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Pastor's Newsletter article
March, 2025

LENT! LENT! – Rah Rah Rah! (said no one ever...)

But actually, the season of Lent can be such a gift! Stay tuned to some gentle but meaningful opportunities for our March/April journey to Holy Week and Easter!

~We are enjoying heartfelt **worship** every Sunday! Have you noticed we have visitors almost every week? Are you inviting your friends? Is there someone who might find a blessing... or safety... or belonging... or encouragement by joining us as we sing and pray and listen carefully to the Word of God for each of us and all of us? Lent might be a really good time to bring our hearts closer to the heart of God as we journey with intention – beginning with our annual **Ash Wednesday Combined service** (this year: March 5, 6:00 p.m. at our sister church, Wailuku Union. Kahu Wayne will bring the message and Pastor Robb and Pastor Lauren will participate)

~BUT FIRST, we gotta get the sillies out... **Do NOT miss this Sunday, March 2!!** In fact, plan to wear your **Mardi Gras** beads and prepare to be “transfigured” with Jesus on the mountaintop. We will have our own Dixieland flavor and experience our own version of the Academy Awards... as we move from the sublime to the ridiculous and beyond... then calm our souls and thoughtfully prepare for this holy Lenten season with the sharing of Holy Communion. But that’s not all!! Our **Kosraean community celebrates 23 years** of presence and participation here at Iao UCC!! Our beloved David Murata (who paved the way for this cherished partnership) will be with us in the service and our Kosraean friends will bring an anthem to honor this milestone! But that’s STILL not all!! Our Annual **Congregational Meeting** will happen immediately following worship. THIS is the important and treasured work of the church together with our dynamic leaders. I’m truly excited about ALL of it, and I hope you are too!

~Our Worshipping Community has planned a fun and “filling” Shrove Tuesday (Fat Tuesday, Mardi Gras) Pancake Supper on March 4 at 5:30 in Kanda Hall! In old days, households had to purge their shelves of all sugar, flour and fats/butters... (gotta give them up for Lent) Hence: let’s make pancakes! Come ready to sample the deliciousness and make merry with your church family! There are rumors of entertainment to spice up our fun!

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Wednesday Lenten “Explorations” and

“Pick Up Choir”

Can you reserve FOUR Wednesdays in this holy season to:

~Gather in the Sanctuary from 6-7 p.m.

~Experience inquiry: What is your faith calling you to do and to be? This might be for you! Are you thinking about church Membership? This might be for you! Do you wonder why we do the things we do as a church? This might be for you!

~Sing in our “Pick Up Choir” – we have some fine voices and musician Ruth and Pastor Lauren have some ideas for special music for Holy Week! Come! Join us!

~DATES: March 12, March 19, April 2 and April 9! Inquiry and Singing.

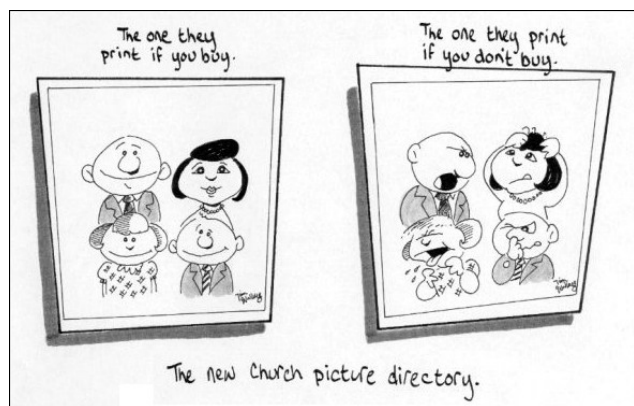
~**March 16th: Youth and Young Adult Sunday!** What might our youth and young adults teach us about worship and prayer? Plans are shaping up for a special worship on the 16th as well as a gathering of Mokupuni Youth/Young Adults at our church the evening of March 22nd.

~**Anniversary? Pastor’s Installation?** Ideas are hatching for the marking of Iao UCC’s 130th anniversary in late April!! Are you excited about making this significant occasion truly meaningful for our church? Let’s form a task force to dream and scheme! (Maybe even combining with my Installation!) Stay tuned!

Mostly, as we turn over another calendar page to this new month, I continue to be so thankful to be on this journey of faith with ALL of you!

Blessing and Honor, Glory and Power be unto our Extravagantly Welcoming God!

Lauren Buck Medeiros, your grateful pastor!



Regarding our picture directory. I have been here over 20 years, Pastor Lauren has been just over 2 months. Neither of us know everyone’s name. Plus when you don’t wear your name tag at Aloha hour it’s hard to put a name with a face. We are a family, each and everyone of us. We want to know your name. Please send in a picture—single or family then we will know who goes with who. Please say if you just want your name and picture or address, phone #, or email. Or is just for Pastors eyes only?



- Mar 4 Robyn Webb
- Mar 13 Gail Ideue
- Mar 14 Bobby Hill
- Mar 17 Yaeko Furukawa
- Mar 20 Shizue Defang
- Mar 21 Sonny Yoruw
- Mar 25 Jireh Yoruw
- Mar 25 David Murata
- Mar 25 Dom Defang
- Mar 31 Molly Murai



March Sermon Text

March 2 **Transfiguration Sunday**

Text: Matthew 17:1-9

Sermon Title:

"Lights, Camera, Action"

(Mardi Gras Sunday)

March 9 **First Sunday in Lent**

Text: Exodus 13:17-14:3

Sermon Title:

"Huaka`I or Holoholo?"

March 16 **Second Sunday in Lent**

Text: Matthew 6:9-13

Sermon Title:

"Teach Us to Pray"

(Possible Youth Focus)

March 23 **Third Sunday in Lent**

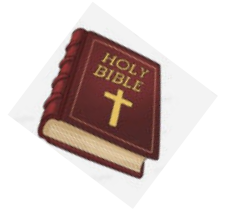
Text: Luke 5:17-26

Sermon Title:

"Buddy Tape"

March 30 **Fourth Sunday in Lent**

March Common Liturgy



March 2

Transfiguration Sunday

Ex 34: 29-35 and Ps 99

2 Cor 3:12-4:2

Luke 9:28-36 (37-42a)

Astounding Glory

March 9

First Sunday in Lent

Deut 26:1-11 and Ps 91:1-12, 9-16

Rom 10:8b-13

Luke 4:1-13

Wilderness Companions

March 16

Second Sunday in Lent

Gen 15:1-12, 17-18 and Ps 27

Phil 3:17- 4:1

Luke 13:31-35 or Luke 9:28-36

(37-43a)

Strong and Tender

March 23

Third Sunday in Lent

Isa 55:1-9 and Ps 63:1-8

1 Cor 10:1-13

Luke 13:1-9

Open Invitation

March 30

Fourth Sunday in Lent

Josh 5:1-9 and Ps 63:32

2 Cor 10:1-13

Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32

Now What?



Minster: Pastor Lauren Buck Medeiros

Greeter/Liturgist: Youlida Yoruw

Youth Reader: Sharon Sigrah

Adult Reader: Shrue Sigrah

Technicians Sonny Yoruw / Jay-Dee Hadley

Aloha Hour- 3/2 Yoruw Family

3/9 Jane Akitake

3/16 Kathrine & Carolyn

3/23 Hadley Family

3/30 Maui Etawi

Prayer List:

Family of the late John Phillip.

The family of the late Fred Arakaki.



Mission Statement of Iao UCC:

We are a people of God, living and sharing the love of Christ and reflecting that love in words and actions."



This week our Global Ministries "Week of Prayer" features the UCC in the Marshall Islands! Check it out on their website globalministries.org! (here is an excerpt) In the Marshall Islands, the Uliga Youth for Christ is a program of Uliga United Church of Christ, with over 60 active youth who participate in church activities, including community service. In December, the planning committee decorated the church with recycled Christmas lighting, focusing on climate change and cleaning up the community.



Update on the visitors that we had. They have been relocated and are safe and secure in their new home.

Vision of Iao UCC:
We will be a more inclusive and faithful community learning:

- to give voice to the silenced,
- to celebrate our commonalities,
- to use God's gifts (not just ours!),
- to bridge differences, and
- to practice reconciliation

Ho'omaika'i e KS Maui seniors Josie Vierra-Naleieha and Anela Awai-Stewart on winning 1st Place medals at the HO-SA Future Health Professionals State Leadership Conference in Job Seeking Skills and Pharmacology, respectively!



Did you know that our Iao Kosraean Women are helping to organize a statewide gathering of Kosraean women? Here is their poster! Let's pray for a wonderful, spirit filled *gathering!*

"WOMEN'S DAY 2025"
Maui Mutan
 • Ahkpuiaikye Orekma Iuhn Mutan
 • **Kihei Community Center**
 • **Date: 03-14-25 & 03-15-25**
 • **Time: 3Pm-8:30Pm & 10Am-6Pm**

Buildings and Grounds

Dennis Hashiro, Daniel Kamidoi, Howard Ikeda, Paul Lackey, Danny Johannes (official B&G) plus many, many from our Micronesia Community (men, women, youth and children)



Another busy month started with an attempted break-in at Kanda Hall.

The kitchen door was damaged from prying with a tool but they did not get in.

Howard made a police report. Preschool also had an intruder, but no break-in.

Paul Lackey took the lead to repair the door, but decided it was better to put in a new door and a new security screen door. John Yoruw, Danny Johannes, and John Phillip helped Paul install the door.

Mid Pacific Pest Control tented Endo Hall for termites.

Thank you to Mike Fitton (Joy Yamane's brother from Canada) for helping to install security lighting at Kanda and Endo and other electrical upgrades. Endo Hall has had 2 security cameras installed and the ceiling was repaired.

WiFi signal to the sanctuary has been properly installed. This should make our Facebook live to be live and Zoom meetings can resume from Endo.

The "For Rent" sign at Fujitomo have attracted several interested parties. SHK Realty is handling the rental. If you are questioned about the property, please refer them to SHK Realty @ (808) 269-775 where they set-up an appointment with the person and share all the details.

Learning Community

Dawna Krueger, Coreen Matsui-Lackey, Youlida Yoruw, Anela Awai-Stewart



On February 2, the Sunday School time was changed to be after Keiki Time.

The average attendance is now about 10 where it was 3 or 4 before. There will be no Sunday School on communion Sundays.

The Learning Community set their meeting time for 9:00 am on Sunday mornings. Even our "not a morning person" agrees that time works! We are finding that our curriculum is very easy to work with and fits closely with what Pastor Lauren is sharing. Anela was able to read it before class one Sunday and easily shared the message with the children. Feb. was all about love in action and March will be about emotions. Sharing that emotions are a gift from God to help us understand and enjoy life.

As we look at how our community is to be involved fulfilling our bylaws, we hope to work with Pastor Lauren in the program "Confirm not Conform." This program covers preparing for baptism, confirmation and for those seeking to unite with Iao UCC.

Pastor Lauren and Dawna have continued to meet weekly with the preschool children sharing stories, songs and hugs.





Iao Preschool Community

Tim Stewart, Bert Akitake, Sanoë Awai, Susan King, Director Fley Iniba

Fley invited Irina (preschool parent) to join the Iao Preschool Committee. School enrollment for 2025-2026 is mostly filled. School closure due to weather (half day 1/30/25 and full day 1/31/25). Amber Johnson will return to the staff as a Teacher's aide after leaving to start her family. Accreditation process has begun. Up to 39 students will be enrolled for school year 2025-2026.

The preschool staff met with an accreditation mentor to begin the process of applying for accreditation. Teaching staff will meet once a week with the mentor, after school hours. Fley has applied for a grant to hopefully cover the costs to cover fees and supplies needed.

The preschool will purchase security lights to be installed and resubscribe monthly for security camera features to be activated/recorded. Fley remains in contact with the contractor that will install the new windows/sills as materials for the project are proving difficult to obtain.



Pastor Lauren and Auntie Dawna are sharing in Chapel Time with the preschool keiki.



Stewarding Community: Anna Mayeda Carly Defang, Jane Tesoro, Gail Ideue, Rena Hayashi and Youlida Yurow

One Great Hour of Sharing (OGHS) is a vital special mission offering of the United Church of Christ. It connects you to disaster relief, refugee assistance, and development efforts around the globe.

When disasters strike, or when individuals are displaced due to violence or poverty, OGHS ensures immediate response and ongoing recovery.

Through your support, OGHS funds comprehensive development programs in areas such as healthcare, education, agriculture, food security, microfinancing, and women's empowerment. By partnering with Global Ministries and international response networks, OGHS maximizes its impact. Your contributions help meet urgent needs while addressing the root causes of vulnerability, ensuring long-term, sustainable solutions for affected communities. (We will be receiving our OGHS offerings at the end of March.)

AND, thanks to your generosity, we were able to send \$635 to the Henry 'Ōpūkaha'ia scholarship fund! Mahalo to all who contributed!

Worshipping Community


Submitted by

Carolyn Kamidoi

Worship Community: Shannon Ribao, Jaime Ribao, Susan King, Rena Hayashi, Carolyn Kamidoi, Mayleen Phillip, Katherine Hashiro

We met with Pastor Lauren on January 26. The worship order was reviewed and we will work towards making each part of the service meaningful with intent from the sanctuary setting to technology, music and special Sundays and celebrations.

Looking ahead: March 4 – Shrove Tuesday pancake dinner at Kanda Hall, 5:30

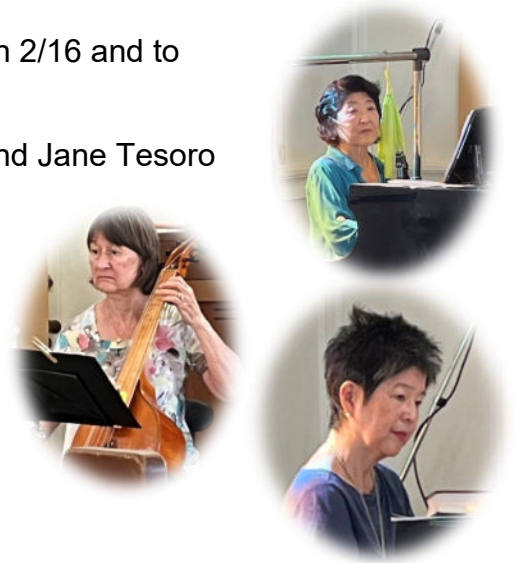
 March 5 – Ash Wednesday at Wailuku Union Church, 6:00 p.m.

Thank you, Dale Schwarz and Ann Rovner, for providing music on 2/16 and to Ruth Murata for the other Sundays in February.

Mahalo February Worship Leaders ○ Greeter – Anna Mayeda and Jane Tesoro
○ Readers – Joyleen Phillip and Gerald Montano

March Worship Leaders ○ Greeter – Youlida Yoruw
○ Readers – Sharon Sigrah and Shrue Sigrah

Respectfully submitted by
Carolyn Kamidoi



“That’s News to Me!” Iao United Church of Christ has a scholarship fund entitled “The Lillian Maeda” Scholarship Fund.

It is the goal of this fund to help our Iao UCC members who are going to further their educational goals in an accredited university, college, or trade school. To achieve our mission statement goals, it is our responsibility, as a whole church, to see that all of our members have an equal opportunity to further their education at any age.

Applicant must demonstrate that they are eager and willing to continue their education by:

- Being an *active* member of Iao United Church of Christ.
- Submitting a one page, double sided, double spaced, twelve-inch font essay detailing their initial goals, community and extracurricular activities involved with, etc. to the Learning Community of Iao UCC no later than June 15th of each year.

The full application and further details are located on the table at the back of the sanctuary. Talk to Dawna chairperson of the Learning Community with questions.



Visiting his grandparents, a small boy opened the big family Bible. He was fascinated as he fingered through the old pages. Suddenly, something fell out. He picked it up and found that it was an old leaf that had been pressed flat between the pages. "Mama, look what I found," he called out.

"What have you got there, dear?" his mother asked.

With astonishment in his voice, the boy answered, "I think it's Adam's underwear!"

Practice Gratitude

THE JOY OF COOKING

Spend an evening cooking your favorite meal. Try to approach the process mindfully, taking pleasure in the time and effort it takes to follow the recipe. Once it's ready savor your meal and express the joy it brings you. Better yet, share it with someone to pass on a little bit of joy to them.

Pull-apart Pumpkin Bread

Ingredients

- 1/4 cup granulated sugar
- 1 1/4 teaspoons pumpkin pie spice
- 1 can Pillsbury "Grands!" Flakey Layers Honey Butter
- 2 Tablespoons butter, melted
- 3/4 cup canned pumpkin pie mix (not plain pumpkin)
- 1/2 cup powdered sugar
- 2-3 teaspoons milk
- 1 teaspoon vanilla

1. Heat oven to 350 degree. Spray 9X5 inch loaf pan with cooking spray. In small bowl, mix granulated sugar and 1 teaspoon of the pumpkin pie spice.

2. Separate dough into 8 biscuits. Separate each biscuit into 2 layers, making a total of 16 biscuit rounds. Brush one side of each biscuit round with melted butter. Spread slightly less than 1 table-spoon pumpkin pie mis on top of each. Sprinkle rounds with spice-sugar mixture.

3. Stack biscuits in 4 piles of 4 biscuits each. Place stacks on their sides in a row in a loaf pan, making sure sides without filling are on both ends touching pan.

4. Bake 40-45 minutes or until loaf is deep golden brown and center is baked through.

5. Cool ten minutes. Turn pan upside down on a serving platter. In a small bowl, mix powdered sugar, mild, vanilla and remaining 1/4 teaspoon pumpkin pie spice until thin enough to drizzle. Drizzle over warm loaf. Serve warm.



A special note...



The quilt being used on the set of *Flowers of Hawaii* is about 40 years old and is an authentic hand-stitched Hawaiian quilt made by master quilter and master lauhala weaver, Wilhelmina "Minnie" Kealoha Whitford (1906 - 1989) of Upper Waiehu, Maui for her son, Larry Whitford. She entitled the quilt "*The Road to Haleakalā*".

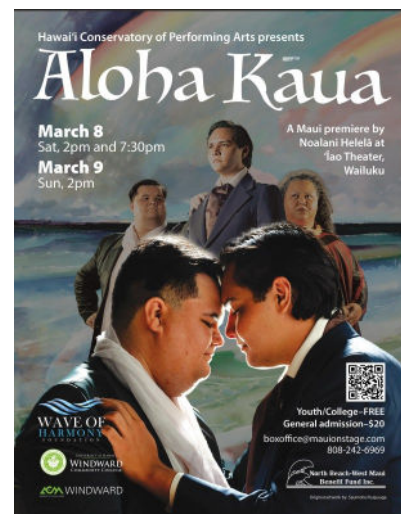
Minnie started the quilt in the late 1980's. Unfortunately, Minnie passed away before she could finish the quilt. Larry's wife, Rita sent the quilt to St Michael's catholic church quilting bee in St Louis, MO. It was the first Hawaiian quilt they had ever seen! 3 months later, the ladies of the quilting bee had finished Minnie's quilt and Rita went to St Louis to pick it up.

Noa Helelā's *Aloha Kaua*, a historical drama about "ka wa ia Kaomi" during the early part of the reign of Kauikeaouli will be premiering next week in O'ahu at the Palikū Theatre and then coming to Maui at the historic 'Īao Theater, March 8 (2pm and 7:30pm) and March 9 (2pm). The play is directed by Taurie Kinoshita of the Hawai'i Conservatory of Performing Arts at Windward Community College.

Aloha Kaua is a timeless tale of love, sacrifice, and courage in a time of repression and uncertainty, peppered with humor and witty dialogue. Kauikeaouli (Kamehameha III) fell in love with Kaomi, who could heal with his hands, diagnose illnesses, and rebelled against the values and laws being imposed by the missionaries. As their love deepens, Kauikeaouli is inspired to resist oppressive colonial morality: he brings back hula, free love, drinking, games, and Makahiki. Outraged by Kauikeaouli making Kaomi his Mō'ī ku'i (joint king), Christian chiefs try to stop the young Kauikeaouli. Some resort to violence, turning their anger on Kaomi and demonizing him for leading the king down what they believed was a dangerous path.

Maui: General admission is \$20. Free tickets for youth/college students. Maui tickets: <https://maui onstage.thundertix.com/events/242500>

Corin Medeiros, who plays the part of Kauikeaouli (Kamehameha III), is Pastor Lauren's NEPHEW!!



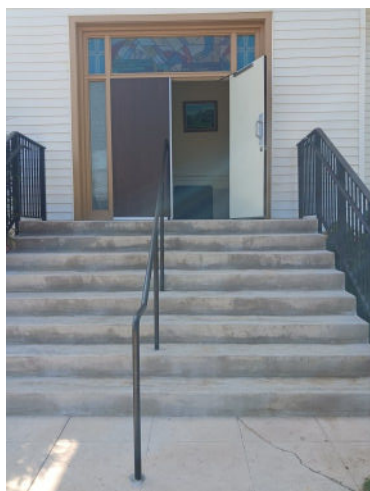


It sounds far away but it's just around the corner. The Iao UCC Bazaar and Rummage Sale is on July 12, 2025. This call is for crafters, bakers, food truck (possibly) entertainers and game hostess/host.

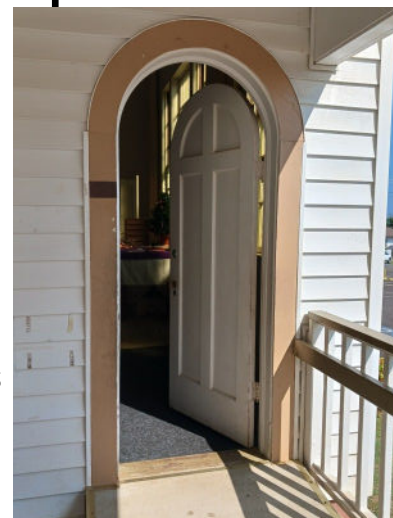
Iao UCC is hosting a day (9:00 am-2:pm) full of fun, games and entertainment on July 12, 2025.

Come meet our new pastor, Rev. Lauren Buck Medeiros. A person you'll never forget! We are seeking vendors to join us for this exciting day filled with food, fun, and community spirit.

Spaces will be filled on a first come basis. For event application please email office@iaoucc.org




Perhaps you don't want to serve on the council, or a committee, Perhaps you are just looking for a way to support our congregation in a smaller yet very important way. No long commitment. We are looking for door greeters. A minimum of 2 (3-4 would be great) to arrive about 15 minutes before Sunday morning service. Your job would be to greet everyone who walks thru our new front door as well as the lanai door. Greet them with a smile and a good morning. Encourage members to find their name tag. When a visitor arrives ask them to sign the guest book and make a name tag. Let them know they are welcome to sit where they chose, explain that our order of service is located on the screens in front so we have not paper bulletin. Offer them a flyer and



In Loving Memory
Fred Kazuyoshi Araki

Fred Araki, 89, passed away peacefully on Wednesday, February 19, 2025, under the care of Bristol Hospice and his caring and compassionate nurses.



He was born on Maui and raised in Nashua Camp in upper Paia, and subsequently lived in Wailuku and eventually in Honolulu from 2021. With a degree in civil engineering from UH Manoa, Fred led the engineering division of the County of Maui Department of Public Works where he worked for 30 years. He enjoyed spending time with his family and friends, cheering on UH sports, tending to his garden, golfing, and immersing himself in painting.

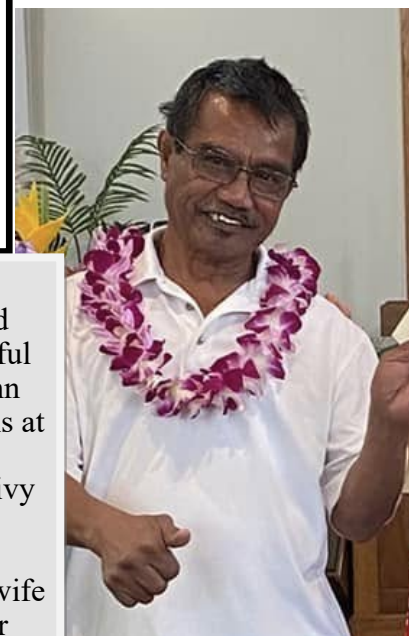
He is survived by his loving wife Ann; daughter Lynn Araki-Regan (Keith Regan), grandson Riley Yoshio Regan, brother Sam of Wailuku, sister Jane Sorensen of South Pasadena, CA, 5 nieces, and 3 nephews.

Fred's Celebration of Life will be held on Sunday, March 23, 2025, at Hosoi Garden Mortuary, Inc. Visitation begins at 10:00 a.m., followed by the Service at 11:00 a.m.

The family requests no koden. Memorial donations may be made to Bristol Hospice-Hawaii or to Alzheimer's Association-Hawaii.

Fred was a long time member of Iao. He was instrumental in acquiring and installing the bell tower. If you look at the old pictures we have Fred took many of them. He was the keeper of our history along with William Nakamura.

Join with us on March 18th as we celebrate and remember one our faithful servants of the Lord John Phillip. Visitation begins at 8:00 am. And service at 10:00 am. John was active with Buildings and Grounds as well as the Food Pantry. Keep his wife and the children, in your hearts and prayers as they feel the loss of husband and father.

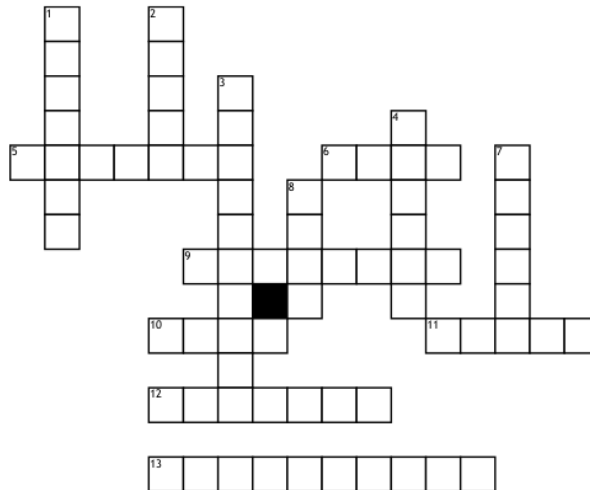


March 2025 Calendar

- *Office hours: 9 am-3pm Closed Friday (808)244-7353 email: office@iaoucc.org
- *Ladies Lunch Bunch: First Friday of the month. 11:30 am-2:00 pm on the church lanai.
- *Member Visitation: Second Tuesday of the month at 1:00pm. Call/text Jane Tesoro @ (808)276-2663.
- *Food Pantry: (808) 446-7537 Monday ONLY 11:00 am-3:30 pm.
- *AA/Al-Anon meetings: Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Saturday assorted hours.
- *Micronesia Women: Friday 6-7 pm Contact Youlida Yoruw
- *Council Meeting: Last Wednesday of the month, 5:30 pm on zoom. Contact office for link
- *Kosrae Maui Church: Sunday at 3 pm Contact Kotan Melander Rsmithkopa11@gmail.com
- *Maui Etawi Church: Sunday at 4 pm
- *Kosrae Campus Workday: 4th Saturday of month. Contact Jeromy Palik

Name: _____ Date: _____

The Lord's Prayer



Across

- 5. For thine is the _____, the power and the glory
- 6. Forever and ever. _____
- 9. _____ be thy name.
- 10. But deliver us from _____.
- 11. On _____ as it is in heaven.

12. Thy _____ come.

13. And forgive us our _____.

Down

- 1. As we _____ those who trespass against us.
- 2. Give us this day our daily _____.

3. and lead us not into _____.

4. Who art in _____.

7. The Lord's Prayer is also known as the "Our _____ prayer."

8. Thy _____ be done.

March 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Habitat for Humanity will be occupying Kanda Hall March 1-9	*Lent Events: 6p.m. Wed. Mar.12&19, Apr./2&9 <u>"Explorations" and Pick Up Choir"</u>					1 AA Speaker 7-8 K
2 Communion Annual Meeting 23rd Kosrae Anniversary 3-6 Etawi	3 Food Pantry K	4 Shrove Tue. Dinner Kanda Hall 5:30	5 Happy Day AFG 9-10 K Ash Wednesday 6pm WUC	6 Preschool Chapel 9:30 AA Wailuku 7-8	7 Ladies Lunch Bunch 11:30 L Micronesian Women 6-7S	8 AA Speaker 7-8 K
9 1st Sunday in Lent Y You Lead 12"30-2:30 3-6 Etawi	10 Food Pantry K	11 Visitation MFG District 5:30-7:30 K	12 Happy Day AFG 9-10 K *Lent Events 6pm S	13 Preschool Chapel 9:30 S AA Wailuku 7-8	14 Micronesian Women 6-7S	15 AA Speaker 7-8 K
16 2nd Sunday of Lent 3-6 Etawi	17 Food Pantry K	18 John Phillip Memorial 10 am SK Micronesian Council 6-8 K	19 Happy Day AFG 9-10 K *Lent Events 6pm S Council report/ Iao Pepa Due	20 Preschool Chapel 9:30 S AA Wailuku 7-8	21 Micronesian Women 6-7 S	22 AA 9:30-4:30 K Y You Lead 4:30-7:30 K
23 3rd Sunday on Lent 3-6 Etawi	24 Food Pantry K	25	26 Happy Day AFG 9-10 K Council 5:45	27 Preschool Chapel 9:30 S AA Wailuku 7-8	28 Micronesian Women 6-7 S	29 AA Speaker 7-8 K
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IN PERSON/VIRTUAL SUNDAY WORSHIP 10:00 A.M.

Pastor	Lauren Buck Medeiros
Moderator	Shannon Ribao
Office Volunteer	Dawna Krueger
Pianist	Ruth Murata
Newsletter	Dawna Krueger
Iao Preschool Director	Flerida Iniba

You are always welcome at Iao UCC.
**We are a people of God living and sharing
 the love of Christ through words
 and actions.**