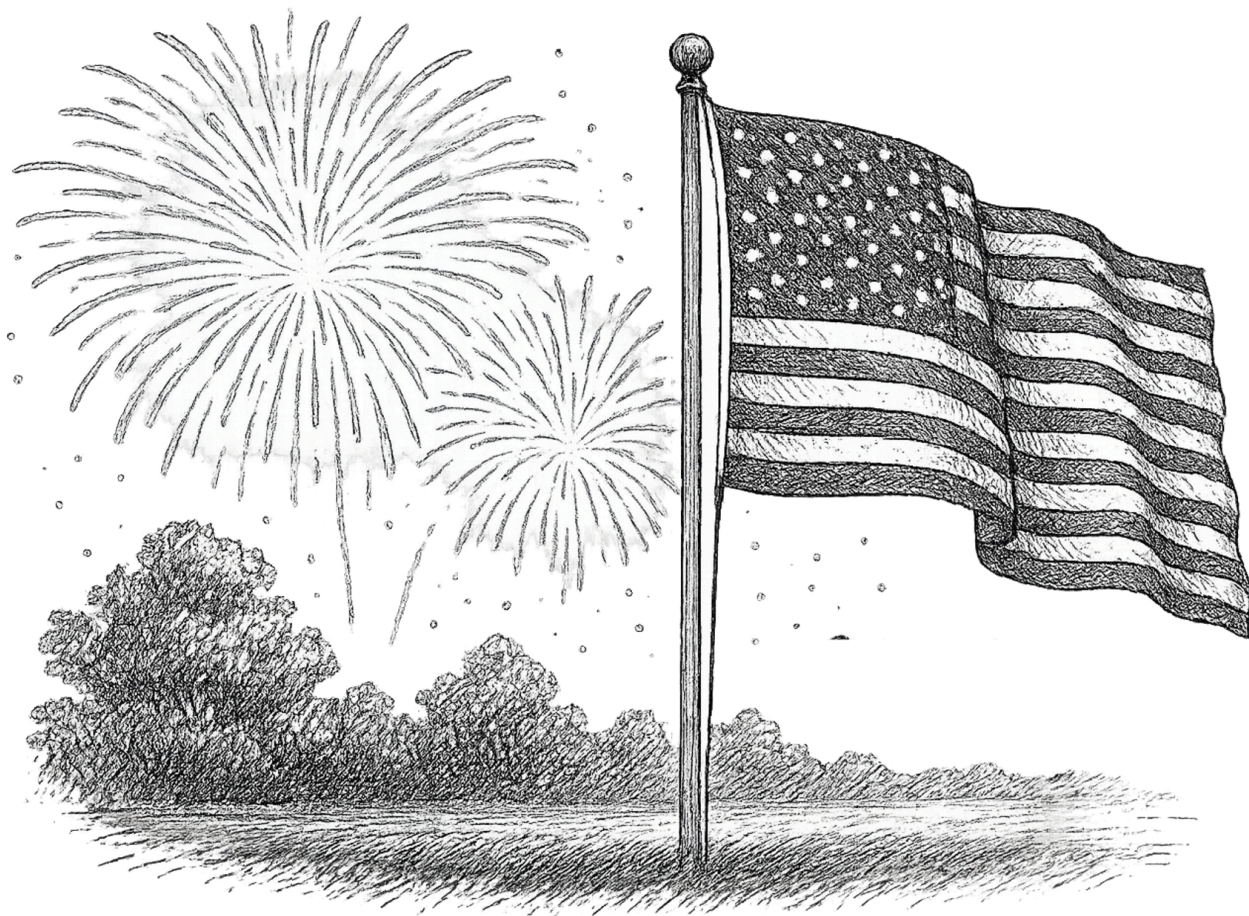


THE FIRST CHINESE CHURCH OF CHRIST IN HAWAI'I



*Loving God, loving people,
and sharing the Good News*

Lord's Day, July 6, 2025
10:30 AM

WORSHIP SERVICE

July 6, 2025 – 10:30 AM

PRELUDE

Voluntary in E Minor, Op. 5, No. 4

Karl Bachman, Organist
John Stanley (1713-1786)

CALL TO WORSHIP

Justin Li

Psalms 96:1–6

PRAYER OF ADORATION

Justin Li

SHARING ALOHA

Congregation

SONGS OF PRAISE

Praise Team

Here I Am to Worship (Tim Hughes)

Power of Your Love (Geoff Bullock)

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Rev. Jonathan Lilley

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Rev. Jonathan Lilley

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Rev. Jonathan Lilley

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended into hell; on the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the everlasting life.

Amen.

HYMN

Congregation

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name (Red Hymnal #97)

TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Justin Li

SONG OF THANKSGIVING

Praise Team

Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus (Helen Lemmel)**PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

Justin Li

SERMON

Rev. Jonathan Lilley

"Sent into Opposition"

Matthew 10:16–25

RESPONSE HYMN

Congregation

*Behold the Lamb***THE LORD'S SUPPER**

Rev. Jonathan Lilley

COMMUNION SONG

Praise Team

God With Us (MercyMe)**CLOSING PRAYER**

Rev. Jonathan Lilley

DOXOLOGY

Congregation

BENEDICTION

Rev. Jonathan Lilley

POSTLUDE

Karl Bachman, Organist

Prelude and Fugue in F Major, BWV 556

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

E Komo Mai

If you are a first-time visitor, we invite you to fill out a "Welcome Card" found in the foyer and place it in the Koa Bowl at the front of the church. We would love to connect with you and share more about our church and the various ministries and opportunities available to you. We look forward to getting to know you and helping you feel at home!

SERMON NOTES

“Sent into Opposition”

Matthew 10:16–25

Big Idea: Following Jesus costs us—but He’s worth it. We don’t walk the hard road alone; we walk it with Him.

1. **The Cost of the Mission is Real** (vs. 16–18)

2. **The Presence of the Spirit is Promised** (vs. 19–20)

3. **The Pattern of Christ is Our Model** (vs. 21–25)

Questions for Reflection:

1. Am I choosing comfort over faithfulness in any area of my life right now?
2. What might change if I trusted the Holy Spirit to speak through me this week?
3. How does remembering Jesus' suffering help me face my own?

DISCIPLESHIP HELPSHEET

Heidelberg Catechism

Question 3: *How do you come to know your misery?*

Answer: The law of God tells me. (Rom. 3:20; 7:7-25)

Question 4: *What does God's law require of us?*

Answer: Christ teaches us this in summary in Matthew 22— “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.” This is the greatest and first commandment. And a second is like it: “You shall love your neighbor as yourself.” On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.” (Deut. 6:5; Lev. 19:18; Matt. 22:37-40)

Question 5: *Can you live up to all this perfectly?*

Answer: No. I have a natural tendency to hate God and my neighbor. (Rom. 3:9-12, 23; 7:23; Eph. 2:1-3; Titus 3:3)

Memory Verse:

2 Timothy 2:17- *For God gave us a spirit not of fear but of power and love and self-control.*

Upcoming Sermon:

7/13/2025	Pastor Sun Preaching	----	—
7/20/2025	The Book of Matthew	Fearless Confession	Matthew 10:26–33

Missionary of the Month: This month, we are lifting up Hawaii Chinese Christian Mission Gospel Center in Honolulu, Hawaii. HCCM serves the Chinese-speaking and immigrant community through English classes, Bible studies, senior outreach, and gospel-centered programs. To support mission partners like HCCM, please mark “missions” on your tithing envelope.

This Week's Announcements - 7/6/25

- ❖ **Mahalo to Cheryl & Ron Carreira** for this week's beautiful altar flowers in memory of Ada Yee Young.
- ❖ **Love Feast:** Join us today after Worship in the gym for our monthly Love Feast. Everyone is invited!
- ❖ **Archery:** All ages are invited to join On Target for Christ, a free archery fellowship, on Saturday, July 12, from 10am-2pm in the playground.
- ❖ **Vacation Bible School:** This year's VBS will be held on July 28 through August 1 from 6:00–8:30 p.m. It's a SPORTS VBS! Kids in PreK–5th grade will learn to “Run the Race” with Jesus through fun games, lessons, and activities. Register on Sundays in the Breezeway from 9:45–10:25 a.m. Cost is \$10 per family.
- ❖ **Donations for VBS:** The Snack Team is collecting the following items - Paper napkins, Paper towel rolls, Dinner and Dessert plates, and Boxes of individual packaged chips. Please bring your donations to the Ewa Lanai by the next two Sundays on July 13 and July 20.
- ❖ **English Midweek Bible Studies** will not meet on Tuesdays and Fridays throughout the month of July. Regular sessions will resume in August.
- ❖ **English Adult Sunday School** will not meet on July 13, 2025. It will resume the following week.
- ❖ **Men's Breakfast** is scheduled for Saturday, July 19 at 9:00 AM in the Conference Room. Join us for a time of fellowship over breakfast! Bring a dish to share.

STUDYING THE BIBLE TOGETHER

Tuesday

9:00–10:00 AM.....Midweek Morning Bible Study (Master's Hall, MPR Rm)

Friday (except the last Friday of the month)

6:45 PM.....Dinner (w/ Mandarin congregation)

7:30–8:30 PM.....Midweek Evening Bible Study (Founder's Hall, Rm 303)

Sunday

8:45–10:00 AM.....Children & Youth Sunday School (Founder's Hall)

9:00–10:00 AM.....Adult Sunday School (Master's Hall, MPR Rm)

ONLINE GIVING

If you would like to give online, scan the QR code or you may visit
<https://www.firstchinese.org/go/>.



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“We fear men so much because we fear God so little.”
— William Gurnall (1655)

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