

"I am the vine, you are the branches; abide in me and you will bear much fruit." John 15:5



# Vine & Branches

News from St. Elizabeth's Episcopal Church, 720 N. King Street, Honolulu, HI 96817



June  
2006

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Priest-in-Charge

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The Reverend  
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## From Mother Jodene

### *Aloha Beloved in Christ,*

Balloons. Bells. Lion dancers. Reunion. Festival Holy Communion. Baptisms of five children. Blessings in six different languages. Potluck to sample foods from many cultures. National dress. What do these all have in common?— St. Elizabeth's and St. Luke's Episcopal church will celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit and the Birthday of the Christian church on the Feast of Pentecost, (Whitsunday) Sunday, June 4<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 am.

It has been said before, "a party is good for the soul." What better way to celebrate the birthday of the Christian church over 2000 years ago than with a party. What better way to celebrate the renewal of the mission and ministry of St. Elizabeth's church than with a party. What better way to celebrate our common history with St. Luke's than with a party. What better way to celebrate the baptisms of five children into the family of God than with a party. And expect a few surprises thrown in for good measure!

On the day of Pentecost long ago, the Holy Spirit came like wind and fire to people of many languages and many nations. One of the most miraculous things was that the Holy Spirit came upon *all* and the Holy Spirit was given to *all*, not just a select few people. The Holy Spirit breathed new life, new hope, new inspiration, new courage, and new vision and new purpose for all those gathered in Jerusalem that day. There were no 'insiders' and no 'outsiders.' The Holy Spirit gave the gift of oneness. This gift was not to be an oneness in national dress, or language, or food, or culture. This gift of oneness by the Holy Spirit was to be a oneness of spirit, a oneness of faith, a oneness of following Jesus, a oneness of fellowship, love and care for each other.

St. Elizabeth's church family is like a colorful morning rainbow over the

Koolaus. Our church family history and our current reality reflects the many languages and nations that were touched by the Holy Spirit on that first day of Pentecost. Now, I believe, *this* is something to celebrate! The gifts and the fruits of the Holy Spirit are alive and well at St. Elizabeth's. I invite each of us to share the joy of our Pentecost celebration and to invite family and friends to come and experience a taste of all that the Holy Spirit has been doing to renew and transform our church. Share the Holy Communion. Welcome the newly baptized. Talk story. Tell our story. Give thanks and celebrate *your* family's story linked to St. Elizabeth's story. And feast.

With the love, joy and peace of Christ,

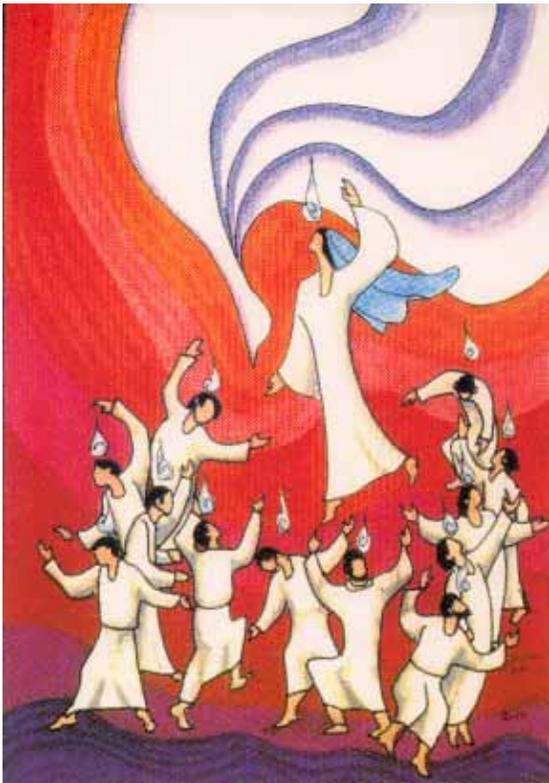
*Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony.* Colossians 3:14

## Did you notice

that St. Elizabeth's was featured *again* in the May issue of the Hawaiian Chronicle newspaper? This time a photo was published of our Christmas party for our neighborhood children. St. E's was the example of a church working on the diocesan strategic planning goal of evangelism.

Behind the scenes and not so behind the scenes: our Sr. Warden, Stuart Ching had a poem honoring Charlie Proctor published in the Iolani School Bulletin. Stuart's craft with words also helped the Search Committee for the new Bishop of Hawaii to publish the Diocesan Profile. His information on the history of our diocese and its links to the monarchy were invaluable.





*St. Elizabeth's and St. Luke's  
join together for*  
**Pentecost**

**International Festival Day**

**Sunday, June 4th**  
**Worship Service 9:00-10:00 am**  
**Lion dancers lead us to**  
**Festival International**  
**Potluck, 10:15 am**

Friends and family of both St. Luke's and St. Elizabeth's are invited to share a reunion of our joint history and the Birthday of the Christian Church. The Birthday of the Church is called Pentecost or Whitsunday. We will celebrate with Holy Eucharist, the wearing of traditional red or national dress. An indoor-outdoor potluck follows.

**Our sympathies**

**to the family of:**

**Rose S. Chee**

Born Sept. 2, 1906

Born to Eternal Life May 24, 2006

Rose is survived by son, Roy Chee (Tina) and daughter, Annette Kaneko (Roy), 8 grandchildren, and 11 great grandchildren.

**Baptized at Pentecost 2006**

**Elyjah-Dane Elwen Kaneshiro Badua**

**Elyson Arnel Kaneshiro Badua**

Parents are Elycar Bugarin Badua and Wendy Kehaulani Kaneshiro, godparents are Milton Isimang and Tiarie Madali.

**Alex Pomaikai Nagamine**

**Kaitlin Kuulei Nagamine**

Parents are Anne and Kenneth Nagamine, godparents are Lori Tominaga and James Nagamine, Jr.

**Kolby Yoshiro Batangan**

Parents are Karen and Gilbert Batangan, godparents are Robbie and Phan Esteban.

**Important Talk Story Sunday**  
**June 11th**

Our Vestry needs and wants to hear from everyone regarding the future of St. Elizabeth's, and the calling of a new Rector. We ask 30 minutes of your time directly following worship on June 11th. Refreshments will be served in the church. Vestry members will be asking for and listening to **your** valuable input to these three questions.

1. What *has been* going well and *is going well* right now at St. Elizabeth's?
2. What are some of your concerns or worries?
3. What are your hopes for the future of St. Elizabeth's?

From your input and information, our parish profile will be developed and we will be able to move to the next stage of the calling of a new Rector. Mahalo for your help. Your Vestry.



**June Birthdays**

- 6/1 Jerry Goo
- 6/2 Sanson Kom
- 6/4 Wallace Tyau
- 6/5 Noah Blaisdell
- 6/5 Frances Ching
- 6/8 Pearl Kau
- 6/8 Glenn Woo

- 6/8 William Blaisdell
- 6/9 Tracy Blaisdell
- 6/9 Allen Chan
- 6/9 Lori Ho
- 6/11 Charles Kokubun
- 6/12 Jodene Hawkins
- 6/15 Sharon Sunagawa
- 6/16 Lani Kealoha
- 6/17 Alan Ramos
- 6/18 Kenneth Fujishige
- 6/21 Eunice Hughes
- 6/26 Imenta Helly

Answers to STE Crossword--back page:

Across: 1. Ching. 5. Francis. 6. Gerald. 7. Eng. 11. Episcopal. 13. You. 14. Amen. 17. Tyau. 18. Lent. 19. Easter.

Down: 1. Crosier. 2. Baptism. 3. Vine. 4. Elizabeth. 8. King. 9. Font. 10. Votive. 12. Organ. 15. Ing. 16. Fan.



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# Children's Outreach Reading Program Growing

Wednesday afternoons at St. Elizabeth's Outreach Center are happy days for neighborhood children. From locked apartments and television watching, children come with their brothers and sisters. It is hard to tell what the children love most—being read to—or learning to be a reader/storyteller themselves. From tots to Princess Kaaiulani and Like Like students, the children are well behaved and delighted to be at St. E's. The Kamehameha 4-H students did a great job of getting us started with the Read to Me Program. Ms. Liesl is a master story teller with her story aprons that keep the children coming back for more. No child goes home hungry thanks to generous donations of snacks and juice. If you would like to volunteer, please contact Kit Hawkins or Liesl Eng.

## Father's Day

Did you know that most collect calls are made on Father's Day?

At bedtime, a devoted father often prayed with his children and sometimes he sang them to sleep. Then one day he heard his five-year-old son tell his three-year-old daughter, "If you pretend you're asleep, he stops singing!"

*via JoyfulNoiseletter*

## St. John's, Kula, Founders Day

Stuart Ching, speaker at both Eucharists

June 24 and 25, 2006

That time has come again to remember the Founders of our church! We give thanks for all of those faithful Christian folks who have served in St. John's in days which have now gone by.

Our Maui Festivities this year will include dinner on Saturday evening, at 6:00p.m. and lunch after the 9:30 worship service on Sunday. The dinner on Saturday will be catered and the folks from Honolulu are to be our guests. We will celebrate, remember and give thanks!

June 24 - 2:00p.m. - 2:00P.M. - A visit to the Tong Cemetery and Ket Hing Society Building.

June 24 - 6:00p.m. - Dinner at St. John's with music and stories.

June 25 - 7:30a.m. - Eucharist

9:30a.m. - Eucharist - Stuart Ching, our Diocesan Historiographer, will present a message about the importance of our history at both services.

11:30a.m. - Luncheon

We welcome everyone who would like to come to our Founder's Day. Please RSVP to St. John's at 1-808-878-1485 for the Saturday dinner. Mahalo!

## Church Attendance May 2006

8:15 Sunday average  
Chinese language service

103  
5



## Paul Jacobs Organist Extraordinaire at St. Andrew's Cathedral

The organ world has been set on fire by a young artist named Paul Jacobs, who at age 29, has been called the greatest organist of this century.

He came to national attention in 2000 when he performed the complete organ works of Bach in a single 18-hour marathon, mostly all from memory.

Paul will be giving an organ recital on Friday, June 9th at St. Andrew's Cathedral, 7:30 pm and he will forever change the idea that organ recitals are boring or dull. No admission will be charged, but donations are welcomed.

This is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity for Hawaii concertgoers to experience a musical genius, who at age 25 was the youngest faculty appointment at the Juilliard School of Music.

More information may be obtained by calling Katherine Crosier at 550-4717 or 221-9608.



## Gecko Reports

Troy Esaki has been accepted at Iolani School. He begins 7th grade this fall.

Sarah Kleinschmidt received a tuition scholarship award at the Ascension day Cross Ceremony at St. Andrew's Priory. The award is based on GPA, community service and all-around student. It is award to one Junior for her Senior Year by the Alumni Class of 1937.

Dr. Gerald Gifford is recovering well from knee surgery at home. Dr. Gifford looks forward to joining us all soon for worship. Mother Jodene and Kit's grandson, Nathan, will be visiting in June. This will be Nathan's first flight to Hawaii on his own from Bozeman, Montana.

Kerry Wong, son-in-law of Jimmy and Lani Kealoha, received his PhD in Linguistics from U.H. He is the first ever to write his entire dissertation in the Hawaiian language.

THE FAMILY CIRCUS



"I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of a miracle..."

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**Prayer for Relationships**

"Lord, when we are wrong, make us willing to change. When we are right, make us easy to live with."

*The Rev. Peter Marshall, former Chaplain to the U.S. Senate (via Joyful Noiseletter)*

**St. Elizabeth's Crossword**

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**ACROSS**

- 1. STE senior warden
- 5. STE Junior Warden
- 6. Dr. Gifford
- 7. STE treasurer
- 11. STE denomination
- 13. The Lord be with \_\_\_\_
- 14. Prayer ending
- 17. Gertrude or Lillian
- 18. Pertaining to the 40 days before Easter
- 19. Resurrection Day

**DOWN**

- 1. Bishop's staff
- 2. A sacrament
- 3. \_\_\_\_ and branches
- 4. Mother of John the Baptist
- 8. Christ the \_\_\_\_
- 9. Baptismal basin
- 10. Small candle
- 12. Marie plays it
- 15. Lowell and Douglas
- 16. Chinese language priest

**Answers are found on page 2.**

*Holy Humor:* "Marriage: first year--man speaks, woman listens. Second year--woman speaks, man listens. Third year--both speak, the neighbors listen."



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