table service. The cashier [who was very friendly and helpful to us doddering old farts] placed our order and we got a number to pick up the food. The food came hot, cooked to correct temperature but not seasoned.

I would say where they fall down is in their toasting of breads or in my case, English Muffin. It's way under-done. If you're on a budget or you have a wad of kids with you, this is a good stop. The food is simple, inexpensive and prepared to order. The menu for each dining experience is quite limited but very affordable.

CRATER RIM CAF  aka KMC CAF  aka KILAUEA CAF  [the name was different on every door] Breakfast

6:30a to 11:00a. Lunch 11:00 1:00. Dinner 5:00p-8:00p. Closed for lunch on weekends.

THE RIM at the Lodge. Food here is excellent but it is as my friend says: spendy. Anna and I had a very lovely dinner and all things considered not so bad financially. We had a nice table by the window and at that time, the crater was really roiling.

A fiery glow that waxed and waned in the distance, and every now and then a lava flare we could see. This is a small restaurant but even though it was crowded, it was not noisy. The service was friendly and pretty prompt. We had excellent lobster and crab cakes (\$18) for our pu pu. Not a lot of breading so the flavors came through nicely. We were pleased with this. Anna had lamb with a Hilo Coffee rub (\$39) and I had Kampachi (\$36) which is a delicate fish, farmed here away from the reefs and the problems it can cause with this fish. Very well prepared with subtle but delicious seasonings.

The accompanying lobster seaweed salad was tasty too. There were actual large pieces of lobster in it. Anna was happy with her lamb and she is not a lamb person per se. She enjoyed the enhancement the coffee rub brought to lamb and we may give it whirl down the line in one of our preps.

The entrees are not huge by any means but they are not three bite plates either. Just about right. We each had a glass of wine (\$10 and \$9.50 respectively), coffee cheesecake that was very, very good (\$10). It was about \$150 all in with tax and tip which frankly is not bad at all. Jettison the booze and pupus and a special occasion meal can be had for about \$100 for two people.

Breakfast buffet 7:00a-10:00a but who wants to pay more for a buffet when you can get something fresh at KMC. Lunch 11:00a-2:00p. Dinner 5:30p-8:30P. RESERVATIONS HIGHLY RECOMMENDED for dinner. 808-930-6910. A view can be had from any table so you don't have to sit by the window if none are available.



Flavor of the Month

Serving St. Jude's December is The Reverend Richard Stetson



December Dates to Remember

Volunteer Opportunities!

Dec. 3rd Lemonade Party

Dec. 4th Second Sun. of Advent

Dec. 10th 9:00 am Road Corporation Annual Meeting

Dec. 11th 3rd Sunday of Advent

Dec. 15th 2:30 pm Farewell Party for Moki

Dec. 17th Party for Keiki distribute books and stockings (We need you!)

Dec. 24th

9:00 am decorate church for Christmas Eve Service, Showers etc.

4:00 pm Carole Sing

5:30 pm Eucharist Service, Potluck after service.

Dec. 25th 9:30 am Regular Sunday service

Dec. 27th Food Pantry Distribution

Dec. 31st Showers and soup as usual



TURNING PAGES

BOOK REVIEWS BY ANNA TOWNER

First, some of you might know I am a bibliophile. That's a nice word for a book addict. Fiction, non-fiction, mystery, history, philosophy, culinary, memoir ... who cares? There are all genres, words to be read, savored, digested and revisited again and again. Books are my friends who very rarely talk back or criticize menthe are always there for me and a second or third reading often reveals a new aspect of the relationship I have with what I read.

I love the Harry Potter series, Chronicles of Narnia (the entire set), True Blood, Stranger in a Strange Land, The Invisible Library, Miss Perigrines Peculiar Children, The Turn of the Screw, Games of Thrones, The Passage (plus the other two that make up the trilogy) are just a few recent reads that I have been drawn to of late. In the Potter series, a young boy doesn't fit into the family he has been sent to. He finds where he belongs, discovers who and what he is while turning into a young man who is not afraid of responsibility or doing what must be done. In Narnia, like the Potter books, children discover another world in which everything is not as it seems. Again, the battle between good and evil in the magical world of Narnia and the children must decide for themselves who their allies are both in Narnia and "the real world." If you decide to read either series, make sure they are all available so you can read them in order without waiting.

Harris' True Blood is also about the paranormal, but instead of young children

who grow up, Sookie is a young woman who is telepathic and can hear everyone's thoughts. No privacy, no quiet, knowing more about people than she needed or wanted to know. So imagine someone walks into your diner and you hear...NOTHING. What a blessing. Yes, he is a vampire, but a very well behaved one. But, like today, people who are different aren't always welcome. They might threaten the status quo. the Sookie Stackhouse books are much lighter than the TV series and I enjoy them, like Potter and Narnia, as "comfort food".

I was in high school when I came across Heinlein's Stranger in a Strange Land for the first time. I had read fantasy, but think this was the first Sci-Fi I had read, and actually paid attention to it. Although Valentine is a man, he was raised by a Martian. Educated in their culture and values. once on earth, he is exposed to a culture and its values that he does not understand yet must adjust to in order to survive. Loved the book and it is one of my regular rereads.

I skip to Justin Cronin's trilogy which begins with, "Something the government did wrong." Often The Passage reminds me of King's The Stand. Each novel is trying to pick up the pieces after an apocalyptic event. New groups form, rules and laws are developed and people, again, try to make things right.

Of course good versus evil is present again and doing the right thing is never

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Santa's Coming to Town

Saturday, December 17th 2016



Bring your Keiki to Visit Santa

Doors open at 10:00 am until 1:00 pm, or until gifts run out

- (1) Get your Free Tickets at the event
- (2) Visit Rudolph's Reading Room and get a Book
- (3) Visit Santa at the North Pole and get a Stocking
- (4) Go to Mrs. Claus' Kitchen for a cookie and drink

Santa Will Be at
The southeast Corner of Keaka Pkwy
and Paradise Circle



St. Jude's Episcopal Church
92-8606 Paradise Circle
Ocean View, HI 96737

In the Lower Parking Lot

across the street from the park



WHAT'S COOKIN' AT ST. JUDES

For I was hungry, and you fed me. I was thirsty, and you gave me a drink. I was a stranger, and you invited me into your home. Matthew 25:35

Christmas Butter Cookies

Cookies

3/4 cup butter, softened
3/4 cup granulated sugar
2 eggs
1 tablespoon finely grated lemon peel
2 tablespoons lemon juice
2 1/2 cups flour
1 teaspoon baking soda
1/4 teaspoon salt
1/2 teaspoon butter flavoring

Frosting

3 cups powdered sugar
2 tablespoons meringue powder
5 teaspoons lemon juice
4 to 5 tablespoons water
Decorations
Colored sugars



Directions for Cookies

Beat butter and granulated sugar with electric mixer on medium speed until creamy. On low speed, beat in egg, lemon peel and 2 tablespoons lemon juice. Stir in flour, baking soda and salt until well blended.

Divide dough into 4 parts; flatten each part into 1/2-inch-thick round. Wrap each in waxed paper or plastic wrap; refrigerate 30 minutes.

Heat oven to 350°F. Remove 1 round of dough at a time from refrigerator. Between sheets of floured waxed paper or plastic wrap, roll dough until 1/4 to 3/8 inch thick. Cut with 3-inch cookie cutters in various shapes. On ungreased cookie sheets, place cutouts 1 inch apart. Bake 10 to 12 minutes or just until edges are golden. Cool on cookie sheets about 1 minute before removing to cooling rack. Cool 10 to 15 minutes before frosting.

Directions for Frosting

Gently mix powdered sugar and meringue powder. Stir in 5 teaspoons lemon juice and enough of the 4 to 5 tablespoons water to make a thin icing. Transfer 1/2 cup of the icing into small bowl; set aside. Using a flexible pastry brush, paint cookies to the edges with icing. Place on cooling rack to dry completely, about 30 minutes.

Beat reserved icing with electric mixer on high speed 5 to 7 minutes or until peaks form. Place in small ziplock bag; cut a very small hole in the bottom of the bag with the plain white icing. Squeeze icing onto glazed cookies. Before icing dries, sprinkle with decorations, and tap off excess. Dry thoroughly on cooling rack.

In our prayers this month

Pray for healing: Jeff, Peggy, Brian, Richard M, Phyl, Richard, Shirley, Rev. Anne, Darlene, Stella, Hannah, Thom, Austin, Bill, Rev. Anne, Nancy, Brian, Carolyn, Richard, Dennis.

Pray for comfort: For Phyl, Sandra and all families who mourn the loss of a loved one.

Pray for travel mercies for all that are traveling.

Pray for protection and safety: All protective service personnel, law enforcement, firefighters and military personnel.

Prayers of Thanksgiving for the many blessings we enjoy, answered prayers of healing and comfort, and the many opportunities for service within the fellowship of St. Jude's.



Celebrating this month

December Birthdays

- 4 Phyl Laymon
- 13 Thom White
- 19 Carolyn Sampson
- 31 Don Hatch
- 31 Ginger Stewart

December Anniversaries

- 4 Don Hatch and Beverly Nelson
- 17 Rev. Cathy & John McDonald
- 30 Jerry & Susan Fine



St. Andrew's



Each of us is an
Innkeeper
who decides if there is
room for *Jesus*
-Neal A Maxwell





CANDY CANE MEMORIES

BY PHYL LAYMON

December 1955: Traditions are funny things. We don't consciously set out to make them. Ours were still in the formative stages that Christmas in Rock Springs, Wyoming. There were just four of us, back then, plus a bun in the oven. Frank was on the very bottom rung at Mountain Bell Telephone Company. I was a stay-at-home mom with one and two year old boys and 7 months into baby

#3. We were always broke! But... Frank did have a big Trans-Oceanic radio salvaged from his bachelor days. The last week of every month it went to the hock shop. Frank loved that radio. Late at night, we could pull in stations from all over the world. How exciting it was to hear foreign voices and strange music. When payday rolled around, Frank's very first stop would be to bail out his radio.

That year, Frank had made friends with the old guy across the street. With his help -- and lumber --and tools --and paint, Frank was able to build a little red table and two little red stools for the boys for Christmas. Then, following my own childhood family traditions, Santa set the table with play dishes filled with candy corn on Christmas Eve. I love the picture of my guys on that Christmas morning.

We borrowed \$20 out of the month's very thin

envelope of grocery money to make Christmas happen for our little family. A small Charlie Brown tree stood high above busy little fingers. It was topped with a wonky star made out of a tin can lid and its branches were draped with a skimpy string of popcorn.

So, out would come the candy canes with their red ribbons and we would cover the tree. *Phyl Laymon*

A Woolworth's cheap Nativity set resided in a shoebox set on its side -- now a cave for the Manger. There were only two gifts under the tree. Frank and I gave each other much needed socks -- but Frank slipped in an extra present for me; a pretty barrette for my hair. The rest of the \$20 went for Santa gifts for the boys. Best Christmas--ever!

Frank steadily climbed the ladder at the phone company so times got a little better each year. We finally got transferred to Cheyenne, my home town, where my parents and siblings lived. What a blessing that was. We were able to buy our first little house, with the help of my dad.

One of my most precious Christmas memories was made in that little house.

December 1962: The week before Christmas! The traditional Saturday shopping trip with Dad and Mom shepherding Doug, 9,

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CONVENTION

By Thom White

On Friday October 28, Cordelia Burt, Elaine Meier and I attended the 48th Annual Convention of the Hawaii Episcopal Church. The two day event was held at the Tenney Theatre of the Cathedral of St. Andrew in Honolulu. Priests and delegates came from all the Islands.

On Friday we reviewed the 2015 Resolution: The Homelessness Crisis and heard from the different congregations on any efforts and actions taken over this past year. We then broke up into smaller groups to share and discuss problems, ideas and solutions. We had worn our St Jude T-shirts. I was surprised how many people recognized our church name and had heard of our work and ministry.

At the end of the day we celebrated Mass in St. Andrew Cathedral. The historical cathedral was founded by King Kamehameha IV and Queen Emma in 1867 and was built in the French Gothic Style Architecture. A dinner followed celebrating the 10th Anniversary of our Bishop Robert Fitzpatrick as Presiding Bishop. Also Bishop Bob and family celebrated the birth of his first grandchild.

On Saturday the Convention began. Some of the agenda was nominations and for elections for General Convention. Rev. Robert "Moki" Hino was elected Secretary to Convention. Other business was budget proposals, the Bishop's address and report, treasurer's report. A beautiful presentation on Camp Mokule'ia was given. A Special video Pulama 2016 Feast Day was shown.

As we adjourned the 2016 Convention, I realized the Church's focus on Social Justice and Homelessness in Hawaii reflects Christ's Message "TO LOVE ONE ANOTHER".

I am humbled and grateful to be a part this goal. Amen.



Shower Saturday Thanksgiving

Story By Dan Garrett



food and fellowship in a warm and welcoming environment.

To have a special meal of familiar food made with aloha and served in a relaxed and comforting manner is something we all deserve. We thank the Bishop's Committee, and the incredible people of St. Jude's for allowing us, and working so enthusiastically with us, to help us bring our family tradition to our new church home. The day was lovely because of your kindness and giving.

Steve Stigall and I were so blessed to be able to share our tradition of providing a community Thanksgiving dinner with the help of our St Jude Ohana. It seems we've been feeding folks our entire life together, and actually as individuals before we even met.



We both come from families who made room at their tables for the hungry. Early in our marriage we encouraged groups of our church friends at St. Paul AME and St. John AME in the Columbus, Ohio area to work together with us to provide meals around the holidays that would make sure that folks who needed, or just wanted, a family holiday meal would have an opportunity to sit down and have good



CHRISTMAS SHOPPING TIPS

BY ANNA TOWNER

I don't know about you all, but aside from cooking for Turkey Day, Christmas is well underway. How many of us have made a dent in the shopping?

Well, I have officially started after a luncheon at the Kilauea Lodge. There I found the nicest gift shop, and an ever so reasonably priced. They have metal wall art that seemed down right cheap for the quality and beauty of the work.

Papa turtle, \$35.00, Mama and two babies \$28.00 for the group of 3. Sandalwood fans \$5.00, six Hawaiian themed guitar picks for \$6.00 and so on. It is definitely worth a stop as is the lodge.

Another very nice place for shopping is the Akatsuka Orchid Gardens. The orchids are gorgeous! There are many varieties with hundreds of blooms. You can have your plants of choice shipped directly to those who you know will appreciate the beauty of a Big Island orchid.

The gift shop also has reasonably priced goodies. Hair do dahs, cups and saucers, spoon rest and many

other great items sure to please those on your shopping list.

The Island Gourmet in Waikoloa's Queen Shopping Center is actually a well disguised and upgraded ABC Store. I found surprisingly affordable prices on a variety things you would buy for yourself or friends who want souvenirs.

Hawaiian themed potholders that were \$5.95 in Kona, were \$3.00 here. I spotted a nice selection of, flavored/colored salts for \$1.00 - \$2.00 dollars less than Safeway or Target.

So before you fire up your computer to click on Amazon gift items, you might want to check out some of the interesting island options. There are so many possibilities!



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Chasing the



Saints

By proud grandmother, Cynn timer Salley



**NFL Center, Max Unger,
New Orleans Saints. (#60)**

Editor's Note—Cynn timer and Ray Salley are on an NFL sojourn. At my request, Cynn timer has provided a travelogue to share the crazy life of NFL families.

10/3/16

Home again home again, jiggy jog ! We and the Ungers, were up by 4:30 getting ready to go off to the airport for our flights to Kona. Kissed the Cindells goodbye and headed out. On the shuttle from Budget, Ray realized he couldn't find his phone. I texted Craig who looked through the house for it to no avail and then called Ray's number, hoping we would hear it ring. Well, no that didn't happen, some stranger answered it. Thank goodness it was someone at Budget and it was delivered to Ray at curbside by the next shuttle driver! That was our only excitement for the day.

10/4/16 - 10/12/16

It's been wonderful to be home, even for such a short time! Lots of office work to catch up on, not to mention unpacking and laundry, getting it ready to repack! Octoberfest was fun. Loved seeing all those that I sure do miss while away! Good food, good conversation and a band that certainly has improved over the years!

Have managed to have a relapse of Camcam's cold that Ray and I caught and came home with. Of course the smog doesn't help!

10/13/16 - 10/14/16

It's back to NOLA for the next game. Ray and I flew on Alaska Airlines to Seattle, where we spent the night before continuing on a direct flight to New Orleans. I had a horrible time with one of my ears. It finally cleared thank goodness, but still remains a bit weird! It was wonderful to see Leah, Max and of course little Camcam! Leah had delicious squash/pumpkin soup and salad waiting for us, so we ate and folded up soon after dinner.

10/15/16 - 10/16/16

A day of leisure and taking it easy, not to mention keeping Cameron amused! We've read all of the books, played with the cars, crawled in the teepee, watched Tinkerbelle and pushed the trike around the house. Leah took Max to his hotel for the pre-game lockdown while we watched Camcam...always a treat!

Game day vs the North Carolina Panthers and this was another nail biter! We won in the last 42 seconds with a 60 yard field goal! Whew! After the game, we took

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Cameron home and then went out to dinner. New Orleans food is sooo good!

10/17/16

Finally, I unpacked and then turned around and repacked for our next trek! The weather seems to be all over the map...don't know whether to pack for warm weather or snow! Laundry done, bags packed and ready to roll.

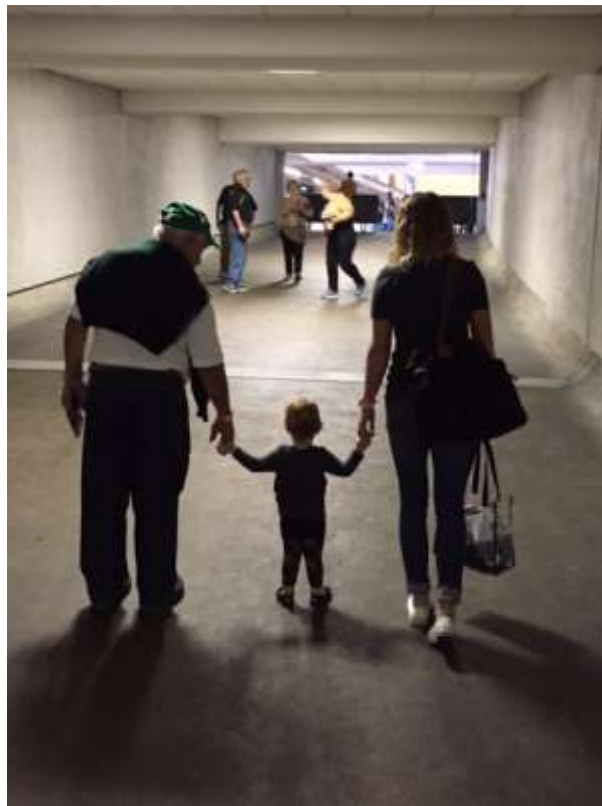
10/18/16 - 10/20/16

Cynda and Roberta arrived this afternoon. Met them and their luggage and we all went to Leah and Max's for pizza and the night.

We were up early. Cynda and Rob went out for a walk at dawn, we then had breakfast, packed up the car and headed out. "On the road again!" Our first destination was Natchitoches (na ki tosh). We stopped there last year and enjoyed the little town where Steel Magnolias was filmed. We saw more of the historical area this time and discovered a 100 year old hardware store. It was fabulous and filled with nostalgia. "Oh, remember this?" was our mantra. Found a restaurant, had a mediocre dinner and wended our way back to the Inn and to bed.

After breakfast we packed up and headed out, bound for Fort Smith. Definitely a historical town, right on the boundary of Arkansas and Oklahoma. The trail of tears ended there as the relocation was over the line in Oklahoma. We had dinner in the old town, then back to the Inn to bed.

10/21/16 - 10/23/16



Off to the game.

We were going to find another city between Ft. Smith and Kansas City for the night, but decided to push through to KC today. There was no room at the Raphael, where we had reservations starting the following day, so we found rooms in a hotel nearby for the night. We stayed in the Plaza area and it was delightful. I was forced by my child to walk to dinner, which in and of itself isn't so bad...it was the steep hill that had me grumbling! Well, I made it up the hill and collapsed into bed!

An old and close friend, Bill, lives in KC. We picked him up at his condo and he gave us a most wonderful tour. Kansas City is an absolutely beautiful city. In the

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easy and doing the easy thing is rarely the right thing. I waited 3+ years for Cronin's third book to come out.

It seemed like it took forever for Cronin's third and final book in the series to arrive. We are still waiting for George Martin's long promised new Game of Thrones novel. Rumor has it that Cronin became involved in turning his first book into a movie. George Martin became involved with turning his series of book into a TV series for HBO. According to Anna T, these are lame excuses for keeping loyal readers hanging, eagerly anticipating the next installment.



More Saints

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residential areas, there are perfectly manicured parks throughout the neighborhoods. Beautiful old tree line the streets providing shade. We were full of ooohs and ahs... our tour ended at the museum. What a wonderful collection of Chinese antiques they have, from porcelain to furniture and everything in between. Having grown up with things Chinese and old, I found their collection awesome. They were having a special exhibit of the impressionists which was equally awesome. A museum worth visiting when in KC. We had lunch in their cafe, returned Bill to his condo and went to the airport to pick up Keith. Max had flown in that day, so he joined us for a chat. If you're in KC, it's absolutely imperative that you have BBQ...so off we all went to Joe's for dinner. We were met by Bill and Keith's brother Tom and his friend Brian who had flown in from Idaho for the game. No reservations are taken, so we stood in line for a lengthy period of time. Finally got a table and ordered our fill of BBQ everything.

Again, I was forced to walk, to and from the restaurant and the hotel. Not as bad as there were no steep hills!

Sunday is game day. We left for the stadium after breakfast and picked up Bill along the way, who directed us. Well, we went in the wrong gate and ended up in the wrong parking area and there is nooo backtracking. Supposedly, they provide rides for OPs like us, so the parking security person called for a ride. Well, we waited and waited to no avail. Finally the kids started walking, and I grumbled...to make a long story shorter, 1 1/2 hours later a jitney arrived and took us right up to the gate, so we got to our seats before the Star Spangled Banner was sung! Although it was an exciting game, we lost! Saw Max after the game then, once again tried to get a ride back to the car! Finally we were successful. This evening, we went to an old fashioned hamburgers and milk shakes place. It was so nostalgic! Then back to the hotel, where some went to bed and some to the bar!



I LOVE CHRISTMAS!

BY CINDY CUTTS, EDITOR

I love Christmas! I love the music, lights, decorations, shopping, Christmas cards... I love it all! It makes me happy just to walk through the department stores and look at their Christmas decorations. The anticipation of Christmas through the Advent season fuels my love of the Savior's birthday.

I am especially excited for this Christmas season at St. Jude's because we will display our new Thomas Kinkade Nativity sculptures.

Last January St. Jude's was gifted a collection of ten individual sculptures, ranging in size from 12 inches to 36 inches tall. Mary, Joseph and Baby Jesus, shepherds, kings, angel and assorted animals have been lovingly designed by West Coast artist Thomas Kinkade, known as the "Painter of Light." Each figurine is an exquisite piece of artwork that showcases the Christmas story.

I believe the circumstances that brought the Kinkade artwork to St. Jude's were the result of divine intervention. I prayed for God to help

me find a nativity set, and began a search through garage sales, clearance sales and closeout departments. God answered my prayer with art gallery pieces.

We will begin Advent with a few pieces of the set, and add more each week as the story of the Christ child unfolds. Baby Jesus will be placed in the scene at the beginning of the Christmas Eve service.

I encourage you to take some time to admire the workmanship and the artistry of the pieces. The angel's wings, the wool of the lamb, the face of Mary, and so many other tender details of the sculptures, will capture your heart and bring the Christmas story to life.

Our little church is so lovely on Christmas Eve. The poinsettias, the candles and the greens set a sweet mood. I can hardly wait to see it all set up this year, with the addition of our new chairs and the 10 pieces of Kinkade artistry to help us celebrate the birth of the Savior.

Happy Advent! Merry Christmas!

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seem to add more delicious treats that become **part of a St. Jude's tradition.**

Four or five years ago I started bringing a huge pot of Clam Chowder for Christmas Eve Aloha hour and two years ago someone brought fresh home-made tamales, and last year someone added a roasted turkey to the feast.

This year we will have those and whatever else someone wants to include in our ever-growing Christmas Eve Feast, and I hope new treats becomes a tradition for next year.

Christmas Eve at St. Jude's is our largest event for the year. Last year we didn't have enough room inside the church for everyone; so, we had to open the side doors and put extra seating outside.

Christmas day Service: Services will start at our regular time of 9:30 am and after services we will have our usual Aloha Social Hour and we will try to finish off the leftovers from the Christmas Eve dinner.

Christmas Stockings: We continue to work diligently at making and decorating Christmas stockings **for the Keiki's in Ocean View. We have over 450 stockings made and now we need to stuff them with gifts.**

The Ocean View Community Center has cancelled their annual Keiki (children) Christmas party; so, **St. Jude's has decided to host a Keiki's Christmas Party to distribute our traditional Christmas stockings.**

Another organization is trying to put together a gathering in the park across the street from St. **Jude's lower parking lot, but they aren't sure exactly what they will be able to do. We met with them to see if we could be part of their program, but they were still trying to do some basic planning to decide what they are going to do. So, we decided to move ahead with our plans and do what we can.**

If they have their event, it will be an all-day event on Dec. 17th. We will set up across the street from the park in our lower parking lot on that same day. This is directly across the street from where they hope to have their event.

This will be taking place the same time we are having our free hot shower and hot meal program at the church.

We will have four stations in our event.

The first station will give out three tickets to go to **Rudolph's Reading Room** where they will get a gift of a book(s), the next stop is to visit Santa and his helpers at the North Pole, where they will receive a Christmas stocking stuffed with gifts, and from there they will go to **Mrs. Cringles' Kitchen** where they will get cookies and something to drink.

Ka'u Food Pantry: Last month they provided food for 114 families comprised of 138 adults, 98 minors, and 48 seniors.

Next month is December which puts us into the **Christmas season. The Ka'u Food Pantry always tries to do something special for Christmas to make sure everyone has wonderful Christmas dinner. I'm not sure what they plan for this year, but you can read next months' newsletter to find out.**

Every day you hear stories on the local news about the increasing number of homeless and hungry **people in Hawaii. It's very apparent in Ocean View** because this is one of the lowest income and high poverty areas in Hawaii.

Instead of just listening to the stories about hungry **people, Ka'u Food Pantry does something to help feed the hungry.** They are responsible for collecting and distributing free food in Ocean View. They are a non-profit organization whose only mission is to feed the hungry of Ocean View. They are staffed by volunteers; so, every dollar they receive is used to purchase food for the hungry. Karen Pucci is the **President of Ka'u Food Pantry.**

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Every month they give out enough food for 2-3 days. Food distribution takes place on the last Tuesday of every month, near the end of the month, when most benefits (Food Stamps, SSI, etc.) have been exhausted and the need for food is the highest.

Hot Shower and Free Meal: A little over three years ago, on Sept. 21st 2013, **St. Jude's started their "Free Hot Shower and a Bowl of Soup" outreach program.** When we first started the program we averaged 16-18 people each Saturday and a large pot of soup and bread fed everyone. Lately we have been averaging in the upper-20s to mid-30s taking a shower each week and it has been taking 3-5 pots of soup to feed everyone.

Thanksgiving Dinner for our Saturday Shower: The folks joining us for our Saturday program **have become part of St. Jude's extended family** and since thanksgiving is a time for family to get together, the congregation has decided to have a Thanksgiving Dinner for this part of our extended family on the Saturday before Thanksgiving.

Thanksgiving Leftover Dinner: This year we are **starting a new custom at St. Jude's.** For Thanksgiving everyone will spend their time with close friends and family, but the next day we will meet at **St. Jude's and share our Thanksgiving leftovers.**

Do you know someone who is

Hungry?

Refer them to SNAP

Food Basket 808 322 1418 [Kona]

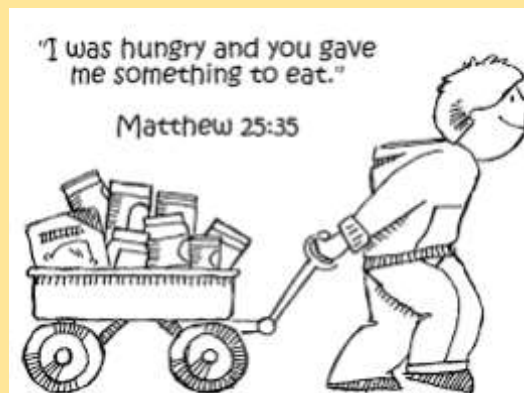
or 808 933 6030 [Hilo]

hawaiifoodbasket.org

Ocean View Meals on Wheels

Through the Ocean View Community Center

808 939 7033



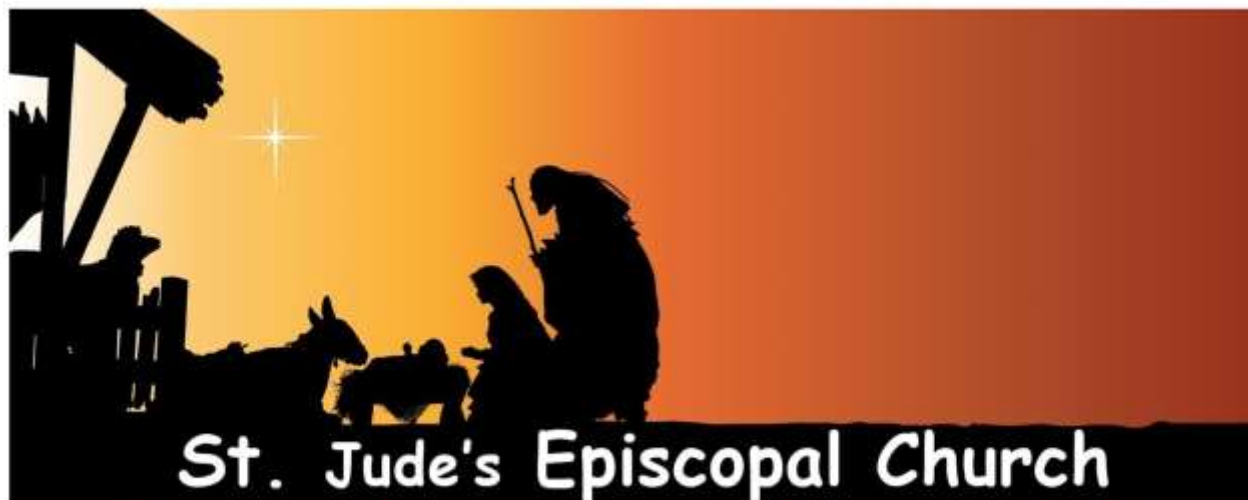
Christmas Poinsettias

It's time to order your Poinsettias for our Christmas Eve Service.

\$10 for each plant, with no limit to how many you wish to buy.

See Cordelia to place your order. **\$10**

Christmas Eve Service



St. Jude's Episcopal Church

Saturday December 24th

Please join us

Service Lead by **The Rev. Richard Stetson**
Carols Begin at 4:00 pm and Service at 5:30

Live music provided by David Mattson
Hula Prayers Performed by *Hannah's Makana Ohana Hula*

**After services there will be a
Potluck Dinner and Aloha Social Hour**

Where →
The southeast Corner of Keaka Pkwy
and Paradise Circle

St. Jude's Episcopal Church
92-8606 Paradise Circle
Ocean View, HI 96737

Candy Canes

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David, 8, Cindy, 6, and Cherie, 4, through Newberry's, Woolworths, and Albertsons, in search of a gift for each member of the family. (Frankie was just a baby so he rode around in the stroller and got buried in the packages). The children's mission was to make their individual \$10 bill spread over all the family – and Grandma and Grandpa. What great little shoppers they were. That little tradition alone always brought great joy to my heart. Their bodies and minds grew more sophisticated with each year, but their dedication to finding some special little gift for each person never wavered.

After a supper of soup and sandwiches, I settled the kids at the kitchen table to wrap their purchases. Oh what fun! Oh what a mess! Paper, tape, glue, glitter, ribbon, and bows everywhere! I was in charge of scissors! (Of course)

Dad was busy getting the tree ready to decorate. We had no garage so everything happened in the middle of the living room floor. There was much sawing and pounding and drilling, too. Holes were needed for places there were no branches. Frank always saved a few branches for transplants.

Finally, a reasonably symmetrical tree stood on its own. Then came the lights – strung across the living room floor – while the great hunt for the culprit bulb began. In those days, if one bulb was bad it put the entire string out of commission. The only way to find it was change out each bulb in turn until the lights finally came on.

When, at last, Dad said, "It is ready!" the kids quickly abandoned their wrapping project for a much more exciting job. They began with great enthusiasm but I could always tell when they were getting tired. The tinsel would



1955 Doug and David Laymon at the little red table and Frank holding David & Doug.

begin to be deposited in large clumps rather than the preferred single strands. So, out would come the candy canes with their red ribbons and we would cover the tree. (By the end of the Christmas Season, the lower ones would be well tasted – to the point only the ribbon was left.)

One candy cane was broken so I gave it to Cherie, age 4. I saw her over at the wrapping table diligently wrapping something.

At long last, the mess is cleaned up. The kids are all tucked into bed. Frank and I have just sat down to recuperate and admire this year's masterpiece.

But, in the quiet, I hear heart breaking sobs coming from the kids' bedroom. I kneel down by Cherie's bottom bunk bed and ask, "Cherie, Sweetheart, what on earth is the matter?" Came a wee voice between sobs, "I," sniff "ate," sniff "Mommy's," sniff "Christmas present!" Then she really cried! I just held her and even cried a tear or two myself. After I assured her Santa would bring Mommy another candy cane on Christmas Eve, she drifted into a troubled sleep. Little hearts feel so deeply.

Gifts come in all shapes and sizes and from the most unexpected places. I have treasured this one for 54 years. I am so blessed to hold these simple, unglamorous memories in my heart.



Carrie Lynn Branco re-affirmed her baptism with Rev. Constance on November 20th. Welcome to St. Jude's O'hana, Carrie.



Karen serves up pancakes at the Jumble/Plant Sale/Pancake Breakfast/Shower Saturday.



New chairs!

St. Jude's has received a wonderful gift of new chairs! Thanks to the generous donation from Jerry Wegweiser, we now have sturdy, bright and comfortable chairs. The chairs are used for worship service as well as all the various other activities throughout the week.

Thank you Jerry!



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access to health care in their immediate hamlet. St. Jude's is proud to be a partner with the clinic.

PRIMARY MEDICAL SERVICES

Preventive Care
Treatment of Routine Illnesses
Urgent Care
Immunizations and Vaccinations
Management of Chronic Diseases
Physicals (work and annual)

DENTAL SERVICES

Screenings
Comprehensive Exams
Recalls
Cleanings
Emergency Dental (pain relief & extractions)

Medical & Dental conditions that are beyond the Mobile Health Unit's scope of care will be referred to one of Bay Clinic's main sites.

Appointments

Scheduling of appointments is TBA. For clinical scheduling, please call Leina Gohier at 965-3003 or Diane Kramer at 930-0499 for administrative and other information. The Mobile Health Unit will begin providing services soon.

Scheduling will be on a first come first serve basis. At each host location, patients will register and go through intake, and care will be provided inside the unit.

Plan Now for Our Kitchen Shower!

When our new kitchen is ready to open, we will invite everyone to a St. Jude's Kitchen Shower. This is your opportunity to contribute to the upgrade of our kitchen by donating new kitchen stuff!

Our parish chefs have suggested:

Kitchen towels, pot holders, long handled solid and slotted spoons, silicone scrapers and a whisk that will allow use in a 5 or six gallon pot. Silicone gloves (pot holders). Good quality knives and a manual glide through sharpener.

Serving ladles and scoops of various sizes. Durable square (space saving) storage containers like Rubbermaid. Stainless measuring cups and spoons. Long handled ladles with hooked ends. Non

metal serving spoons, rice paddles, a new set of chefs chop, pare, carving knives. New serving platters. Hot pads to put hot dishes on the counter tops. Pyrex measuring cups (glass), a set of measuring spoons, spoon rest.



We will be using a rainbow color theme, so no color is the wrong color.

It has also been suggested that new kitchen items do not need to be in the "high end" price bracket. Target or Walmart brands are very welcome.

Pastor Connie

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widely recognized for your ministry of compassionate care for priests and pastors.

There is such a need for times of rest and replenishing among ministers of Word and Sacrament. From my vantage point, no other community does this better than St. Jude's! You have encouraged (perhaps even pushed) me toward engaged worship. And, oh my goodness – how you sing! You have fed and housed me and in so doing provided a place beside the “still” waters for rest and retreat. Best of all, I have been given the gift of time with my brothers.

I say, “Mahalo,” for welcoming me into your midst and allowing me to



Serving soup at the Shower Ministry, Pastor Connie learned the proper way to “Stir things up. At St. Jude’s.

experience a true servant church in action. You have inspired me and made me ponder just how I will carry this on-of-a-kind experience with me as I return to North Carolina. I am confident that I will be more intentional and creative in my efforts to serve neighbors in need.

May God abundantly bless your projects and endeavors. And may the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with all of you.

Pastor Constance Garrett

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As appointee and representative, Father Moki will be responsible for liturgical, programmatic and administrative oversight and management of the Cathedral congregation. Father Moki is scheduled to begin on January 1, 2017, and this appointment is for three years.

St. Jude's will truly miss the leadership and guidance Father Moki has provided for us. But this is a professional promotion and a wonderful opportunity for him and we are delighted for Father Moki to be recognized for his many extraordinary talents. Our congregation wishes Father Moki great success in his new position and we hope he will visit us whenever he returns to the Big Island.

Celebrating the life of Sharon Hickman Mason Turner

June 3, 1942 - November 23, 2016

Editor's note: Phyl Laymon's sister Sharon, passed away on November 23rd. Sharon was a long-time supporter of St. Jude's ministries and many of us considered Sharon part of the St. Jude's Ohana. We have prayed for Sharon through her lengthy illness and now we celebrate her life. We also rejoice knowing that Sharon is now free from pain and suffering and resting comfortably in the arms of Jesus.



Dear Friends,

Our Sharon will be sitting at God's table this Thanksgiving! My soul is rejoicing for her. "Free At Last." My human side is racked with unbearable grief.

Sharon was born when I was 6 1/2 years old. Our family had just survived months of near starvation and unbelievable hardship. It wasn't Mama's fault she didn't have anything to build a baby out of. As it was, she lost her own teeth from that pregnancy.

It seemed like Sharon was marked from the very beginning-- both physically and emotionally. She was a sickly baby and over her lifetime endured far more than most. I believe long term illness permanently changes a person. But, year after year, Sharon kept on trying to be strong in spite of her many challenges; polio for one. I will always remember her spunk -- and her spark. We each got caught in the heat on occasion!

Can't you just see the scene in heaven today? God saying, "Sharon, come! Sit here beside me! You are the guest of honor today!" And Sharon replying, "Hold on to your shorts!! I have a few more things to do in the kitchen first!" I don't know who God's chef is but I'll bet he/she never met a whirlwind like Sharon.

Sharon was a remarkable person. I can't imagine life without her. She will be missed.

Aloha.

Phyl

	8:00 AM	9:00 AM	10:00 AM	11:00 AM	Noon	1:00 PM	2:00 PM	3:00 PM	4:00 PM	5:00 PM	6:00 PM	7:00 PM	8:00 PM	9:00 PM
Monday		Senior Nutritional Program							Hula Practice		NA		AA	
Tuesday			Women's Bible Study @ Bev's 10:00 am											
		Food Bank (setup & Divide food)		Food Bank Monthly Last Tue.										
Wednesday		Senior Nutritional Program							Brownie Meeting				NA	
Thursday		Hula Practice									Al-Anon		AA	
Friday		Senior Nutritional Program						St. Jude's Events						
		Men's Bible Study @ McKinney Place						Band Practice						
Saturday		Free Hot Shower									AA		NA	
		Free Hot Lunch With Shower												
Sunday		St. Jude's Eucharist Services & Aloha Poluick Social After Services						Marshallse Full Gospel Church			Marshallse First Assembly of God			

Indicates this is a St. Jude's Function

AA = Alcoholics Anonymous
 NA = Narcotics Anonymous

St. Jude's Weekly Schedule



It was love at first sight when Ginger Stewart went shopping for a sink and faucet for the upgraded kitchen.

Ka'u Food Pantry Distribution

December 27, 2016

11:30 a.m. ~ 1 p.m.

St. Jude's
Episcopal Church



For more
Information
contact Karen

510 778 5500

The Ka'u Food Pantry's goal is to provide 2-3 days' worth of food at the end of the month when most benefits (Food Stamps, SSI, etc.) have been exhausted. The Pantry is a full no-profit operation and it depends solely on tax deductible donations to meet our monthly goals.

Monetary donations to the Ka'u Food Pantry enable the organization to buy food for 18 cents a pound at the Food Basket in Kona. They cheerfully accept monetary donations, food donations and volunteers are always welcomed.

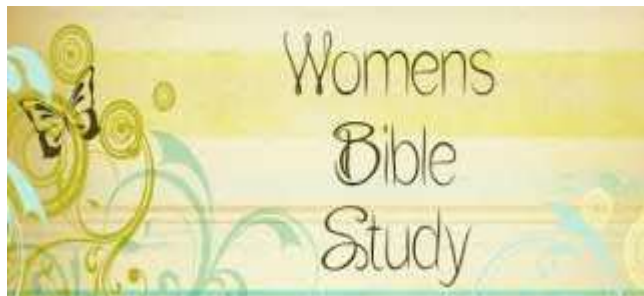


Looking for a little holiday cheer?

Join the Chime Choir!

Mondays
12:30 p.m. to 2 p.m.

Everyone is welcome!



**Tuesdays at 10 a.m.
At Beverly Nelson's Home**



**Fridays at 9:30 a.m.
McKinney Place**



Lemonade Party

December 3, 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.

Monthly Church Clean up
Followed by lemonade & hot dogs.
Many hands make light work.

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