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*Welcoming
to all
Worshipping,
growing,
serving
Christ's Community*

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pentecost

spirit moves in strange and wonderful motions flame
and dove descend from whispered breath
and beckon longing hearts to beat unfettered by fear
dancing fire skips from head to head
a game of cosmic duck, duck, goose where all are sent
some hide their tinder hearts afraid to catch on fire
some breathe it in like spring morning

wind of God tickles noses and stirs up dust
whorls of joy play about the courtyard and children dive into their midst
kites leap from unwary arms to color sky and nip clouds
anxious hands drag against the pull but freedom's joy is undenied
parthians and medes, elamites and greeks hear peace in swirling breath
she speaks in wind-born tongues sweet to listening ear

spirit moves in strange and wonderful motions
fire burns and wind blows but who will join the dance?

Pastor Jeff
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The B2B2B Challenge—Almost there!

Through the generosity of the LCH 'ohana, we have almost reached our goal to raise \$4,260 for "Blessed to Build Two Blessings" by May 31. The total of our contributions as of May 25 was \$3,530. Mahalo to everyone who helped us get this close. There is still a chance that we can reach our goal by May 31, but if not, we will continue to welcome your donations. We want LCH to be the first congregation in the Synod to complete our campaign!

If you have not participated but would still like to help meet our challenge, please drop off or mail your contribution to the church office during the week. Be sure indicate B2B2B on your gift and include any names you would like to have acknowledged by LCH, the Pacifica Synod, and our partner South West Synod in Ethiopia.

Even more important than your dollars are your prayers. Please keep our Pacifica Synod and the South West Synod in your prayers as new seeds are sown to spread the Good News of Jesus across the world!

Summer worship schedule begins on June 1

and continues through August 10.

One morning worship service at 9:15 AM.



May Council Meeting Report

Roy Helms, Treasurer

- ✓ Devotions focused on effective communication.
- ✓ Discussion about Evangelism: what the word means and could mean to each of us.
- ✓ The financial report shows that member and plate offerings to date are 91% of our goal for the first four months.
- ✓ At the beginning of May, expenses have exceeded our income by \$21,768.
- ✓ The draft contract to extend the preschool with Our Redeemer for one year was approved.
- ✓ The bid to trim the four monkey pod trees was approved for \$2,400 + tax.
- ✓ The bid to install a drainage channel in the Luther Place parking lot was approved for \$5,000 + tax, with funds to come from the Capital Improvements fund account.
- ✓ Approved hiring employee(s) or contract personnel, as needed, for the maintenance of the church grounds.

Angel Network Ingathering

June 1st is the first Sunday of the month, and once again the people of LCH will be bringing in their contributions for the Angel Network. The congregation has been especially generous in recent months, as shown by the load in Pastor Jeff Lilley's vehicle (right).

All manner of non-perishable food items and personal care items are welcome for the monthly ingathering. Canned stew, Spam, cup noodles, and canned tuna are especially popular.



Leadership Roundtable

On *Sunday, June 1*, at 10:30 am (and continuing the first Sunday of every month), the chairperson or another representative of each committee will meet in the Boardroom with Pastor Jeff Lilley and Council President Brian Weis. This is to enhance communications between all committees. See you all there!

First Communion Class Scheduled

Would you like to learn more about the sacrament of Holy Communion? Has your youngster not yet received first communion? Come join Pastor Jeff for First Communion class on Sunday, June 8, immediately following worship. Lunch will be served as we learn about the origins, practice, and meaning of Holy Communion.

Committee/Interest Group Chairs

Aloha Jam:	Pastor Jeff Lilley
Archives:	James Cartwright
Audit:	Shannon Liston
Concert:	Carl Crosier
Communications:	Carol Langner
Council:	Brian Weis
Fellowship:	Jeanette Hanson
Finance:	Roy Helms
Food for Thought:	Kathryn Klingebiel
Game Night:	Stephanie Miller
Garden Club:	Carol Langner
In Stitches:	Linda Miller
Learning Ministry:	Fred Benco
Lunch Bunch:	Stephanie Miller
Mary Magdalene Society:	Francisco Barajas & Robert Zimmer
Ministry Plan Task Force:	Jim Niermann
Mutual Ministry/Transition:	Olivia Castro
Process Theology:	Fritz Fritschel
Property:	Jean-Paul Klingebiel
Scholarship:	Fred Benco
Social Ministry:	Ray Herradura & Robert Zimmer
Stewardship:	Pam Buckley & Jeanne Castello
Sunday School:	Laurie Leach & Linda Miller
Worship & Music:	Linda Miller
Writers' Workshop:	Kathryn Klingebiel
Youth:	Sean D'Evelyn

Families should attend the event together and plan to join their youngsters at the communion rail for first communion on *Sunday, June 15*. Of course, children may begin receiving communion at any time, but parents are encouraged to provide this opportunity to deepen their child's understanding of the sacrament. Please call the office (941-2566) to let Pastor know if you and your family will be attending.

In Stitches

In Stitches, the LCH craft group, is going strong. They meet the *second and fourth Saturdays* of the month from 9:00 to 11:00 am in the Boardroom and work on items for the church as well as their own projects. Come for the fellowship! Upcoming meetings are *June 14 and 28*.

For more information, please call Linda Miller through the Church Office (941-2566).



Human Sexuality Draft Statement Study Opportunities

The ELCA has released its draft study on Human Sexuality and is encouraging individuals, congregations, and synods to study and comment on the document prior to October 2008. LCH will conduct a number of discussions about the draft study, and you are encouraged to attend one of the events. In addition to the study held in May, several additional opportunities have been scheduled. We look forward to bringing your comments to the ELCA.

Human Sexuality Draft Study Discussions

- ▼ Thursdays, June 5 and 12, at 10:30 am in the LCH Boardroom
- ▼ Saturday, July 12, from 4:30 to 7:30 pm at the Castros' home in Mililani—dinner served
- ▼ Saturday, July 19, (time to be announced) at Christ Lutheran, Mililani—Bishop's listening post
- ▼ Another evening opportunity will be scheduled in July

Mega Car Wash on June 14

Final fundraiser for Summer Camp!! The youth from seven churches will be at Christ Lutheran in Mililani from 1:00 to 5:00 pm on *Saturday, June 14*.

OYEA's last car wash raised \$1,200, and Thrivent added another \$400, for a total of \$1,600. Thrivent will also be matching a third of the profits for the June car wash.

Please help our youth make this last fundraiser a success!

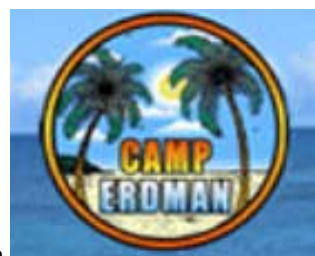


Father's Day luncheon

The Fellowship Committee is hosting a Father's Day luncheon in the Hörmann Courtyard on *Sunday, June 15*, after the 9:15 am service. The committee invites all LCH members and guests to enjoy this happy celebration. The food will be provided by the Fellowship Committee. We look forward to seeing you there in honor of all our fathers.

OYEA Summer Camp 2008 Camp Erdman on the North Shore June 29–July 4 (Sunday thru Friday)

OYEA is bringing professional counselors from Camp WAPO in Wisconsin to lead a week of Summer Bible Camp for our Hawaii youth. A week of *fun*, fellowship, and great opportunities to learn about God's Word with the theme: "Blessings from God."



- ✦ Open to junior high and senior high youth (7th–12th graders)
- ✦ Sign up soon! Registration forms are available from Pastor Jeff Lilley. Register by *June 1* for \$265.00 (scholarships are available). A deposit of \$100.00 is due at the time of registration. The planning team is concerned about room, with only 80 spaces available and the need to house the counselors, as well as other youth leaders.
- ✦ Shortly after June 1, a schedule, "What to Pack" information, and medical release forms will be distributed.
- ✦ A "family day" activity for the whole family is scheduled for Friday, July 4.

Renovated Boardroom dedicated

Sunday, April 27, finally saw the dedication of the renovated Boardroom, Sacristy, and Counting Room. Back in November when the renovations began, Pastor Jeff said the work would be done in six days. He was partly right—the major work was completed in six days; the small stuff took six months.

Members and friends who toured the rooms after worship were impressed with the careful attention to detail in the project, and everyone agreed that the work had created a much more inviting meeting space.

Stephen and Linda Miller were among the many who toured the renovated Boardroom on April 27.



Game Night

This month's Game Night is on *Saturday, June 28*, at 6:30 pm at Stephanie Miller's home in Kaimuki. Please bring a game and a pot-luck dish to share.

If you have any questions or need directions, please contact Steff through the Church Office (941-2566).

ELCA National Youth Gathering

The 2009 ELCA National Youth Gathering will be held July 22–26, 2009, in New Orleans, LA. Yes, this is over one year away, but the registration for the event opens in September of *this* year. Pastor Jeff is willing to lead a group for this event. Who can go? Anyone entering high school Fall of 2009, in high school, or who will graduate in 2009 is eligible to attend. Cost for the event is \$295 registration, \$200 (or more) hotel, plus round trip flight to New Orleans (\$1,200?). If you are interested, please contact Pastor Jeff at 941-2566.

Baptism and Confirmation on Trinity Sunday



Pastor Jeff marks the newly baptized with the sign of the cross as the confirmand looks on.

This year's celebration of Trinity Sunday was especially meaningful because it included both a baptism and confirmation.

Jason and Elise Fox brought their young daughter, born March 17, to be baptized. Pamela Taylor and the baby's parents were her sponsors.

Sieglinde ("Linde") S. entered into full membership through confirmation. Linde is the daughter of Stephen and Selena S.

Center for Mission & Learning dedicated at Synod Assembly

LCH delegates at the Synod Assembly Pastor Jeff Lilley, Peggy Anderson, and Bob Zimmer represented LCH at Synod Assembly, May 1–3 in Irvine, California.

There was plenty of business for our delegates, but the highlight of the Assembly was the dedication of the new Center for Mission & Learning.

Another part of the visit for our delegates was the opportunity to present a check for \$2,500, the first installment of our B2B2B—"Blessed to Build two Blessings"—pledge.

LCH is among the first congregations in the Pacifica Synod to begin fundraising for the B2B2B campaign.

The churches of the Hukilau Conference presented the synod with a koa paddle for the new Center for Mission & Learning. The paddle (shown at left) features a map of the Hawaiian Islands, the ELCA Logo, the Hukilau Conference logo, and the names of the eleven congregations in the Hukilau Conference.

Pacifica Synod Bishop Murray Finck was deeply moved and appreciative of the gift.



Abendmusiken Concert raises funds for IHS

A large and enthusiastic crowd enjoyed another in the Bach Pilgrimage series of Abendmusiken Concerts on Sunday, May 11. This concert, the fifth in the series of concerts tracing the life of J.S. Bach, was a fundraiser for the Institute for Human Services. Ticket sales and donations totaled \$3,009, so with a 1:3 match from Thrivent, IHS will receive \$4,012 for their important work in with the homeless in our community.

News from Josh

Former LCH Intern Pastor Josh Graber just returned from a mission trip to Africa, which he described in a letter posted on the LCH website. (The letter also includes news of Josh's family.) He completed his M.Div. at Luther Seminary in St. Paul, MN, and graduated on May 25.



Josh has written again and invites everyone to his ordination on Sunday, July 27, at 5:00 pm at Mercy Seat Lutheran, 697 13th Avenue NE, in Minneapolis, MN. Josh will be serving as a young adult pastor at Trinity Lutheran in Moorhead, MN, starting August 1.

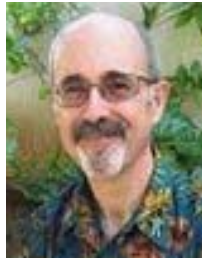
LCHers are proud of you. Go, Josh!



What's New on the LCH Website?

Bill Potter, Webmaster

One constant concern for a church website is the tension between the needs of visitors and the needs of members. In the past, I have talked about this in terms of content (what to include) and organization (where to put things). With regard to content, I have opted to include a wide variety of content that is meaningful to both visitors and members. And with regard to organization, I have generally made content for visitors more prominent since regulars will be more familiar with the website and will probably be more willing to search a little to find what they are looking for.



But there's another part of this tension that I have not discussed before, and that is the question of language.

A generation or two ago, it may have been reasonable to assume that most people had a general acquaintance with the language Christians use. That is no longer a safe assumption in the U.S. as a whole, much less in a multicultural and religiously diverse state like Hawaii. In addition, current research indicates that many non-Christians are turned off by the image of

the Christian church and its associated ways of speaking.

For these reasons, the gurus of church website design say: "Avoid all 'churchy' jargon and 'Christianese' language throughout the site, especially on the homepage." (This is tip number 4 in the list "70+ tips for effective church sites" by Tony Whittaker of the website Internet Evangelism Day.)

In general, we have tried to follow this advice, but it is often hard to talk about what we do at LCH without using churchy language.

A few weeks ago, Larry Nitz suggested that we include some kind of a dictionary of Christian terms that visitors might not understand, and I found what I think is quite a good one on the site SpiritHome.Com. (Look for the Subject Index.) However, it seemed too much to expect visitors to go to another site to look up the meaning for words on our website. Fortunately, I stumbled on a way to display definitions or explanations using "tool tips" that appear when you move your cursor over a designated location on a web page. (This is similar to the feature that shows the captions of pictures on our site when you hold your cursor over them.)

I am currently working out exactly how this will be done, but unless there are big problems, we will have added this feature to the Visitor Information page by the time this issue of *The HeartBeat* appears. (You can find the Visitor Information page using a link on the left side of the Home page.)

The plan is to show words with definitions or explanations in color (probably green, but that may change). When the cursor is moved over the word, the shape changes to a ? (or a ? is added to the arrow in some browsers) and after a second or two, a small box appears with the definition or explanation.

The process is a little labor intensive since it's necessary first to identify the words to be explained, then write the definitions or explanations, and finally code the explanations into the pages. However, I think this will make our site a more effective tool for evangelism. You can expect to see definitions popping up on many of the main pages of the website this summer.

We hope that this enhancement will bring the LCH website closer to our goal of being "welcoming to all."

Attendance and Offering for May

Attendance and Offering for Sunday, May 4, 2008

8:00 am Service	32	Offering	\$3,124.94
10:30 am Service	82	Sunday School	\$0.35
Compline	22	B2B2B	\$185.00
Total	136	World Hunger	\$50.00
		Capital Improvements	\$33.00
		Social Ministries	\$25.75

Attendance and Offering for Sunday, May 11, 2008

8:00 am Service	42	Offering	\$3,923.75
10:30 am Service	84	Sunday School	\$1.26
Compline	24	Music Fund	\$225.00
Total	150	B2B2B	\$200.00
		Capital Improvements	\$33.00

Attendance and Offering for Sunday, May 18, 2008

8:00 am Service	45	Offering	\$2,773.50
10:30 am Service	90	B2B2B	\$300.00
Compline	24	Capital Improvements	\$133.00
Total	159		

Attendance and Offering for Sunday, May 25, 2008

8:00 am Service	31	Offering	\$2,455.20
10:30 am Service	74	Sunday School	\$0.79
Compline	24	B2B2B	\$261.00
Total	129	Capital Improvements	\$33.00
		Social Ministries	\$1,525.75
		Music Fund	\$220.00



IHS Fundraiser—used ink cartridges and old cell phones

Drop your used printer ink cartridges/toners and old cell phones (handsets and batteries only) at the LCH church office or in a drop box located at the church. Two companies will turn the cartridges and cell phones into *cash*. The minimum we can send in is 50 cartridges and 35 cell phones. This is an ongoing fundraiser to support the Institute for Human Services meal that LCH provides on the third Friday of each month for the homeless.



June Birthdays

6/03	Kiyoko Nitz
6/03	Vincent Reid W.
6/04	LaVerne Rickard
6/05	Jaime Crozier Garcia
6/06	Crescent C.
6/07	Austin B.
6/09	John Bickel
6/09	Kathryn Klingebiel
6/09	Tyler K.
6/10	Miriam Sato
6/11	Susan Burns
6/11	John Moyer
6/11	Diane Perushek
6/14	Robert Ahlstrom
6/14	Randy Christensen
6/16	Maxwell Porter W.
6/18	Seth L.
6/22	Joseph Pettit
6/26	Sean D'Evelyn
6/26	John "Ed" Gibson
6/26	Jeff Lilley
6/27	Sylvia Hormann-Alper
6/27	Noah O.
6/29	Karen Barber

June 2008 Calendar

Sunday	June 1	Faith & Arts Sunday Angel Network Ingathering Holy Communion, 9:15 A.M. Leadership Roundtable, 10:30 A.M. Pre-Compline Discussion, 8:30 P.M. Compline, 9:00 P.M.
Monday	June 2	Mutual Ministry/Transition Team, 6:00 P.M.
Thursday	June 5	Human Sexuality Study, 10:30 A.M.
Sunday	June 8	Holy Communion, 9:15 A.M. First Communion Class, 10:30 A.M. Lunch Bunch, 10:30 A.M. Pre-Compline Discussion, 8:30 P.M. Compline, 9:00 P.M.
Monday	June 9	Aloha Jam, 6:00 P.M.
Tuesday	June 10	Worship & Music, 6:30 P.M.
Wednesday	June 11	Kamehameha Day—Office Closed Finance Committee Meeting, 12:30 P.M.
Thursday	June 12	Preschool Chapel, 10:00 A.M. Human Sexuality Study, 10:30 A.M.
Saturday	June 14	In Stitches, 9:00 A.M. OYEA Mega Car Wash—Christ Mililani, 1:00 P.M.
Sunday	June 15	Father's Day Holy Communion, 9:15 A.M. Father's Day Luncheon, 10:30 A.M. Pre-Compline Discussion, 8:30 P.M. Compline, 9:00 P.M.
Tuesday	June 17	Heart Beat Deadline, 9:00 A.M. Executive Committee, 6:00 P.M. Council Meeting, 6:30 P.M.
Thursday	June 19	Preschool Chapel, 10:00 A.M.
Friday	June 20	IHS Meals—Prepared, 1:00 P.M. IHS Meals—Served, 5:30 P.M.
Saturday	June 21	Mary Magdalene Society winetasting, 3:00 P.M.
Sunday	June 22	Holy Communion, 9:15 A.M. Pre-Compline Discussion, 8:30 P.M. Compline, 9:00 P.M.
Wednesday	June 25	Heart Beat Mailing, 9:00 A.M.
Thursday	June 26	Preschool Chapel, 10:00 A.M.
Saturday	June 28	In Stitches, 9:00 A.M. Game Night, 6:30 P.M.
Sunday	June 29	Holy Communion, 9:15 A.M. Adult Forum: Transit Corridor Project, 10:45 A.M. Pre-Compline Discussion, 8:30 P.M. Compline, 9:00 P.M.
Sunday	June 29–July 4	OYEA Youth Camp



✓ LCH Worship Participants

	June 1 Faith & Arts Sunday	June 8	June 15	June 22	June 29
	9:15 AM	9:15 AM	9:15 AM	9:15 AM	9:15 AM
LECTOR	Mary Fastenau	Peter Flachsbart	Angie Niermann	Roy Helms	April Smith
DEACON	Jacob Burkman	Sean D'Evelyn	Robert Zimmer		
SUBDEACON	Karyn C.	Sylvia Horman-Alper	Mary Fastenau		
COMMUNION ASSISTANT	Crescent C.		Jeanette Hanson	Jacob Burkman Ray Herradura	Bobby Broyles Carolyn Koehler
ACOLYTES	Jordan M. Seth L.	Linde S. Kyra Ann T.	Karyn C. Kore S.	Olivia Castro	Kyra Ann T.
LAYING OF HANDS	Robert Zimmer				
USHERS	Chuck Huxel Francisco Barajas Don Person Nan Wond Chuck Pearson	Chuck Huxel Francisco Barajas Don Person Nan Wond Chuck Pearson	Chuck Huxel Francisco Barajas Don Person Nan Wond Chuck Pearson	Chuck Huxel Francisco Barajas Don Person Nan Wond Chuck Pearson	Chuck Huxel Francisco Barajas Don Person Nan Wond Chuck Pearson
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In the community...

Kathy Crosier sends along this news from the American Guild of Organists:

Paul Jacobs returns to Hawaii

Many LCHers will remember the stunning concert by organist extraordinaire, Paul Jacobs two years ago. Paul will return to Hawaii to perform in a free concert on June 13, 7:00 pm, at Central Union Church.

Considered "one of the most supremely gifted young organists of his generation" and "a star in the American organ firmament," Paul Jacobs combines technical brilliance and showmanship with musical charisma and sensitivity.

You won't want to miss this concert! It's free, but donations are welcome.

Heavenly Humor



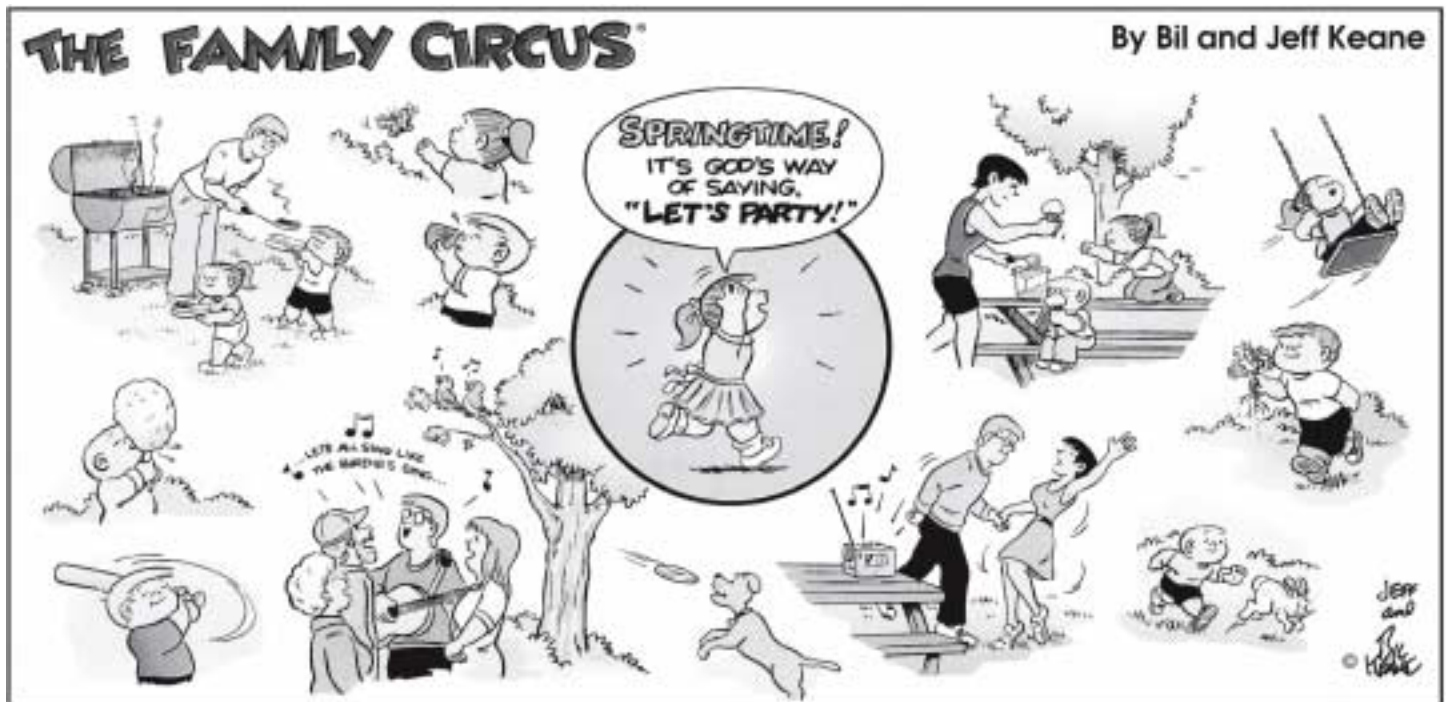
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Donald	Lorie
Dorothy	Mary
Emelda	Paige
Gary	Rosemary
Janae	Shane
Jerry	



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