E HŌ MAI

E hō mai (i) ka ʻike mai luna mai ē
ʻO nā mea huna noʻeau o nā mele ē
E hō mai, e hō mai, e hō mai ē (a)

(3X)

Give forth knowledge from above
Every little bit of wisdom contained in song
Give forth, give forth, oh give forth

na Edith Kanakaʻole

The Episcopal Church in Lāhainā, West Maui

H.M. Alexander Liholiho, King Kamehameha IV and H.M. Queen Emma Kaleleonalani

History of the Anglican and Episcopal Church in Hawaii, Lahaina

- **October 11, 1862 –** Bishop Thomas Nettleship Staley arrives with his family and others. The first Anglican service is held at a chapel in Nuʻuanu on Oʻahu, celebrated by Bishop Thomas Nettleship Staley, both King Kamehameha IV and Queen Emma are baptized. At a later date, they are both confirmed in the Anglican Church in Hawaiʻi.

- **November 30, 1862 -** The Anglican Church in Hawaii is formally established in Honolulu

- **December 14, 1862 -** The first Anglican service on Maui was held in the Hale Aloha meeting house, conducted by the Bishop Thomas Nettleship Staley, using King Kamehameha IV's translation of the Book of Common Prayer. 1

- **1863 -** After initial services, the congregation regularly met at a ship's chandlery office on Canal Street. An unknown author penned: "The premises of Messrs. Bolles and Co. (a ship's chandlery) were leased (on the site of the present King Kamehameha III School) to use as a church and boy's school: Luaʻehu School." Lua'ehu School for Boys, founded in 1863 by Reverend William R. Scott, "to educate future leaders of the kingdom", shared the chandlery space with the Holy Innocents' congregation.1

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- **1863 -** King Kamehameha IV and Queen Emma either purchased or granted the land mauka of the Hale Aloha building for use as a cemetery and deeded it to the "Synod of the Anglican Church". 3 The first burial, at what is now called the Hale Aloha Cemetery, according to a date on a tombstone, appears to be in 1871.

- **1865 -** The Anglican Church in Hawaii leased the former US Marine's Hospital at what is now 1038 Front Street from James Dow, MD. The Female Industrial Seminary moved from Honolulu to Lahaina to the US Marine‘s Hospital, later the seminary was renamed St. Cross School for Girls, operated by the Devenport Sisters (Anglican Sisters of the Most Holy Trinity), led by Mother Priscilla Lydia Sellon.

- **1868 –** Lua‘ehu School for Boys moved to Oahu and merged with St. Alban's College. Queen Emma bestowed the name ‘Iolani and they eventually became ‘Iolani School.

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- **1872 -** The lot on the corner of Prison Street and Front Street was purchased for the sum of $600 from Henry Dickenson Sr. by the Right Reverend Alfred Willis, DD. and became the site of the original Holy Innocents Church in Lahaina.

- **1872 -** Mother Priscilla Lydia Sellon, upon Dr. Dow's death, purchased the US Marineʻs Hospital from his estate for $1200 for use by the St. Cross School for Girls.

- **January 1, 1875**—Holy Innocents Church on Prison and Front Street is consecrated

- **February 2, 1875 -** Alfred Willis, Bishop of Honolulu sells the Prison and Front St. property to the Trustees of the Anglican Church in Hawaii for the sum of $1.00.

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- **1877 –**The Devenport Sisters, out of financial necessity, concentrated their efforts on St. Andrew's Priory in Honolulu and St. Cross School for Girls was continued by the Rev. S.H. Davis and his wife until 1884, presumably on the Prison and Front Street property.

- **1878 -** The Anglican Church purchases US Marine's Hospital from Mother Sellon's estate. US Marine's Hospital then became the Holy Innocents' vicarage "for the next 30 years".

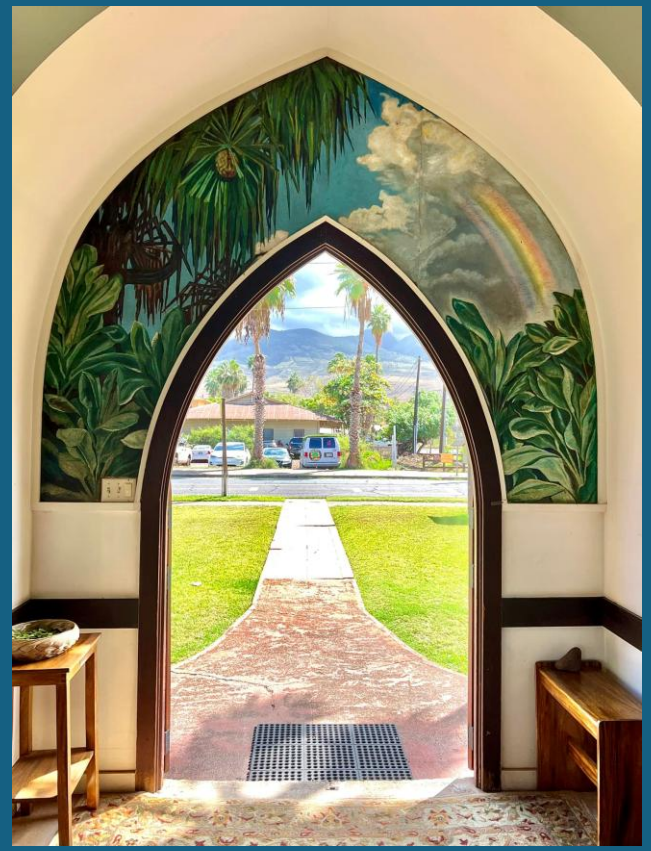
- **1902 –** The Anglican Church is officially transferred to the Protestant Episcopal Church in the U.S.

- **1907—**The first "night school" for adults in Lahaina was established by Rev A.B. Weymouth. "When the Rev. Leopold Kroll assumed charge it became apparent that a hall for meetings and entertainments was necessary, this was soon built." This school continued, also as a day school, serving primarily Asian residents, particularly Koreans. 1

- **1917—**A land trade for the Holy Innocents corner property on Prison Street and Front Street and the Abner Paki parcel was completed with the Bishop Estate—(Abner Paki was the father of Bernice Pauahi Bishop and the hanai father of Queen Liliuokalani). This was the parcel fronting the ocean. **2**

- **1926-27—**A sanctuary, a new vicarage and parish hall were completed on the present site--a combination of both the Fannie Young parcel and the Abner Paki parcel. The church was designed by the architect William D'Esmond and built by George Ward Yamayoshi.

- In the years following, the Church acquires a beachfront camp, Camp PECUSA; the sanctuary is enlarged, a new Parish Hall is built, the Holy Innocents Preschool is established, the rectory is enlarged, an office building, conference room and library are added. The Kahi Maluhia columbarium is also added to Hale Aloha Cemetery and the land of Camp PECUSA is relinquished to new owners, Olowalu Elua Associates and renamed Camp Olowalu.



- E hele aku ʻoukou me ka maluhia e aloha a e mālama i ka Haku…
- Go in peace to love and serve the Lord!
- Mahalo ke Akua!