



## Pastor's Message



Alleluia! Christ is risen! He is risen indeed. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Easter Sunday the "Alleluias" returned! Tucked away on the last Sunday before Ash Wednesday, that word had not crossed our lips during worship throughout Lent and

Holy Week. On Easter Sunday we once again celebrated the defining event of our faith—the resurrection of Jesus Christ, the victory of life and new beginnings over all that is death-dealing and crushing—with bold and decisive shouts and ringing choruses of "Alleluia!" and a joyful reappearance of the beautifully decorated "Alleluia" banners (Many thanks to Stephanie Wight!) by our acolytes.

"Alleluia" is a word we Christians boldly embrace. It literally means "Praise God" and conveys emphatic joy, thanksgiving, and triumph over death and sorrow. We are on an "Alleluia!" journey during this season of Easter and will hear stories of Jesus' encounters with his disciples following his resurrection. "Alleluia" moments, all of them! Christ is risen. He is risen indeed. Alleluia! Alleluia! Let your mouth get used to that word again. It's time to set aside all reserve and let out a joyous shout!

Pastor Diane

## **Annual Pentecost Sunday Variety Show**

## Pentecost Sunday, May 24th, 5:00-7:00pm - Potluck Dinner and Variety Show and the Bishop's Non-Sunday Visitation!



Bishop Bob and Bea Fitzpatrick and our Tokaikolo brothers and sisters will be with us for this fun evening of food and entertainment. The 2014 Variety Show featured "acts" by members



of St. Peter's showcasing talents most of us were not even aware of.

What is your talent? Do you play an instrument, have a talent, a comedy sketch, or game that you would be willing to share at our variety show? We had a great time last year and are looking forward to another fun-filled evening this year!!! We want you! Funny, serious, or anything in between, please contact one of the members of the Nurture and Outreach Ministry Area--Elizabeth Winternitz, Steve Mitchell, Sim Kau, Haroldwyn Chang, Willis Yap, or Pastor Diane.

#### Also on Pentecost

Pentecost Sunday (this year on May 24th) is the 50th day after Easter, the festival day of the church when we celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit upon the disciples and the birth of the church. St. Peter's will "officially" welcome new members into the life of the congregation through baptism and reception of membership.

We welcome you to join in ministry with us! If you are interested in baptism or reception of membership. please speak with Pastor Diane.

#### Wear Red to church on Pentecost!

## Congratulations, Sonja!

Congratulations to our very own Sonja Barba for being selected to represent Province VIII at the 2015 General Convention in Salt Lake City, UT.

Sonja is one of 18 members of the 2015 General Convention Official Youth Presence having been chosen from a field of over 100 applicants. Two high school students were



selected to represent their province of the Episcopal Church. Although the Convention takes place this summer, the teens gathered together in Salt Lake City the weekend of

April 9-12, to engage in community building, gifts discovery, parliamentary procedure training, and legislative process. They will reconvene at the 78h General convention in Salt Lake City to participate in committee hearings and take their place in the debate on the floor of the House of Deputies. Please hold Sonja in your prayers.

### **CMS Intercession Project a Rousing Success**

An idea that emerged from the Nurture and Outreach Ministry Area, the CMS Intersession Project was a great success, not only for the participants from Central Middle School, but also for the adults who reached out to the students. The project was a joint effort of the churches on the square (St. Paul's, the Cathedral, and St. Peter's), Nuuanu YMCA, and Central Middle School, reaching out to the homeless and at-risk students during their spring intersession.

St. Andrew's Cathedral Church provided the location, St. Paul's Church provided the afternoon snack, the YMCA provided the staffing. The Chefs of St. Peter's prepared and served lunch to approximately 20 students during the week.

Many thanks to Stephanie and Gee Sing Goo, John Afong, Myrna Chun-Hoon, Joanne Shibuya, Jeanne Chun, Helen Richardson, Rae Gorman, Nani Ho, Cheryl Saito, Velma Lee; the Soul Food Ministry group (Anthea and John Wang, Esther Chinn, Laura Young, Keith Lee, Joanne Shibuya, Jeanne Chun, Helen Richardson, and Velma Lee), Elizabeth Winternitz, Steve Mitchell, Dawson Jones, Audrey Mueh, Norma Chun and Pastor Diane.

## 10 Things You Should Know About Pentecost



- Pentecost Sunday marks the day when the Holy Spirit descended upon the Apostles.
- Pentecost Sunday occurs 50 days after Easter.
- ~ The Bible records the Pentecost in Acts 2:1-13.
- Pentecost comes 10 days after the Ascension of Jesus Christ.
- Pentecost is also known as "the birthday of the Church".
- Pentecost fulfills Jesus' promise to send the "Counselor" and "Spirit of Truth" in John 16: 5-15.
- Pentecost launches the large-scale spreading of the Gospel after Jesus' ascension. Acts 2:41 records that after Peter spoke to the crowd after receiving the Holy Spirit, some 3,000 people were baptized.
- The Pentecostal movement derives its name from the New Testament event in Acts 2.
- Jews also celebrate Pentecost, but not for the same reason as Christians. The celebration by Jews of Pentecost is to observe God giving the Ten Commandments on Mount Sinai 50 days after the Exodus. The Pentecost in Jewish tradition takes place 50 days after Passover.
- In Western Churches, Pentecost is usually represented with the color red, which symbolizes the fire of the Holy Spirit.

# Automated external defibrillators (AED) are coming to St. Peter's!



These lifesaving devices are used along with effective CPR to increase a person's chance of surviving should their heart stop. CPR is important, but it alone

cannot restore a normal heart rhythm. A shock from a defibrillator is the most effective way to restore the heart's normal pumping rhythm. The victim's best chance of survival is to receive that shock within five minutes of collapse. A defibrillator will not save every sudden cardiac arrest victim, but more lives can be saved if victims were reached more quickly.

Anyone can use an AED. It is as easy as pushing the power button, applying the pads, and pressing the shock button if the AED instructs you to.

St. Peter's church has acquired two AED units that will be installed, one in the Sanctuary and one in the Parish Hall soon. Jennifer Kawamoto and Pamela Foster, RN, President of the AED Institute of America, Inc will train anyone and everyone on how to use it! The training will be fun and not too difficult for anyone young or old. Training is scheduled for April 26, at 9 a.m. in the Parish Hall and at 11:30 a.m. in the sanctuary.

#### Hui Pu - Diocesan Summer Youth Camp

The theme for Hui Pu '15 is "Do Something". There will be emphasis on service, kindness, and standing up for what you believe as well as components of art, music, and prayer, games, swimming, and amazing unforgettable sunsets on Oahu's north shore. Hui Pu will be sleeping in the beach cabins and there will be a nightly chapel worship service for all those staying at Camp Mokule'ia.

Session dates are June 26-28th: Preview weekend for Ahe Camp (completed 3-5 grade), June 28-July 3rd for Lokahi Camp (completed 6-8 grade), July 5-10th for 'Opio Camp (completed 9-12 grade).

Registration is now open. Details are available at <a href="http://episcopalyouthofhawaii.weebly.com/hui-pu-summer-camp-for-youth.html">http://episcopalyouthofhawaii.weebly.com/hui-pu-summer-camp-for-youth.html</a>

#### **Hospice Hawaii Family Camp**

The Annual Family Camp is for families with children and teens 7-17 years old who have lost a loved one to death. Camp provides a balance of fun activities and introspective grief exercises to assist families in their journey from loss and grief, to remembrance and healing. Camp opens on Friday, June 12 at 2:00 PM and ends on Sunday, June 14 at noon. Contact Hospice at (808) 791-8093; or email at familycamp@HospiceHawaii.org

## JEHZAN!

St. Peter's Media Specialist, Jesand Amodo is an aspiring female Hip Hop artist, musically known by the phonetic spelling of her name "JEHZAN." She has been invited to compete in the Team Backpack Cypher live auditions at Mission Underground in Los Angeles, California! Mission Underground is Team Backpack's flagship event that serves as a platform for everything Hip Hop, including networking with various leaders in the industry. Jehzan has successfully raised most the funds for her travel expenses through an internet crowd funding campaign.

Congratulations and best of luck to Jesand as she begins what she hopes is a rewarding journey as an artist and local girl from Hawaii.



#### Birthday Wishes to

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2	Diane Martinson	14	Michael Turner	
6	Rodney Pang	15	Kamuela Magno	
6	Amelia Lao	16	Willis Yap	
6	Greyson Kawamoto	16	Cheryl Saito	
7	Mimi Wu	19	Nancy Tyau	
8	Karla Yee	21	Sharilynn Ching	
9	Miriam Everhart	21	Ronald Kim	
10	David Lee	27	Gavin Lee	
12	Corinne Kong	28	Lily Ing	
14	Nora Fong	30	Marley Connors	

#### **Anniversary**

23 Elise and Gary Karr

#### A Journey with Christ - The Walk to Emmaus

While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and walked with them. - Luke 24:15

The walk to Emmaus is an experience of Christian spiritual renewal and formation that begins with a three-day short course in Christianity. It is an opportunity to meet Jesus Christ in a new way as God's grace and love is revealed to you through other believers.

The Walk to Emmaus experience begins with the prayerful discernment and invitation from a sponsor. After one accepts this invitation they complete an application. The Emmaus leaders prayerfully consider each applicant and in God's time, the person is invited to attend a three-day experience of New Testament Christianity as a lifestyle.

Following the three-day experience, participants are joined in small groups to support each other in their

ongoing walk with Christ. Through the formational process of accountable discipleship in small groups and participation in the Emmaus community, each participant's individual gifts and servant-leadership skills are developed for use in the local church and its mission. Participants are encouraged to find ways to live out their individual call to discipleship in their home, church, and community.

The objective of Emmaus is to inspire, challenge, and equip the local church members for Christian action in their homes, churches, communities and places of work. Emmaus lifts up a way for our grace-filled lives to be lived and shared with others.

Hawaii Emmaus community's annual Men's walk (3 day program) on Oahu is scheduled for May 21st through 24th and a Women's walk in August. The Emmaus Community is composed of several denominations and is affiliated with the Upper Room. To find out more about the experience and to determine if Walk to Emmaus is right for you, contact Keith Webster Community Lay Director, Hawaii Emmaus, (808) 295-1702 cell.

May	BRTHDays	and	Anniversaries

3	Rosie Ching	14	Jeanne Chun
3	Michele Baldovi	20	Dennis Pang
10	Jennifer Kawamoto	21	Robert Savala
13	Randall Chun	22	Ryan Ono
14	Theodora Luke	31	Carolyn Nakao

#### **Anniversaries**

- 15 Paulette and Elton Choy
- 17 Jan and Willis Yap

#### **Creating Space for God**

Henry Nouwen

Discipline is the other side of discipleship. Discipleship without discipline is like waiting to run in the marathon without ever practicing. Discipline without discipleship is like always practicing for the marathon but never participating. It is important, however, to realize that discipline in the spiritual life is not the same as discipline in sports. Discipline in sports is the concentrated effort to master the body so that it can obey the mind better. Discipline in the spiritual life is the concentrated effort to create the space and time where God can become our master and where we can respond freely to God's guidance. Thus, discipline is the creation of boundaries that keep time and space open for God. Solitude requires discipline, worship requires discipline, caring for others requires discipline. They all ask us to set apart a time and a place where God's gracious presence can be acknowledged and responded to.

## Jazz Vespers Continue - Come for Jazz, Stay for Soup!

6pm - Thursday evenings
Jazz at Pete's followed by Soup and Salad
Supper in the Parish Hall



The service features music by Reggie Padilla, and his colleagues, Dan DelNegro, John Hawes, and Starr Kalahiki. Please join us in the beauty of St. Peter's worship space where

you will be refreshed with a unique mix of prayer and music.

Immediately following the Jazz Vesper Service, a soup supper is served in the Parish Hall.

#### St. Peter's Photo Memories

At the Centennial Celebration, Jesand showed a DVD collection of photos from work by Randall Chun and her more recent work. Would you like a copy of this DVD Centennial Celebration of photos? If so, please contact Jesand at <a href="mailto:jesandamodo@gmail.com">jesandamodo@gmail.com</a> or call the church office, 533-1943. Donations are accepted to defray costs.

#### Invitation from the Daughters of the King

The Daughters of the King of Hawaii invite all women of faith to attend an inspirational retreat. Come journey onto new ground and discover where your story intersects with the voices and struggles of woman and girls speaking through scripture.

Bible Women: All Their Words and Why They Matter author, Lindsay Hardin Freeman, will be the retreat leader and speaker at the women's retreat, Saturday, May 30, 2015 from 11am to 4pm at the Ewa Beach Golf Club, 91-050 Fort Weaver Road, Ewa Beach, HI 96706.

Seating is limited so please RSVP by MAY 13, 2015. \$ 40.00 includes Lunch Buffet.

For reservations, please contact Denisse Kwan, (808) 457-7721 or Email: Denisse.Kwan@gmail.com Make checks payable to: DOK-Diocese of Hawaii Mail to: Holy Nativity Episcopal Church C/O of Denisse Kwan, 5286 Kalanianaole Hwy., Honolulu, HI 96821

#### Ministry Corner - K2P2 "The Knitters"

If you have seen the hats, scarves, lap robes,



afghans, and other knitted items that the knitting ministry presents to be blessed before they are sent to various charities and individuals you may think that the Knitters gather to Make Things. Certainly that is in part true, but to quote Peggy Rosenthal in her book *Knit One, Purl a Prayer: A Spirituality of Knitting:* 

"[K]nitting engages our creative spirits in a world where technology and corporate consumerism seem to have everything already done for us. Computers, cell phones, shopping malls, worldwide chain stores, and brand-name products can all be immensely useful; but they don't engage our spirit and can even stifle it. Knitters everywhere are discovering gratefully that knitting nurtures the spirit."

There is no doubt that spirits are nurtured in the creation of the items that the Knitters make for friends



far and near. K2P2 sends hats and scarves to the PineRidge Indian Reservation in South Dakota; chemo caps for children at Tripler; afghans for the Build A Bed Project in eastern Kentucky through Warm-Up America; and lap robes for friends and family of St. Peter's who are recuperating from accident or illness. A newly added joy is

making baby blankets for the new arrivals at St. Peter's. (K2P2's shipment to Warm-Up America is in the white box in the photo from the WUA website.)

The Knitters meet on the 2nd and 4th Saturday of most months in the Aloha Room at 9:30 a.m. Knitters of all degrees of skill are welcome to knit on their own project or for one of the outreach recipients.

#### **Greetings from our Postulant, Annalise Castro:**

Thank you so much for all of your prayers and support this year. It has been a blessing. I am really looking forward to getting back to the island this summer. I would love to be around St. Peter's when I can, and maybe preach a time or two. I am ready for the school year to end. Only 5 more weeks! I hope you are well. Give everyone my love! A.C.

Annalise will be in Honolulu this summer performing her Clinical Pastoral Education, a requirement for ordination, at Queen's Hospital through the Chaplaincy Corps. St. Peter's is accepting contributions to pay for Annalise's tuition for the program. If you wish to assist, please contact Pastor Diane, the church office, or Chan Rowe (479-3522), chair of Annalise's Discernment Committee.

It's Not Too Late It is not too late to return your coin laden mite box to church. Just place it in the offering plate on any Sunday. All of the funds will support Episcopal Relief and Development.

#### **Coffee Hour Hosts**



#### 7:30 a.m.

Apr 19	Stephanie Goo Esther Chinn, Ruth Merz
Apr 26	Jeanne Chun
May 3	Laura Young Pokhui and Bill McKinney

May 3 Pokhui and Bill McKinne Arlene Lum May 10 Terry and Susan Dang Ron and Janet Kim

May 17 Lynda Hino, Norma Chun, Helen Richardson, Kristen Connors May 24 Myrna Chun-Hoon, Rodney and Marvie

Pang, Ken Kau, Adele Low
May 31 Myron and Beth Chang, Eleanor Chang
Jun 7 Stephanie Goo

Esther Chinn, Ruth Merz

10:00 a.m.

Elizabeth Winternitz, Steve Mitchell

Nani Ho, Rae Gorman, Mary Fiedler, Barbara

Vlachos

Margaret Chun, Haroldwyn Chang

Sim Kau, Cheryl Bochentin

Elizabeth Winternitz, Steve Mitchell

Nani Ho, Rae Gorman, Mary Fiedler, Barbara

Vlachos

Velma Lee, Joanne Shibuya Margaret Chun, Haroldwyn Chang



Maundy Thursday



Easter Flowers



Egg Hunt



Sunday at the Ball Park



Making Soup



Folding Palm Crosses



Palm Sunday Greeting



Alleluia Banners

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### **Getting to Know Some of Our Newer Members**

This month meet Gus and Kerrie Balmores and Annika, Armand, and Ava and Barton and Beth Cox.

## Gus and Kerrie Balmores, Annika, Armand, and Ava

Gus was born in the Philippines. Kerrie and the children were born in Honolulu, at the same hospital. Gus came to Hawaii via SS Wilson (a passenger ship) and grow-up in Kalihi. Kerrie grew on at the East Side of Honolulu. Gus is a U.S. Air Force veteran, Kerrie is a psychologist, Annika plays the piano, Armand golfs, and Ava loves to sing. Annika is in 4th grade, Armand in 2nd and Ava in preschool. Annika and Armand serve as acolytes at our 10am Sunday services.

S. Barton Cox, and Beth Kurren Cox. If you attend the 7:30 am service you know Barton and Beth as the couple who ride to church on their tandem bicycle. Barton is from West Texas, attended the University of Texas, graduating with a BA and JD. He practiced law in the 1970s, retrained as a computer programmer, worked as a systems analyst and returned to the legal field as an Assistant Attorney General. Barton came to Honolulu in 1996 and has worked as an Assistant Prosecuting Attorney for the City and County of Honolulu under Keith Kaneshiro, specializing in white collar criminal prosecution, then for another year under Peter Carlyle. After leaving the Prosecutor's Office in 1990 he worked for two years in private practice before retirement.

Beth was born in Pittsburgh to a pair of highly educated Jewish Social Workers. Beth's family came to Hawaii 1969 when her father received an offer to teach in the Department of Social Work at UH. Beth's mother started the Department of Social Work at Queens Hospital. Beth attended the University of Oregon and received a Masters in Social Work from Portland State. She worked for several years with the Hawaii Red Cross and is now the Admission and Assessment Coordinator for the Salvation Army Women's Way Drug Treatment program, the only residential drug treatment program for women and children in the state.

Beth converted to Christianity in 2012, at a lovely baptism in St. Clement Church where they worshipped for many years.

Barton and Beth live in Makiki, along with their two beloved Russian Blue cats, Tolstoy and Sasha. They consider their cats to be divine emissaries telling them how much God loves them.

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**Barbara Vlachos** has been a member of the St. Peter's choir on and off for over fifty years.



She has an older sister, Corinne, and two younger sisters, Nani Ho and Rae Gorman who attend the 10am service. Baptized, confirmed, married at St. Peter's, she said she intends to be buried from here, too!



Upon graduation from Punahou, Barbara took Bishop Kennedy's recommendation and traveled to Ohio to attend college. Graduating with an English/Art History major, she did a fifth year at UH to earn her teaching credential. Two of her most treasured years were the two years of probation teaching which she did at Kahuku Elementary.

She loved the rural plantation community! She also successfully completed a year at Waipahu in a chronological 5th grade classroom of 42 students where no child had a reading level above the 3rd grade. Several of the students had major physical disabilities. She vowed never to be absent for a single day the whole year because she couldn't leave the class with a sub. The next year they split the class and the teacher who took over had a nervous breakdown!

Two children, Stephanie and Mark, arrived following marriage to George Vlachos. He was working for Pan American World Airlines and his career took the family to the airline gateway cities of San Francisco, Miami, and New York. After the children's father moved to China to further his career, Barbara and her 11 and 13 year olds returned to Honolulu.

Throughout the years on the mainland, Barbara gained experience as a sub in a wide variety of school districts. She also sang and remained active in the church. Returning to Honolulu, she rejoined St. Peter's choir as well as the Hawaiian Choir at the Cathedral. She spent three years running Bishop Browning's Book Stall, and with parishioner, Martha Ho, became very active in the Diocesan ECW and Iolani Guild.

For a year Barbara worked with a UH professor teaching Behavior Modification and Daily Living Skills to Waimano Home March of Dimes residents, preparing them for placement in smaller care homes. Barbara remembers this as very gratifying and humbling work. Eventually she became the religion curriculum instructor at the Priory for grades 4-8, and Lay Chaplain serving with Chaplain Father Chun. After three years, she returned to long term-subbing within the DOE.

Throughout all the changes and challenges in her life, Barbara says that music and choral singing have been a joy and kept her sane. She continues to enjoy singing in the St. Peter's Choir, the Punahou Alumni Glee Club, two ukulele singing and playing

groups, and leading a weekly song hour with the residents of Lunalilo Home. Barbara is a member of the Prince Kuhio Hawaiian Civic Club Chorale. She sings not only for enjoyment but literally for her health as she has a lung condition that responds to deep breathing. For this reason, she also took up snorkeling later in life and tries to snorkel at least twice a week, Turtle Bay being her favorite spot. Who wouldn't love singing for your health and to the Glory of God?!

Arlene Sullivan Arlene grew up in San Francisco's Chinatown as a 5th generation, Chinese-American Californian. Chinese language school and church life in The True Sunshine Episcopal Mission kept her connected to her ethnic roots and to the Episcopal church in which she was baptized and confirmed.



Active throughout her youth as a volunteer choir singer, choir leader, pianist, Sunday School teacher and youth advisor, she was also active with the YWCA and YMCA in Chinatown. It was at the YMCA that she met her

husband, Rolph Chin. Together they had three children and remained active in the Episcopal church in Oakland, CA, where Rolph was principal of Oakland Technical High and Arlene was a music teacher from elementary through the college level with a Master's degree in the Kodaly approach to music. Arlene's master's thesis and strong belief to this day is that "Everyone Can Sing!" Rolph's early death at age 52 from colon cancer, and her father's death two months before that, brought about a return to San Francisco to care for her mom.

An inward quest for wholeness began which four years later took her to a Tai Chi class where she met Don Sullivan. They were married December 21, 1991, at St. James Episcopal Church in San Francisco where Arlene served as the Choir Director. After 13 years, in Redwood City, they retired to Hawai`i, Don's dream location for retirement. For many years Arlene taught the Tai Chi Chih class here at St. Peter's and says she "can't praise God and thank God enough for the group here" as they provided community and purpose in her transition to life here in Hawai`i.

Over the past two years Don has had his own struggle with cancer, and Arlene once again resumed the role of caregiver. Don has had an excellent recovery making it possible for them to split their time between Hawai'i and California. If you don't see Arlene at St. Peter's, you'll know she's at an Episcopal church in California with family!

**Anna Blackwell** Like her cousin Mary Fiedler, Anna sings in the St Peter's choir because she likes Episcopal church music and the way Leohone makes it happen.



Anna has missionary roots, descended from Juliette Montague Cooke, who taught the Royal children their music and fostered Na Lani Eha. A member of a musical family, her parents were both involved with the Honolulu Symphony and both played piano.

Anna says, "I've (almost) never not sung: first at Hanahauoli, then in various groups at Punahou, two years in the Vassar Glee Club, and in the St. Andrew's Choir, with the St. Andrew's Choral Society, with the Christchurch (New Zealand) Harmonic Society, the Oahu Choral Society, and currently also sings in the Diocesan Choir for John Renke.

Anna has five children, seven grandchildren, and eight great-grandchildren. Her vast professional career includes PR director for the YWCA of Oahu, the first executive director of Moanalua Gardens Foundation Trustee and Secretary of Cooke Foundation, Ltd. She edited "Building Management Hawaii" for Trade Publishing, was PR specialist at Chaney, Brooks; and worked in the PR department of an ad agency. She is also an active community volunteer and a member of St. Clement's Church.



The Choir on Palm Sunday.



Wear Red for Pentecost