

KEAWALA'I CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH
United Church of Christ (USA)



January 11, 2026
Baptism of Christ

Keawala'i Church was founded in 1832
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KA HAIPULE ‘ANA
The Worship Service

January 11, 2026

10:00 a.m.

Baptism of Christ

***Please stand either in body or spirit.**

E ‘ĀKOAKOA NEI KĀKOU NO KA HO‘OMANA I KE AKUA
(We Gather to Worship God)

KA HĪMENI

Gathering Music

Pianist

Iesu, Ke Kumu O Kona ‘Ekalesia

NĀ HO‘OLAHA

Welcome and Announcements

Liturgist

KA WEHE ‘ANA

Prelude

Pianist

Arise Your Light Has Come

HŌ‘Ā I NĀ IHOIHO

Lighting the Candles

HO‘OKANI KA PELE

Ringing the Church Bell

Earlene Cummings

HO‘OKANI KA PŪ‘OLE‘OLEĀ

Blowing of the Conch

***KA HĪMENI HO‘OMAIKA‘I ‘ANA**

Processional Hymn

Hawai‘i Aloha

E hau‘oli e nā ‘ōpio o Hawai‘i nei

(Happy youth of Hawai‘i)

‘Oli ē! ‘Oli ē!
(Rejoice! Rejoice!)

Mai nā aheahe makani e pa mai nei,

(Gentle breezes blow)

Mau ke aloha no Hawai‘i.

(Love always for Hawai‘i)

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***KA PULE WEHE ‘ANA**

Guest Pastor

Opening Prayer

***KE KĀHEA O KA HAIPULE ‘ANA**

Led by Liturgist

Call to Worship

Inspired by Psalm 29: 1-4

Hawaiian – People together with Liturgist / English – Pastor

People:

*E hā‘awi aku iā Iēhova, e ka po‘e ikaika,
E hā‘awi aku iā Iēhova i ka nani a me ka mana.*

Pastor:

Ascribe to the Lord, you heavenly beings,
ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.

People:

*E hā‘awi aku iā Iēhova i ka nani o kona inoa;
E ho‘omana aku iā Iēhova me nā mea nani ho‘āno.*

Pastor: Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his and her name; worship the Lord in the splendor of his and her holiness.

People: *Aia ka leo o Iēhova ma luna o nā kai;
Ke hekili mai nei ke Akua nani;
Aia nō Iēhova ma luna iho o nā wai he nui nō.*

Pastor: The voice of the Lord is over the waters; the God of glory thunders, the Lord thunders over the mighty waters.

People: *‘O ka leo o Iēhova he mea mana nō ia;
‘O ka leo o Iēhova he nani loa nō ia.*

Pastor: The voice of the Lord is powerful; the voice of the Lord is majestic.

***‘OLELO MIKIONA** Congregation led by Liturgist
Mission Statement (Unison)

*Ho ‘okumu ‘ia ka ‘Ekalesia o Keawala ‘i
e ko mākou mau kūpuna
i kūpa ‘a ma hope o ke aloha o ke Akua
mai kekahi hanauna a kekahi hanauna aku.*

*‘O mākou nō nā haumāna a Iesū Kristo,
E heahea akula me ke aloha i nā lāhui
a pau i ko mākou ‘ohana.*

*Lawelawe ‘ia nā lāhui a pau e ko Keawala ‘i
ma o ka pilina ‘uhane o ke kaiāulu ākea,
i ho ‘olōkahi ‘ia ka ho ‘omana Kalikiano
me ka mo ‘omeheu Hawai ‘i.*

Keawala‘i Congregational Church, founded by our *kūpuna*,
is committed to sharing God’s aloha
from generation to generation.

As *haumāna* of Jesus Christ we welcome all, love all,
and accept all into our ‘*ohana*.

Keawala‘i ministers to all through the spiritual gifts we
share as a diverse community
uniting our Christian faith
and Hawaiian heritage.

KA MANAWA NO NĀ KEIKI A ME NĀ ‘ŌPIO

Pastor

Keiki Time

(Children may go to Sunday School after the message.)

E HO‘OLONO KĀKOU I KA ‘ŌLELO A KA HAKU
(We Hear the Word of God)

KA HELUHELU HA‘AWINA – KAUOHA HOU

Liturgist

Scripture Reading (NRSV)

Isaiah 42:1-9

¹ Here is my servant, whom I uphold, my chosen, in whom my soul delights; I have put my spirit upon him; he will bring forth justice to the nations. ² He will not cry out or lift up his voice or make it heard in the street; ³ a bruised reed he will not break and a dimly burning wick he will not quench; he will faithfully bring forth justice. ⁴ He will not grow faint or be crushed until he has established justice in the earth, and the coastlands wait for his teaching.

⁵ Thus says God, the Lord, who created the heavens and stretched them out, who spread out the earth and what comes from it, who gives breath to the people upon it and spirit to those who walk in it: ⁶I am the Lord; I have called you in righteousness; I have taken you by the hand and kept you; I have given you as a covenant to the people, a light to the nations, ⁷to open the eyes that are blind, to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon, from the prison those who sit in darkness. ⁸I am the Lord; that is my name; my glory I give to no other, nor my praise to idols. ⁹See, the former things have come to pass, and new things I now declare; before they spring forth, I tell you of them.

Matthew 3:13-17

¹³ Then Jesus came from Galilee to John at the Jordan, to be baptized by him. ¹⁴ John would have prevented him, saying, “I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?” ¹⁵ But Jesus answered him, “Let it be so now, for it is proper for us in this way to fulfill all righteousness.” Then he consented. ¹⁶ And when Jesus had been baptized, just as he came up from the water, suddenly the heavens were opened to him and he saw God’s Spirit descending like a dove and alighting on him. ¹⁷ And a voice from the heavens said, “This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased.”

Liturgist: The word of God for the people of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

***KA HĪMENI KA ‘INA**
The Hymn

Arise Your Light Has Come
NCH #164

KA HA‘I ‘ŌLELO
Sermon

Rev. Mitch Nelson
Our Peaceful Savior

E PANE KĀKOU IĀ IA A HO'OMAIKA'I **(We Respond and Give Thanks to God)**

PULE A NA KANAKA

Prayers of the People (see page 11)

****KA PULE A KA HAKU***

The Lord's Prayer

(see below & please stand as we sing)

Hawaiian and English

Na Hīmeni #187

E ko mākou Makua i loko o ka lani, e ho'āno 'ia kou inoa.

Our Father which art in heaven, hallowed be Thy Name.

E hiki mai kou aupuni;
Thy kingdom come;

e mālama 'ia kou makemake ma ka honua nei,
Thy will be done on earth,

e like me ia mālama 'ia ma ka lani la.
as it is in heaven.

E hā'awi mai iā mākou i kēia lā, i 'ai na mākou no kēia lā;
Give us this day our daily bread;

E kala mai ho'i iā mākou i ka mākou lawehala 'ana,
And forgive us our debts,

me mākou e kala nei i ka po'e i lawehala i ka mākou.
As we forgive our debtors.

Mai ho'oku'u 'oe iā mākou i ka ho'owalewale 'ia mai;
And lead us not into temptation;

*E ho'opakele no na'e iā mākou i ka 'ino;
no ka mea, nou ke aupuni,*

But deliver us from evil; for thine is the kingdom.

A me ka mana, a me ka ho'onani 'ia, a mau loa aku.
And the power, and the glory, forever.

'Āmene, 'Āmene.

NA HAPA'UMIA ME NĀ LŪLŪ

Tithes & Offerings

Anthem Hymn

Blessed Quietness

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***KA MELE HO'OMAIKA'I**

The Doxology

*Ho 'onani i ka Makua mau,
Ke Keiki me ka 'Uhane nō,
Ke Akua mau, Ho 'omaika'i pū,
Ko kēia ao, ko kēlā ao. 'Āmene.*

***KA PULE HO'OLA'A 'ANA**

Prayer of Dedication

E HO'OKU'U KĀKOU NO KA LAWELAWE PO'OKELA
(We Disperse to Serve the World)

***KA HĪMENI HO'OUNA** *Iesu, Ke Kumu O Kona 'Ekalesia*
Sending Hymn - Nā Himeni #66 (The Church's One Foundation)

***KA PULE HO'OKU'U**
Commission & Benediction

Guest Pastor

(Recessional clergy and deacons)

***KA HĪMENI HO'OUNA**
Recessional Hymn

Himeni Hope

Nā Himeni #223

***HO‘OKANI KA PŪ‘OLEOLE**

Blowing of the Conch

Our service is over. Our service to the world begins.

Please feel free to exit quietly or stay to enjoy to Postlude.

KA HO‘OPAU ‘ANA

The Postlude

Pianist

Blessed Quietness

NAĀLAKA‘I

(Leadership)

KAHU (Pastoral Candidate)

Rev. Mitch Nelson

HELUHELU (Liturgist)

Robin Burke

ALAKA‘I HIMENI (Music Director)

Thomas Goedecke

HO‘OKANI PIANO(Pianist)

Louise Lambert

ALAKA‘I KAHAWAI OLA

Tony Alleyne

(Livestream Director)

NAĀKONA (Deacons)

Robin Burke, Dian Gruber
Karen Nelson, Sue Nygren
Earlene Cummings, *Emerita*

We Welcome Pastoral Candidate Rev. Dr. Mitch Nelson

Pastor Mitch Nelson is an ordained UCC pastor that currently serves a UCC church in Duluth MN. He has his master's and doctorate degrees from United Theological Seminary in the Twin Cities. His Doctorate degree was a directed study on ecology relationships with focus in particular on the human/nature relationship. The work has been forwarded into a book entitled *Christian Spiritual Ecology* that will be published this summer. Mitch practices his own spiritual ecology in cold water lake surfing on Lake Superior and pollinator gardening in the summers.

Keawala‘i Endowment Fund

Keawala‘i Congregational Church, United Church of Christ, has established a permanent endowment fund dedicated to sustaining the church's work and mission; and to preserving our landmark sanctuary and Hawaiian heritage. This fund originates from the gifts of faithful church members and friends.

If you would like more information about how you can participate in the endowment fund through an immediate gift or estate giving, you may contact the church office at (808) 879-5557 or view the church's web site at: www.keawalai.org.

Calendar for January

Sun. Jan. 11 - Pastoral Candidate Rev. Dr. Mitch Nelson will be our guest pastor today. There will be a Special Congregational Meeting immediately following the service.

Wed. Jan. 14 - 2:30 p.m. – Outreach Committee

Sat. Jan. 17 - 11:00 a.m. – Steve Riford Memorial

Sun. Jan. 18 – Kahu Alika Pastor Emeritus celebration (potluck)

Tues. Jan. 20 - 10:00 a.m. – Book Club

Sun. Jan. 25 - 11:15 a.m. – Annual Meeting & Kalaupapa Sunday



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Prayers for Healing & Wholeness, in Body, Mind & Spirit

Ordinarily names remain on our prayer list for a month.

Our prayers are requested for:

For Judi and Fred's brother-in-law, Gary, who has esophageal cancer.

For Kim who has Stage 4 colon cancer & in Hospice (for family too).

For Anne Mussleman's brother John, has widespread bodily cancer.

For Christopher Fish (53) undergoing immunotherapy for lung cancer.

For Karen Nelson's friend of 30 years who is battling kidney cancer.

For Frank to be free from pain and to have a peaceful passing (wife).

Bruce Burkitt on the passing of his brother Dave.

For Bob (& Gwen) Hunt - Bob (90) had a stroke & is at Kula San.

For Alex's friend April who has been diagnosed with breast cancer.

For the Pasco's auntie, Jane (93), who passed away 9/29/25.

For the Kepler's, Dr. William Kepler passed away 8/2/25 at age 84.

For Bob Barchi who broke his femur at 88 years old.

For Richard (Karen Rollin's brother) with dialysis and medications.

For Julie who has breast cancer (in Matthies wedding here).

For salvation over the two adult children of Brent and Amy Potts.

For Simon Hill's mom, Sandra, recovering from a brain bleed.

For Garrett and hernia/stomach surgery; strength for him and family.

For healing & strength for Amanda (Alex's niece) post hip surgery.

For Nikki recovering from hip surgery and dealing with cancer.

For Carmen Rego for strength to be able to use her walker.

For Bob and Loretta Brem, hope and healing through loss of family.

For all world leaders to have "the mind of Christ."

And others as we remember them...

Arise Your Light Has Come, NCH 164, Ruth Duck, 1973; Tune: FESTAL SONG; William Walter, 1872

Blessed Quietness, NCH #284, Manie Payne Ferguson (b. 1850); alt.; Tune: BLESSED QUIETNESS; W. S. Marshall, Arr. J. Jefferson Cleveland and Verolga Nix, 1981

Hawaii Aloha, NHE #135, *Laiana* (Lorenzo Lyons), 1886; Tune: LAIANA, with refrain by James McGranahan, 1907

Ho`onani I Ka Makua Mau (*Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow*), NHE #1, Thomas Ken, 1711, tr. Binamu (Hiram Bingham), 1869.

Ke Aloha A Ke Akua (*The Queen's Prayer*), NHE #186, *Queen Lili`uokalani*, 1917; Tune: LILI`UOKALANI, *Queen Lili`uokalani*, 1917.

Ka Pule A Ka Haku (*Our Father Who Art in Heaven*), NHE #187, from Matthew 6:9-13, tr. *Laiana* (Lorenzo Lyons), 1886; Gregorian Chant.

Let there Be Peace on Earth, *Community of Christ Sings* #307, words/music by Sy Miller & Jill Jackson, alt., 1955 renew. 1983, Jan-Lee Music. Tune: WORLD PEACE, OneLicense #50630.

The Lord's Prayer, from Matthew 6:9-13; Tune: MALOTTE, Alfred Hay Malotte, 1935.

Himeni Hope, NHE #223, Binamu (Hiram Bingham), 1789-1869m Arr. Robert Graham, 1912-

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Isa. 60:1; 61:1-2; Luke 4:14-21

Ruth Duck, 1973



1 A - rise, your light is come! The Spir - it's call o - bey;
 2 A - rise, your light is come! Fling wide the pris - on door;
 3 A - rise, your light is come! All you in sor - row born,
 4 A - rise, your light is come! The moun-tains burst in song!



Show forth the glo - ry of your God which shines on you to - day!
 Pro - claim the cap-tive's lib - er - ty, good tid - ings to the poor.
 Bind up the bro-ken - heart-ed ones and com - fort those who mourn.
 Rise up like ea - gles on the wing; God's power will make us strong.



This hymn was first published by the Ecumenical Women's Center of Chicago in the 1974 collection of hymn adaptations, Because We Are One People. Ruth Duck later included it in her own collection, Dancing in the Universe.

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Tune: FESTAL SONG S.M.
William Walter, 1872

IESU, KE KUMU O KONA 'EKALESSIA 'Ekalesia
 The Church's One Foundation

Samuel J. Stone, 1839-1900
 Tr. Rev. Samuel M. Saffery, 1889-1971

AURELIA 7.6.7.6.D.
 Samuel S. Wesley, 1810-1876

1. 'O Ie - su no ke ku - mu 'ko - na 'E - ka - le - sia, Ua
 2. Ho'o - kahi wale no i wae - 'ia Ma ka ho - nu - a nei, Ka
 3. I na po - pi - li - ki - a Na ulu - a'o o ke ao, U -
 4. Ku'i - kahi ma ka ho - nu - a Me ke ka - hi - ko - lu e, Puni -

ho - 'o - kumu 'ia 'O - ia Me ka mana o ko - na leo, Mai
 ma - ne o ke o - la Ie - su ka Haku mau loa, He
 kali i ka pi - ha po - no 'O ka ma - lu - hia mau loa, 'I ke
 hei kona hui 'ana ma - i Me ka maha i lo - a'a mai, Hau -

luna mai 'O ia 'imi mai ai I ka 'E - ka - le - si - a la'a, Me
 ma - ne he - mo - le - le No ko ke ao a - pau, Ho'o -
 le'a ko ke ao a - pa - u I ka 'E - ka - le - sia lana - kila A 'o -
 'oli nui ko ke ao nei I ko ke A - kua loko - mai - ka'i Me

ko - na koko no 'o - ia I pa - na'i a ola ka - kou.
 kahi no ma - na'o - la - na O Ko - na loko - mai - ka'i,
 li - no mai ka Na - ni Ka 'E - kaled - sia a ma - ha.
 ka pu'u-wai lo - kahi mau E noho me 'Oe malu - na a'e. A - mene.