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DJ'10 message: Be spiritual detectives

Disciples journey to
Holy Nativity for annual
formation event

By Liz Beasley

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On Friday, April 16, and Saturday, April 17, members of the Diocese of Hawai'i gathered in the second annual Disciple's Journey, a yearly gathering for the purpose of formation and mission. Disciple's Journey 2010, or DJ'10, was advertised on its web site as "...a time and place for your faith to be challenged and your spirit renewed." It was held at Holy Nativity Church in Aina Haina, which proved to be a spacious and relaxing venue.

Friday events consisted of six intensive workshops held throughout the day, beginning at 9:00 a.m. "Intensive" meant that each workshop was four hours long, divided into two two-hour segments with lunch in between. This allowed participants to delve deeply into a particular subject or experience.

The main event began Friday evening, with dinner beginning at 5:00 p.m., followed by an address by the keynote speaker, the Rev. Canon Chuck Robertson, Canon to the Presiding Bishop of the Episcopal Church.

The title of Canon Robertson's address was "Be a Barnabas!" He reminded participants that we are not God and to lighten our loads by not trying to do everything ourselves. Instead, we need God and we need one another.

Using the example of the Apostle Barnabas, Robertson told those gathered



Participants in Disciple's Journey 2010 gather in one of the small-group discussions that accompanied the event. Beginning at the left and going clockwise around the table: John Hawkins, Dot Shigemura, John Kikukawa, Ernest Harris, Kala Holden, Derrick Shimabukuro, and Amy Null.

that the job of all of us as Christians is to be spiritual detectives: to see God's footprints in events and to show these signs to others. In the Acts of the Apostles in the Bible, Barnabas is often showing God's hand at work and connecting people with one another so that God's work might be done. His name means "Son of Encouragement."

The initial keynote address was followed by small-group discussions, and the evening concluded with the worship

service of Compline.

After breakfast on Saturday came Morning Prayer, led by the Rev. David Jackson, Rector of Epiphany, with music supplied by the band from St. Nicholas, Kapolei. Then the group was

treated to another keynote address by Robertson. After the keynote were two sessions of workshops, with time for small-group discussion following each session.

Worship and lunch was held in between the two sessions of workshops. In the worship service the group said the rosary together, led by the Rev. Paul Lillie, Rector of St. Mark's, Honolulu, with Bishop Robert Fitzpatrick offering meditative reflections on the Bible passages.

The same eight workshops were offered during each session. The workshop presenters consisted of some local talent from within the Diocese and some presenters from elsewhere in the Episcopal Church, such as Episcopal Church Center, Church Publishing, the Diocese of Chicago, and Trinity Wall Street in New York.

While the approximately 70 adults who attended were engaged in these pursuits, about 15 children attendees were occupied in their own activities. The children's program was led by Sharon Pearson, Christian Formation Specialist at Church Publishing, and assisted by Sue Macklin of St. Michael and All Angels, Lihue.

The event concluded with a Eucharist service, with Bishop Robert Fitzpatrick as preacher and celebrant. At the Eucharist, Bishop Bob blessed stoles decorated by the children during the day. The clergy who were present were invited to take a stole at the close of the worship, which they enthusiastically did.

For reflections from some of the attendees at DJ'10, see pages D and E.

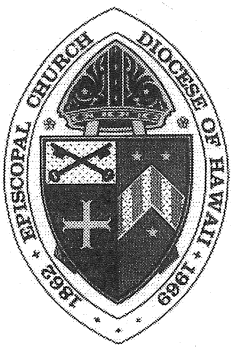
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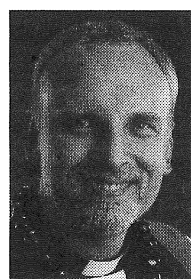
Make a gift to the future

Aloha i Akua,

I am most proud of the increased activities of the diocesan Planned Giving Commission. I urge the people and congregations of the Diocese to call upon the Planned Giving Commission to develop plans to help make major gifts to the Church or to provide for the Church after death. The rubrics of The Book of Common Prayer (page 445) state: "The Minister of the Congregation is directed to instruct the people, from time to time, about the duty of Christian parents to make prudent provision for the well-being of their families, and of all persons to make wills, while they are in health, arranging for the disposal of their temporal goods, not neglecting, if they are able, to leave bequests for religious and charitable uses."

The Planned Giving Commission of the Diocese assists churches and Episcopal agencies in building their financial resources so future ministries will be assured. The Commission is available to help individual donors in their estate plans and in creating life-income gift plans where appropriate. The reciprocal gifts return benefits to you that can reduce taxes, increase retirement income and address your family's financial obligations, while they assist the ministry that has been meaningful to you during your lifetime. Members of the Commission are at your service. The Commission can help clergy and congregation's lay leadership to develop a congregational Planned Giving Program – or help strengthen your existing program. These services are free to the congregations and members of the Diocese. There is an abundance of information for your use.

I suspect that most members of the Diocese have the resources



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Robert L. Fitzpatrick**
BISHOP OF HAWAII

and opportunity to make major gifts during the course of their lifetimes and/or a planned gift after death. Our congregations and clergy have to be prepared to ask for and properly receive major gifts to enhance the mission of the Church.

What are the opportunities for mission?

1. Gifts of houses or major gifts can be used to provide clergy housing for every congregation. The houses can be used directly as vicarages, or the resources from the sale of the houses or the monetary gifts can be used as an equity share for housing.
2. Gifts and bequests given directly for congregations can be used to support ministry and infrastructure of the local Church. Unrestricted gifts can help future leaders shape the ministry of the congregations in changing times.
3. The Diocese has two subsidiary organizations that can greatly benefit from gifts and bequests to serve the community.
 - St. Andrew's Priory School for Girls has need of major gifts for scholarships and unrestricted gifts.
 - Camp Mokule'ia, Inc., has need of major gifts to improve and expand the buildings and property and to establish endowment for the long-term

4. The Diocese of Hawai'i has four areas that can benefit from major gifts and bequests:
 - The Episcopate Fund currently funds the position of the bishop. Gifts to this Fund would allow the positions of the bishop's secretary and the canon to the ordinary (executive officer) to be funded without impact on congregational assessments.
 - Funds are sorely needed to provide for theological formation for future ordained leaders without their incurring unhealthy personal debt.
 - The Clergy Children's Scholarship Fund is a small endowment that produces a few hundred dollars each year for scholarships. The fund could provide a benefit to clergy children and other family members if it were significantly larger.
 - New funds are needed to provide resources for the purchase of land for new churches, to establish new congregations (in new sites and in current locations) and to aid the future capital needs of existing congregations to further mission.

As Bishop, I am eager to help congregations engage mission and to do that we need sustainable financial resources. Major gifts, planned gifts and bequests are one way the Church can provide for that mission. I call upon

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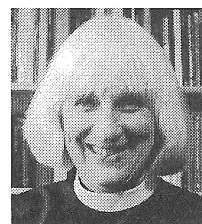
What has formed who you are?

Perhaps you have noticed that these days, we don't talk much about "Christian education." Instead we use a different term: "Christian formation." Much of the work I do falls under the category of "formation." (This is when I am not doing deployment — helping churches and clergy in transition, of which we have quite a number. But even this work involves some formation!)

So what is formation? When I have been asked what the difference is between "education" and "formation," I say that education is often taken to have a more narrow meaning. It is associated with learning content (for example, the names of the books of the Bible, or being able to recite the Apostle's Creed by heart) in a classroom setting.

Formation, on the other hand, has a wider sense. It suggests being shaped and molded by everything that we read, watch, and do. This may be an unfair distinction between the terms "education" and "formation," but it is how the terms are often used these days in church circles.

Thus, worship can form us. Instead



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of just learning the words of the Apostle's Creed, so that we can recite it upon command, we (and our faith) are shaped by saying the Creed day after day in Morning and Evening Prayer. Then, for example, we might experience within ourselves the truth of the phrases "forgiveness of sins" or "communion of saints," as happened to me once as I said the Creed in Morning Prayer. Or instead of just being able to recite the books of the Bible, in the proper order, we come to understand the grander story that they tell of God's interactions with humanity and know ourselves as part of that story.

We are also formed by our interactions with other people. When I was in seminary taking a "Religious Education" class, the instructor

started off by asking us to remember a childhood Sunday school teacher. She wanted us to notice whether what we remembered was what the teacher taught us or the way in which he or she taught. Immediately I remembered my sixth-grade Sunday school teacher in a Methodist church in Chamberlain, South Dakota. I did remember the content of my childhood Sunday school classes, but I remembered this particular teacher for the way she cared for us students. I understood the point my seminary instructor was trying to make that the childhood Sunday school teachers we remembered best were those who taught us about the love of Christ by *showing* it to us.

We are also formed by what we read and watch. I long ago gave up watching horror movies because I don't like how they affect my spirit. Just as unhealthy food can have a negative effect on our bodies, so some books, movies, TV shows, and music can have a negative effect on our minds, souls, and spirits.

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Diocese launches new Web site

The Diocese of Hawai'i redesigned and relaunched its official Web site, www.episcopalhawaii.org, on March 1, 2010. In the process, it also brought the hosting and design to a local company, Intraprise Technologies (ITK), which also serves as the computer and technology consultant for the Office of the Bishop. The new design, which was created by ITK staff who are also members of St. Paul's, Honolulu, replaces the design that was instituted in 2004 and was designed and hosted by companies in California.

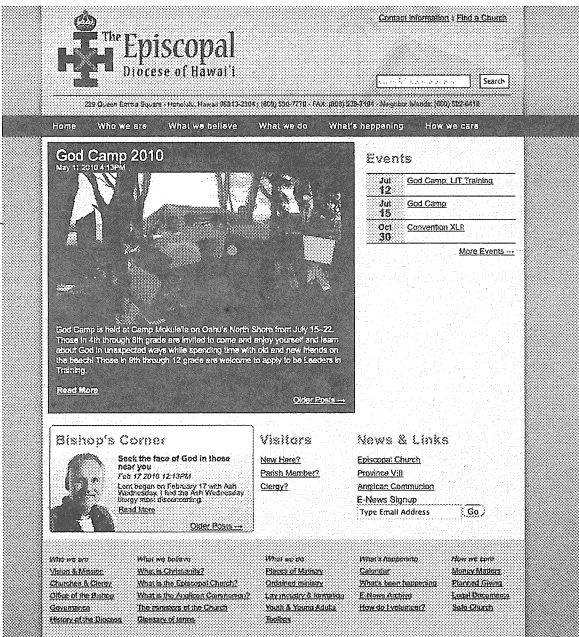
Information is still being uploaded to the new Web site. Since there is no staff person on the Bishop's staff whose sole responsibility is communications, the responsibility for updating content on the site is being divided among the five staff people and possibly volunteer(s).

In designing the new site, ITK did well at taking all the ideas and desires voiced by the Bishop's staff and creating a site that incorporated them all, while still keeping the site coherent and simple. This article serves as an introduction to navigating through the new site. It might be best if you read this while sitting at your computer! First, go to: <http://www.episcopalhawaii.org>.

In the top right corner is the "Find a church" link, which provides a quick jump to the list of churches and their locations and contact information.

The primary links are listed across the top in the brown bar: Who we are, What we believe, What we do, What's happening, and How we care. Clicking on one of these phrases will take one to an introductory page that describes the subsections in that area.

Alternatively, a user hovering the computer mouse over each of



these phrases will discover that each has a drop-down menu leading to other information. These same main categories are listed at the bottom of the Home page in the gray box, to provide another source of navigation links. This gray box appears at the bottom of each page in the Web site so that the primary links are always available.

Who we are provides information about the vision and mission of the Diocese, the churches and their locations, the Office of the Bishop and its staff, the governance bodies (Diocesan Council, Standing Committee, and Commission on Ministry), and a brief history of the Diocese.

What we believe covers explanations of the Christian faith, the Episcopal Church, and the Anglican Communion, including a glossary of the strange terms that we Anglicans use.

What we do describes where we do ministry, who does it, and how we

do it. This is the place to go, in its several sections, for information on schools in the Diocese, licensed lay ministries, the ordination process, youth ministry, and church positions open in the Diocese. A major resource in this section is the "Toolbox." It will continue to be supplemented with information on and links to resources for congregations and clergy. The Toolbox is the place to go for a link to the Parish Paper, the monthly two-page publication with useful guidance for congregations to which the Diocese subscribes.

What's happening

provides the calendar (in the form of a list of events), some articles on past events, and an archive of the diocesan E-News. Chronicle issues will be included in the "What's been happening" section.

How we care covers stewardship matters, in its broadest sense. It includes all the documents and information related to finances and property, diocesan canons and by-laws, safe church (Safeguarding God's Children and Sexual Misconduct Prevention), and planned giving.

Below the brown navigational bar is the Spotlight section. This is an area in which we can highlight an upcoming or past event. A photo will be the primary information provided about the event on the Home page, with a few lines of introductory text and a link to further information.

To the right of the Spotlight is the Events section. Those events coming up soonest will be listed there, with a link to more events, in the Calendar.

Below the Spotlight and Events

are three more sections. The Bishop's Corner provides Bishop Robert Fitzpatrick's most recent Chronicle column. Since the Chronicle is being published only four times a year now, Bishop Fitzpatrick may also write more frequent columns that will be posted here but not published in print. A link is provided to previous columns.

On the right are News & Links. This is the place to go for links to news and official sites for The Episcopal Church, Province VIII (the geographical section of The Episcopal Church of which Hawai'i is a part), and the Anglican Communion. A sign-up box for the diocesan E-News is also provided here. All members of the Diocese are encouraged to sign up for this E-News, which is delivered via email.

In the center is the Visitors section. This provides quick links to other sections of the Web site that people might want, whether they are clergy, church members, or people new to the Episcopal Church or the Christian faith. ITK created this area of the site in response to the Bishop's staff's recognizing that the Web site for the Diocese of Hawai'i has to serve its own congregations and clergy, while also providing information to completely new visitors.

As a sample, here are directions to frequently used items:

The diocesan Prayer Calendar: Go to: What We Do > Toolbox > Diocesan Prayer Calendar OR What We Do > Places of Ministry > Prayer Calendar link.

Supply clergy: Go to: Who We Are > Churches and Clergy > Supply Clergy List.

Clergy compensation policy: Go to: How We Care > Money Matters > Current documents for diocesan use.

We hope you enjoy the new Web site!

Beasley

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I sometimes struggle with the decision over whether I should watch or read something so that I know what's going on in popular culture, or whether I should obey my inclination to avoid some things because their underlying mindset, worldview, or message is spiritually detrimental ("American Idol" comes to mind). I have tended to decide (especially as I get older!) that time is short and why waste my time on things that are detrimental?

I thought of all this recently because I got in the mail the "Spring Books" issue of The Christian Century, a religious biweekly news magazine. Since I love to read, I especially enjoy their twice-a-year issues focusing on recent books. Bishop Bob got a hold of the issue first and called my attention to a section in which several clergy had listed the five books that had most formed them in their ministry.

These lists were accompanied by an article in which a relatively new Lutheran pastor told of the preacher at

her ordination saying to her, "You are not equipped." As she undertook the hard work of ministry, she increasingly found how true this statement was, so she went looking for books to help. At first she tried "the how-to manuals, the ecclesial version of self-help literature," easily "spotted by its propensity for enumeration. The three-minute pastor! Six strategies for stronger stewardship! Ten ways to improve your prayer life!" She found all the strategies she tried were met with indifference in her congregation. Eventually, she gave up this strategy, commenting, "Though these books all contained potentially fruitful proposals for congregational life, they also posed a deadly temptation. Salvation by programming led us away from the One who really could raise us from the dead." Instead, she turned to books that, "[i]nstead of offering strategies for success and effectiveness, they provide steady counsel about humility, attentiveness, obedience and surrender." She then goes on to name the books in this genre that have been the most influential on her vocational identity: her understanding of who she is as an ordained person and what God calls her to do (and perhaps more

importantly, not to do).

(I'm not sure the web address will remain "live," but if you wish to read the full article, go to: <http://www.christiancentury.org/article.lasso?id=8406>. The section in which five clergy offer their five most influential books is not available online.)

So what has formed you?

And for clergy, what five books have shaped your own vocational identity and understanding of ministry? Bishop Bob asked me to ask the clergy to ponder this question over the next few months. Perhaps we will ask for us all to share this at the clergy retreat (September 26-28). Perhaps we will create a list to share among one another. For now, think about your ministry and the five books that have most shaped you. (And I asked: the Book of Common Prayer and the Bible don't count.)

For all of us, notice how you are formed, shaped, molded by what you read, watch, and do. That is formation.

Addition to the Editor's column

If this issue of the Hawaiian Church Chronicle just doesn't look like most of them do, there's a very good reason: We did not have the usual professional expertise of our layout person, Elizabeth House. Just as all the articles and pictures were collected, she came down with the "Honolulu crud" (my term) that had been floating around town for the previous few weeks. I know — I was just getting over it.

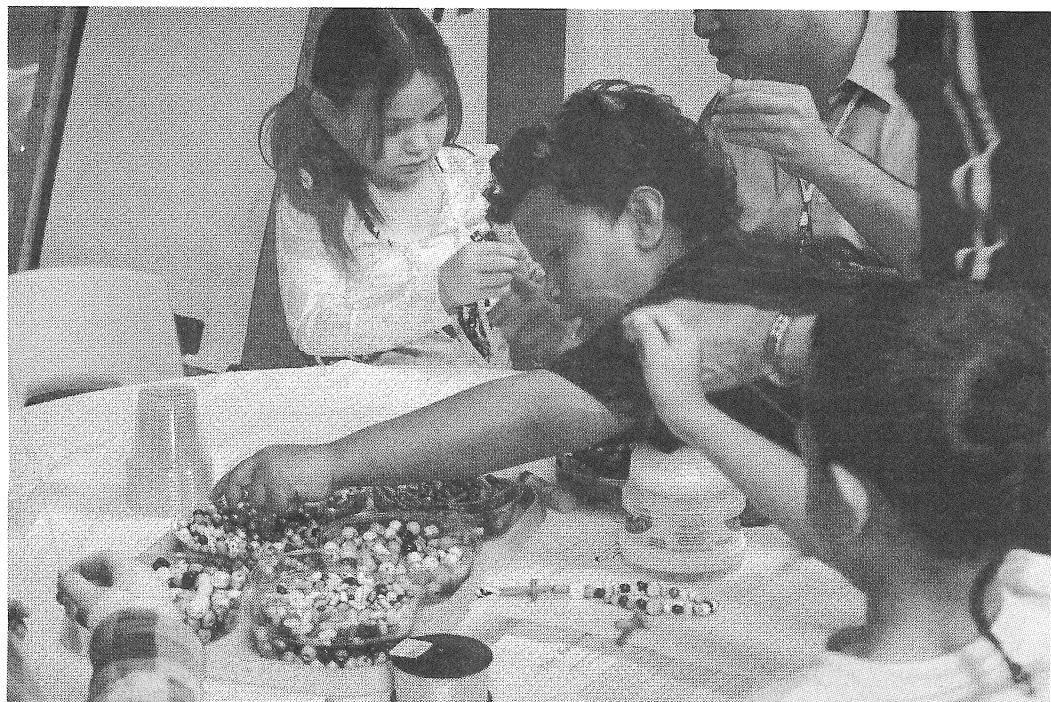
So yours truly quickly put together the issue, which meant attempting to relearn some complicated software at the last minute.

So my apologies if pictures might be a little fuzzy, or type the wrong size, or all sorts of other possible little problems!

I dispensed with photo credits. Our new clergy supplied their own photos, Susie Miller sent the one of Linda Decker's ordination, and I took the rest.

Thank you for your patience, and keep Elizabeth in your prayers for healing! This illness can hang on for a while, but we hope it doesn't with her.

Images and reflections from DJ'10...



My major impression was of the people at DJ10 — old friends, new friends, and, in particular, the chance to get to know some of the presenters. I found myself surprised by the presentations themselves — positively, to be sure, but they often weren't at all what I was expecting. The presentation on praying the hours, for instance, was a very effective witness talk describing the effect on the presenter when he went back to a regular prayer life (after being asked by Keane to give the presentation!). While I wasn't really excited by any of the topics in advance — I don't think we (the Planning Team) did a good job of describing and selling them — I found the presentations at the weekend uniformly challenging and useful. I also really appreciated the slow pace of the schedule — having time for long talks and for digesting what I'd been hearing in the workshops. I think the logistics went very well — the location worked well, the food was good, and all the transitions went smoothly. My only real regret was the comparative lack of neighbor island participants — most of the ones I saw were on Council, on Standing Committee, or were somewhere in the ordination track — we didn't seem to reach the newer leadership of our neighbor island congregations. But, all in all, I thoroughly enjoyed DJ'10, and felt it was a rewarding and enjoyable two days.

— *John Decker, Good Shepherd, Wailuku, Maui*

As at every church gathering, I enjoyed hanging out with old friends, meeting people from other congregations, welcoming newcomers. I particularly liked the long leisurely periods for conversation — over meals, and chewing on the questions provided. It was nice that people stayed “on campus” and weren't running out for snacks or to do errands.

The workshops and the whole experience stretched my spirituality — or rather put some more tools in my belt, and reminded me of some I've been forgetting to use. And I have been forgetting to balance habit with variety... Walking the labyrinth was new to me; I loved the leisure to let sins and disappointments drip off me, to hang out in the peace of the center, and to absorb blessings and guidance on the way out. ... The rosary was a real surprise, especially the meditations. All the worship was good: the variety, which seemed less strident than last year. I even got a kick out of watching the Altar Guild ladies go about their tasks during Saturday morning worship; prayer is not fragile...

— *Linda Decker, Good Shepherd, Wailuku, Maui*



Photos on this page: Top: Children make Anglican Prayer Chains from beads during the children's program. Center: Canon Chuck Robertson presents his second keynote address on Saturday morning. Bottom left: Children create stoles and an altar frontal, led by St. Michael's Sue Macklin. Bottom right: Keane Akao, Chair of the DJ'10 planning team, speaks to the group.

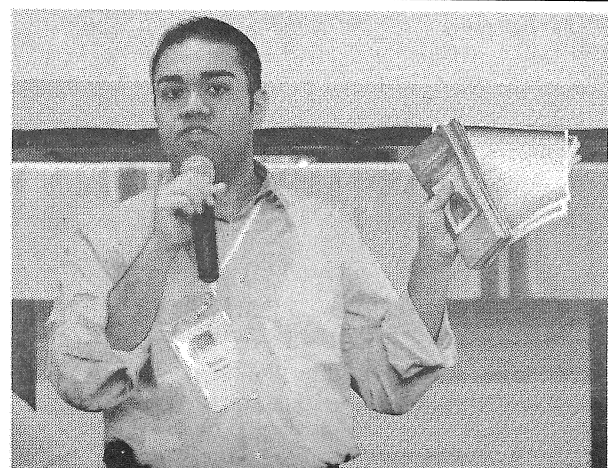


As I mentioned my thoughts to others (including Bishop Bob), this year's DJ was the best spent at Holy Nativity rather than Turtle Bay Resort. The biggest impact for me was the location. There was no feeling of busyness or distraction that a resort site would have because of its purposes.

The selection of guest lecturers was a big contrast to those at DJ09, especially Vicki Garvey on “Whenever you pray” and Ruth-Ann Collins on “Life's too busy not to pray.”

It was another venue that added to my experiences gained on Friday and Saturday, and wished that the weather could have been much more pleasant. In a prayer of thanksgiving for all for their sharing of themselves.

— *Kaimi Ganotise, Epiphany Church, Honolulu*

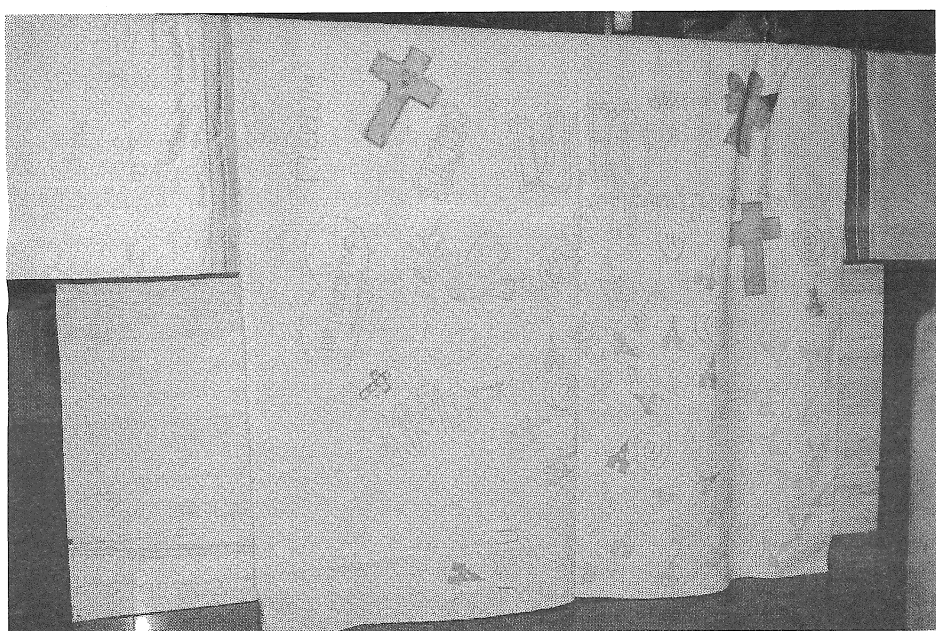


...and more images and reflections



My experience at DJ'10 was, first of all, too short. To pick out two workshops to attend on Saturday out of the many excellent offerings was challenging. Bill Allport's "Faith: Technology and Faith Practices" was a practical choice. We mined the field of information technology, confusing at best to a 70+-year-old female. Bill helped us zero in on sites which could be most helpful to us personally as well as to our congregations. Well done. Mark Bozzuti-Jones's afternoon session "Living Up to My Baptismal Vows" was for me the highlight of the day. He led our group in a meditation which was powerful and memorable. Imagine yourself on the banks of the Jordan River standing next to Christ and walking into the water to be baptized by John the Baptist. It was a remarkable experience. Thank you, Mark. Particularly noteworthy also for me was Chuck Robertson's keynote which challenged our congregations to look honestly at our individual mission and secondly his excellent talk on Barnabas. As my church, St. Augustine's, begins a search for a new vicar, I felt I had ideas to take back with me which will be helpful in gathering information for our profile.

— Susan Denman,
St. Augustine's, Kapa'au, Big Island



Photos on this page: Top: Bishop Robert Fitzpatrick blesses stoles held by one of the children who helped to decorate them during DJ'10. Above: The altar frontal decorated by the children. Right: Icons on display in Jenny Wallace's "Practicing the Presence of God" intensive workshop on Friday. Below: Ruth Ann Collins in her Saturday "Life's too busy not to pray" workshop. Icon photo by Jenny Wallace.

DJ'10 was a memorable experience for me. Above all else, I was gripped with a sense of privilege of being called to God's work. From the time I stepped through the entryway at Holy Nativity and into the courtyard, I was struck by a clear sense of entering into a safe space set aside from my daily concerns. Much of the time, I was listening to or entering into other people's stories, both personal and professional, in ways that identified their passions and how they experienced and shared Christ in the world. I came to feel that when I am not collected, I become a hazy shadow of the life we are promised. DJ'10 allowed us all to be collected and to spend time experiencing what it is like when our attention isn't taken, captured, fragmented by the demands around us—an attention that is free to be present to one another.

In the Bishop's workshop on "Five basic spiritual practices that challenge us personally," Bishop Fitzpatrick created a relaxed family context for his workshop where we asked questions comfortably without the press of "doing and "fixing." I began to consider all the ways in which I allow my attention to be taken. We discussed the elements of a rule of life that assists us in entering into the mystery of who we are as it registers a structure that links us to each other and to God.

In worship, I was aware of both joy and tranquility. The diversity of music and liturgical traditions built an unseen linkage, like a rosary, between those of us gathered, a current of life, and an unknown dimension. Sometimes I was delighted and bemused by the unexpected, such as the altar guild becoming unwitting shadow puppets, in the backdrop of a PowerPoint slide. And together they reminded me that I am helped and supported because of the presence of others who joined together with me in this exploration. I was there, we were all there to enable that link to appear.

— Cynthia Carson, Cathedral of St. Andrew



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every member of this Diocese to plan for the future of the Church through our wills and planned gifts. We have a strong Planned Giving Commission that is available to help individuals and churches. For more information you can contact Mr. Peter Pereira, the Diocesan Treasurer, at (808) 536-7776, extension 307, or email at PCPereira@episcopalhawaii.org. I am also here to help in any way I can. There is much to done and everyone is needed.

Aloha i Iesu Kristo,
+Bob
+ *Keali'ikoakeakua*

Go to:

For more information on Planned Giving, go to: <http://www.episcopalhawaii.org/planned-giving>

Clergy retirements and resignations

The Rev. Thomas Buechele has announced his retirement as of July 1 and therefore his resignation as Vicar of St. Augustine's, Kapa'au. The Bishop's Committee has formed a Search Committee.

The Rev. Tony Litwinski has announced his resignation as Rector of St. James, Waimea, in order to accept a call to St. Augustine of Canterbury Church in Wiesbaden, Germany. He and his wife, the **Rev. Jana Johnsen**, plan to move to Germany sometime in August.

The following clergy transitions in the Diocese of Hawai'i have been reported already, but they bear repeating.

The Rev. Tom Van Culin retired as of April 1 and accordingly resigned his position as Vicar of St. Luke's, Honolulu. The church is using supply clergy.

The Rev. Lynette Schaefer retired as of May 1 and accordingly resigned her position as Vicar of Grace Church, Moloka'i. Her final Sunday was April 25. The church is interviewing a candidate.

The Rev. Russell Johnson retired as of May 1 and accordingly resigned his position as Rector of Holy Apostles, Hilo. His final Sunday was Easter, April 4. The Vestry has formed a Search Committee.

The Rev. William Allport has announced his resignation as Rector of St. Peter's, Honolulu, to accept a call to St. Helena's, Boerne, Texas, in the Diocese of West Texas. His final Sunday was May 9. The Vestry has formed a Search Committee.

The Rev. Cass Bailey has announced his resignation as Rector of St. Christopher's, Kailua, to accept a call to Trinity Church, Charlottesville, VA. His final Sunday was May 30. The Vestry has formed a Search Committee.

The Rev. Heather Mueller is retiring as of October 1 and will accordingly be resigning her position as Rector of St. John's, Kula, Maui. The Vestry has been interviewing a candidate for Interim Rector.



Deployment Officers of dioceses in Province VIII, plus a few spouses, gather for dinner at the Willows restaurant, hosted by Bishop Robert Fitzpatrick, during their spring meeting, held this year in Honolulu.

Diocese hosts national gatherings

The Diocese of Hawai'i was the host for two gatherings in mid-April, one for Province VIII and one for the Episcopal Church. Both meetings were held at the Hilton Hawaiian Village.

From April 11-13, Canon Liz Beasley hosted eleven other deployment officers from Province VIII for their spring meeting. Deployment officers — now increasingly called transitions officers — work with churches and clergy in the search process; in other words, with those churches and clergy undergoing transitions. The deployment officers in Province VIII meet twice a year in order to share news of positions open in their dioceses and the names of priests searching for new positions. As part of their meeting, they participated in a training videoconference with the Office of Transition Ministries (formerly the Church Deployment Office) in New York.

The deployment officers were piggy-backing on the annual meeting of the Conference of Diocesan Executives

(CODE), those people who work on the staffs of bishops in the Episcopal Church. Peter Pereira, Treasurer of the Diocese of Hawai'i, is on the Board of CODE, and Canon Liz Beasley is also a member.

CODE met this year in Hawai'i from April 13-16, with the theme "Hospitality Aloha Style." Bishop Robert Fitzpatrick set the tone for the meeting in the opening Eucharist service. In his sermon, he told those gathered to relax during their time in Hawai'i. He said that Hawai'i is a place of fire, wind, and water, and recommended that CODE members let the fire burn away what troubles them; to let the wind (i.e., the Spirit) blow through them; and to let the water wash over them. He offered the specific recommendation that they go sit in the ocean while here in order to let their troubles wash away. CODE members took him at his word, as many remarked over the ensuing several days that it was a much more relaxed meeting than usual.

Several other people in the Diocese participated in the meeting as speakers. The Rev. Bill Miller, Rector of St.

Michael and All Angels, Lihue, was the Chaplain for the event, presented several workshops, and gave a plenary address called "The Complete Idiot's Guide to Congregational Development (as Told by a Complete Idiot)." He brought with him outstanding musicians for the worship services.

Stuart Ching, Historiographer of the Diocese, gave a plenary address entitled "Bishops, Priests, and Kings: An Overview of the Anglican Church in Hawaii," complete with a slide show. Bishop Fitzpatrick and the Rev. Canon Randy Albano, Vicar of St. Paul's, Honolulu, gave a workshop on "Ministry in a Multicultural Setting." And Kala Holden, member of St. Nicholas, Kapolei, gave a workshop on "Hawaiian Cultural Values."

The Rev. Canon Chuck Robertson, Canon to the Presiding Bishop of The Episcopal Church, was also a keynote speaker. Later in the day after speaking to CODE, he departed to be the keynote speaker at the Diocese's Disciple's Journey 2010 (see story on page A).



The Rev. Bill Miller, Rector of St. Michael and All Angels, Lihue, served as the Chaplain of the annual Conference of Diocese Executives, meeting this year in Honolulu. Here he delivers a plenary address on congregational development to this meeting of bishops' staff members from around the Episcopal Church.

Cathedral, Bishop Offices closed to outside Mondays

Effective immediately, the Cathedral office and the Office of the Bishop will be closed every Monday for an in-office staff work day. This means that as a general rule, the Memorial Building door bell and phones will not be answered on Mondays. This will enable staff to catch-up on important work and work even more efficiently. Since there are no clergy present in either office on Mondays, this move is also for the safety and security of the staff.

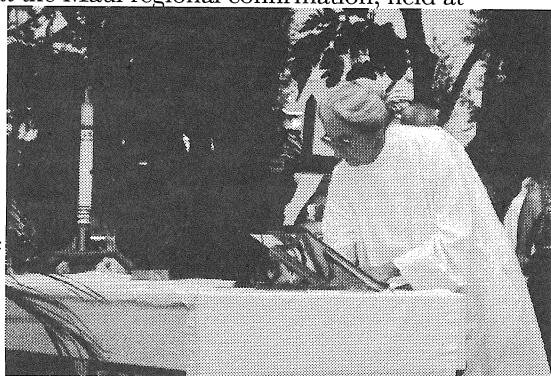
Regular office hours will remain in effect Tuesday through Friday. These are 9 am to 5 pm in the Cathedral office, and 8 am to 4 pm in the Office of the Bishop. Mahalo for your understanding and kokua!

Two ordinations to the transitional diaconate

Two members of the Diocese are being ordained to the transitional diaconate at regional confirmations this spring. Linda Decker, of Good Shepherd, Wailuku, was ordained on Sunday, May 16, at the Maui regional confirmation, held at Trinity by-the-Sea Church, Kihei. Decker earned a Master of Divinity degree from Weston School of Theology in 1981 and fulfilled all other requirements for ordination. Decker will help out at congregations on Maui and will be available as a supply priest once she is ordained to the priesthood.

Heidi Edson, a member of Christ Church, Kealahakua, will be ordained on Saturday, June 12, at the Big Island regional confirmation service. She graduated in May from the Church Divinity School of the Pacific in Berkeley, California, where she has been attending for the past three years. The Bishop is in conversation with her about possible placement in the Diocese.

Persons to be ordained to the priesthood are first ordained as Deacons for a period of at least six months. This is called the "transitional diaconate," to distinguish it from those who are called to serve as Deacons permanently.



St. Thomas members join Christ Memorial

At its meeting on May 15, the Standing Committee accepted the request from the members of St. Thomas, Hanalei, to become an unorganized mission, with its membership moving to Christ Memorial, Kilauea. The change will become effective July 1. St. Thomas has seven members, all of whom serve on the Bishop's Committee. This is fewer than the 12 members required to be an organized mission, according to diocesan canons. The plan is to retain the St. Thomas property and make it available for ministry of other kinds in Hanalei.

Jackson and Arney host pilgrimage to Holy Land

A two-week pilgrimage to Jerusalem and the Holy Land will be held from September 11-23, 2010, led by the Rev. Carol Arney and the Rev. David Jackson. Arney is Rector of Good Samaritan, and Jackson is Rector of Epiphany, Honolulu.

From the trip's brochure: "Our trip will be a true pilgrimage with worship, spiritual reflection and bible study woven into the fabric of the journey. We will have a chance to renew our baptismal vows in the Jordan River on our journey. We will be lodging at the Guest House at St. George's Cathedral and visitor center in Jerusalem for most of our stay. This is the heart of the Anglican/Episcopal presence in Israel and Palestine. After getting to know the Holy City of Jerusalem, we will travel to Galilee, the childhood home of Jesus, and the place where he began his ministry."

Call the Rev. David Jackson at (808) 734-5706 or the Rev. Carol Arney at (808) 735-5944 or 734-5632 today for more information and to reserve your place. Or go to: http://web.me.com/arneycm/Good_Samaritan/Jerusalem/Entries/2010/5/3_Jerusalem_Pilgrimage.html#

Cathedral Rummage Sale to Benefit Kalihi School

The Cathedral of St. Andrew will hold their annual rummage sale the weekend of June 25-27. This year, the proceeds will benefit Kalihi Waena Elementary School on Gulick Avenue in Kalihi.

Kalihi Waena's location in an area of the city where resources are few and children's needs are plentiful makes this an especially worthy project for the Cathedral Outreach committee. The rummage sale funds will help the school pay for cafeteria meals, student field trips, computer printers, miscellaneous school supplies, and more.

The sale will be held in Davies Hall and on the Cathedral grounds at the following days and times: Friday, June 25, from 4:30 - 8:00 pm; Saturday, June 26, from 9:00 - 2:00 pm; Sunday, June 27, following the 7, 8, and 10 am services.

Help is needed in many areas. To volunteer, to drop off donated items or for more information please call the Cathedral at 524-2822 ext. 508, or Susan Hays at 282-3881.

Positions Open in the Diocese as of May 13

Calvary Episcopal Church, Kane'ohe, O'ahu

Position available: Priest-in-Charge. This position is part-time.

Stage of search: Has recently interviewed an additional candidate after a previous candidate was not able to accept a call.

Cathedral of St. Andrew, Honolulu, O'ahu

Position available: Dean

Stage of search: Bishop is forming a search committee.

Note: The position of Canon Pastor has been eliminated; the Cathedral will have one priest.

Grace Episcopal Church, Hoolehua, Moloka'i

Position available: Vicar

Stage of search: Are about to interview a possible candidate.

Holy Apostles Episcopal Church, Hilo, Hawai'i (Big Island)

Position available: Rector

Stage of search: Newly formed Search Committee is just starting work on a profile.

St. Augustine's Episcopal Church, Kapa'au, Big Island

Position available: Vicar. This position is part-time (1/2 to 3/4)

Stage of search: Newly formed Search Committee is just starting work on a profile.

St. Christopher's Episcopal Church, Kailua, O'ahu

Position available: Rector

Stage of search: Newly formed Search Committee is just starting work on a profile.

St. John's Episcopal Church, Kula, Maui

Position available: Rector

Stage of search: The Vestry has interviewed a priest to be a 3/4-time Interim Rector for 18-24 months. They are at the point of writing a Letter of Agreement.

St. John's by-the-Sea, Kane'ohe, O'ahu

Position available: Vicar. This position is part-time.

Stage of search: Have discussed a possible "regular supply" solution with the Bishop.

St. Luke's Episcopal Church, Honolulu, O'ahu

Position available: Vicar. This position is part-time.

Stage of search: The church is relying on supply clergy.

St. Peter's Episcopal Church, Honolulu, O'ahu

Position available: Rector

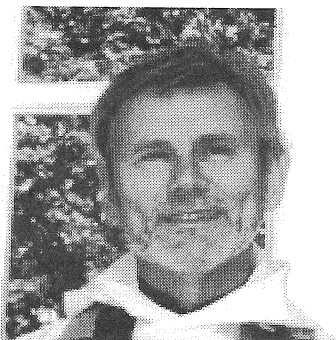
Stage of search: Newly formed Search Committee is just starting work on a profile.

St. Timothy's Episcopal Church, Aiea, O'ahu

Position available: Rector

Stage of search: This search is temporarily on hold while the Vestry considers whether it can afford a full-time position.

New Clergy take up positions

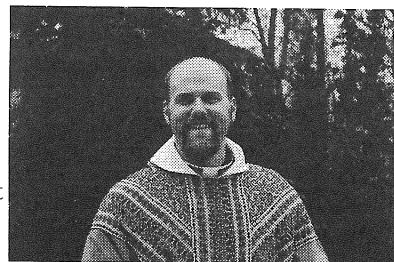


In March, two clergy took up new positions within the Diocese of Hawai'i.

On March 28, **the Rev. Richard Tardiff**, pictured at left, began his new position as Rector of Christ Church, Kealahakua. Tardiff, who has lived previously in both Hawai'i and Alaska, comes most recently from the Diocese of Maine, where he has served as the Rector of the Parish of St. Andrew and St. John in Southwest Harbor since 2006. He has an M.Ed. in Counseling

from the University of Hawaii. He comes to Hawai'i with his wife, Pamela.

The Rev. Paul Klitzke, pictured at right, began as the Vicar of St. Nicholas, Kapolei, on March 17. Klitzke, who is from Wisconsin and earned his M.Div. from the School of Theology in Sewanee, currently serves as the Rector of St. David's Church, Wasilla, AK, as well as fulfilling other ministries in the Diocese of Alaska. His first Sunday will be on March 21. He will be joined after the school year ends by his wife, Sarah, and their two children.



Both Tardiff and Klitzke have immediately jumped into activities in the Diocese. Tardiff is planning the liturgy for the Big Island regional confirmation and ordination on June 12 (thanks to the kindness of his fellow clergy!), and Klitzke played guitar in the St. Nicholas band that played the music for Morning Prayer on Saturday at DJ'10. Mahalo to you both!

Learning about self, God, and neighbor on Moloka'i

Diaconal formation group spends weekend retreat together

On the weekend of March 12–14, the Diocese's group of people preparing for ordination to the Diaconate, called Na Imiloa, journeyed to Moloka'i for a retreat. The group has been meeting almost monthly since October 2008, but until March, the meetings were always just a few hours long on a Saturday or Sunday at a church on O'ahu.

Last fall, group member William "Tubz" Kalipi, a member of Grace Church on Moloka'i, proposed that the group spend a weekend together on Moloka'i. The purposes were to know one another better, to experience Moloka'i, and to see the ministries happening on this island.

Tubz and his wife, Lei, kindly offered to host the entire group at their home. There were seven others in attendance: Kaimi Ganotise, Epiphany; Kalani Holokai, Good Shepherd; Lani Kaaihue, St. Elizabeth's, Honolulu; Cris South, St. John's, Kula; Mahi Beimes and Tori Tualatamalelagi, St. John's by-the-Sea; and Peter Wu, St. Peter's. In addition, there were Na Imiloa's facilitator, Canon Liz Beasley, and her husband, Kirk.

Offered here are reflections by several Na Imiloa members.

Togetherness and beauty

The March weekend retreat was very special, especially for those who had never been to Moloka'i. It gave us not only a chance to relax but also a chance to enjoy the serenity of this beautiful island. Not only did we have good weather, good laughs, good fellowship, but most of all a sense of togetherness as a group which I believed we all treasured. Beside taking part in the Daily Office, we also had the opportunity to meet with community leaders to learn about their ministries which helped us understand what "Ohana" means and what "Live a life worthy of your calling" (Ephesians 4:1) is all about. And we thank God particularly for giving us the opportunity to worship at Grace Church before the Rev. Lynette Schaefer retired. From the wild stories we shared, to the midnight bread run, what a wonderful and memorable weekend to remember.

—Peter Wu, St. Peter's

Not only was I touched by the open hearts of the Na Imiloa group itself, it was a blessing to go out into the community on Moloka'i and hear the hardship and faith firsthand from people who live there. Such a beautiful place with warm, strong people who still have love in their hearts. The tours around the island, on foot and by car, were rewarding and deeply moving. I came away filled with incredible awe and respect for so many who have been hit so hard and yet keep their heads up, their hearts strong and their faith alive. Thank God for all of them. To have been part of that weekend was a gift indeed. God is truly working in our island home!

—Cris South, St. John's, Kula



A portion of the Na Imiloa group before attending the Sunday service at Grace Church. To left of sign, L to R: Kalani Holokai, the Rev. Canon Liz Beasley. To right of sign, in back: Lani Kaaihue, Peter Wu, Kaimi Ganotise, Tubz Kalipi. In front: Tori Tualatamalelagi, Mahi Beimes.

Finding connections amid a sense of 'wrongness'

We disembark at the Moloka'i airport. The big blonde tourist in the spaghetti strap muumuu and plastic flower-covered straw hat makes herself comfortable on the low stainless steel counter, spreading her hand-carry bags to either side and initiating a cell phone call. When the baggage handlers shoo her off the luggage rack with gentle smiles she smiles back. The handlers wait patiently as she collects her things, jabbering on the phone, while other passengers shoot her the stink eye.

That small incident foreshadowed the three days of our Moloka'i retreat. Everywhere we saw gentle, smiling people dealing with a subtle "wrongness." The unspoiled beauty of the natural surroundings and the generous hospitality of our hosts made us instantly comfortable, like coming

home...where we belonged. Yet the sense of things being not quite right strengthened when we walked through deserted streets, stood at a street corner hearing about school closings, rising unemployment, struggling neighbor helping struggling neighbor, churches and social service agencies under pressure to provide more services with less. A community leader spoke about the growing problem with crystal meth as an electric blue tricked-out car make its rounds a few streets uphill of where we stood...a bastardized version of the ice cream wagon of old.

Lei Kalipi said it well: "You don't define a community by economics. It's defined by relationships."

Timeless connections, those relationships that she referred to. Our Na Imiloa group felt those connections

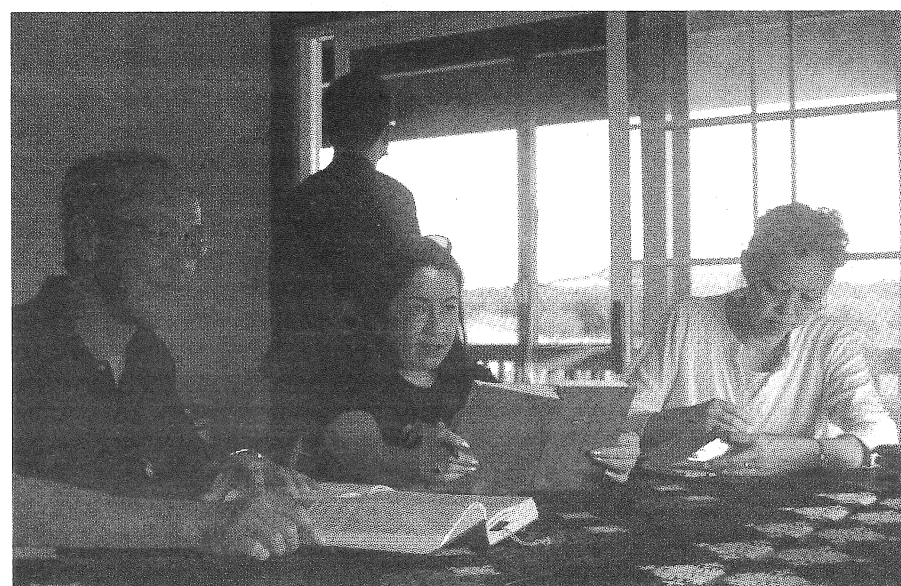
as we studied, worshipped, prayed, and laughed together for three days. We shared our personal journeys, current challenges, and pre-Formation formation, that is, our youthful follies. We asked questions and helped each other find answers. This fellowship of seekers is invaluable to me because every day all around me I see people suffering in many different ways. Without this community I would feel overwhelmed. The words of the postcommunion prayer remind me that we, not just the people in Na Imiloa, not just the people in churches, the social workers on Moloka'i, but all Christians in community pledge every Sunday: "And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord."

—Lani Kaaihue, St. Elizabeth's

Aloha and mana'o

I would also like to add [to what Peter said] the Aloha shared by the community members of the different "villages" of the island and their mana'o in how to keep their people centered spiritually and culturally that best fits who they are. I found that all of this is done by example — their teachers, administrators, community outreach, small business — and all come from the island. They went out to earn their degrees and returned to nurture their own. I was astounded by their diligence and tenacity into making it all pono so that they are able to live together peacefully. I am glad that I saw firsthand the success of generations involved. Mahalo E Ke Akua! Mahalo Kalipi 'Ohana for sharing!

—Tori Tualatamalelagi, St. John's by-the-Sea



Na Imiloa members shared the responsibility during their retreat of preparing and leading worship services of Morning and Evening Prayer. Here, L to R, Peter Wu, Mahi Beimes, and Lani Kaaihue plan together, while in the background Kalani Holokai surveys the Moloka'i scenery.