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### Give Us This Day Our Daily Bread

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"DATA, MISSION, AND DEEP QUESTIONS"

Plan to attend: **November 4**

**Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. HST via Zoom**

Check the Coconut Wireless newsletter for registration info.

### THIS MONTH'S EMERGING THOUGHT

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### Prayers of Aloha

Praying for & with each church of the Hawai'i Conference UCC

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Church of the Holy Cross, Hoolehua Cong'l Church, Kahikolu Cong'l Church, Makawao Union Church, Kaluaaha Cong'l Church, Central Union Church, Living Stones Church, Kona Lanakila Cong'l Church, Lili'uokalani Protestant Church, Kalihi and Moanalua Church, Kawaiaha'o Church, Lihu'e United Church



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