

September 2022

ST. PETER'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

A Beacon of Hope...A Call to Serve!

SUNDAY WORSHIP
IN PERSON & LIVE-STREAMING
7:30 AM AND 10:00 AM



JAZZ VESPERS
IN PERSON & LIVE-STREAMING
Thursdays at 6:00 PM



"A MOMENT WITH MUSIC"
POSTED WEEKDAYS ON OUR CHURCH
FACEBOOK PAGE AND WEBSITE
6:00 AM



CAMP MOKULĒ'IA'S
75TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION
Saturday, September 3



RALLY DAY
with Refreshments
Sunday, September 11



QUARTER 3 BACPAC PRISON MINISTRY
BACKPACK PACKING
Parish Hall
Saturday, September 17
8:00 AM - 9:00 AM



VESTRY MEETING
ZOOM
Tuesday, September 20
6:00 PM



GATHER IN THE GARDEN
Saturday, September 24
8:00 AM - 10:00 AM



K2P2 KNITTING MINISTRY
Son/Sun Room
Saturday, September 24
9:30 AM - 11:30 AM



Christian Formation Begins this Month!

Christian Formation, Fall 2022 for Children, Youth, and Adults!

Children's Christian Formation in the Garden

(behind the Parish Hall; enter through the Carriage House or the Parish Hall)

Beginning Sunday, September 11, 9:00 AM

For children ages preschool on up. Learn about the stories of the Bible and God's love for all of creation with Ms. Stephanie and Ms. Muffin! Thank you to Ms. Muffin for building the beautiful picnic tables!





Sunday, September 11

**Israel A Walk with The Trinity
8:45 AM, Parish Hall**

Chucky Nakao will share information and slides from his trip this summer to the Holy Land. Refreshments will be served.



**Beginning Sunday, September 18 through October 23
(six sessions)**

8:45 AM, Parish Hall

**Exploring the Ancient Architecture of the Cosmic Temple:
A Look at Genesis 1 in its Cultural Context**

presented by Konstantinos Karampakakis

Primeval oceans above the sky, divine boats carrying the sun around the horizon, whole worlds created out of slayed dragons, and deities ruling the universe as kings and queens. Distant in time and place, the cultural context of ancient Israel and its neighboring nations can sometimes appear confusing or even incomprehensible. Join us in discovering ancient Near Eastern conceptions of the world, and enriching our understanding of God's Creation as it is expressed in Scripture.

During a series of presentations and discussions, we will try to challenge our way of reading the first chapter of the Book of Genesis by taking a look at how the ancient Egyptian and Mesopotamian culture imagined the process of the creation of the universe. Meanwhile, we will learn about the architecture of ancient temples, its connection to the Cosmos, and the reason why many theologians believe that the narrative of the Seven Days of Creation alludes to the building of a cosmic temple.

Book Group

Sunday Mornings, Date and Time TBA

Selection of a book is underway. Books by Rachel Held Evans, Frederick Buechner, Walter Brueggemann, Howard Thurman, Leymah Gbowee, and Anthony Ray Hinton are under consideration.

Contact Pastor Diane to indicate your interest.

Confirmation: An Exploration of our Faith
Sundays beginning September 11, 1:30 PM by ZOOM

The book selected by our Bishop, *Faith Confirmed: Preparing for Confirmation*, will be provided to each participant. We will discuss the teachings of the Episcopal church, the Bible, and the sacraments. Participants will have the opportunity to confirm and/or reaffirm their faith when Bishop Bob is with us on All Saints' Sunday, November 6th. The Bishop encourages everyone in our churches to confirm and/or reaffirm their Christian faith as full members within The Episcopal Church.

Rally Day was September 11th!

Rally Day is the start of a new program year and the opportunity to consider the ways to live out our discipleship through worship, education, and service. Below are opportunities this fall.

Worship & Education Participation

At St. Peter's, we value the participation of everyone in worship, from youth through seniors! Consider the following ways to participate in the worship and education life of the congregation:

Lector, Greeter, Eucharistic Minister, Intercessor, Acolyte, Live-streaming Tech Team during Sunday Worship - Speak with Pastor Diane

Join the Choir! Rehearsals at 9:30 AM; Sing at the 10:00 AM service - Speak with Dr. Joseph Eppink

Provide hospitality for Jazz Vespers, Thursdays, 6:00 PM - Speak with Pastor Diane

Be involved with the Children's Christian Formation on Sunday mornings, 9:00am - Speak with Stephanie Wight

Service Opportunities

There are many ways to live out our discipleship through St. Peter's outreach ministries. If you are interested in any of the opportunities below, please contact the coordinator listed or contact the church office and let Susan know of your interest. She will connect you with the coordinator for that ministry.

Prayer Circle. Be part of a team that provides daily prayer at home for those requesting prayer (Coordinator: Tiare Ono)

Thanksgiving collection. Assist in coordinating St. Peter's annual food collection for residents of Kūhiō Park Terrace. (Coordinator: Haroldwyn Chang)

St. Peter's Green Team. Raise awareness and lead the congregation in creation care projects, e.g. Gather in the Garden events (Coordinator: Muffin Hein and Konstantinos Karampakakis)

Soul Food. Make soup for the homebound the first Wednesday of every month, 6:00-8:30pm (Coordinators: Velma and Keith Lee)

K2P2 (Knit Two, Pray Too) Knitting ministry. Hats, scarves, shawls, afghans, etc. for charity, 2nd and 4th Saturday of every month, 9:30 AM-11:30 AM. (Coordinators: Nancy Rowe and Ruth Merz)

Habitat Lunch Bunch. Prepare and deliver lunch for Habitat for Humanity work crew on the third Saturday of each month. (Coordinator: Sheri Yoshida)

Ke'elikōlani Middle School Afterschool Program. Work with students while learning about engineering through fun projects or provide snacks; Thursdays, 1:30-4:30 PM (Coordinator: Muffin Hein)

BACPAC Project. Assist in packing backpacks with donated supplies for those leaving prison. (Coordinators: Keisha Webster and Haroldwyn Chang)

College Care Packages. Help collect items and package "care boxes" for our college students who are away from home. (Contact: Church Office)



K2P2 (Knit Two, Pray Too)

The knitting ministry of St. Peter's Church, has been busy, busy, busy! They made a cart full of beautiful lap robes for Hope Lodge. Hope Lodge is the residential building of the American Cancer Society immediately mauka of the Parish Hall. They provide short term stays at no charge for patients from neighbor islands or distant regions who need to undergo cancer treatment. Hope Lodge Assistant Manager Cristine Escartin Svendsen was thrilled to receive the lap robes with assorted stitching and a potpourri of colors! Beautiful work, K2P2 participants!

Green Team

The second "Gather in the Garden" took place Saturday, August 20th, under the knowledgeable direction of Muffin Hein and Paula Choy. Beds were planted and composting "dos and don'ts" were discussed. The plan is to gather the last Saturday of every month. The last Sunday of the month will be "Food Scrap Sunday." Did you know that there are "dos" and "don't" in collecting food scraps for composting? Take note!

Do add: your fruit and vegetable scraps, yard clippings, coffee grounds, eggshells (no eggs!)

Don't add: meat scraps, fish, dairy products, bones, baked goods, fatty foods, or grease (Why? They decompose slowly, cause odors, and can attract rodents. Ick!)

Did you know saving your food scraps for composting helps the earth? Food waste in landfills turns into methane gas emissions that are harmful to the environment.

According to 2017 statistics, food waste is the third-largest source of human-related methane emissions in the United States. Composting is a way to offset this impact!

Next Gather in the Garden: September 24, 8:00 AM - 10:00 AM. Please do drop in!



Photographs courtesy of Terry Dang

Two St. Peter's Ministry Needs!

Might you be able to assist in one of these important ministries?

Tech help, particularly upkeep of St. Peter's website and Facebook page - The basic upkeep of the website and Facebook

linkage is not complicated, but it is essential as it is the primary way that visitors learn about St. Peter's and through which others worship online. The platform is Weebly and training will be provided. Please speak with Pastor Diane.

Hospitality at Jazz Vespers - Those from St. Peter's who provided hospitality at Jazz Vespers pre-COVID have moved or retired. Visitors continue to drop in for whom a presence of hospitality is needed. The opportunity to gather over a meal again has also been raised. Can you provide hospitality on Thursday evenings at 6:00 PM and/or help us brainstorm what is possible in the way of a meal? Contact Pastor Diane.



Camp Mokulē'ia's 75th Anniversary Celebration!



In celebration of its 75th anniversary, Camp Mokulē'ia held a gala on Saturday, September 3rd. Camp Director Darrell Whitaker welcomed everyone to the Camp, and Father David Kennedy, who has a lifetime of service at the Camp and who served as a former priest at St. Peter's, was honored. Fr. Kennedy shared stories of young people whose lives were impacted in significant ways through their experience at camp and encouraged everyone to consider a \$50 monthly gift to Camp Mokulē'ia, an amount that



would cover the sponsorship of one camper. Fr. Frank Chun, who began his married life with Norma at Camp Mokulē'ia as a young priest, and representatives from St. Peter's joined in the festivities. Word has it that St. Peter's did quite well in the silent auction!



Keisha Webster & Konstantinos Karampakakis, Myra Kong, Pam & Tim Yuen, Manny Dayao (Iolani School), Keith & Velma Lee, Terry & Susan Dang; photo by Pr. Diane

Fr. Chun with son-in-law Derek Kokubun, son Corey, and three grandchildren: Colbie, Caleigh, and sleepy Camryn!



Happy Birthday and Congratulations to Pauline Lum, our



newest member of the Nonagenarian Club at St. Peter's! Pauline turned 90 years old on September 6, 2022. Daughter Susan is wearing a peach pendant and both are wearing peach colored tops. Why? Because the peach is traditionally a symbol of longevity. **"Birthday Bao,"** steamed buns with lotus seed filling made into the shape of a peach with pink coloring on top, are a traditional Cantonese treat on birthdays as a wish for many more birthdays to come. With that plate of Birthday Bao, Pauline is well set for many more years to come!



St. Andrew's Schools Queen Emma Square Scholarship Fund

As another school year begins, consider a gift to the St. Andrew's Schools Queen Emma Square Scholarship Fund. This is a scholarship of the churches on Queen Emma Square in support of our Diocesan school, St. Andrew's Schools, an outstanding college preparatory school begun by Queen Emma over 155 years ago, firmly grounded in the Christian tradition of the Episcopal Church. To date, we have raised \$18,000 toward the \$25,000 needed for the scholarship to be endowed. Once endowed, it will continue to make a St. Andrew's education possible for students in perpetuity. Please make checks payable to "St. Peter's Episcopal Church" with "School Scholarship Fund" on the memo line. Thank you!



Queen Emma Square Endowed Scholarship



Foodland's Give Aloha Program

During the month of September, you can donate up to \$249 at Foodland for St. Peter's Episcopal Church, **ID code #79022**. Cash, check or credit card can be used at checkout or at the service desk. All you need is a Maika'i card which you can pick up at checkout if you don't have one. The donation amount and St. Peter's name will appear on your receipt. Foodland does not give us the names of donors, so save your receipt and give it to Richert, our Bookkeeper, for posting on your church giving statement. At the end of September, Foodland will add up all the donations and send us a check for the total amount along with an additional percentage. This is a way to make your support for St. Peter's stretch even further!

Ordering from Amazon?

Go to St. Peter's website, www.stpetershonolulu.org, and click on Amazon Smile. This takes you to the portal through which Amazon will donate a percentage of every sale to St. Peter's!

Did you know that St. Peter's has a Columbarium?

This is an open-air Columbarium on the *mauka* side of the church that serves as a final resting place of beauty and serenity for parishioners, family members, and other Episcopalians who desire inurnment at a reasonable cost. Contact Susan in the church office for more information.



2022 Vestry

Senior Warden: Velma Lee

Junior Warden: Terry Dang

Treasurer: Nancy Rowe

Clerk: Karin Kimura

Rector: The Rev. Diane Martinson

Term expires in 2022:

Rose Baroza, Beth Cox, Gail Haruki

Term expires in 2023:

**Karin Kimura, Bryan Matsumoto, Barry
Wood**

Term expires in 2024:

Sue Jennings, Janet Kim, Stephanie Wight



SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

SEPT 04 Wei Mei "Mary" Fo

SEPT 06 Kenneth Kau
Pauline Lum

SEPT 07 Jermel Anderson

SEPT 08 Lily Dayao
Jaime Yamane

SEPT 10 Sim Kau
Arabella Nakamoto

SEPT 12 Jarrett Inn
Gail Kuroda
Verna Lum

SEPT 13 Nancy Rowe
Madison Yee

SEPT 15 Monica Wu

SEPT 16 Myra Kong

SEPT 17 Richard Au Hoy
Myron Chang

SEPT 19 Joanne Shibuya

SEPT 23 Maureen Wong

SEPT 26 Paula Choy

SEPT 27 Estelle Inn

SEPT 29 Diane Chinn
Eunice Wong

SEPTEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

SEPT 03 Barton & Beth Cox

SEPT 07 Taka & Karin Kimura

SEPT 09 Joseph & Kathleen Chang
Bryan & Tricia Matsumoto

SEPT 17 Joseph Eppink & Ralph Panelli

SEPT 25 Tom & Sarah Fargo
Robert & Laura Jean Thue